

Oregon Treasure Trail Society Newsletter



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

As 2020 draws to a close, I would like to thank you (the members) for allowing me to serve as your club president for the past 12 months. Due to pandemic related issues our being able to function as a group has been all but shut down. We need to thank Harold V. for his efforts to publish the newsletter in a timely and professional manner each month. Harold is also responsible for group emails. His efforts are the glue holding the club together. Many thanks also, goes out to Terry B who organized the club hunts without which Harold V would have had much less to publish. Terry did a great job as hunt master for the past 20 months. Don't forget that we, the club, need someone to step up and replace him when he steps down in January.

When covid restrictions relax in the coming months and things begin to return to normal a hunt will possibly be the first group function in which we may participate. Jerry H has also spent a lot of time making our Facebook page once again a member page. If you are interested in posting, all you need to do is log on to ottsclub.org (the club website), scroll to the bottom of the page and click on member FACEBOOK group. The volunteer efforts of these 3 members are greatly appreciated by myself, the entire Executive Board, and the membership.

As most are aware the OTTS By Laws state that elections for club officers be held in the month of December. This would normally take place at the club meeting/Christmas party. Elections will occur, but by a means other than in person. Most likely by email. This should pose no problems as the offices of President, Vice President, and Secretary are incumbent positions. The Treasurer position is open and someone needs to step forward. This elected position needs to be filled. If you are interested please contact any club officer.

You may feel that after only 3 club meetings for the entire year, no picnic, and no Christmas party that we on the board have had an easy go of things. Not so, we have been quite busy behind the lines scheduling and then having to cancel most of our club activities for the past 10 months. I want to personally thank V.P. Ashley W, Sec. Laura A H, Mike M, Rick P, and Byron D whose teamwork and efforts have proven invaluable both to me and the club as a whole.

Bill B also suffered a lot of stress and anxiety over the handling of the FOTM. The cancelling of this competition was not easy for him. As you know the FOTM is his baby and he puts a lot of effort into it. Thanks Bill for everything that you do.

The future of the OTTS is in your hands, We need to get more members involved. First re-up by paying your dues for next year, show up for meetings then offer more input, volunteer to help, and come to the club hunts. This is your club and it is what you make it.

In closing I would like to wish all a Merry Christmas and a Much Happier New Year. Play it safe and follow guidelines.

Happy Hunting,

Ron B

Announcements

Next Meeting:

Postponed until further notice.

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 the upcoming meeting.

Birthdays for the Month:

None have been announced.



(Picture submitted by Bill B. Bill found this necklace piece showing the Mormon Tabernacle and a beehive in a park on an outing with Harold and Willy.)

Find of the Month Results

None.

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.

2020 Detectorist of the Year Standings

Suspended



(Picture submitted by Matthew N.)

O.T.T.S. Monthly Club Hunt

Cancelled until further notice.

Club Hunt Details

Hunt Master Notes:

Are you a member of OTTS?

Who likes to attend the club hunts?

Who would like to see them continue to be held next year?

Who is going to step up and want to run them in 2021?

Next Club Hunt Details:

Cancelled until further notice.



(Picture submitted by Harold V. Remember when the sun was out and it was warm?)

Club Member's Experiences

Submitted by Terry B

(I am re-posting the information that Terry gave us. Hopefully we find some of these lost tokens)

OTTS Club hunt tokens. This is a list of locations and tokens not found since March of 2019. They may still be out there for you to find. Good Luck and get out and find the tokens that were not found. I never did go back and recover them.

2020

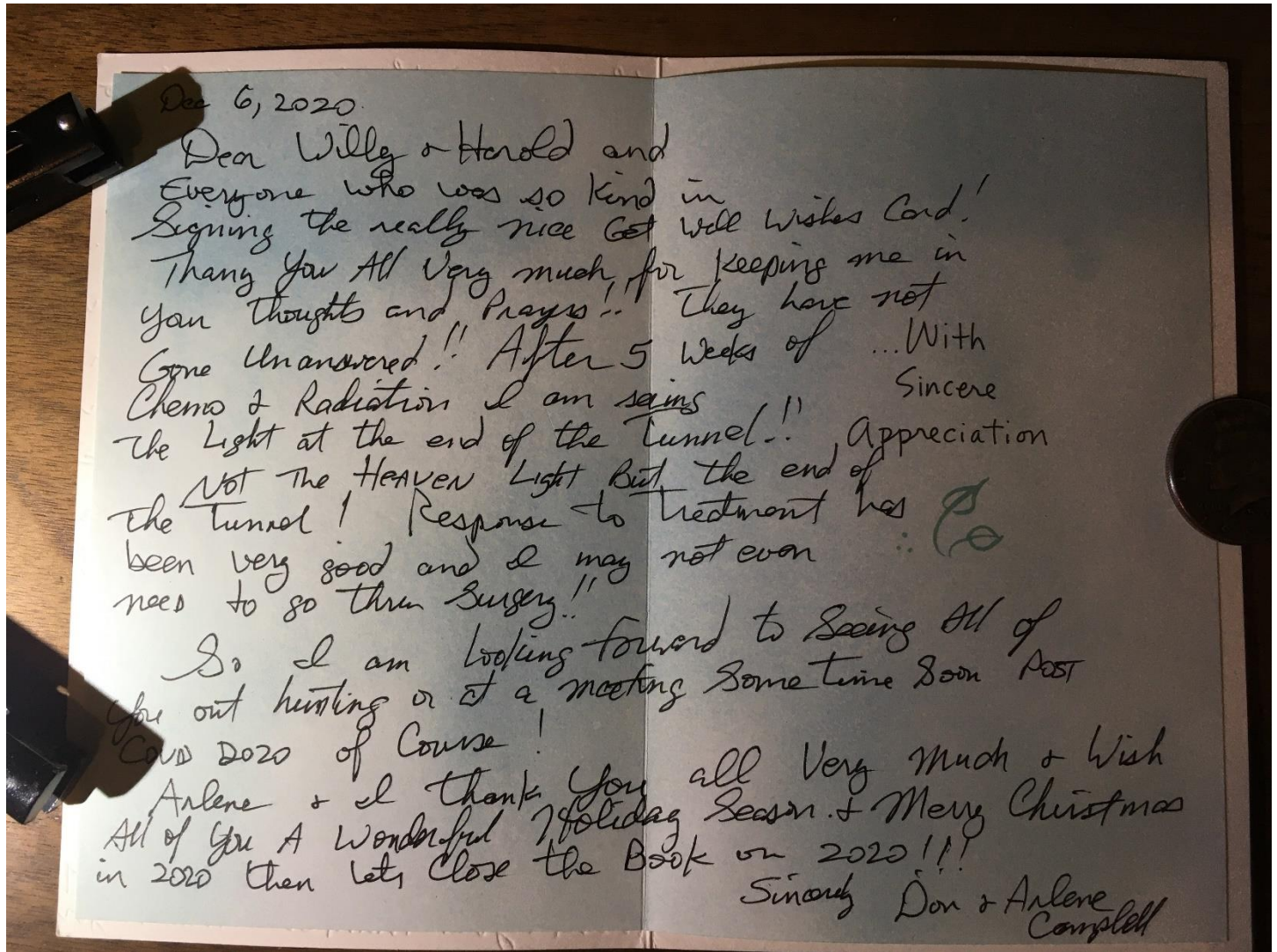
<u>Month</u>	<u># of tokens</u>	<u>Location</u>
Jan	1	Scott Elem & Wellington park, Portland
Feb	6	Wheatly School and Hamilton City Park, Portland
March	5	Frontier Middle School, Vancouver
June	4	Covington Middle School, Vancouver
July	7	Fisher Basin Park, Camas
Aug	4	Harmony Elem. School, Camas
Sept	8	WyEast Middle School, Vancouver
Oct	11	Heritage H.S., Vancouver

2019

<u>Month</u>	<u># of tokens</u>	<u>Location</u>
Dec	None	
Nov	7	Orchards Comm. Park, Vancouver
Oct	10	Clinton City Park, Portland
Sept	5	Hamilton City Park, Portland
Aug	2	Colonel Summers Park, Portland
July	8	Brentwood City Park, Portland
June	10	Lincoln Park, Lincoln Elem., David Douglas H.S., Portland
May	9	Skyview H.S, Chinook Elem., & Akai Middle Schools, Vancouver
April	4	Fernhill Park, Portland
March	7	Jackson Middle School, Portland

Submitted by Don C

Don C sends his thanks to everyone in the club who sent him well wishes during his illness.



Dec 6, 2020.
 Dear Willy & Harold and
 Everyone who was so kind in
 Signing the really nice Get Well Wishes Card!
 Thank You All Very much, for keeping me in
 your thoughts and Prayers.. They have not
 Gone Unanswered!! After 5 weeks of ...With
 Chemo & Radiation I am seeing Sincere
 the Light at the end of the Tunnel!! Appreciation
 Not the Heaven Light but the end of
 the Tunnel! Response to treatment has
 been very good and I may not even
 need to go thru Surgery!!
 So I am looking forward to seeing All of
 you out hunting or at a meeting some time soon Post
 Covid 2020 of course!
 Anlene & I thank you all very much & wish
 All of you a wonderful Holiday Season & Merry Christmas
 in 2020 then lets close the Book on 2020!!!
 Sincerely Don & Anlene
 Campbell

Submitted by Matt N

Some pictures from some of my recent hunts.



Submitted by Scott H

If you were at our last club hunt at Heritage High School. You may remember at the count out Laura A. had found an old WA. license plate. I want to thank her for giving that plate to me to put on our 1951 Chevrolet pickup. I had to do some restoration on it and then I had it registered as a collector plate for our “Baby Blue”. I am always amazed at the treasures we find in the most unusual places. Laura has now put a piece of history back to use. Thank you, Laura.



Submitted by Harold V



Left Picture: Pic of Jerry H showing off his ring to Tom S. Jerry found 4 silver rings that day.
Right picture: Three bullets recently found at schools.



Pictures: Sherwood Good for Trade token I found.



Left Picture: Found the ever elusive set of earrings. Both in the same hole.

Right picture: And the worst thing that can happen...I broke my digging tool.

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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Raffles: Jeff S

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