

Oregon Treasure Trail Society Newsletter



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(Club Hunt find by Ryan P)

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

Thank you all for electing me as your new club President. It's been my pleasure serving as your Vice President for the past two years. My plan is to keep our club on the same trajectory for this year to come. I pray that we are able to have a somewhat "normal" year depending on how this pandemic we are in continues. I hope to see you all out and about searching for those treasures. I am looking forward to seeing you all this upcoming meeting on January 25th, 2022. Happy New Year and thank you all for this honor.

Happy hunting,

Ashley W.

Announcements

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, January 25, 2021

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



(Photo submitted by Ryan P)

Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for meeting Dec 11, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 by Ron B. The pledge of Allegiance was recited and the officers and at large board members were introduced. The meeting was attended by 36 members and 7 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 Harold V. He was awarded a 1943 half dollar. Willy A. won the member draw. She was awarded a 1906 half dollar. The progressive was not awarded. New silver was added to the pot. Ryan P gave a club hunt recap.

Old business was discussed. An election was held for the 2022 board. Ashly W was elected as the new president. Laura A and Don S will stay on as secretary and treasurer respectively. Nominations for vice president are still needed.

New business was discussed. A holiday raffle was held. Rick donated a gold ring to the raffle. The big raffle for the 5-ounce round was won by Laura A. Ron B gave his goodbye speech. There will be a club hunt on the 1st of January. Bill B gave a health update about Tim B. Club members wished Tim good health and a speedy recovery.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00.

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

Other information that club members might find helpful:

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.

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Meeting Raffle Results

See "Meeting minutes" for raffle results

Coins for Next Meeting Raffle:

No information at time of publishing.

Find of the Month Results

All, let's remember that the Find of the Month competition is for fun and a chance for all club member's to see what other members are finding during a given month. The more people participate the more competition there is and the more the lead changes. This is a club founded on treasure hunting, so participate and enjoy the rewards of being part of a group of likeminded individuals. And as always, respect the grounds you are hunting. We all would like this hobby to continue, so please follow our code of ethics when detecting.

The final 2021 Detectorist of the Year results include the points for monthly find entries, club hunt attendance and club volunteer service. To save newsletter space, the names of 14 people who earned fewer than five points have not been listed. The Top 10 were awarded certificates and a bonus at the Christmas party. Happy hunting in 2022! (from Harold V)



(Photo submitted by Ryan P; Reverse)

2021 Detectorists of the Year Awards

Rank	Name	Total
1st	Harold V	164
2nd	Scott Jo	158
3rd	Rick G	155
4th	Willy A	133
5th	Ryan P	99
6th	Jerry H	95
7th	Tim S	82
8th	Bill B	68
9th	Laura A	65
10th	Matthew N	63
11th	Steve E	40
12th	Kirk E	38
13th	Allysin W	33
14th	Linda C	26
15th	Ed V	14
16th	Jackee A	13
17th	Byron D	5
18th	Scott H	5

Find of the Month Entry Form:

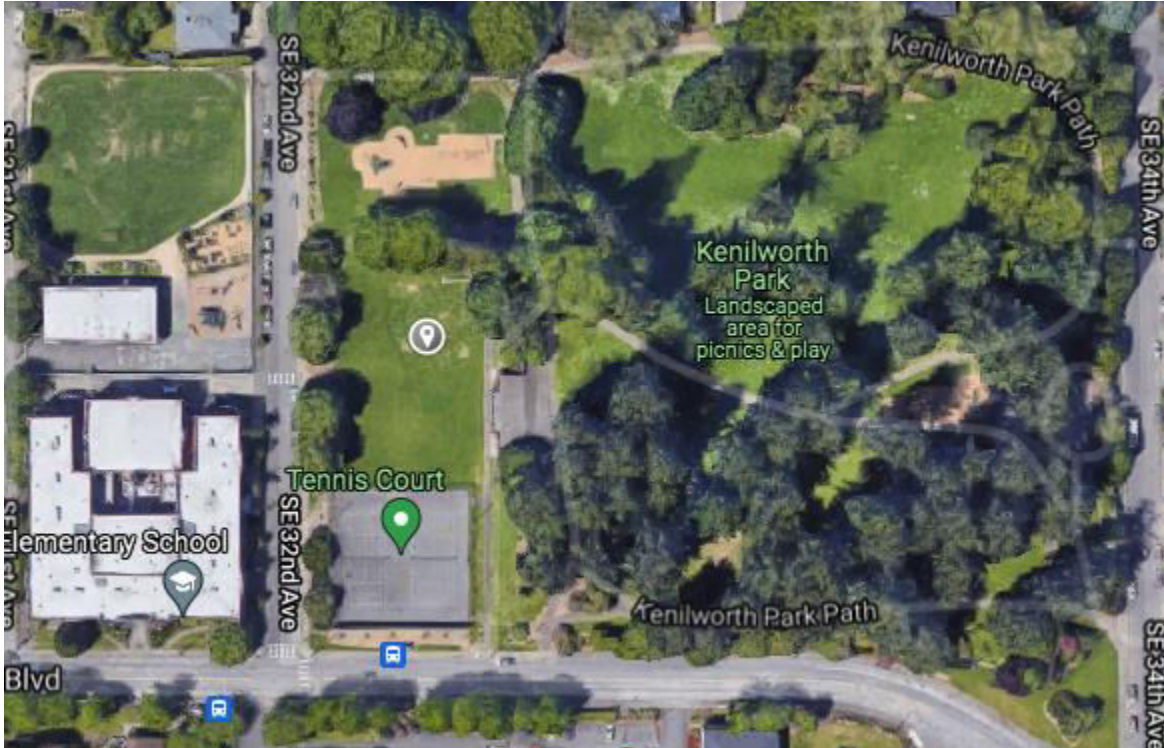
Located on the O.T.T.S. website: <https://ottsclub.org/files>

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. Thank you to everyone who brought in their finds. It is not only motivating but also gives us all compelling reasons to get out and enjoy the hobby that we love.

O.T.T.S. Monthly Club Hunt

Club Hunt Report - December 2021

Location: Kenilworth Park (Reed Neighborhood)
SE Holgate Blvd & SE 34th Ave. Portland, OR 97202



General Information: Covers 8.4 acres . Acquired in 1909

Historical Information: The land occupied by Kenilworth Park and most of the Kenilworth neighborhood was part of the land claim owned by Clinton Kelly, a Methodist minister from Kentucky who settled in the area in 1848. In 1909 the Portland Park Board purchased 9 acres from Kelly with funds from a 1908 bond measure created specifically to acquire land for parks in Portland. The park and the neighborhood, platted in 1889, are named after Sir Walter Scott's 1821 novel *Kenilworth*, a romantic novel set in Elizabethan England. Many of the streets in the neighborhood took their names from this novel and other novels by Scott. In 1910, Park Superintendent Emanuel Mische created a design for the park that was inspired by the park's natural topography and vegetation. The design included a bandstand, tennis courts, sports field, wading pool and play area, sand courts, walkways, and vista points. In 1912 a comfort station pavilion was added and remains an important historic feature of the park.

Designed by Ellis Lawrence in the 20th Century Classic style, it is significant for its cubist form and decorative brickwork arches. Originally the arches were open and provided unobstructed views of the city; in 1983, in order to curb vandalism, metal doors were added to close off the pavilion when not in use. Today, the basic layout of the park remains intact and is indicative of the strength and appeal of Mische's original design.

Club Hunt Details

Hunt Results: The OTTS December Club Hunt was held on Saturday January, 1st 2022. We met at the Walgreens located at 3909 SE Holgate Blvd, Portland, OR 97202. 17 members and 1 guest met between 8:30 and 8:45 am. The club left for the park at 8:55AM. It was a freezing cold start to the new year. Members were seen quickly snagging up the last hand warmers from Walgreens as we all prepared for a frosty park hunt. The ground was frozen which made for a fun challenge to collect those coins and bottle caps.

Since this was the end of the year/new year club hunt, there were some extra goodies hidden for members to hunt for. Ryan P. and Matt N. hid 20 \$1 presidential coins and 20 \$.50 pieces in addition to these special tokens to be redeemed for silver:

- 9 OTTS stamped tokens = 8 of 9 were found good for 1 silver quarter
- 10 small brass washers = 4 of 10 were found good for 1 gram silver bar
- 3 SAINT tokens = 0 out of 3 were found good for 1 Barber Half Dollar (The three coins became member draws prizes)
- 20 brass knockouts = 19 of 20 were found good for 1 silver dime.
- BIG token = 1 of 1 found good for silver half dollar.

Since the park was on the smaller side, members had no problem finding most of the hidden tokens. Le H. won the Member draw and got himself a nice Walker Half.

We decided to have a Top 10 winner instead of 6 this time.

The top 10 winners at the hunt were:

- 1) TIM S. 70 points
- 2) Ed V. 50 points
- 3) Ryan P. 43 points
- 4) Harold V. 39 points
- 5) Jackee A. 33 points
- 6) Ashley W. 32 points
- 7) Scott J. 30 points
- 8) Willy A. 29 points
- 9) Scott H. 27 points
- 10) Steve E. 26 points

The oldest coin was found by Tim S. - a 1930 wheat penny. And the only silver found for the day was by Ryan P. a 1944 Mercury dime.

Total clad found: \$18.82

Trash collected during the hunt: 43.7 lbs.

Next Club Hunt Details:

January Club Hunt: Ryan P. and Matt N. will be hosting the January Club Hunt on Sunday Jan 30th 2022. Starting at 9am and counting out at 1pm.

The meeting location will be at the The New Seasons at 3445 N Williams Ave, Portland, OR 97227. The club will leave for the hunt location promptly at 9am so be there early!

Metal Detectors for Sale:

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

Email: hawaiirab1@aol.com

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

Email: msgt.bruce.dixon@outlook.com



December Club hunt count out submitted by Ryan P

Club Member's Experiences

No submissions this month.

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: Ashley W

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Vice President: Open position

Secretary: Laura A

Treasurer: Don S

At large: Rick P

At large: Byron D

Other Club Contacts

Club Hunts: Matt N/Ryan P

Forms Support: Sue F

Raffles: Scott J

Challenge Token: None

Newsletter/Website Editors

Website: Randy W

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Newsletter: Rick G

Find of the Month Team

Harold V

Willy A

Linda C

Sherrie B

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