

Oregon Treasure Trail Society Newsletter



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

To those members who have sent in your annual dues, Thank you.

I have been in contact with the GNPE and it is unlikely that a monthly meeting will happen this month. It is possible that we may have a club hunt. The Multnomah Co. info was updated on Feb. 1. It states, "Outdoor recreation fitness, recreation and entertainment establishments (zoos, pools, gardens, parks, etc.) are open but limited to a maximum of 50 people at a time." and "social get-togethers (indoors and outdoors) are limited to no more than 6 people total, from no more than 2 households." I think that we fall into the outdoor recreation guidelines. We will need to wear masks and maintain a 6 ft. distance but I think that a hunt is doable. I am working on plans for Sun. the 28th, but anyone at all interested in hosting will always be welcome.

As most are aware the numbers are finally headed in the right direction and it is entirely possible that restrictions for Multnomah Co. may be relaxed by the end of the month and hopefully more so in March.

I have not been able to secure reservations for the summer picnic as Rooster Rock is not yet accepting them.

It has come to my attention that member Mike Jeffries injured a foot or ankle and will not be able to detect for a few months. Member Don Spillman is laid up with a bad knee and working on getting a replacement. I hope everyone else is healthy.

Happy Hunting,

Ron B



(Pictures submitted by 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.



(Pictures submitted by Bill B. Bill found this previously unlisted Sasquatch / Bigfoot token near a ball field in the Forbidden City.)

Meeting Minutes

None.

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

None.

Coins for Next Meeting Raffle:

None.



(Picture submitted by Harold V. My first WA state tax token.)

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 Ron B. Picture taken from a long forgotten club hunt.)

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 on behalf of Tim S. The art of packing your detector for a trip.)

Club Member's Experiences

Submitted by Colleen

I hope this finds all of you, and yours happy, healthy and finding opportunities to treasure hunt! I've been at it almost three years already, which entitles me to the old adage; time flies when you are having fun! Recently I had a metal detecting experience that earned an entry in my gratitude journal. Examples of prior entries have been my first gold, and my opportunity to hunt on private land, in a historic gold mine region of Montana. I really need to get myself a chauffeur because, whenever I am out and about my head is on a swivel looking for locations to hunt. I had spotted this little 1.7 acre park one day, and made a mental note to check it out when I could. A determined five hours, over a two day period brought me \$19.93 (60 quarters/34 dimes/14 nickels/83 pennies) a pocket knife and 4 rings (one silver) to boot!

I'm certain I could have met the \$20.00 mark but there was so much up and down I started passing up what I thought to be pennies. My friend Don Fantz told me that's one target every two minutes. That's an engineer's mind for you. I thanked Don as that is indeed a fun fact! My friend Ringman said, that this park was a "honey hole". I thank him too, because I have to know a detectorists lingo when I regale my friends and family with my treasure hunting tales. He also warned me it would spoil me. He was right, I'm sure that won't happen again, especially with all of you prolific hunters out there. Thanks for missing this one! I hope that you too are having fun, and finding things to be grateful for. Take care and happy hunting, Colleen





Submitted by Scott J

Some Pictures of recent finds



Silver Bead



Finally got some gold



Submitted by Matthew N





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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