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Submitted by Ryan P: Sellwood club hunt.

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OREGON TREASURE TRAIL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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

I'm excited to announce we have a new Special Raffle that we are currently selling tickets for and will be drawn at our November meeting. A 5oz American Samoa silver coin with COA and original box. The club is also in the process of purchasing a Sigma Metalytics silver/gold tester after a generous donation was made to the club. This device will allow us to verify all silver and gold coins and bullion purchased by the club from various sources for use in our raffles and club activities. Unfortunately there is a growing market in counterfeit coins and bullion, and the club wants to insure we are on the safe side of purchasing these items for our members.

From my perspective, I am very impressed with the operation of our club. Members are motivated and excited to promote our hobby and find ways to make it more enjoyable for everyone. The board of directors works hard to insure we are a solid organization and with the generous donations made by our members we are strong and moving forward and evolving in many ways. Various members have donated to club hunts and events to make them just a bit more interesting and exciting. If you haven't attended one of our club hunts I would suggest you give it a try, you'll meet great people and have a good time learning, or showing your skills in detecting.

In October we will be having our basket auction. This is your chance to come up with a gift basket, treasure box or other interesting display piece filled with goodies, coins and treats to see how much your contribution can bring to the clubs wellbeing. What a fun event this is, and a great time to share your creative talents.

Have a great August and we'll see you soon.

Respectfully President Scott

Announcements

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, September 26th,
2023

Setup starts at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting starts at: 7:00 p.m.

Meeting location:

American Legion Post 1

1830 S.E. 122nd Ave.

Portland, OR 97233

Meeting Minutes

Minutes for meeting August 22, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7pm by Scott H. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the officers and at large board members were introduced. The meeting was attended by 32 members and 5 guests (Trena, Renea, Sean, Jim, and Hue). Each guest introduced themselves and gave a short accounting of the experience in detecting. Thanks to all our guests for attending our August meeting.

OTTS currently has 73 paid members with the addition of Dan R. and Sean T. as our newest members. Reading of the previous month's minutes was approved and passed by motion. Club hunt report was given by Ryan and noted 17 members showed up to Cottonwood beach in Washougal where a good time was had by all. The Treasurers report was given by Don and was approved and passed by motion. The member drawing was won by Willy A. who won a 1921 Walking Liberty Half dollar. The Progressive draw was not won, and now there is 2 Silver dollars in the pot. Members with birthdays in August were awarded a silver half, Happy Birthday to Kirk E. No club tokens were turned at this meeting for a silver dime.

Snacks tonight were provided by Rick P. and Willy A. Ron and Kathy B, along with Mike J. will be bringing snacks for our September meeting.

Bill B. reported that Steve T. our past president had a heart attack recently and is recovering at home in Florida.

Some discussion on first finds was had and noted was Laura S. 1901 Indian head penny at a Portland park. Bill B found a Buffalo nickel and a 1925 Peso at Mt. Tabor. Harold V. found a 14K gold ring at a Portland area School playground. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by Scott H.

At Random Comics by Ryan Mason



Other Meeting 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

Winners:

Gold Coin

1981 Gold Krugerrand 1/10 oz Sue M

Silver

1922 Peace Dollar Don S.

1925 Peace Dollar Jerry H.

1928 Peace Dollar Steve E.

1879 Morgan Dollar Steve E.

1021 Morgan Dollar Ashley W.

1921 Morgan Dollar Ashley W.

1943 Walking Liberty Half Ashley W.

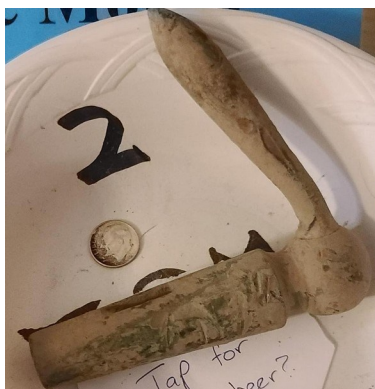
1943 Walking Liberty Half Jackee A.



Find of the Month Results—May 2023

Item of the Month

Place	Name	Item
1	Ryan P	Vintage Spigot
2	Scott J	Fishing lure
3	Jackee A	Mirror



US Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Bill B	1929 S Buffalo Nickle
2	Ryan P	Standing Liberty Quarter
3	Tim S	1944 Wheat cent



Foreign Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Bill B	1925 Mexican Peso
2	Laura S	1962 Canadian dime
3	Jackee A	1962 Canadian cent



Token

Place	Name	Item
1	Bill B	CA morgan hood river 5 cent trade
2	Jackee A	5 cent trade
3	Ryan P	token



Gold Item

Place	Name	Item
1	Harold V	14K gold ring
2	Bill B	14K gold ring

Silver Item

Place	Name	Item
1	Willy A	Laborite silver ring
2	Tim S H	Wexlor Silver ring
3	Laura S	Ring with agate



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Find of the Month Results—May 2023

Jewelry

Place	Name	Item
1	Jackee A	1930's Jimmie Allen flying pin
2	Tim S	Silver plate bracelet
3	Harold V	Stainless Ring

Artifact

Place	Name	Item
1	Jackee A	Elks 1912 reunion pin
2	Bill B	3 ringer bullet
3	Kirk E	Bathing Suit charm
3	Tim S	Lighter cover

Oldest US Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Laura S	1901 Indian
2	Jackee A	Dateless V nickel
3	Ryan P	1918 S Merc dime

Most Valuable US Coin

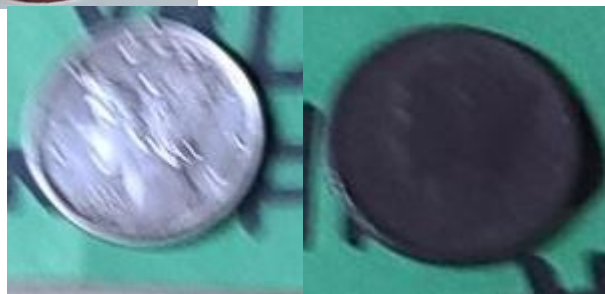
Place	Name	Item
1	Jackee A	1920 D Merc dime
1	Ryan P	1928 S Merc dime
3	Laura S	1941 Merc dime

Display

Place	Name
1	Bill B
2	Harold V
3	Laura S

Best of the Best

Name	Item
Harold V	14K gold ring



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.

2023 Detectorist of the Year Standings

Place	Name	Points
1	Jackee A	186
2	Ryan P	163
3	Bill B	109
4	Scott J	107
5	Kirk E	105
6	Harold V	88
7	Tim S	64
8	Laura S	59
9	Lee H	55
10	Scott H	43
11	Willy A	30
12	Ron B	21
13	Ed V	19
14	Tom S	12
15	Richard S	11
16	Jeff S	10
17	Rick P	7
18	Lee S	2
19	Chuck P	1



O.T.T.S. Monthly Club Hunt

August 27th, 2023

Location: Sellwood Riverfront Park



General Information: None

Historical Information: 8 acres was acquired by the City of Portland in 1969. Prior to that it appears to have been unimproved land.

Club Hunt Details

Hunt Results:

20 members and 1 guest turned out for the monthly club hunt in Sellwood. Ed gave Ryan a hand and hid all the tokens for the day. He put out 10 regular club tokens, two special tokens, and two grab bag tokens.

The dog park ground was nice and watered and the beach was sandy and easy to dig in. Unfortunately there was lots of iron on the beach, surprising nobody. As it is a popular location, the beach was full of activity by mid-morning. Members on the beach saw jet boats and the Portland Spirit make its morning journey. Old coins escaped the club, but some silver jewelry was brought to count out. Ed, Scott J, Jackee, and Scott H. found silver rings. Otherwise members found a few non-club tokens and other interesting items. For the second month in a row, not a single wheat penny was found.

At count out, Jerry claimed a silver Standing Liberty quarter for finding the special token. The other special token was good for the 1865 Two-Cent piece and was found by Richard. Scott H. and Jackee found grab bag tokens and won five seconds to reach in and pull out a prize. Scott grabbed out a 1940 San Francisco Expo token and Jackee grabbed a clad quarter stamped "Good for 1 raffle ticket." Club members turned in 8 of the 10 club tokens good for a silver dime each. The remaining tokens are still in the park and good for a silver dime at any club meeting. Tim was drawn to have the red flag for the hunt, he successfully found a dime signal and dug up a dime, winning a silver dime, nice job! Scott H. won the oldest coin with a 1959 nickel. Pull tabs were collected and will be donated to the American Legion. Ed spun the wheel and the trash derby item was any colored metal piece of trash. Harold won with 47 items, Scott J was second with 43 and Jeff was third with 40.

For the membership drawings, Tim and Ed won Franklin half dollars. Scott J. won a Washington quarter.

The next club hunt will include a 1907 Barber Half Dollar donated by Don which can be won by finding its token! There will also be a special token to win a diamond tester donated by Harold and Willy.

Donations: If you'd like to donate some silver dimes to keep the stockpile full, please bring some to the meeting. I enjoy giving out coins to as many members as possible for all the silly little extra contests, and I recently added 20 dimes of my own to keep extras available. I also hide more club tokens than we are allotted silver for



Win this coin next month!

The top 6 winners:

1) Harold	126.4 points
2) Jackee	84.4 points
3) Willy	79.7 points
4) Ryan	57.5 points
5) Scott J.	55 points
6) Scott H.	53 points

Total clad found: \$40.53

Trash collected: 14 lbs

Next Club Hunt: Ryan will be hosting the next club hunt on Saturday, September 30th. The meeting location is TBD, check the club calendar for updates. We will be using normal hours (8am - 12pm) so plan on being at the meeting spot by 7:30 am.

Year to Date Trash collected: 171 lbs
All Hunts Trash collected: 1,245 lbs.

Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Jackee A

Pics of Finds this month.



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Ed

Some finds from the past month.



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Richard S

Pics of the garbage the club picked up at the club hunt held at Sellwood Park.



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Bill B

"Typer" Token

JERALD GRANQUIST

WERT (WEST) LINN ORE

Jerry Granquist had a big influence on my life. Around 1968 when I was 11, his father had an early White's metal detector and found a Buffalo nickel in Jerry's yard. This drove me wild. Jerry told me to go ask his father if I could borrow his detector. I didn't know the father, but I walked to his house, knocked on his door, and left with a metal detector. My only find with it was a Jefferson nickel. But the seed was planted that served me well later in life. Jerry was also an accomplished bottle digger and was very influential on my early start with that career. Jerry passed away in 2005. It really tickled me to find his Typer token across the street from where his house was.



1925 Mexico Peso

I found this coin at Mt. Tabor. It gave a signal higher than a quarter, so I was thinking it was a half dollar, probably a Walking Liberty, or a pop can. It was in ground like cement, so I chiseled out grooves on each side and dug out a clod. When I broke it open, out came a totally encrusted large coin. I thought I'd found my first silver dollar. With a magnifying glass, I could see the Un Peso and 1925. It still made my day.

Before



After



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Harold V

Ok the MI-6 drowned on our trip to Renton,
Not so good. Returned it for a refund.



One of the several foreign coins found this month.



Found these 3 foreign coins in one hole.



A nice heavy silver ring found at the beach.

Had my best gold month ever.
Three items found. This was the
least of the three.



Random picture of Tim eating a
donut someone sent me.

Upcoming Event

CTC
&
MDAW
(Metal Detecting Association of Washington)

At New Life Church
Renton, WA

Raffles
Gold Nugget
Detector

Silver!
Gold!

Dress Accordingly

49th Annual Oct 21st 2023

Moonlight Hunt
& 2 Daylight Hunts

Saturday, Oct 21, 2023

The Cascade Treasure Club and MDAW will be hosting our 49th annual Moonlight Hunt. There will be 2 hunts during the day, a potluck, and ending with our spectacular Night Hunt. Location New Life Christian Church, Renton WA. See map (same location as Silver Shoot). Cost: 1st Hunt \$25; 2nd hunt—MDAW \$40; 3rd hunt \$45. All three hunts \$110. Pre-register before 10/15/2023, and receive a special treat when you check in at the hunt. (discount 12 & under)
**Pre-registering helps preparation for the potluck.
Hunt info on back*

Suprise Awards
Continuing the Legacy of
"Dudley Do Right"
John Shupe

Schedule	
Registration	12 - 1:45pm
Potluck	5pm
1st Hunt	2 - 2:45pm
Moonlight Hunt	Dusk + 45 min
MDAW Hunt	3:45 - 4:30pm
Special game & Raffles	Shortly after last hunt

Fee:

1st Hunt	\$25	Kids 12 & under	\$20
MDAW Hunt	\$40		\$30
Night Hunt	\$45		\$40

More info contact:

Mark Kubieth: mkubieth@psnetid.com (206) 710-2654


Mark Jenkins: call or text: (425) 223-2985

Ron Sharer: MDAW call or text: (360) 265-7478

Make payment to: Cascade Treasure Club, Address: c/o Mark Kubieth, 907 S. 1st Street, Box 104, La Conner WA 98257
 You can make payments online: cascadetreasureclub.org (Pre registration available August)

Hunt Fee:					
Name:	1st Hunt \$25	MDAW \$40	Night Hunt \$45	All 3 Hunts \$110	Total:
Name-12 & under:	1st Hunt \$20	MDAW \$30	Night Hunt \$40	All 3 Hunts \$70	
Optional: Emergency Contact name & phone:	email			Final Total	
Number of People Attending: Potluck					

Upcoming Event continued



Driving directions:
South on I - 405 take exit 4 @ 2nd light turn left onto Maple Valley hwy (169)
North on I - 405 exit 4 & stay to the right onto Maple Valley hwy (169) turn right at 152nd Ave SE and park in the parking on right.
Hunt site is about 5.7miles from I -- 405
Hwy 18 take exit onto 231st St SE go east 1 block take left on Maple Valley hwy (169) towards Renton, turn left onto 152nd Ave SE. parking on right. Hunt site is about 9 miles from hwy 18 exit.
Overnight parking Friday is OK (no tent area). Park nearest to hwy.

Hunt Description

Registration begins at noon (12pm) at the north end of the parking lot next to the highway. There will be 3 hunts: 2 daylight and the moonlight hunt:

1st hunt: CTC's warm up with a special game token, as well as more tokens and prizes.

2nd hunt: MDAW's hunt with 100% returned in the field. (MDAW is now a metal detecting consulting group)

3rd hunt: main hunt, a 45 minute hunt beginning at dusk: prizes include 2 tokens for a special game as well as gold, silver, a metal detector, and other gifts.

Potluck

After the second hunt will be a potluck. Bring a dish to share and we will serve hotdogs & hamburgers. *Tip jar will be available to offset costs

Closing

Special token game: Mark Jenkins has a crazy game for the 3 people who find the special game tokens.
Throughout the event, you can purchase raffle tickets— winning tickets will be drawn at closing: prizes include a gold, silver, metal detector, and other items
Returning again this year: In memory of John Shape's "Dudley Do Right" performed by the 3 hunt chairman:
Mark Jenkins, Allan Henneberry, & Ron Sharer—MDAW

Be prepared for the Weather and dress accordingly.

We are watching you.

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

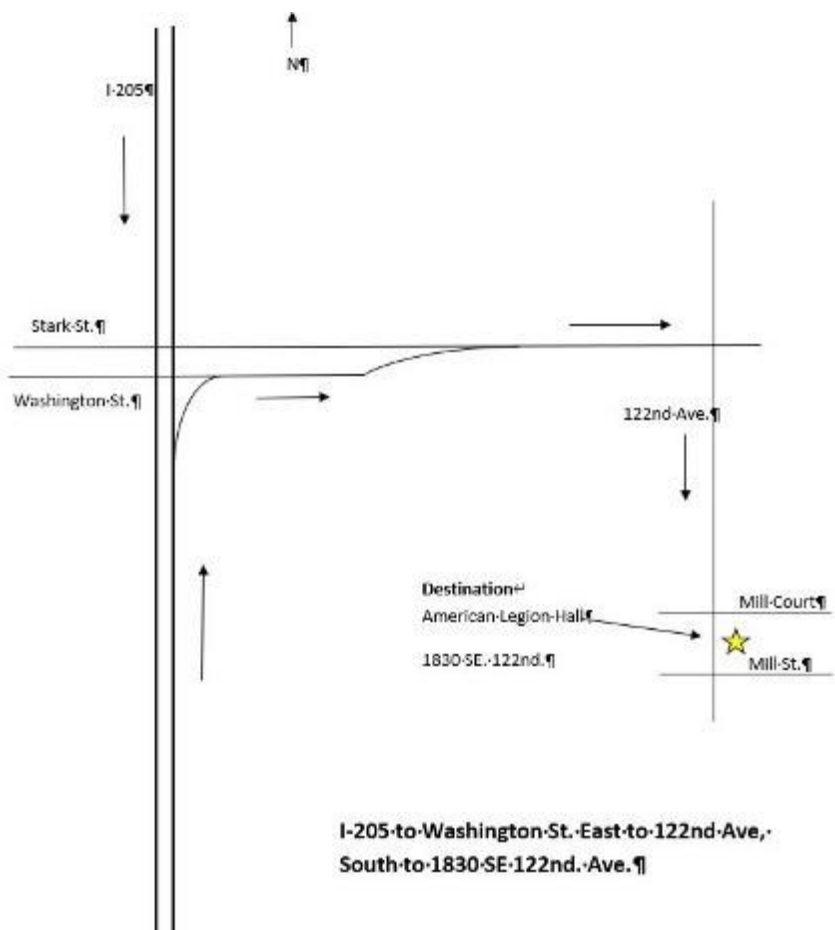
Come and see us in person by attending one of our meetings. Club meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month.

American Legion Lodge located at:

1830 S.E. 122nd Ave. Portland, OR 97233

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

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/1830+SE+122nd+Ave,+Portland,+OR+97233/@45.5103612,-122.539511,787m/data=!3m2!1e3!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x5495a194bdcdf261:0xff6c9ba5d829687d!8m2!3d45.5103575!4d-122.5373223?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

President: Scott H e-mail: gpawscott@icloud.com

Vice President: Tim S

Secretary: Diane H

Treasurer: Don S

At Large Board Members: Rick P, Ron B

In Kind board member: Ryan P

Club e-mail address: oregontreasuretrailsociety@gmail.com

Extracurricular Positions

Website Editors: Jerry H, Harold V

Newsletter Editor: Harold V

Find of the Month Team: Jerry H, Laura A.

Club Hunts: Matthew N, Ryan P

Forms Support: Sue F

Raffles: Kathy B

Challenge Token: