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OREGON TREASURE TRAIL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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

Hello everyone.

Look like there have been quite a few changes. Hopefully we can keep on a positive upswing to have a fun and exciting time out there.

Congratulations to Diane H. on becoming our new secretary and to Laura and Jerry for taking over FOTM.

With our upcoming annual summer picnic and hunt July 10th, 2022 at Rooster Rock State Park we have some getting ready to do. Registration will be \$30 this year. Please see Don S at any upcoming meeting to register. We are definitely in need of volunteers and donations to help make this year another successful event! We also have the 5oz silver round to raffle at the picnic. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Hope to see you all out and about.

Happy hunting,

Ashley W



Announcements

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, March 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 February 22, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7pm by President Ashley W. Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the officers and at large board members were introduced. The meeting was attended by 26 members and 1 guest, Chris A. 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 given. The monthly birthday draw was won by Lee H. He was awarded a 1964 Kennedy half dollar. Steve E. won the member draw. He received a 1964 Kennedy half dollar. The Progressive draw was won by Diane H. She was awarded a 1900 Morgan dollar. New Silver was added to the pot. Ryan P gave a club hunt recap.

Old business was discussed. Byron D. reported they have not yet met for a committee meeting to discuss by-law changes, and were still looking for a date in the very near future to do so. Two OTTS tokens were turned in by Don S. It was reported by Ashley W. that previous member Richard Brooks had passed away last November. Laura and Jerry H. have volunteered to run the FOTM table. With Laura stepping down from the Secretary position. It was presented to the members an opening for the position. Scott H. nominated Diane H. for the position of Club Secretary. She accepted and was voted in unanimously by the members.

Old business was discussed. Jerry and Laura H. discussed the "single vote" improvements made for voting the FOTM categories. Scott J. reported on various club hunts and provided information for anyone interested in attending these events. Byron D. reported that the cost of the Club picnic hunt will be increased to \$30.00. Don S. has entry forms for the club hunt. Don S reported that the club members have donated \$96.00 to date for the food bank. Past President Ron B. presented the Presidential Award to Laura A.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00.

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



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

1988 1/10oz Isle of Mann Jackee A.

Silver Morgan Dollars

1889 Jerry H.

1890 Ed A.

1896 Ashley W.

1897 Ed A.

1900 Sue M.

Silver Halves

1954-D Ashley W.

1961-D Willy A.

1964-D Tim S.

1964 Ashley W.

1964 Steve E.



Coins for Next Meeting Raffle:

2022 1/10th ounce US \$5 gold coin (type II eagle head back)

Silver Morgan dollars 1879, lucky 1888, and 1921

2022 Walking Liberty Dollar (type II)

2021 St Helena Angel One Pound

1946 Walking Liberty Half

1897 Barber Quarter

2x 1930 Standing Liberty Quarters

1916 Barber Dime

Canadian 5 cent silver coins. 1913 and 1914.



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Find of the Month Results—February 2022

Item of the Month

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|----------|-------------------|
| 1 | Ryan P | Brandy Scotch Key |
| 2 | Jackee A | Tiny Shovel |
| 2 | Kirk E | Star Badge |

US Coin

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|----------|---------------------|
| 1 | Jackee A | 1963 D Dime |
| 2 | Willy A | Susan B Dollar Coin |
| 3 | Kirk E | 1943 s Penny |
| 3 | Scott J | 1971 Half Dollar |

Foreign Coin

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|--------|---------------------|
| 1 | Ryan P | 1908 Canadian Cent |
| 2 | Tim S | 1992 10 Centavo |
| 3 | Kirk E | 2016 10 cent Mexico |

Token

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|---------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Ryan P | King Kam so called dollar |
| 2 | Ron B | 1920 Woodrow Willson |
| 3 | Bill B | Malibu Grand Prix |
| 3 | Willy A | Animal Kingdom Micky |

Gold Jewelry

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|---------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Willy A | Men's Gold Wedding Band |

Silver Jewelry

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|---------|----------------------|
| 1 | Ryan P | Large Men's necklace |
| 2 | Willy A | Silver heart ring |
| 3 | Bill B | Silver earring |

Jewelry

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|---------|---------------------|
| 1 | Tim S | Copper Bracelet |
| 1 | Scott J | Necklace |
| 3 | Bill B | Surfing Shark Watch |

Artifact

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|----------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Willy A | Civil War Navy Button |
| 2 | Bill B | Old Pocket Watch |
| 2 | Jackee A | Oregon Journal Wing Pin |

Oldest US Coin

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | Ryan P | 1903 Indian Head Penny |
| 2 | Willy A | 1905 Indian Head Penny |
| 3 | Kirk E | 1928 Cent |

Most Valuable US Coin

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|----------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Willy A | 1944 Mercury Dime |
| 2 | Jackee A | Presidential Dollar coin |
| 2 | Ron B | Presidential Dollar coin |

Display

| Place | Name |
|-------|----------|
| 1 | Jackee A |
| 2 | Willy A |
| 3 | Scott J |
| 3 | Kirk E |

Best of the Best

| Place | Name | Item |
|-------|---------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Willy A | Men's Gold Wedding Band |

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.

2022 Detectorist of the Year Standings

| <u>Place</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> |
|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1st | Willy A | 43 |
| 2nd | Ryan P | 37 |
| 3rd | Jakee A | 31 |
| 4th | Bill B | 24 |
| 4th | Kirk E | 24 |
| 6th | Scott Jo | 22 |
| 6th | Ron B | 22 |
| 8th | Tim S | 21 |
| 9th | Mathew N | 19 |
| 10th | Byron D | 16 |
| 11th | Scott H | 7 |
| 12th | Allysin W | 4 |
| 13th | Ed V | 3 |



Silver Snake found in the grass



I am Batman!!!



A couple of Wheats submitted by Matthew N



A two Silver Day

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

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

Email: msgt.bruce.dixon@outlook.com

Scott H. has a Minelab E-trac Metal Detector

Includes, Original 11" coil, Koss Headphones, AA-15 Battery pac, original E-Trac software, Update cable, Minelab patch. Also these options " WOT Coil, Sunray probe, Rechargeable battery pac, Andy Sabish's "The Minelab" book, and the original box. \$600. Contact Scott at a meeting or through the club if your interested.



O.T.T.S. Monthly Club Hunt

February 2022

Location: Jackson Middle School, 10625 SW 35th Ave., Portland, OR 97219



General Information: School site contains various sport fields and big open areas.

Historical Information: The school was first built sometime in the 1960-70s. Prior to that the land was a farm.

Club Hunt Details

Hunt Results: The OTTS January Club Hunt was held on Saturday February, 26th 2022. We met at the Walgreens located at 9855 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland, OR 97219. 17 members left for the park at 8:57AM. The ground was soft and clouds kept it cool with a little sprinkle of rain towards the end.

Ryan P. and Matt N. hid 10 regular tokens and one special token. The club turned in a great token effort, finding seven of the regular tokens and the special token! Tim S. found the special token hidden in a sand pit and won a 1964 quarter. Several members reported finding club tokens buried 2-3 inches, indicating they were from previous club hunts at the site. The remaining club tokens from Saturday are still at the site.

Ron B. won the membership drawing, winning a 1964 Kennedy half dollar.

There was a surprise category and a silver dime was awarded to anyone who recovered a dog tag.

In an amazing turn of events, Laura A. found the oldest coin on the day, a 1899 V nickel, but it wasn't discovered until she was cleaning up her coins at home! At the count out, Ryan P. turned in a 1944 wheat penny for the oldest coin (and was the only wheat penny found). Matt N. found a stellar silver and gold ring with black hills gold leafing stamped "STERLING 10K." Jerry H. found two silver rings and Harold, Laura, Ryan, and Allisyn contributed to the total of seven silver finds. Ryan found the only foreign coin, a 1971 Japanese 10 yen coin. Members found 25 pieces of costume jewelry.

The top 6 winners:

- 1) Ryan P. 97 points
- 2) Matt N. 77 points
- 3) Jerry H. 71 points
- 4) Harold V. 67 points
- 5) Jakee A. 50 points
- 6) Byron D. 46 points

Total clad found: \$33.72
Trash collected: 31 lbs.

March Club Hunt: Ryan P. and Matt N. will be hosting the March Club Hunt on March 27th (Sunday). The meeting location will be at the Ace Hardware located at 2070 8th Ave, West Linn, OR 97068. If you want coffee grab some on the way or there is a McDonalds across the street. The club will leave for the hunt location at promptly 9 am 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.

Bonus: Rivers snake to the north and to the west of my location.

March

Surely by now, you know the token is hidden in a park.



Club Member's Experiences

Submitted by Scott H

While Diane H. doesn't dig the dirt for coins or search the tot lots for jewelry like most of us do. That doesn't mean she is not on the prowl for a special find.

Recently while out shopping she visited the Coinstar machine at the local market to see what might be left behind. When I came home that afternoon from metal detecting, she had a rather sheepishly look on her face. She said to me "look what I found today". She pulled out a hand full of coins and the object of my attention immediately went to the two silver quarters shown below. Now that was an impressive haul. Good job Diane!



Submitted by Jerry H

This is a tale of a lesson learned about observations during a club hunt. Laura A cleaned her coins when she got home to see more clearly what she had. To her surprise and delight she found an 1899 V Nickel amongst her nickels from the club hunt. It was her first V Nickel.



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Harold V

Well, not to be out done by Laura. Let me start by saying I have hunted every square inch of my yard with several different detectors. After the last club hunt, I took a detector out hunting in the yard to test it's capabilities and what did I find? My first V Nickel. Laura beat me by one year. Mine is merely a 1900!



Submitted by Matthew N

Some recent Finds!



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Ryan P

I recently got to take a vacation to Hawaii; my favorite place. Since getting into detecting I have only been able to make one trip to Hawaii and I took my White's MXT, right before COVID hit. So this was my first trip with the Equinox 800 and I wasn't disappointed. My very first day I found a huge 77g men's silver chain in the dry sand where someone had walked off without it (rang up as a really loud 21). It was hilarious to wear around such a blingin' chain so I took to wearing it the rest of the time. When inevitably someone asked "found anything good?" I just grabbed my necklace and was met with many astonished reactions! Definitely my biggest silver find to date. I netted tons of clad and my first Hawaiian wheat penny (1946 S). A silver ring came from some knee deep saltwater detecting. I was a little hesitant to submerge the electronics while on vacation, and in hindsight, I should have tested it out before I left. I have just read it's 50/50 with people having issues afterwards. Otherwise a great trip and not pictured - tons of trash and broken glass cleaned up off the beaches.



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Ryan P continued

I was pretty stoked to dig my first large cent, even if it's from our neighbor to the north! 1908 Canadian one cent which rang up as a bouncy 22-26 on my Equinox. It was a very cool surprise! As a bonus I also found a very nicely detailed 1903 Indian head, rang up 21. A couple awesome 100+ year old coppers makes my day!



And just to make everyone jealous, a picture from Hawaii.



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Ed V

Magnifying Glass on some makes of iPhone. I found this accidentally while searching for another icon on my iPhone. My iPhone has a magnifying glass on it.



To find the icon, swipe up from the bottom of the screen.



The magnifying glass icon is in the lower right corner. Tap the icon and the camera is enabled. Then use the bar to zoom into the object.



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, 18th and 19th, 2022

Schedule of Events:

| | <u>*Pay Before June 1st</u> | <u>After June 1st</u> | <u>Times</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| <u>Friday Opening Ceremonies/Hunts</u> | | | |
| "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 |
| <u>Saturday Hunt Events:</u> | | | |
| "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) "Peewee" Hunt \$5.00 (ages 0-5) | | | 1:30 P.M. |
| "Minelab" Open Hunt | \$50.00 | \$55.00 | 3:00 P.M. |
| <u>*Saturday Free Dinner</u> | | | 5:30 P.M. |
| "The Miners Cache" Evening Hunt | \$35.00 | \$40.00 | 7:30 P.M. |
| <u>Sunday Hunt Events:</u> | | | |
| "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

50th 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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Upcoming Events (continued)

Metal Detectors



Lots of Silver



Gold Coins, Prizes



Raffles

WIPEOUT !

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



Friday, May 27th

| | | | |
|------------------|--------------|------|------|
| 4:00 pm-6:00 pm | Registration | | |
| 9:30 pm-10:15 pm | Mr. Sandman | \$25 | \$25 |

Saturday, May 28th

| | | | |
|-------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Registration | | |
| 7:00 am-8:00 am | Opening ceremonies | By March 15 th | By April 15 th |
| 7:45 am | Wipeout 1 | \$85 | \$70 |
| 8:15 am-9:00 am | Wipeout 2 | \$40 | \$45 |
| 10:30 am-11:30 pm | Lunch (on your own) | | |
| 12:00 pm-1:00 pm | Mac the Shark (0-7 yrs.) Barracuda (8-12yrs) | \$8/12 | \$8/12 |
| 1:00 pm-1:30 pm | Shake Rattle & Roll-Club Competition (one/club) | FREE | FREE |
| 1:00 pm-1:15 pm | Soak Up The Sun (Silver & gold coin prizes) | \$55 | \$65 |
| 3:00 pm-3:45 pm | ReHunt (must be in both Wipeout Hunts) | \$10 | \$10 |
| 4:15 pm -6:30 pm | Spish Spash (Kid's Soda Scramble - FREE if in a registered hunt) | | |
| 4:45 pm-5:00 pm | Dinner-Potluck: SWATH to provide main course/condiments/drinks | | |
| 5:00 pm | Hang Five (25 cent hunt) | \$45 | \$55 |
| 7:00 pm-7:45 pm | | | |

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 29th

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

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: Diane H

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: Jerry H, Laura A.

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

Raffles: Scott Jo Challenge Token: Harold V