

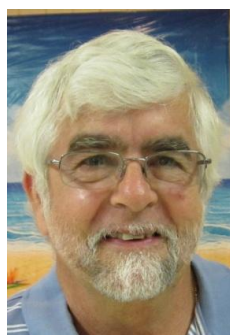
Treasure Talk



The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

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From The President's Corner...

The 2013 Central Florida Sunshine Shootout & Relic Hunt is now history and the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club has every right to be proud! We hosted an event which drew hobbyists from Washington state, Ohio, Indiana, California, Texas, North Carolina and many, many other locations both near and far.

Kellyco and Minelab were outstanding partners to work with and really stepped up to help make the entire day fantastically fun.

A great many club members also stepped up and helped to make this first ever national event a roaring success by investing their time and effort in a variety of ways. Many have worked for months putting this all together and there is no way it would have happened without each of you.

The way I remember it: With over one hundred and fifty participants and guests this event came off without a hitch... sort of.

Even the weather (*if you'll look on the bright side*) was a blessing. By raining all morning long, Moss Park was practically deserted except for

the diehard detectorists who were strong willed enough stay there and play in the rain. The bright red Minelab rain jackets made for a great group picture and rain even made hiding targets a little bit easier by washing away all traces of soil disturbance.

Speaking of targets; thousands and thousands and thousands of small metal items and silver coins were neatly tucked away under the soil by an all too small group of cheerful volunteers (*many of whom can no longer stand erect without almost crying*). These targets were quickly snatched up by enthusiastic participants after each hunt. And the volunteers were happy to begin the process again....sort of.

I won't dwell on the fact that the tents were just a bit finicky. I don't think the women would have even noticed the sagging tents if the rain wasn't pouring down their backs. And when the tents fell or sagged or fought to be put away, we all just laughed.... sort of.

The long food line allowed everyone to stand around a visit with old friends and get acquainted with new friends while waiting to be served a great lunch. That was just the way we planned it....sort of.

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Lorrie Sprig

REMINDER: Club dues are \$25 for the year and there is a one-time membership fee of \$15. If you are paying by check, please make it out to "The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club". All members have until April to pay their dues.

Come And Join Us!!!

We meet the second Friday of every month.

Meeting Place: Sanford Garden Club
200 Fairmont Ave.
Sanford, FL 32773

Meeting Date: Friday, May 10, 2013

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM

The Sanford Garden Club is located 2 blocks south of Lake Mary Blvd. on the east side of SR 17-92.

Some members will eat at Colorado's Steak Place prior to the meeting. It is one block north of our meeting place. You can just park at the Sanford Garden Club and walk on over!

Other members will eat at the Ichigo Ichie Buffet prior to the meeting. It is located at 3611 South Orlando Drive (SR 17-92) at the Wal-Mart shopping center located on the west side of the 417.

We eat at 5:30. If you would like to join us, we would be happy to see you! Don't forget, it's BYOM!

Closing Prices For Precious Metals (Per Ounce) For April 30, 2013:

Silver: \$24.35
Gold: \$1474.90
Platinum: \$1505.00



CFMDC Meeting Minutes For April, 2013

**By Debra Green,
CFMDC Secretary**

The April meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:35 pm by club president, Alan James. Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Green.

Secretary Report – Deb Green. Minutes accepted as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer Report – Report read and accepted.

Alan James and Bill Shackelford

April birthdays – Recognized

February anniversaries – Recognized

Guests – Called to the front of the room and welcomed to their first CFMDC meeting

Alan James & Bill Shackelford

Special “Find & Return Award” – Garry Blanton. Gary was presented a certificate for returning a class ring.

George Case

Harbor Freight has a hand-held metal detector for \$17. It looks and functions like a pin-pointer. I have one here at the table if you want to check out how it works.

Alan James

Thank you for checking in before placing your finds on the table. We are trying this new procedure this evening to confirm the category entries you all have submitted. Let us know how you like it and if you have any other ideas to make the process better. We are going to begin having folks at the back of the room during the break to answer questions for our new and returning members.

Break for voting and refreshments

Bill Shackelford

Silver Raffle – Chuck Hosbein, Bill Abbott, David Ranier, Christine Merriam, Alana Bates, Betty Shackelford and David Gray

Half & Half – Ralph Flippo, \$56.00

Name Badge – The number drawn was for Debbie Lewis Riggs. She was not in attendance and the total will rolled forward and raised \$5.

Finds Table Check-in Drawing – George Case won a silver quarter.

Upcoming Hunts

Shoot-Out – As of this evening, we have 50 registrations and two speakers scheduled. Please volunteer for set-up if you are not hunting in the shoot-out. There will be three organized hunts and one clean-up hunt. A noon meal will be included as part of the registration fee and guest lunch vouchers will be available for an estimated fee of \$12 (subject to change).

Alan James

If anyone needs a hard copy of the newsletter, please let us know.

We were treated to a little comic relief when the speaker system wanted to do things its way by shutting off or turning on at will. The entire group came to attention when the microphone feedback “squeaked” just a little. But it was fun....sort of.

Overall the entire day was exciting. We were treated to a quad-copter with cameras circling above, cranes attacking the food tables, and thousands of painted pennies that refused to hide. But that’s just the way I remember it and I’m really looking forward to starting the whole process over again for next year....sort of.

See you at the next meeting,

- *Alan*

TREASURE IN THE NEWS

Taken From Associated Press 04/26/2013

Here’s a story you’re going to just love. Four Virginia siblings have sold at auction a rare 5-cent piece for the staggering sum of \$3.1 Million. Yes, you read correctly. The four siblings will split \$2.7 million, before taxes.

Turns out it was a Liberty Head Nickel with 1913 date, and is only one of five known to exist. It was struck in Philadelphia in late 1912, the last year for the Liberty Heads. In 1913, the U.S. Mint started production of the Buffalo Nickel so these five were struck in error.

This coin had been pronounced a fake by coin graders and sat in a family closet until 2003 when the children turned the coin over to the American Numismatic Association’s World’s Fair of Money in Baltimore where four of the known nickels were on display. A team of rare coin experts finally concluded that this was the missing fifth coin.



A Message From Laurie!

By Laurie Sprigg, Activities Director

Lorrie is feeling a bit under the weather today, so your friendly local editor is jumping in to help out.

Hope you’re feeling better soon Lorrie!

Refreshments this month are:

Janette Parker

Karen / Gary

Harriet and Larry Everett

BACKGROUND OF MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day is a United States federal holiday which occurs every year on the final Monday of May. Memorial Day is a day of remembering the men and women who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. Formerly known as **Decoration Day**, it originated after the American Civil War to commemorate the Union and Confederate soldiers who died in the Civil War. By the 20th century Memorial Day had been extended to honor all Americans who have died in all wars. It typically marks the start of the summer vacation season, while Labor Day marks its end.

BADGE DRAWING

\$50.00 - Debbie Lewis-Riggs

She was not present, so there was
no winner for April.

The prize in May will be \$55.00

FIFTY/FIFTY WINNER

\$56.00 - Ralph Flippo

SILVER RAFFLE WINNERS

Chuck Hosbein

Bill Abbott

David Ranier

Christine Merriam

Alana Bates

Betty Schackelford

David Gray

FINDS TABLE RAFFLE

Winner: George Case

Prize: Silver Quarter

BIRTHDAYS

Tom Bates - April 10

Carol Taylor - April 17

Danny Case - April 22

John Ayers - April 27

Bill Schackelford - April 28

ANNIVERSARIES

Frank & Donna Rothery - 57 Years

Bill & Betty Schackelford - 53 Years

Garry & Karen Blanton - 39 Years

Rob & Susan Hill - 38 Years

There will not be a club
hunt in May except for
the Sunshine Shootout on
May 4, 2013

FINDS TABLES

APRIL 2013

	Name	Points
1.	Bill Green	81
2.	Christine Merriam	45
3.	Jim Burdick	44
4.	Brent Petherick	40
5.	Nanette Burdick	35
6.	George Case	34
7.	Danny Case	28
8.	Rob Hill	25
9.	Ralph Flippo	24
10.	Dave Gascoyne	22
11.	Lonnie Lytle	18
12.	David Morgenstern	17
13.	Scott Jackson	14
14.	Hurley Gashaw	10
15.	Jerry Hitson	10
16.	Chuck Hosbein	9
17.	Steve Meeks	9
18.	Shirley DeVary	7
19.	Lorrie Sprigg	7
20.	Jim Tippit	7
21.	John Ayers	6
22.	Jim Fielding	6
23.	Don Fitzgerald	6
24.	Carrie Gashaw	6
25.	Jerry Sprigg	6
26.	Garry Blanton	5
27.	Jerry Humiec	5
28.	Sally Kornis	5
29.	Mike Rainone	5
30.	Linda Fitzgerald	4

	Name	Points
31.	Tom Funaro	4
32.	Deborah Prock	4
33.	Ron Caizza	3
34.	Donald Cole	3
35.	Larry Everett	3
36.	Cheryl Funaro	3
37.	Hunter Shaw	3
38.	Rob Loucks	2
39.	Karen Blanton	1
40.	Jeanne Cygan	1
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Each 1st Place entry gets 4 points.

Each 2nd place entry gets 3 points.

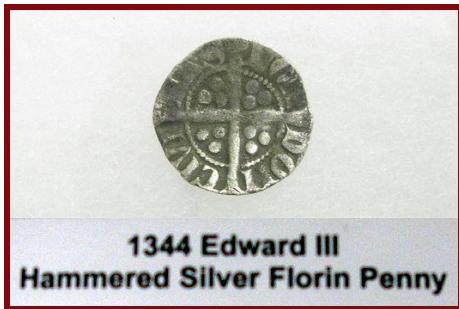
Each 3rd place entry gets 2 points.

All other entries on the Finds Tables get 1 point just for entering!

Monthly Finds Table Winners for
April, 2013

SINGLE COIN

1.	Rob Hill	1344 Edward III hammered silver penny
2.	Donald Cole	Standing Liberty Quarter
3.	Bill Green	1916D Mercury Dime



GROUP COINS

1.	Rob Hill	1592 Elizabeth I silver & 18 th - 20 th Century Coins
2.	Bill Green	Over 2500 coins / 1824 pennies, etc.
3.	Brent Petherick	1,010 U.S. Coins (\$82.98) + others



Monthly Finds Table Winners for
April, 2013

SINGLE JEWELRY

1.	Don Fitzgerald	Gold Ring
2.	Bill Green	Silver ring w/blue center stone
3.	Christine Merriam	14k Gold Ladies Ring



GROUP JEWELRY

1.	Bill Green	50 items - rings, bracelets, tie pins, etc.
2.	Sally Korn	Jewelry
3.	Ralph Flippo	Bracelet, Pub 44, earring, pin, etc.



Monthly Finds Table Winners for
April, 2013

SINGLE ARTIFACT

1.	Rob Hill	1823 George IV coronation medallion
2.	Dave Gascoyne	Civil War Jew's Harp
3.	Linda Fitzgerald	Old tin type



GROUP ARTIFACTS

1.	Rob Hill	Roman, medieval, Georgian, Victorian items
2.	Dave Gascoyne	1830-1860 relics
3.	Bill Green	Brass turn-on handle and key plate



Monthly Finds Table Winners for
April, 2013

SINGLE ODDS & ENDS

1.	Bill Green	.925 silver mouth piece
2.	Brent Petherick	Rooster statue from Banana River
3.	Nanette Burdick	Old Can Lid



GROUP ODDS & ENDS

1.	Bill Green	Light bulbs, keys, hot wheels, etc.
2.	Nanette Burdick	Outlet plug, old bottle, etc.
3.	Brent Petherick	Over 100 fishing weights, etc.

