

# Oregon Treasure Trail Society Newsletter

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

Hello everyone.

This past meeting was definitely a little intense. The board and myself are working towards amending members concerns while making a fun and level playing field for all members.

I appreciate all of your patience while I adjust to this new position. We have the new 5oz silver round up for raffle at the upcoming club picnic. Tickets will be 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5. They will be available at monthly meetings leading up to the picnic.

I hope you are all doing well and out making wonderful finds.

Happy hunting,

Ashley W



### Announcements

#### Next Meeting:

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

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.



## Meeting Minutes

Minutes for meeting Jan 25, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Ashley W. The pledge of Allegiance was recited and the officers and at large board members were introduced. The meeting was attended by 30 members and no guests. The minutes of the last meeting, as published on the website, were noted and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. Birthdays were announced and birthday coins were given. The monthly birthday draw was won by Maggie. She was awarded a 1964 Kennedy half dollar. Bill B won the member draw. He was awarded a Franklin half dollar. The progressive was awarded to Mike M. New silver was added to the pot. Ryan P gave a club hunt recap.

Old business was discussed. The T-shirts were on display and ready to order. O.T.T.S. tokens were handed in by Kirk and Jackie. Tim brought up bylaw changes and committee was formed.

New business was discussed. Scott H was voted in as new VP. The next club hunt is on Jan 30th. Harold is stepping down for FOTM table. Motion made and seconded for club to buy a new PA system. Scott had info on club hunt in Richland Washington in May.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00.

Please remember no outside food is allowed in the Eagles building.



Picture Submitted by Anonymous: Silver Ring with Ruby

### 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:

- 2021 1/10 oz Gold Eagle - Ed V
- 1885 Moran Dollar - Kirk E
- 2021 Silver Eagle type 2 - Sue M
- 2022 Silver Britannia 2 pound - Ashley W
- 2021 Silver Canadian 5 dollar - Linda C
- 2021 Silver South African Krugerrand - Steve E
- 1939 Walking Liberty - Steve E
- 1943 Walking Liberty - Ashley W
- 1943 Walking Liberty - Dale
- 2008 first day issue Monroe dollar - Willy A



### Coins for Next Meeting Raffle:

- 1/10 oz Isle of Man gold coin
- Silver to be determined



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## Find of the Month Results—January 2022

### Item of the Month

Place	Name	Item
1	Jackie A	Tibetan Spear
2	Scott H	1956 License Plate Tag
3	Tim S	Dog Tag

### US Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Ryan P	1945-S 1/2 Dollar
2	Byron D	1944 Mercury
3	Matthew N	1942-P War Nickel
3	Scott H	1941 Mercury

### Foreign Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Matthew N	Chinese Coin
2	Willy A	2 Australian 50ct
3	Ryan P	1943 Canadian 5ct

### Token

Place	Name	Item
1	Bill B	Indian Congress
2	Matthew N	Vintage Disney
3	Ryan P	Recreation Astoria Oregon

### Gold Jewelry

Place	Name	Item
1	Byrin D	10kt Locket
2	Kirk E	14kt Men's Wedding ring
3	Ryan P	14kt Ring

### Silver Jewelry

Place	Name	Item
1	Ron B	.925 Ring w Blue gem
2	Allysin W	ATA Pin
3	Byron D	.925 Freshwater Pearl ring

### Jewelry

Place	Name	Item
1	Bill B	St. Laurent Cocktail Ring
2	Byron D	Buffalo Nickel Pendant
3	Jackee A	Compass Charm

### Artifact

Place	Name	Item
1	Tim S	1812-1852 Army Corp Button
2	Jackee A	1950s Hubley Kidde Car
3	Matthew N	1940 See's Brittle Candy Hammer

### Oldest US Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Tim S	1884-V Nickel
2	Ryan P	1900-P Quarter
3	Scott Jo	1903 Indian Head Penny

### Most Valuable US Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Matthew N	1911-S Wheat
2	Willy A	2020-W Quarter
3	Ryan P	1917-S Dime

### Display

Place	Name
1	Jackee A
2	Willy A
3	Scott Jo



### 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



### 2022 Detectorist of the Year Standings

<u>Place</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	Matthew N	19
Tie	Ryan P	19
3rd	Byron D	16
4th	Willy A	15
5th	Tim S	13
6th	Bill B	12
Tie	Jakee A	12
Tie	Kirk E	12
9th	Ron B	11
Tie	Scott Jo	11
11th	Scott H	7
12th	Allysin W	4
13th	Ed V	3



#### Metal Detectors for Sale:

Mike J. has a MXT Pro for sale. Price \$500 comes with headphones and extra battery case.

Email: [hawaii1@aol.com](mailto:hawaii1@aol.com)

Bruce D. has an XP Deus for sale. Make offer. Comes with a couple of coils.

Email: [msgt.bruce.dixon@outlook.com](mailto:msgt.bruce.dixon@outlook.com)

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

January 2022

**Location:** Overlook Park, 1599 N Fremont St, Portland, OR 97227



**General Information:** Covers 11 acres . Acquired in 1930

**Historical Information:** First designated as a park in 1930, Overlook Park boasts wonderful views of the west hills and downtown Portland along with a range of amenities—basketball court, play structure, baseball diamond, volleyball court, off-leash dog area, and reservable picnic tables to name a few. Mock Crest is a small park offering residents picture-perfect sunset views and a great spot for an afternoon picnic. There are additional parks just a short walking distance from central Overlook in adjacent neighborhoods such as Arbor Lodge and Peninsula Parks.

Overlook has a rich history beginning with the formation of the bluffs it sits upon from debris washed down the Columbia River during the Missoula Floods. During the 1800s—before Overlook was a neighborhood—the area was part of the city of Albina, which incorporated with Portland and East Portland in the 1890s. Businessman and automobile enthusiast Earnest Henry Wemme was the first to invest heavily in real estate in the Overlook neighborhood in the early 1900’s. Around this time roads were laid throughout the area and streetcar lines followed development west and north toward St. Johns.



## Club Hunt Details

**Hunt Results:** The OTTS January Club Hunt was held on Sunday January, 30th 2022. We met at the New Seasons on 3445 N Williams Ave, Portland, OR 97227. 16 members left for the park at 8:55AM. It was a beautiful morning to hunt a park that hasn't been detected in a while (if ever) by the club.

We had three notable finds for the day:

- 1943 Silver Washington Quarter found by Harold V.
- 1956 Silver Canadian Quarter found by Matt N.
- Honkin' 6.5G 14K Gold Wedding Band found by Willy A.



These great finds earned the club three bonus member drawings. One of the three winners was Willy A.! Talk about a good day of detectin' and luck!

- The Main Token was found by Tim S. which won him a shiny Silver Washington Quarter.
- 8 out of 12 regular tokens were found by several members and cashed for a nice array of Mercury Dimes.



**The top 6 winners:**

1) Harold V.	84 points
2) Ryan P.	82 points
3) Willy A.	68 points
4) Jerry H.	60 points
5) Tim S.	59 points
6) Ashley W.	41 points
10) Steve E.	26 points

Photo by Hunt Master Ryan P



## Club Hunt Details continued

The oldest coin for the day was a tie between Amy I. and Scott H. Amy had a 1941 Wheatie and Scott had 1941 Nickel. Both were awarded a silver dime..

24 Pieces of costume jewelry were found.

Total clad found: \$28.50

Trash collected during the hunt: 24.6 lbs.

HAPPY TO SEE CLUB MEMBERS PICKING UP AND DISPOSING OF DANGERS ITEMS



Photo by Hunt Master Ryan P



## Next Club Hunt Details:

Ryan P. and Matt N. will be hosting the club hunt on Saturday February 26th 2022. Meet at 830am and count out at 1pm.

The meeting location will be at (\*%% SW Capitol Hwy, Portland, OR 97219. (Yes, you must decrypt the address. The club will leave for the hunt location promptly at 9am so be there early!

## OTTS Club Challenge Token 2022

### RULES:

- Please follow the Metal Detecting Code of Ethics. This is for fun and we want to be able to continue this event in the future.
- 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 OTTS club meeting for the prize.
- Have fun figuring out the clues and Happy Hunting!

Good Luck and Happy Hunting!

### January

We will search High and Low, but in the end the token is neither north or south.

**Bonus:** Look to the beginning and all will be revealed.

### February

Each month that goes by the hunt gets easier. I am not high in elevation. Some may say I am on the flat. It rings up at a 12-11 on the CTX which is just under a nickel for you non-CTX people.





## Club Member's Experiences

Submitted by Ryan P

Story about the Walker find: A bucket lister and my first big silver coin! I found a 1945 S Walking Liberty half dollar in a Portland park. It was near the surface and was singing 33-34 on my Equinox. I recognized it as the "dream signal" I've been looking for at least a year, but obviously expected it to be something else. When I flipped over the dirt I saw a flash of silver and my heart started pumping. I took a peek at the edge and when I saw it was indeed a big silver coin, I called my cousin over. We both discovered what it was together and much fist pumping and dancing commenced! I couldn't believe it was a walker and my excitement was off the charts. I was so frazzled I could barely detect the rest of the time. What an amazing experience to find such a beautiful coin!





## Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Ryan P

Story about the Barber Quarter find: Another stunner and oh the stories this coin could tell! I found my first Barber quarter with a legible date, 1900 on the dot. Minted in Philadelphia, it had a vivid life before being lost in Portland. It was a great signal 31-33 on my Equinox and I just had a feeling it was something good, but did not expect 122 year old silver. It was an amazing surprise! I found it in the same general area as my recent Walker half dollar, a spot which has produced a total of: half dollar, quarter, dime, a pair of 1919 wheat pennies, various old tokens, a 14k gold ring, and a silver bracelet. After I found the Walker I poured a ton of effort into digging all the trash, which includes cans, 200+ screw caps and bottle caps, nails, can slaw, pull tabs, you name it. I decided to set up a primitive grid system for myself, and go slow listening to everything. In my first pass across it I went left to right and I dug 17+ signals, this netted the Barber and the Mercury. The second pass was up and down, digging 12+ signals and this led to my surprise a lot of missed copper pennies and dimes. It also led to the gold ring which was a solid 11, and a silver bracelet which was a 21 and I thought was another screw cap. All in all it was an great experience in combing a trashy area that had a proven potential for big ticket finds. I still know I missed things, so I will probably be heading back with my the big coil and listen for deep targets now that I have dug out so much of the surface garbage. What an absolutely crazy way to start the year!





## Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Bill B

Found this token on club hunt at Pier Park. Per tokencatalog.com: The Indian Congress was a Wild West Show that took place at the 1901 Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, New York. The Indian Congress Restaurant at the Exposition is famous for selling "Hot Dogs". Bill speculates that somebody who attended the 1901 Exposition in Buffalo may have lost it in Portland while attending the 1905 Lewis & Clark Exposition.



Submitted by Harold V

I don't know about the rest of you, but some of my strongest deepest signals end up being junk. Like the very deep hole I dug just to find a rust bolt in the bottom of it. See below, that is a good 10" down. Then some days you get lucky and you find a 7" deep silver quarter in the hole.





# OREGON TREASURE TRAIL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

## Upcoming Events

Lots of Prizes:  
 Hunt Rounds,  
 Metal Detectors,  
 Pin Pointers,  
 Plinko, Raffles,  
 Free Saturday  
 Night Dinner, and  
 great social times  
 for everyone



(50) + - 1/10th ounce **GOLD** coins, (50) + **GOLD** one-gram pieces, (350) + "Silver Dollars", (450) + Silver Halves and thousands of Old American coins!

**Northwest Treasure Hunters Club – Spokane, Washington**  
**- 50th Annual Treasure Hunt -**  
 June 17th, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### Schedule of Events:

	<u>*Pay Before June 1st</u>	<u>After June 1st</u>	<u>Times</u>
<b><u>Friday Opening Ceremonies/Hunts</u></b>			
"First Texas" Opening Hunt	\$50.00	\$55.00	10:00A.M.
"Inland Empire Metal Detectors" and Eric Berman - Quarter Hunt	\$50.00	\$55.00	1:00 P.M.
"Minelab" Night Hunt	\$35.00	\$40.00	Near Dark
<b><u>Saturday Hunt Events:</u></b>			
"Goldbay" Open Hunt	\$50.00	\$55.00	9:00 A.M.
"Packrat" Hunt and Grunberg Schloss Collectors Cabinet (Mark Gruner)	\$50.00	\$55.00	11:00 A.M.
"Junior" Hunt \$7.00 (ages 6-11)		\$5.00 (ages 0-5)	1:30 P.M.
"Minelab" Open Hunt	\$50.00	\$55.00	3:00 P.M.
<b><u>*Saturday Free Dinner</u></b>			5:30 P.M.
"The Miners Cache" Evening Hunt	\$35.00	\$40.00	7:30 P.M.
<b><u>Sunday Hunt Events:</u></b>			
"Garrett" Old Coin Hunt	\$50.00	\$55.00	8:30 A.M.
*Kids Free Hunt			9:30 A.M.
"American Detectors" Token Hunt	\$50.00	\$55.00	10:30 A.M.

Check Out our [Facebook](#) page: Northwest Treasure Hunters Club

### 50<sup>th</sup> HUNT SPONSORS

- MINELAB -
- GARRETT -
- FIRST TEXAS -
- INLAND EMPIRE METAL DETECTORS and ERIC BERMAN -
- GOLDBAY -
- (PACKRAT) + GRUNBERG SCHLOSS COLLECTORS CABINET (MARK GRUNER) -
- THE MINERS CACHE -
- AMERICAN DETECTORS -

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### Need more information about our 50th Hunt?

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Upcoming Events (continued)



**WIPEOUT !**

**34<sup>th</sup> Treasure Hunt, May 27-29, 2022 Richland, Washington  
Southeast Washington Association Treasure Hunters**



**Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**

4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Registration	By March 15 <sup>th</sup>	By April 15 <sup>th</sup>
9:30 pm-10:15 pm	Mr. Sandman	\$25	\$25

**Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 am-8:00 am	Registration	By March 15 <sup>th</sup>	By April 15 <sup>th</sup>
7:45 am	Opening ceremonies		
8:15 am-9:00 am	Wipeout 1	\$65	\$70
10:30 am-11:30 pm	Wipeout 2	\$40	\$45
12:00 pm-1:00 pm	Lunch (on your own)		
1:00 pm-1:30 pm	Mac the Shark (0-7 yrs.) Barracuda (8-12yrs)	\$8/12	\$8/12
1:00 pm-1:15 pm	Shake Rattle & Roll-Club Competition (one/club)	FREE	FREE
3:00 pm-3:45 pm	Soak Up The Sun (Silver & gold coin prizes)	\$55	\$65
4:15 pm -6:30 pm	ReHunt (must be in both Wipeout Hunts)	\$10	\$10
4:45 pm-5:00 pm	Splish Spash (Kid's Soda Scramble - FREE if in a registered hunt)		
5:00 pm	Dinner-Potluck: SWATH to provide main course/condiments/drinks		
7:00 pm-7:45 pm	Hang Five (25 cent hunt)	\$45	\$55

Wipeout Hunts will be held in one huge field. There will be 2 phases and you may choose to hunt one or both hunts. There will be 400 coins planted per person with a proportional amount for those entered in just 1 phase. The hunt will include caches (some will be planted, and some will be on tokens). There will also be tokens for other prizes. You can expect to find or win chat & silver coins, silver dollars or rounds, merchandise, pinpointers, a detector and gold coins. A special Wipeout Hunt package (2 hunts) is \$100 by 3/15/22 and \$110 by 4/15/22 or \$120 after. All individual hunts; add \$5/ hunt after the April 15 date.

**Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am- 8:15 am	The Big Kahuna!	\$40	\$45
10:30 am-11:15am	Surfin USA (Gold & Silver Prizes)	\$65	\$70
11:30 am	Lunch		
1:00 pm	Closing Ceremonies		

**Surf's Up!**



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**Upcoming Events (continued)**

Pilchuck Treasure Hunting Club Members and Friends,

Mark, with the Cascade Treasure Club out of Seattle, WA, asked us to forward the brochure and registration form for the club's 2022 Silver Shoot coming up in August.

This is the 30th year for the Silver Shoot. An all-day event with multiple hunts, free lunch, and many prizes. Registering early has a couple advantages: saves you some money and enters you in a special coin drawing. The 2022 Flyer is below.

Website: <https://www.pilchuckmetaldetecting.com/>





## 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.

### **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!4d122.7249067?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**

### Board Members

President: Ashley W                      e-mail: adubs503@gmail.com                      tel #:

Vice President: Scott H

Secretary: Laura A

Treasurer" Don S

At Large Board Members: Rick P Byron D, Ron B

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## **Extracurricular Positions**

Website Editors: Jerry H, Harold V                      Newsletter Editor: Harold V

Find of the Month Team: Willy A, Sherrie B, Linda C

Club Hunts: Mathhew N, Ryan P                      Forms Support: Sue F

Raffles: Scott Jo                      Challenge Token: Harold V