

# Oregon Treasure Trail Society Newsletter



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

With Oregon stuck in reverse regarding advancing to another stage of reopening and with the news that schools are not opening until November, I find it quite unlikely that Multnomah County or any neighboring county, including Clark Co , Wa. will advance until just prior to schools opening. As everyone is aware that OTTS, as well as many other organizations, is stuck in a holding pattern. I plan on calling another board meeting prior to the next regular scheduled meeting. We will send out a group message or insert something into this month's newsletter, so that I can keep you (the membership) informed as to what transpires at the board meeting.

The OTTS lost another former member with the passing of Paul L in June.

PLEASE CHECK FOR UPDATES!

Happy Hunting,

Ron B



(Picture submitted by Ron B)

## Announcements

### Next Meeting:

Tuesday, **Unknown**

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 Matthew N)

## Meeting Minutes

None.

### Other Information:

None.

## Meeting Raffle Results

None.

### Coins for Next Meeting Raffle:



(Picture submitted by Ron B)

## Find of the Month Results

None.

### Find of the Month Entry Form:

Located on the O.T.T.S. website: <https://ottclub.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

<u>Detectorist</u>	<u>Points</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Bill B	44
2 <sup>nd</sup> Willy A	40
3 <sup>rd</sup> Harold V	38
4 <sup>th</sup> Tim S	26
5 <sup>th</sup> Colleen V.H	22
6 <sup>th</sup> Jerry H	20
7 <sup>th</sup> Don F	16
Tie Linda C	16
9 <sup>th</sup> Scott J	15
10 <sup>th</sup> Matt N	11
11 <sup>th</sup> Rick Page	9
12 <sup>th</sup> Ashley W	8
Tie Ron B	8
Tie Scott H	8
15 <sup>th</sup> Laura A	7
Tie Jeff S	7
17 <sup>th</sup> Lee H	5
18 <sup>th</sup> Owen F	3
Tie Terry B	3
17 <sup>th</sup> Tom S	2
Tie Gary B	2
20 <sup>th</sup> Laura A	1



(Picture submitted by Harold V. Ground is too hard and dry, so time to get the detector wet.)

# O.T.T.S. Monthly Club Hunt

Hunt Date: June 28, 2020

Location: **Fisher Basin Park**

601 SE 192nd Ave, Vancouver, WA 98683

General Location Information: The hunt was primarily in the park but we wandered into the nearby schools.

Historical Information: Shahala Middle School and Fisher Basin Park were built around 2001.



## Club Hunt Details

The OTTS Club Hunt was held on a Saturday. We met between 7 & 8 am at the parking lot of Safeway located at 13719 SE Mill Plain Blvd Vancouver, WA. Members left for Fisher Basin Park at 8 am. 19 members and no guests attended. 17 members stayed for the count out at 12 noon.

The Hunt Master hid 15 regular tokens and 2 special tokens. Of the 15 hidden token 8 tokens were recovered. One special token was found by Jerry H. and the other by Matthew N.

The membership drawing was won by Harold V. He received a 1944 Walking Liberty Half Dollar.

### Top 6 Club Hunt Winners:

Harold V	107 Points
Terry B	86 Points
Jeff S	84 Points
Tim S	79 Points
Ron B	74 Points
Bill B	69 Points

### Notable Club Hunt Finds:

Oldest coin: 1946 Wheat Penny found by Lee H

Gold Items: None

Silver Items: 3

Notable US Coins: 2 Wheat Pennies

Foreign Coins: 3

Costume Jewelry: 12

Tokens: 5

Metal Toys: 10

Other Items: 1 Dollar Coin, 3 Knives, and 13 keys

Total Clad: \$49.93

Total Trash collected during the hunt: 11 lbs.

### Hunt Master Notes:

The hunt hours have switched to the summer hours. This means meet at designated location between 7 & 8 am. Leave for hunt location at 8 am. Count out at 12 noon.

### Next Club Hunt Details:

The next club hunt will be on Aug 30th, a Sunday. The location is the Safeway parking lot at 6700 NE 162nd ave, Vanouver , WA 98682. We will meet between 7 & 8 am. We will leave for the hunt at 8 am and the count out will be at 12 noon.



(Picture submitted by Matthew N)



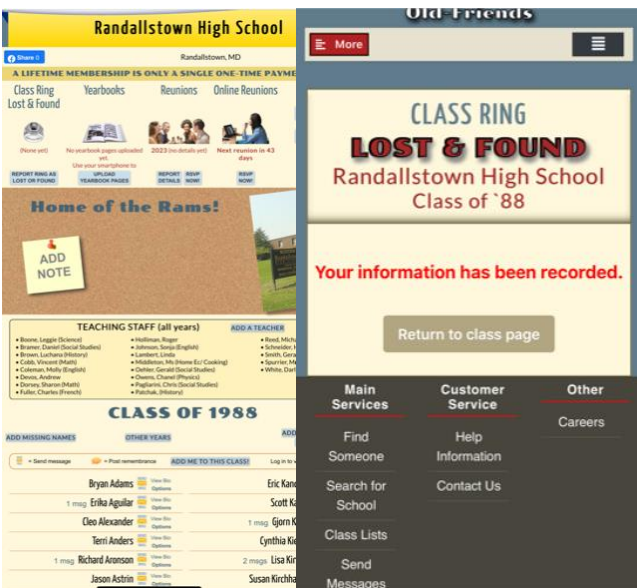
# Club Member's Experiences

Submitted by Colleen V

Hello everybody. I hope this post finds you all happy, healthy and hunting! My goal for 2020 was to find gold, specifically a ring. I've met that goal twice now, in March and in May! I must say that I am disappointed to not have the opportunity to show them. One of the rings I planned to hang on to until I had that chance, but as time goes by, I've decided to go on a quest to return it to its owner! I know if it was mine, I would absolutely love to have it back. It is from a high school in Randallstown Maryland, just outside of Baltimore.



I did some research on line. There is a name inscribed on the inside, but I did not see that name printed in the roster of the class of 1988. I did however see a link to submit information for lost and found class rings. I did that today, and have my fingers crossed that I will hear from the owner. Stay tuned!



**Submitted by Matthew N**

A couple more pictures from the selection Matthew N submitted:



**Submitted by Harold V**

Like Colleen, I have been on the hunt for gold. It has been a several month dry spell, but I finally did it. Picture below is a little black hills gold ring.



This picture is of my finding 3 rings day. The ring on the left rang up like a gold ring but turned out to be stainless steel. So close...



Willy A at a river beach combing for goodies.



# 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

Club Hunts: Terry B

Forms Support: Sue F

Raffles: Jeff S

Challenge Token: Scott J

## Newsletter/Website Editors

Website: Randy W

Website: Jerry H

Newsletter: Harold V

## Find of the Month Team

Bill B

Sherrie B

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