

Oregon Treasure Trail Society Newsletter

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Submitted by Harold V: This is what early spring looks like. What is next?

March 2023

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

As we now find ourselves at the beginning of spring, excitement is beginning to build for a great season of detecting adventures. Fabulous finds are waiting to be discovered. Are you ready? Isn't it funny how now that the weather is going to improve there seems to be little time left in a day to go detecting. The lawn needs mowing, weeds are popping up, yard work, spring cleaning, kids sporting events, washing the car etc. etc. OK, OK, that stuff can wait. Let's go detecting. If you're new to the hobby, attend one of our club hunts. Connect with one of our fellow members and start your adventure now. It still amazes me, how many rings, bracelets, old coins and relics are found to this day. Don't believe the guy that says there is nothing left, there still is and he may be trying to hide the fact.

Now the next few months are going to be exciting for our Special Raffle. I don't believe we have ever offered such a great raffle prize as the one that will start at our April meeting. This will be a first and hopefully will start a trend for our club. Look in our Newsletter to find the flyer. Notice: Monty Berry has passed away. Monty was a previous member of OTTS and a great contributor to the hobby for many, many years.

Another notice here, Bill B. is going to give a presentation on Tokens at our April meeting. Bill is our resident authority on tokens (and much more) and will give history, show examples and answer questions. Bring your tokens to the meeting and have Bill give his opinion on your find.

I also want to mention that there are still club shirts available. If you are interested in one, contact Larry W. he will hook you up.

Happy Spring everybody.

Sincerely,

President Scott H

Announcements

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, April 25th, 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

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Meeting Minutes

Minutes for meeting March 28, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7pm by Ron B. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the officers and at large board members were introduced. The meeting was attended by 30 members and 1 guest. Ron reported the minutes of the last meeting were published on the website, at this time a motion was made, seconded, and the meeting minutes were accepted by the membership. The Treasurers report was read by Don with a current balance of \$2993.55 in our account. At this time a motion was made, seconded, and the treasurer's report was accepted by the membership. March birthdays were announced. Happy birthday to Laura S. and Willy A. No tokens were turned in. Lee S. won the member draw and received a Silver half dollar. The Progressive draw was won by Tim S and he took home 2 silver dollars. There will be \$1 silver in the kitty for April. Ryan gave a club hunt recap that was held at Peninsula park, Ryan also reported that the next Club hunt will be April the 8th. See the web site calendar for the location to meet for the club hunt. And let's thank Linda C, along with Ron and Kathy B. for bringing snacks in tonight. Next month Sherrie B and Kirk E. will be providing snacks for our April meeting.

Old business:

The drawing was held for the Special Raffle and the winner of the 1884 CC Morgan Dollar was Diane Hadley. Congratulations Diane



Submitted by Harold V: A typical find's day. A little of this and a little of that,

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

1915 Austrian Gold Ducat Becky

Silver

2016 Silver Eagle Mike M.

2003 England 1oz Silver Larry W.

1980 Mexican Com 1oz Linda C.

1880 Morgan dollar Scott J.

1921 Morgan dollar Ashley W.

1921 Morgan dollar Bryon L.

1839 5 franc Jackee A.

1oz silver bar Linda C.

1893 US Columbia Expo half Kirk E.

1903 Barber half Ed V.

1962 Franklin half Mike

Mystery Envelopes

#1 1980 Gold Tonga Ashley W.

#2 68 Mexico Olympic 25 peso Tim S.

#3 1935 Saudi 1 Riyal Willy A.

#4 Swiss 2 Frac Ed V.



Coins for Next Meeting Raffle:

To Be Determined

OTTS Raffle

1983 British (one) Sovereign



Tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Drawing held at the OTTS Picnic, July 9th. 2023

Pic's are of actual coin. (7.323 grams of gold con-



Find of the Month Results—March 2023

Item of the Month

Place	Name	Item
1	Jackee A	Vintage toy car
2	Ryan P	Bowling trophy top
3	Bill B	Bullet in tree bark
3	Scott J	Stone carved pig
3	Willy A	Aladdin's lamp



US Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Ryan P	1917 S Standing liberty quarter
2	Harold V	1895 O Barber dime
3	Laura S	1953 Wheat cent



Foreign Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Ryan P	1/4 Cut Spanish real
2	Ron B	1978 Canadian dime
3	Scott J	Canadian 1 cent coin



Token

Place	Name	Item
1	Ryan P	US Grant presidential token
2	Jackee A	10 cent play money
3	Scott J	1954 play dime



Gold Item

Place	Name	Item
1	Scot	18kt Gold ring
2	Kirk E	14kt gold and diamond ring

Silver Item

Place	Name	Item
1	Scott J	Silver garnet ring
1	Jackee A	Silver necklace
3	Bill B	Silver pink stone ring



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.

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Find of the Month Results—March 2023

Jewelry

Place	Name	Item
1	Scott J	Jewelry horde 3 rings and necklace
2	Harold V	Magic square
3	Kirk E	Skull ring
4		



Artifact

Place	Name	Item
1	Scott J	Bird tracking tag
2	Bill B	Great Seal Button
3	Harold V	Cat
4		



Oldest US Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Ryan P	1838 Seated 1/2 dime
2	Jackee A	1911 Wheat cent
3	Harold V	1914 Wheat cent
4		



Most Valuable US Coin

Place	Name	Item
1	Ryan P	1836 F cent capped
2	Jackee A	1923 S Wheat cent
3	Scott J	US Dollar coin
3	Kirk E	US dollar coin



Display

Place	Name
1	Ryan P
2	Jackee A

Best of the Best

Place	Name	Item
1	Scott J	18Kt gold ring



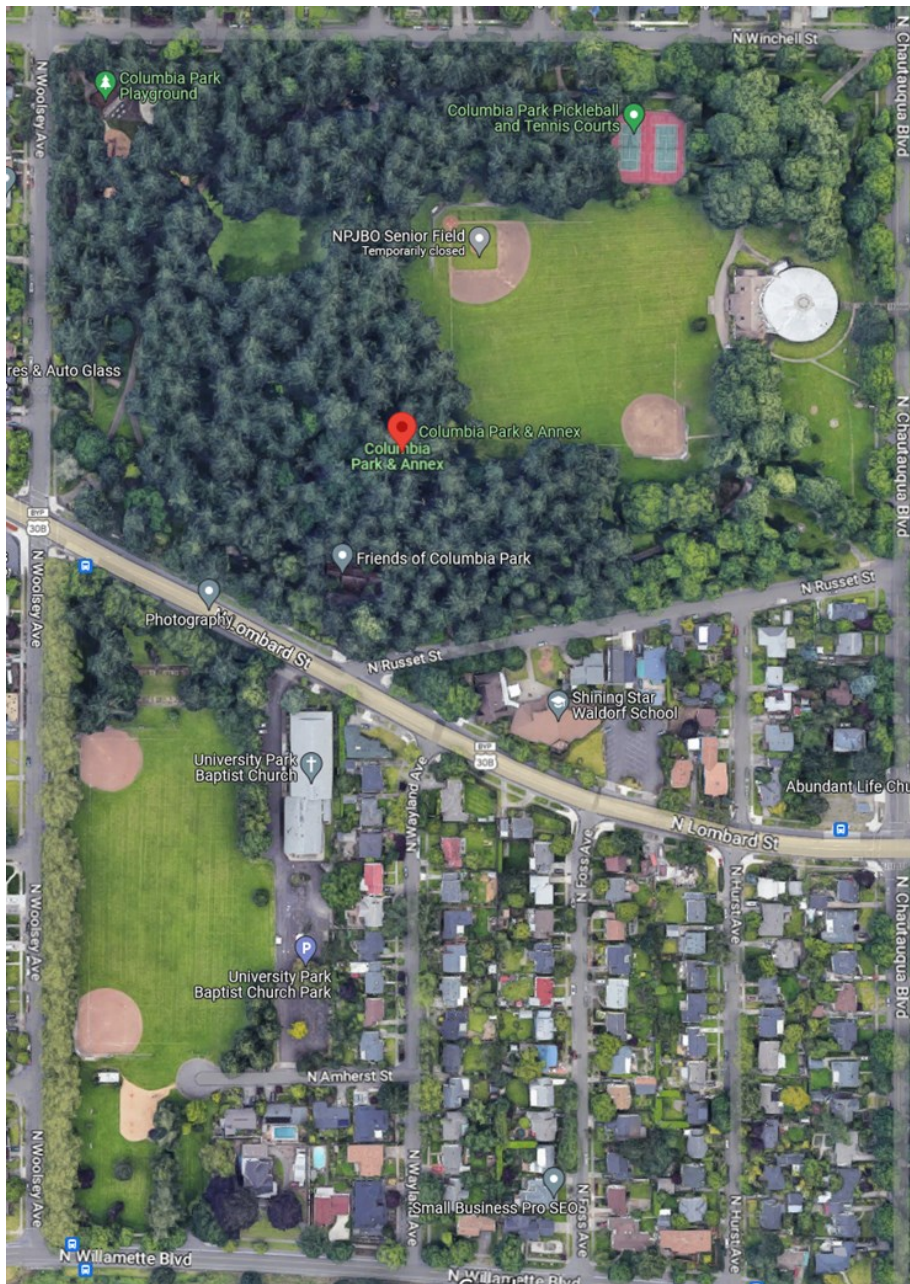
2023 Detectorist of the Year Standings

Place	Name	Points
1	Ryan P	67
2	Jackee A	60
3	Scott J	54
4	Bill B	40
4	Harold V	40
6	Kirk E	39
6	Scott H	39
8	Lee H	26
9	Tim S	19
10	Ron B	13
11	Tom S	12
12	Laura S	9
13	Ed V	2
14	Chuck P	1



O.T.T.S. Monthly Club Hunt

April 8th 2023 Location: Columbia Park & Annex, 4503 N Lombard St, Portland, OR 97203

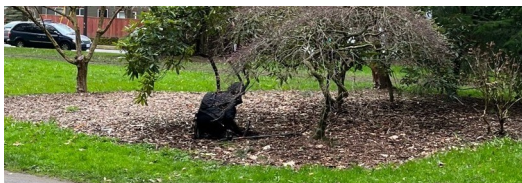


General Information: None

Historical Information: In 1891, the City of Albina bought a tract of wooded land to be used for Albina's first park, however, it wasn't developed until after Albina consolidated with the City of Portland. In 1909, G.H. Hoch, the head gardener for Washington Park, oversaw the design work for Columbia Park. He patterned the park after a famous park in Berlin, Germany. Columbia Cottage was built in 1940 and has served as a field house, dance hall, and National Guard command center.

Club Hunt Details

Hunt Results: 22 members turned out for the club hunt at Columbia. Hidden on the day were 10 regular club tokens, two special tokens, two grab bag tokens, and 1 white zinc penny token good for a hat. There was a new challenge for Hunt Master Ryan gave they know their machine” and only once during the tunity to mark a signal and it is a dime (witnessed by the Hunt Master or another member) they win a silver dime at count out. If they are wrong, they lose out because you only get one chance. Ryan randomly drew member names until someone wanted to participate. Harold was given the flag for the day, and witnessed by Tim and Jerry, marked, and then dug up a dime. Well done!



For natural finds in the park, the club as a whole felt like the targets were few and far between. However, with 22 people hunting there was bound to be some nice finds and there was! Harold found an 18k diamond ring which he said might be the best he’s ever found. Harold and Lee H. found silver jewelry. Jackee and Ashley found buffalo nickels, Ashley’s had a date visible of 1936. Ashley also found the oldest coin on the day, an 1898 2 Filler, a Hungarian coin.

At count out, it was discovered that nobody found either of the special tokens. Laura got to try the grab bag, getting five seconds to reach in and pull out a prize. She pulled out a 1899 Morgan Silver Dollar COPY, better luck next time! Club members turned in 7 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. Nobody found the white zinc penny good for a hat, and Ryan recovered all the missing special tokens.

For the membership drawings, Laura S. and Lee S. both won Franklin half dollars. Jeff and Dan both won Washington quarters.

The next club hunt will again feature two special tokens worth a silver quarter!



The top 6 winners:	
1) Harold V	83 points
2) Laura S.	54 points
3) Lee H.	52 points
4) Tim S	50 points
5) Jackee A	43.5 points

Total clad found: \$28.22
Trash collected: 29.5 lbs.

Next Club Hunt: Ryan will be hosting the next club hunt on April 30th (Sunday). 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.

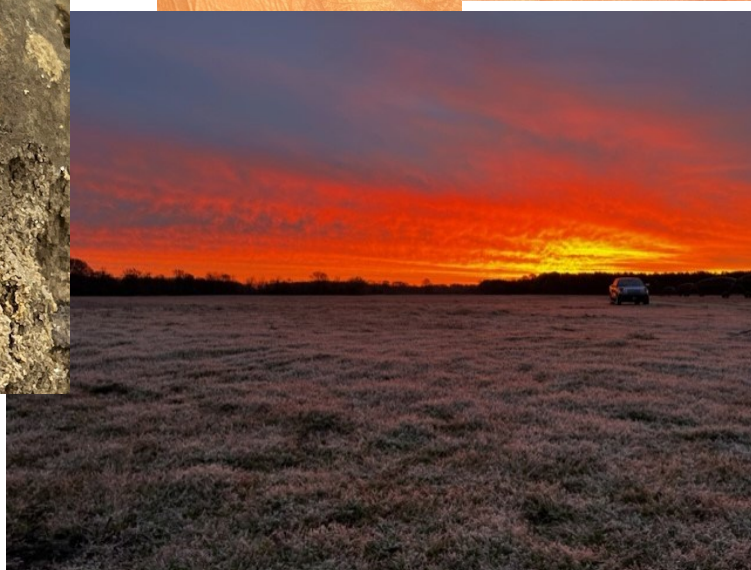
Year to Date Trash collected: 85 lbs
All Hunts Trash collected: 1,159 lbs.

Club Member's Experiences

Submitted by Dan M

I attended the Digstock 2023 event in North Carolina this year. Great event - lots of fun!

I found the following: 1934 mercury dime, Seated half dime (bucket lister for me) - smooth on front so couldn't determine date, but minted 1837-1873, Toasted souvenir coin from 1893 Chicago Worlds Fair (also a bucket lister), Several wheat pennies, Assorted bits & bobs: small musket balls, a broken buckle,



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Ed V

If you can't make it out to hunt you can always "launder" money



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Ryan P

I had a fun trip to North Carolina to do some detecting. I found some awesome relics and coins, including my first US half dimes, capped type coin and cut Reale. I'm pretty sure it came from a 1716-1740 Felipe V 2 Reales minted in Madrid. Jackee even helped me dig targets after her Manticore died on day 2 of Digstock. I also found an amazing 1917-S SLQ in Portland earlier in the month.



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Jackee A

This month was fun learning a new machine! Big thanks to Harold for the great deal on the Manticore. While Reale Ryan was pulling out bucket listers 30 feet from me, I went to button land ??



Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Harold V



Did a little shoreline hunt and found this really green quarter.



The dime surprise,



Another bent and mangled slim silver ring,

Club Member's Experiences continued

Submitted by Ron B

Some pictures from the last club hunt.



Upcoming Event

50 yrs
1973-2023

Cascade Treasure Club

At New Life Church
Renton, WA

Saturday Aug 5th 2023

Presents the 31st

Lion's Lair
Treasure Feast
Raffle

Gold
Coins

Silver Shoot

Metal
Detectors

Open
Metal Detecting
Event

3000+
Silver Coins

Silver Lion's Lair

Registration, Silver Dollar Raffles	8 - 8:45 am	2nd \$65	The Lion's Prey Return to the Lair	11 - 11:45 am	
Opening Ceremony	8:45 am		Free BBQ & Potluck	12 - 1:15pm	
1st \$55	Rise of the Silver Lion The hunt begins	9 - 9:45 am	3rd \$85	The Lion's Lair Distribution Of The Kill	1:45 - 2:45pm
			Closing Ceremony	3:30	

2nd Pre-Register Dates, pre-register by either date and you will be eligible in a **special coin** drawing.

1st Pre-Register before May 31st & receive **\$10** off on the 3 hunts.

2nd Pre-Register by July 1st

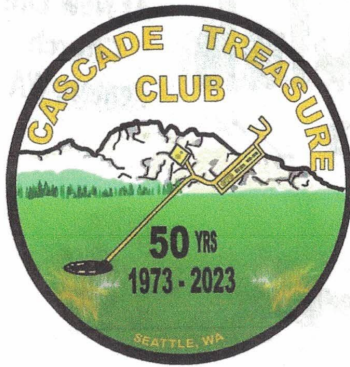
You can now pay online at our new Website, cascadetreasureclub.org
(Website is currently being constructed and is expected to be running by the beginning of March).

Make payment to:
Cascade Treasure Club

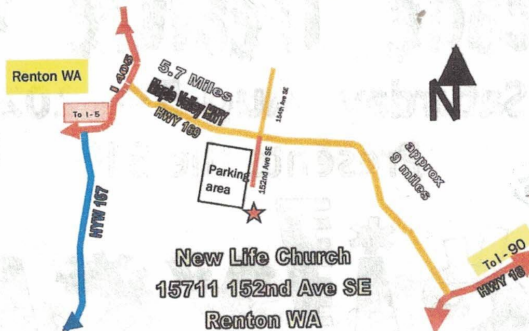
c/o Mark Kulseth 607 S. 1st Street box 564 La Conner WA 98257

Name	Hunt #1 \$ 55	Hunt #2 \$ 65	Hunt #3 \$ 85	All 3 hunts \$ 205	Before 5/31 \$ 195	Total \$
Address				Total All		
Email:				Phone #		
Please add the number of people attending Potluck / BBQ						

Upcoming Event continued



CTC Silver Shoot Saturday Aug 5th 2023



Overnight parking Friday only

- Park next Hwy
- No hook-ups or tents



Driving directions:

Heading South on I - 405 take exit 4. At 2nd light turn left onto Maple Valley Hwy.(Hwy. 169)
 Heading North on I - 405 Take exit 4. Stay to the right onto Maple Valley Hwy (169)
 Continue on Maple Valley Highway (169) for about 5.7 miles. Turn right at 152nd Ave SE and park in the parking lot on the right near the highway.
 Heading from Hwy. 18 take exit onto 231st St SE. Go east 1 block. Turn left onto Maple Valley Hwy (169) heading towards Renton. Turn left onto 152nd Ave SE. Parking is on the right near the highway. Hunt site is about 9 miles from hwy 18 exit.

Pre-Register Dates

Payment can be made on our New Website: cascadetreasureclub.org

***** (Pre-registering helps determine extra silver prizes for hunts) *****

1st: Pre-register before May 31st and receive \$10 off on the 3 hunt combination and you will be entered in the special coin drawing.

2nd: Pre-register by July 1st and you will be entered in the special coin drawing.

On-site Registration will be from 8am to 8:45am. Registration will also be open between hunts.

Hunt Information:

Silver Dollar Raffle: There will be several drawings for a silver dollar throughout the day.

Main Raffle: Tickets will be available throughout the day. Prizes include: a "Lions Lair Treasure Feast," a Gold Coin, Metal Detector as well as other great prizes.

Opening Ceremony: Will begin at 8:45am.

1st hunt: 9:00 - 9:45am **Rise of the Silver Lion** (The Hunt Begins) Searching to feed the lion family—tokens in the field, are good for prizes, including 650+ silver dimes.

2nd hunt: 11:00 - 11:45am **Lions Prey** (Return to the Lair) The Beast has been caught—Tokens are good for prizes (including 900+ silver coins, metal detector, and a gold coin) a mix of coins in the field.

Lunch 12:00 - 1:15pm Our annual BBQ potluck: bring favorite side dish, salad, or dessert. CTC will supply plates, napkins, eating utensils, hamburgers, hot dogs, buns and condiments.

3rd hunt: 1:45 - 2:45pm **Lion's Lair.** (Distribution of the kill) The family Feast.—During the last 15 minutes of this hunt, the other two fields will be re-opened to hunt as well. You will be able to use any prize tokens you find. This hunt will have prizes (including 1200+ silver coins, metal detector and a gold coin) as well as mix of coins and lion surprises.

Hunt rules: New Life Church is allowing us to use their property—please treat their field and property with respect: tokens and coins will not be buried—just hidden in the grass. Hunting in the fields prior to or after the hunt is not allowed. You may use only one detector & pin pointer. Only registered hunters are allowed on fields during hunts (exceptions must be cleared in advance by hunt Chairpersons). Thunder Storms will delay or stop a hunt. If one occurs, the hunt may resume after the storm passes.

Hunt Chairpersons: Mark Kulseth, & Mark Jenkins

Hunt Trouble maker Joe Sacco

More Info
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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

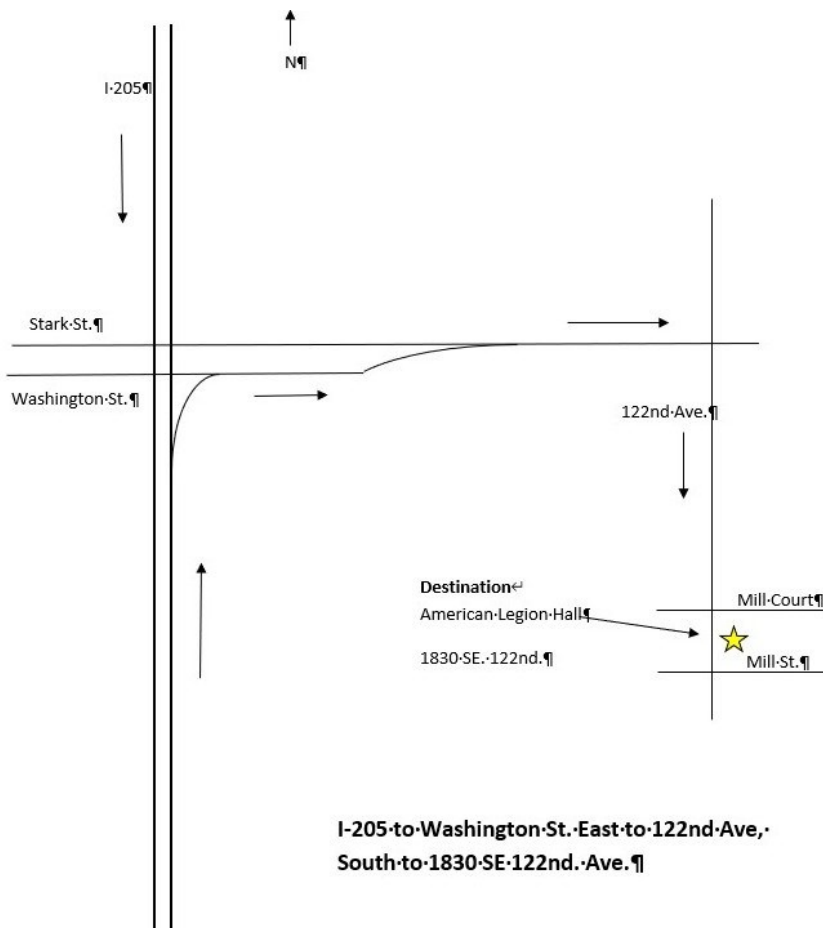
Come and see us in person by attending one of our meetings. Club meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month.

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

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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: Kathy B

Challenge Token: