

Oregon Treasure Trail Society Newsletter



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O.T.T.S. President's Message

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your new president. Having been vice-president for the past 2 years, it is my plan to continue along the same path that we are following as a club. With past presidents, Rick P. and Byron D., as members at large, and in attendance at upcoming board meetings, I know that the O.T.T.S. club will continue to provide detectorists with a feeling of comradery.

Remember, a hobby is supposed to be fun. So, get out there and have some fun and display your finds at the January 28th 2020 monthly meeting. It is a new year and a new detectorist of the year race.

Note: December finds are displayed with January finds because there was no competition at the Christmas party/meeting.

I hope to see everyone at the January 28th meeting and if you haven't renewed your annual membership please do so before the end of the month.

Happy Hunting,

Ron



Announcements

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, January, 28, 2020

Setup starts at 5:30 p.m. Socializing starts at: 6:00 p.m. Meeting starts at: 7:00 p.m.

Meeting location:

Fraternal Order of Eagles Lodge, 7611 N. Exeter Avenue, Portland, OR 97203

Guest Speaker:

No Guest Speaker has been scheduled for January's meeting.

Birthdays for the Month:

None have been announced.



BOTTLE, ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLES SHOW & SALE

**Bottles, Fruit Jars, Insulators, Crockery, Pottery, Glassware, Antiques,
Advertising, Coins, Tokens, Jewelry, Pre-Pro Liquor & Brewery Items,
Marbles, Paper, Souvenirs, Collectibles, Memorabilia and more!**

FREE APPRAISALS

Friday, February 14, 2020, 12-5 PM Set-up
\$5.00 Early Bird Admission
Dealer drop-off at 11 AM

Saturday, February 15, 2020, 9 AM - 3 PM
Admission by donation

**American Legion Hall
21510 Main St. N.E., Aurora, Oregon**

For more information &/or table reservations contact:

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OREGON BOTTLE COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION

Meetings 2nd Friday of the month, Sept. - June, in Portland

www.obcaorg.org

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Dec 21, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 1:45 by Rick P. The pledge of Allegiance was recited and the officers and at large board members were introduced. The meeting/party was attended by 41 members and 9 guests. The minutes of the last meeting, as published on the website, were noted and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. Terry B reported on the November club hunt. Birthdays were announced and birthday coins were given. The birthday draw was won by Ed A. He was awarded a 1922 Peace dollar. Terry B won the member draw. He was awarded a 1944 Walking Half Dollar. The progressive draw was not awarded. New silver was added to the pot.

The 2020 officers were confirmed. The new O.T.T.S. officers starting in 2020 are:

President- Ron B

VP- Ashley W

Secretary- Laura A

Treasurer (temporary)- Mike M

Other board members are Byron D and Rick P.

Gifts were handed out to members and extra gifts were awarded to members and guests. 4 gift silver rounds were awarded to Members-Tim B, Tim S, Mike M, and Bruce D.. 4 gifts silver rounds were awards to guests- Rebekah B, Leo S, Jaden C and Sherrie B.

Members enjoyed a nice meal that was chaired by Krystal F.

Detectorist of the year awards were presented.

Other Information:

Ongoing club fundraisers and charitable contributions include a monthly can food/money drive for the needy. Cans with deposits and washed pennies are collected each month. The money is used for club activities. Clean pull tabs are collected and donated for scrap metal.

Meeting Raffle Results

Tickets are one for \$1.00, or six for \$5.00. And 25% of the ticket sales goes back to your club the remaining 75% is used to purchase the next month's prizes.

Gold Coin:

2010 Austria 10 Euro 1/10 oz - Brian L

Silver Coins:

1879 O Morgan Dollar - Scott J

1882 S Morgan Dollar - Paul S

1900 O Morgan Dollar - Maggie

1921 Morgan Dollar - John M

1921 Morgan Dollar - Byron

1921 D Morgan Dollar - Don F

1921 S Morgan Dollar - Mike M

1922 Peace Dollar - Laura A

1922 Peace Dollar - Jeff S

1954 S Franklin Half - Maggie

1957 D Franklin Half - Terry B

1958 D Franklin Half - Mike M

1964 Kennedy Half - Byron

Mystery Envelope (1) Washington ½ silver - Steve E

Mystery Envelope (2) 1902 Indian - Scott H



Coins for Next Meeting Raffle:

Gold Coin:

2016 1/10 oz American Eagle

Silver Coins:

1884 O Morgan dollar

1886 Morgan dollar

1888 S Morgan dollar

1889 Morgan dollar

1896 Morgan dollar

1900 Morgan dollar

1921 Morgan dollar

1922 D Peace dollar

1923 Peace dollar

1943 Walking Liberty half

Mystery Envelope ???

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Find of the Month Results

The Find of the Month entries for December are paired with January's findings. Your 2020 dues must be paid to enter the January Find of the Month.

Find of the Month Entry Form:

Located on the O.T.T.S. website: <https://ottsclub.org/files>

The form contains category classification information, rules, and an entry form to compete in the Find of the Month competition, held during most monthly meetings.

Find of the Month/Detectorist of the Year Notes:

The final Detectorist of the Year results include the points for monthly find entries, club hunt attendance and club volunteer service.

To save newsletter space, the names of people who earned fewer than five points have not been listed.

The Top 15 were awarded certificates and a bonus at the Christmas party. They announced their best finds see below.

Congratulations to 2019 Detectorist of the Year Tim B. For the fourth year in a row he has won the prize. He had the second highest number of points ever with 341, down from his record of 393 in 2018.

Happy hunting in 2020!

Bill B



2019 Detectorist of the Year Standings

<u>Detectorist</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Favorite Find</u>
1 st Tim B	341	His bride, 1876-S Trade dollar, 1825 & 1826 Capped Bust half dollars, 1853-O Seated quarter, 2 buttons
2 nd Bill B	225	16 silver coins for year including 2 Franklin halves
3 rd Jerry H	173	The “Hittle Hoard” of 127 Indian head pennies
4 th Tim S	172	His trip to England
5 th Harold V	160	1892-CC Morgan silver dollar & 14K diamond ring
6 th Willy A	116	OTTS Club Challenge token
7 th Linda C	110	14K diamond pendant
8 th Laura A	103	Silver quarter on club hunt
9 th Ron B	95	Mercury dime when Don S. & Jerry also found silver coins hunting together
10 th Don F	76	Gold plated ring with huge red stone
11 th Don S	75	Coins in Goldfield, NV & gold mother’s ring
12 th Rick P	74	Sterling spoon at Vanport & gold ring
13 th Colleen V	71	14K plated ring
14 th Jeff S	63	3 Silver rings on club hunt
15 th Tim R	61	(not present, moved to Texas)
16 th Ashley W	58	
17 th Scott J	56	
18 th Laura S	49	
19 th Byron D	48	
20 th Terry B	45	
21 st Steve E	37	
22 nd Mike M	34	
23 rd Nancy A	29	
24 th Ed A	28	
25 th John M	27	
Tie Gary B	27	
27 th Scott H	25	
28 th Sue M	16	
29 th Kathy B	13	
30 th Steven C	10	
31 st Mark R	8	
Tie Brian L	8	
Tie Roger B	8	
34 th Alison W	7	
35 th Owen F	5	
Tie Stuart P	5	



O.T.T.S. Monthly Club Hunt

Hunt Date: Dec 29, 2019

Location: **Scott Elementary School and Wellington Park**
6700 NE Prescott St., Portland, OR 97218

General Location Information: None

Historical Information: Scott Elementary was founded before 1951.



Club Hunt Details

The OTTS Club Hunt was held on a Sunday. We met between 8 & 9 a.m. at McDonalds located at 3330 NE 82nd Avenue, Portland, OR. Members left for the park at 9 am. 32 members and 2 guests attended. 30 members stayed for the count out at 1 pm.

The Hunt Master hid 15 regular tokens and 2 special tokens. As well, 25 (1 gram) silver ingots, 50 Wheat Pennies and 13 numbered brass tokens were hidden. The numbered brass tokens were worth a silver quarter if found and returned during the hunt count out. Of the 15 hidden token 14 tokens were recovered. Both special tokens were found. Tim S and Coleen both found one of the Special tokens.

The membership drawing was won by Tim S. He received a 1963 Franklin Half Dollar.

Top 6 Club Hunt Winners:

Owen F	112 Points
Willy A	89 Points
Jerry H	86 Points
Byron D	77 Points
Tim S	76 Points
Harold V	75 Points



Notable Club Hunt Finds:

Oldest coin: 1899 V Nickel found by Byron D

Gold Items: 1 Ring found by Clarence S

Silver Items: 4 Silver Jewelry Items

Notable US Coins: 2 Silver Coins, 1 V Nickel, 26 Wheat Pennies

Foreign Coins: 4

Costume Jewelry: 41

Tokens: Several

Other Items:

Total Clad: \$42.37

Total Trash collected during the hunt: 15 lbs.

Hunt Master Notes:

For now, for the hunt, we will be adhering to the winter hours schedule. This means meet at designated location between 8 & 9 am. Leave for hunt location at 9 am. Count out at 1 pm.

Next Club Hunt Details:

The next club hunt will be on Feb 1st, a Saturday. We will be meeting at the McDonalds located at 12109 NE Glisan, Portland, OR 97220. The meeting is from 8 & 9 am. We will leave for the hunt at 9 am. Count out will be at 1 pm.

Club Challenge Token

Challenge Token Rules:

Follow the Metal Detecting Code of Ethics.

Each month, a new clue will be published in the newsletter.

A Bonus clue will be given to those attending the monthly club meeting.

When found, turn in the Challenge Token at the next O.T.T.S. club meeting for a prize.

This is for fun. We want to be able to continue this event in the future, so enjoy it and have fun figuring out the clues.

In 2019 two Challenge Token contests were held. Willy A. found the Challenge Token in February. Ashley W. found the Challenge Token in May.

Ed & Nancy have decided to no longer plan and host the Challenge Token contest. The Club is looking for a volunteer to take up this challenging task.



Oregon Treasure Trail Society History

The Oregon Treasure Trail Society (O.T.T.S.) was formed in 1982. It was started by five avid hobbyists who each put \$5 into the kitty and declared themselves an official club. They set out to provide an organization that would unite people together with the same interest in metal detecting, whether it be coin and token hunting, relics hunting, or simply a passion for finding interesting treasures of the past.

O.T.T.S. Club Meeting Location

Come and see us in person by attending one of our meetings. Club meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month. Social hour begins at 6:00 p.m., and the official meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. Meetings are held at the Eagles Lodge located at:

7611 N. Exeter Avenue, Portland, OR 97203

Web Link to O.T.T.S. Location:

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Fraternal+Order+of+Eagles/@45.5839492,-122.7260428,17.16z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x5495a7eefbf6831:0x80dc15723d738faa!8m2!3d45.5835352!4d-122.7249067?hl=en>



Club Code of Ethics

- I will respect Private property and will not trespass without the land owner’s permission.
- I will not destroy property, buildings or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures.
- I will not litter, always pack out what I take in and remove all trash dug in my search.
- I will leave all gates and other accesses to land as found.
- I will appreciate and protect our heritage of national resources, wildlife, and private property.
- I will use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.
- I will abide by all laws ordinances or regulations that may govern my search, or the area I will be in.
- I will fill all holes, regardless how remote the location, and never dig in a way that will damage, be damaging to, or kill any vegetation.
- I will report the discovery of items of significant historical value to a local historian or museum in accordance with the latest legislation.
- I will be an ambassador for the metal detecting hobby. I will be polite and informative to those who inquire about my hobby. I will be an ambassador of my pastime.
- I will not misrepresent as to how and when an article was acquired.

Club Officers and Extracurricular Positions

Board Members

President: Ron B

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Vice President: Ashley W

Secretary: Laura A

Treasurer (temporary): Mike M

At large: Rick P

At large: Byron D

Other Club Contacts

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Raffles: Jeff S

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Find of the Month Team

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Sherrie B

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