

# Treasure Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

# SEPTEMBER 2019

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# Carolyn Harwick:

# From The President's Desk

We are at the peak of hurricane season and I hope everyone is ready.
Hurricane Dorian made an impact during Labor Day weekend. Our hearts go out to all of those that were affected. As we recover, remember to reach out if you need anything.

We will have a club hunt on September 14, 2019 at around 8:00 PM at Frank Rendon Park. For those that have not attended before, the address is 2705 S Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach, FL 32118. Remember it is a night hunt and no lights are permitted.

At the meeting this month, please bring in all of your finds. Over the summer, with the extremely high temperatures, there was not a lot of finds. We all love seeing your finds so please bring them in. You never know what we are going to do for the finds table.

Continue to think about running for the board over the next couple months. Remember all positions are available to run for. Including the newsletter editor. If you are interested in running, please let us know.

At the meeting this month, we will have a short activity like we have been doing in the past. You will not need to bring anything to participate this month. I hope you are enjoying these activities!!

As always, if you have helped with any recoveries reach out and let me know!

See ya at the next meeting!

# Carolyn

# Come And Join Us!!!

We meet the second Friday of every month. Meeting Place:

Community United Methodist Church 41 West Highbanks Rd. Debary, FL 32713

Meeting Date: Friday, Sept. 13, 2019

Meeting Time: 7:30PM



# Secretary's Report AUGUST 2019 Meeting Notes

By: Michael McClure

The August meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:30 pm, August 9, by club president, Carolyn Harwick.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Marc Hoover.

#### Secretary Report-

No changes or corrections to the Secretary's letter or newsletter.

### Treasurer Report-

Vickie reported that 7 new members have joined so far this month.

## Jim Fielding -

Welcomed 3 guests to the meeting.

# <u>Carolyn Harwick -</u>

Those celebrating a birthday this month please come to the front of the room.

Jim Hooks, Don Cole, Sophia Lee, Deborah Guimond, Orville Powers, Thomas Shindel, Beatriz Taylor, Brian Mott, Lynda Smolinsky and Carolyn Harwick.



Now those celebrating an anniversary come forward.

Gail & Marc Hoover, Ingrid & Greg Watson.



# Carolyn Harwick -

No club hunt is scheduled for August. Due to the high temperature's.

Please signup if you need a new search team shirt, or want to be considered for the search team. An order will be placed soon.

Give some thought to running for a position on the board or would like to step up as one of the club volunteers. Several positions will be vacated at the end of this year, but you can run for any position.

## Marc Hoover -

Our finds tables are for every ones enjoyment, but vote only if you are a club member. Do not touch or pick up any item unless it is labeled that you may.

Last month a display was misplaced or removed unknowingly. It was a Lightning McQueen car with track. If you remember seeing this item please speak up. A couple of members stated they remember seeing it on the pool table after the meeting.

# Carolyn Harwick -

Stand up if you brought your pinpointer. Over 40 members complied. Now, from the front to the back of the room, single file up to the pool table. Members then chose a box of sand and were asked to pinpoint one object and remove it from the sand. Then take their seat. Carolyn then asked if anyone found a wheat penny, about half of those who searched did. Who found a silver half or silver dime, nearly every one else. Did anyone find a green Buffalo Nickel? Tammy Adams did and received a 1775 Silver Reale as a prize.

# BREAK-

#### Carolyn Harwick -

Ken Arrington and Jerry Burbaugh were called to the front. Both received Certificates of Appreciation for executing multiple searches for lost items, Ken 8 and Jerry 3.



Unfortunately, none of the items were recovered.

## Carolyn Harwick -

Welcomed 4 new members to the club.



# Carolyn Harwick and Jim Fielding -

Called this month's panel for "Ask the Experts" to the front. These were Christine Merriam, Debbie Green, Bill Green and Rob Hill. Tonight's topic: Coin Tumbling. All use a tumbler, not a vibratory device. Separate types of coins; pennies should never be in with clad, or vice/versa. Use a few drops of dish soap with a tumbling medium such as sand or aquarium rock, covering the material with water, but never filling the container. Check the coins every 15-30 minutes. Cream of Tartar was mentioned as a cleaning agent as well.

# Ken Arrington -

Ken had run a side contest related to one of his displays. Guess the dollar value of the coins he had displayed in a jar. Gary Penta won a silver & turquoise ring for the closest guess to \$133.



#### Carolyn Harwick-

The Best Display of the Month as picked by the board is "A Months Worth of Jewelry Finds" brought in by Danny Case.

#### Marc Hoover -

The misplaced item from last month has been located in another area of the church. It will be returned to the rightful owner. Thank you, Alan James, for your assistance.

#### Raffles:

#### Door Prize-

Steven Barkley, Deborah Guimond, Myriam Godwin Stash Duzlack, Bill Green, Sophie Lee, Jim Hooks

#### Silver Raffle -

Don Cole, Jerry Burbaugh, Gene Hitchew (3X) John T. Norman, George Landgrabe

#### 50/50 Raffle-

Douglas Oyler \$94

### Nametag Drawing-

Larry Fadil & Don Hickey: Both MIA

# Marc Hoover & Rob Loucks

Finds Tables

#### Finds Table Raffle-

David Gray

# Carolyn Harwick-

Please help reset the meeting room by replacing the tables. This meeting is closed.

# BIRTHDAYS

Jim Hooks, Don Cole, Deborah Guimond Sophie Lee, Orville Powers, Brian Mott Thomas Shindel, Beatriz Taylor Lynda Smolinsky, Carolyn Harwick

# **ANNIVERSARIES**

Gail & Marc Hoover
Ingrid & Greg Watson

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Bryan Mott, Lynda Smolinsky Bob Johnson, Michael Richardson JoAnn Merklinghaus

# Door Prizes

Steven Barkley, Deborah Guimond, Myriam Godwin Stash Duzlack, Bill Green, Sophie Lee, Jim Hooks

#### SILVER RAFFLE WINNERS

Don Cole, Jerry Burbaugh, Gene Hitchew (3X) John T. Norman, George Landgrabe

FIFTY/FIFTY WINNER
Douglas Oyler \$94

BADGE DRAWING
Larry Fadil N/A, Don Hickey N/A

<u>FINDS TABLE WINNER</u>
David Gray - Silver Quarter

# OUR CLUB'S METAL DETECTING CODE OF ETHICS

- 1. Fill all holes. Leave the land and vegetation as it was.
- 2. Remove all trash and litter when you leave.
- 3. Respect the rights and property of others.
- 4. Observe all laws, whether national, state or local.
- 5. Aid law enforcement officials whenever possible.
- 6. Never destroy priceless historical/archeological treasures.
- 7. All metal detectorists may be judged by the example you set. Always conduct yourself with courtesy and consideration for others.

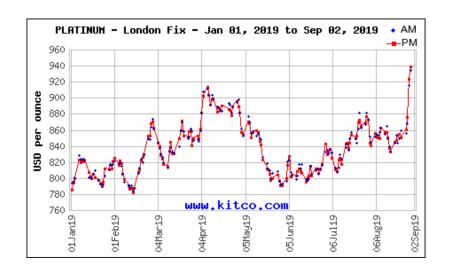


# GOLD & SILVER MAKE A MOVE!

#### YEAR TO DATE METAL PRICES 2019







# AUGUST 2019 FINDS TABLES WINNERS

# COINS



1st Place: John Ayers – 1854 Half Dime 2nd Place – David Harwick 3rd Place – Danny Case



1st Place – Deb Prock – Group of Beach Coins
2nd Place – John Ayers
3rd Place – Danny Case

# **JEWELRY**



1st Place – Ken Arrington – 14K with 5 Diamonds Gold Ring
2nd Place – Bill Green
3rd Place – Danny Case



1st Place – Bill Green – Various Silver/Gold Jewelry
2nd Place Danny Case
3rd Place – Ken Arrington

# ARTIFACTS



1st Place – David Gray – Mayan Stone Face 2nd Place – Doug Prock 3rd Place – Ken Arrinigton

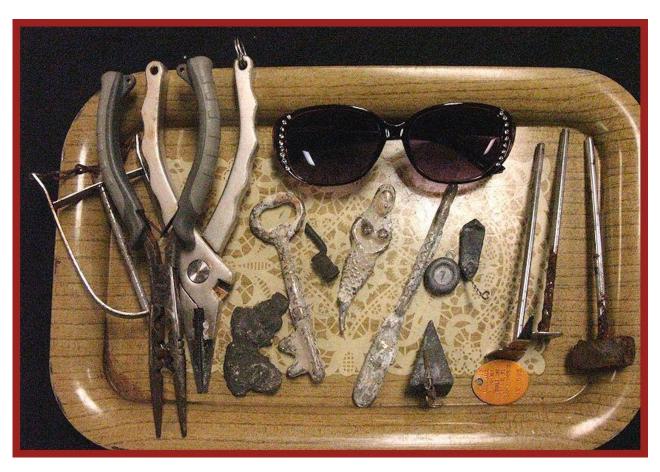


1st Place – Doug Prock – Shot Shells, Other Shell Casings
2nd Place – No Other Entries
3rd Place – No Other Entries

# ODDS & ENDS



1st Place – Luke Llyod – Smith & Wesson Slide 2nd Place – Danny Case 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Jim Fielding



1st Place – Jerry Burbaugh – Tray of Metal Stuff
2nd Place – Danny Case
3rd Place – Jim Fielding

# FINDS TABLES SCORES THROUGH AUGUST 2019

|       | ROUGH AUGUST 2        |        |
|-------|-----------------------|--------|
| Place | Name<br>Van Arrington | Points |
| 1     | Ken Arrington         | 126    |
| 2     | Danny Case            | 114    |
| 3     | John Ayers            | 84     |
| 4     | Kathy Waters          | 60     |
| 5     | Bill Green            | 52     |
| 6     | Lonnie Lytle          | 49     |
| 7     | Deborah Prock         | 36     |
| 8     | Luke Llyod 2          |        |
| Т9    | Lee Noga              | 23     |
| Т9    | Thomas Shindel        | 23     |
| 11    | Jerry Hitson          | 21     |
| 12    | Rob Loucks            | 19     |
| T13   | Ralph Flippo          | 17     |
| T13   | Doug Prock            | 17     |
| 15    | Michael McClure       | 15     |
| 16    | Jim Hooks             | 13     |
| 17    | Jerry Burbaugh        | 12     |
| 18    | Mary Lou Mahan        | 11     |
| T19   | Alma McIntosh         | 10     |
| T19   | David Gray            | 10     |
| 21    | George Landgrabe      | 9      |
| T22   | Ed Cook               | 8      |
| T22   | Robert McIntosh       | 8      |
| T22   | David Kersey          | 8      |
| T22   | Mike Jefferson        | 8      |
| T26   | Patti Fielding        | 7      |
| T26   | Blane Hersey          | 7      |
| T26   | Marc Hoover           | 7      |
| T29   | Mike Grace            | 6      |
| T29   | Jim Fielding          | 6      |
| T31   | Jim Tippitt           | 5      |
| T31   | Brenda Burke          | 5      |
| T31   | Myriam Godwin         | 5      |
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Each 1<sup>st</sup> Place entry gets 4 points.

Each 2<sup>nd</sup> place entry gets 3 points.

Each 3<sup>rd</sup> place entry gets 2 points.

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



# STEEL FACTS

Asphalt roofs actually weigh twice as much as steel roofs..

Source: Steel.org

(This article was written by John for the CFMDC newsletter.)

## Roman Around (Geddit?)

By John Howland

The hobby of metal detecting first hit Britain's shores of back in the late 60s and early 70s and with that 'invasion' came an influx of US treasure magazines and importantly, American-made equipment from the Garrett, Whites, and Compass stables. I like many of my contemporaries, I read everything about the hobby I could lay my hands on. Magazines such as *Western & Eastern Treasures*, really hit the spot and like others, gorged on articles by the likes of Charles Garrett, Karl von Mueller, Jimmi Sierra, and 'Hardrock' Hendricks to name but three.

The United States to my mind at least, is undoubtedly treasure hunting's spiritual home and the thought of hunting along Florida's Keys, or, out West, was and still is, the stuff of dreams. My US friends look at me in absolute amazement when I tell them I'd sooner find an 1870s US silver dollar in an Old West ghost town, than a Roman coin over here. Nevertheless, the look on the faces of some of US pals when they pick up a Roman coin with the sudden realization they are the first person in probably 1,800 years to have held it never ceases to delight. Mind you, it still gives me a bit of a kick as well.

Lacking the 'treasure romance' of the American West, and that of the Keys, British hunters looked inwards at their past especially the Roman period, which ran from 43AD until 410AD. Having tamed the ferocious ancient peoples then ruling Britain, who were not so much a nation, but more a loose confederation of warring tribes, the Romans coerced local warlords to accept the Roman way of life; setting them up as local governors to administer on behalf of the Roman governors, the affairs of their allotted province. The Jesuits used a similar tactic in South America.

The Britons were taught how to build a network of interconnecting roads, and as the shortest distance between two points being a straight line, all roads should be where possible, arrow straight. These roads radiated out like the spokes on a cartwheel from London, then known as Londinium, and other major administrative centers. Many Roman roads are still in use today across Britain though somewhat updated!!

The Roman army marched about 10.5 miles a day. Thus, around 10.5 miles distance from any major city or town, would be a small rest encampment. These naturally enough attracted trade in many forms with the locals bartering with the legionaries, and like all soldiers away from home, taverns, and other accommodations catering for shall we say, 'horizontal pleasures' soon sprang up alongside the encampments. As trade flourished many of these rest stations morphed into thriving settlements.

Along say a 100-mile long road there would be at least ten such of thee way- stations. Running into these arterial highways, were the service roads to villas, or farms, many of the villas, the homes of local Romano-British official enjoyed sumptuous décor. There's hardly a single square yard of the Britain, that's not had a Roman foot on it somewhere; their coins and artefact are everywhere. However, many of these are now suffering the corrosive effects of agri-chemicals and fertilizers. What Britain's Tekkies are doing is a vital form rescue archaeology.

With detectorists' pro-active exploration of Romano-British history, many become coin and artefact experts in the process. With the development of metal detector technology, it wasn't long before caches of Roman coins began to come to appear and in one particular case, a Roman legion's payroll consisting of 166,000 coins came to light.

Arguably the most efficient metal detectors for searching iron nail-strewn Roman habitation sites were *Tesoro's* Golden Sabres and Silver Sabres. These when fitted with small 'Sniper' type coils were unsurpassable. Conversely, they lacked the depth of *Groundhogs*, Whites machines and the British *Arado 120b* when used away from Roman sites.

Ironically, my oldest coin, a copper alloy Dupondius of the Emperor Domitian minted in Rome between 81-96AD was found on a beach and is now in the possession of my great pal, Jim Fielding. This 2,000-years coin was found using a Garrett *ATPro* fitted with a 'Sniper' coil over a shingle bar that had appeared in the sand at the mouth of a small bay. It's unique reference on the database is: CORN-2BC9AF. See; <a href="http://finds.org.uk/">http://finds.org.uk/</a> for further details of this coin.

Britain's heritage now benefits as never before thanks to the government-backed Portable Antiquities Scheme were finds are recorded onto a database. Currently well over 1.5million detector-found artefacts and coins are recorded. It is an amazing success and one that's being copied in some other European countries. The finds database has been used countless times as a reference point for many academic Papers and research projects.

It matters not that whether you are a treasure hunter hunting for profit, or, for a private collection. What matters is that what you find is properly recorded for the common good.

| Happy Hunting. | Happy | Hunting. |
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#### Bio: -

John has been metal detecting since 1978. He lives with his wife Margaret (whom he calls the Long-haired General) on the fringe of Poole Harbor, on the south coast of England in the county of Dorset. A former Deputy Editor he has written widely on all aspects of treasure hunting, aviation, trout fishing, and the Cold War. He writes a hard-hitting blog: -

## https://detectectingandcollecting.wordpress.com

A vociferous defender of the metal detecting hobby he takes no prisoners. Unsurprisingly he's hated figure among those who propagandist campaign aims to outlaw the hobby. He regularly hunts and beachcombs local beaches.

#### **Photo Captions**

Pic 1.jpg = Dupondius Found on a beach

Pic 2.jpg = Roman brooch and base of Roman pot

Pic 3.jpg = Garrett's engineer Bob Podhrasky, NCMD Secretary, the late Gerald Costello, and Dick Stout comparing detectors on a Roman habitation site.

Pic 4j.pg = Bronze Roman coin showing the corrosion cause by modern agricultural chemicals. Note the green on the side of the head.



Pic 1 Pic 2



Pic 3 Pic 4



# **CLUB HUNT**

Sept. 21, 2019

Get ready for this month's club hunt. Starting around 8pm at Frank Rendon Park, 2705 S Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach, FL 32118.

This a black out hunt, no lights allowed. And please leave your pulse machines in the car.

# The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

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Treasurer: Vickie Chilla 407-476-3998

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Secretary: Michael McClure 407-982-0375

# Application For Membership Please Print Application

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| Member                 | ship Fees:                     | Si                      | ingle (\$15)                 | 1             |
|                        | ee may incur af                |                         |                              | s)            |
| 10                     | Dues: \$25.0                   | 199                     |                              |               |
| Ma                     | ke all checks ou               | t to C.F.M              | I.D.C.                       |               |
| Meetings: S            | Second Friday of               | Each Mo                 | nth at 7 <mark>:30</mark> pm |               |
| Location:              | <b>Community Un</b>            | <mark>ite</mark> d Meth | odist Church                 | 60            |
|                        | 41 West High                   |                         |                              |               |
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| ee to abide to all clu | b rules and obey               | the treas               | ure hunters co               | de of ethics. |
| Signature              | :                              |                         |                              |               |
| Introduce              | ed by:                         |                         |                              |               |

Applications and fees may be presented at meeting or mailed to: **CFMDC Members** 

P.O. Box 1563, Eustis, FL. 32727

Or online at: http://www.thecfmdc.com/join.html

# Club Officers

# **President**

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**Treasurer** Vickie Chilla

**Secretary**Michael McClure



# *#DIGGINFLORIDA*

ANY TIME YOU SHOW UP FOR A CLUB MEETING OR HUNT, DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE REGISTER.

# Club Volunteers

# **Monthly Finds Tables**

Rob Loucks, Ron Caiazza, Ken Arrington Jeanne Cygan

# Webmaster

Jerry Hitson

## Half & Half

George & Deborah Guimond

# Silver Raffle

Bill & Betty Shackelford

# **Photographers**

Ralph Flippo, Rob Loucks, Jerry Hitson

# **Activities Director**

Joanne Jolin

**Librarian** Refreshments

Alan Workman Debbie Bishop

# **Newsletter Editor**

Michael McClure

**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"

#### COIN VALUE OF THE MONTH

1872 2 Cent Coin

Mintage: 65,000

| Grade          | Value   |
|----------------|---------|
| Good           | \$254   |
| Fine           | \$461   |
| Extremely Fine | \$825   |
| Uncirc.        | \$1,647 |

Source: coinstudy.com