

# Oregon Treasure Trail Society Newsletter



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

As summer approaches fall and the days grow shorter and more importantly cooler. I hope you all are getting out a bit more. It hopefully won't be long until we get some much needed PNW rain to soften the soil.

I have nothing new to report on our Christmas party as the GNPE have not been able to meet and even find out if the space is available for our chosen date. The next GNPE meeting is scheduled for the 9th. If I receive any information, I will ask that the newsletter be edited and at that time schedule a board meeting.

See everyone on Sept. 28th at the monthly meeting.

Ron B

## Announcements

### Next Meeting:

**Tuesday, September 28, 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.



(Picture submitted by Rick G. Thanks to XP and Green Mountain Metal Detecting Youtube channel for the drawing to win a new XP ORX.)

## Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for meeting Aug 24, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Ron B. The pledge of Allegiance was recited and the officers and at large board members were introduced. The meeting was attended by 23 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 Laura A. She was awarded a 1964 half dollar. Ashley W. won the member draw. He was awarded a 1958 half dollar. The progressive draw was not awarded. New silver was added to the pot. Laura A briefly gave a club hunt recap.

Old business was discussed-new shirt designs need to be brought in to the September meeting. Our new member will give us an estimate of what it would cost to have shirts made. He will bring samples to the next meeting

Bill B talked about his trip to see Tim. He shared some of his adventures including a trip to the diamond fields.

New business was discussed. The holiday party was discussed. Due to Covid the club is unable to make plans for the party. Ron will work with the Eagles to see what they will be able to offer us as far as food. The dinner will most likely not be a potluck. Hopefully there will be more information at the September meeting. The club is hoping to get permission to have a bake sale/action to raise money for the party.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.

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

## 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.

## OTTS T-shirt Design:

As was discussed at the August meeting, we will be holding a contest to design the next club logo at the September meeting. Please take a few minutes to draw a brief mock-up of what you would like your design to look like. If you can't draw, don't worry, you can print up some pictures off the internet and cut and paste or even a stick figure depiction will do if you add a brief written description so everyone will get the idea. An example would be "Back of shirt. Bigfoot standing in a park holding a metal detector and wearing headphones, one hand up, waving at the person looking at the shirt. Tot lot just next to him. Mount hood looming large in the background. Front of shirt with the logo "O.T.T.S." In small writing on the upper left." You get the idea. The more descriptive the better. You will be able to see all the designs during the meeting break and cast your vote for your favorite. Winner will receive a silver coin. Good luck."



(Picture submitted by Rick G. Two park prospect hunt produces gold.)

## Meeting Raffle Results



### Results:

1990 US 1/10 oz gold – Kirk

2021 1oz silver Krugerrand– Harold V

1923D Peace dollar – Steve E

1926S Peace dollar- Laura A

1926P Peace dollar- Nancy A

2 silver 50Cents-Kirk

50 cent and 25 cent silver-Scott J

50 cent and 10 cent silver-Steve E

50 cent and 10 cent silver-Laura A

5\$ gold panda -Steve E

66 Canada dollar- Ashley

## Coins for Next Meeting Raffle:

1982 1/10oz Krugerrand gold

1888 Peace Dollar

1899 Peace Dollar

2021 Canadian Maple Leaf \$5.00 Silver

1982 Proof George Washington Commemorative \$.50

1929 Standing Liberty Quarter

1930 Standing Liberty Quarter

1913 Barber Dime and 1918 Mercury Dime

1916 Barber Dime and 1945 Mercury Dime

1 Mystery coin

5 bonus drawing copper rounds

“NEW” Introducing second tier drawing for a 2003 American Silver Eagle Silver Dollar

(To be explained at meeting).





# Find of the Month Results

## August 2021 Find of the Month Results

### Item of the Month

1st	Bill B	Wagon Wheel Pencil Sharpener
2nd	Laura A	Pronoun Pin

### US Coin

1st	Scott Jo	1935 Buffalo Nickel	1
2nd	Bill B	1972 Kennedy Half	2
3rd	Harold V	1941 Nickel	3

### Foreign Coin

1st	Rick G	1993 Swiss Half Franc
2nd	Ed V	Half New Shequel
3rd	Steve E	1999 Spain Sptas

### Token

1st	Steve E	Chinese Gratitude
2nd	Rick G	Expresso PRN
3rd	Laura A	Year of the Dog

### Gold Jewelry

1st	Rick G	5.4 Gram Intricate gold band
2nd	Scott Jo	14Kt Gold Ring
3rd	Steve E	14kt Men's Ring

### Silver Item

1st	Rick G	24" Chain w Ring
2nd	Willy A	Mexican Silver Clip Earring
3rd	Tim S	.925 Split Silver Ring

### Jewelry

1st	Bill B	Antique Leaf Brooch Pin
2nd	Harold V	Turquoise Necklace
3rd	Rick G	Gold Plated 4 Strand Bracelet

**Artifact**

1st	Willy A	Silver Plated Spoon
2nd	Scott Jo	Cocaine Spoon
3rd	Harold V	WW1 Military Button

**Oldest US Coin**

1st	Scott Jo	1899	V Nickel
2nd	Rick G	1907	Indian Head Penny
3rd	Harold V	1927	Wheat Cent

**Most Valuable US Coin**

1st	Scott Jo	2019 W Quarter
2nd	Harold V	\$3.80 Coin Spill
3rd	Rick G	1923-S Wheat Cent

**Display**

1st	Rick G
2nd	Scott J
3rd	Harold V

**Best of the Best**

Scott Jo and Rick G both with Gold Rings

**Find of the Month Entry Form:**

Located on the O.T.T.S. website: <https://ottclub.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.

## 2021 Detectorist of the Year Standings

1 <sup>st</sup>	Rick G	85	9 <sup>th</sup>	Laura A	26
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Scott Jo	84	10 <sup>th</sup>	Matthew N	23
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Harold V	78	11 <sup>th</sup>	Kirk E	21
4 <sup>th</sup>	Willy A	67	12 <sup>th</sup>	Steven E	13
5 <sup>th</sup>	Tim S	49	13 <sup>th</sup>	Linda C	11
6 <sup>th</sup>	Jerry H	39	14 <sup>th</sup>	Ed V	5
7 <sup>th</sup>	Bill B	31	15 <sup>th</sup>	Dale I	1
8 <sup>th</sup>	Ryan P	31			



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

Sellwood Park, 714 SE Miller St., Portland, OR 97202

## Club Hunt Details

**General Information:** Covers 16.65 acres. Acquired in 1919

**Historical Information:** In 1893, the town of Sellwood was merged into Portland, but has managed to keep its own identity throughout the years. The area is named for John Sellwood, an Episcopal minister who owned the land claim in what is now the Sellwood area. Sellwood Park used to be the site of the City View Racetrack.

The OTTS August Club Hunt was held on August 8, 2021 (Sunday). We met at Zupans located at 7221 S Macadam Ave, Portland, OR 97219. The club met between 7:15 and 7:45 am. Members left for Sellwood Park at 8 am. Thirteen members attended and all stayed for the count out at noon.

Ryan P. hid 8 regular tokens, 1 special token, and one “good for a soda” token. Only 3 regular tokens and the soda token were recovered. After the count out, Ryan was kind enough to describe where he had hid the special token. Ryan recovered the special token afterwards for use in the September hunt; the five remaining club tokens are still in the park.

Harold V. won the membership drawing and he won a 1964 Kennedy half dollar. After the hunt master properly shamed everyone for not finding the special token, an extra member drawing was conducted for the special token prize and Jerry H. won a 1964 quarter.

The top 7 winners at the hunt were:

- 1) Laura A. - 82 Points
- 2) Rick G. - 72 Points
- 3) Ryan P. - 60 Points
- 4) Bill B. - 54 Points
- 5) Scott Jo. - 45.07 points
- 5) Harold V. - 45.05 points
- 5) Willy A. - 45.00 points

Due to a three-way tie for 5th, clad cents which normally get rounded were used as a tie-breaker. Scott Jo. narrowly edged Harold with his two extra pennies. Never skip a zincoln! After count out the hunt master double checked everyone sheets as a typo left some members only counting 10 trash as 1 point instead of 2. The resulting check showed Willy had scored 45, not 39 as she previously calculated. Harold gave Willy one of his dimes and will be reimbursed by the hunt masters. Thanks Harold!

The oldest coin was a really nice 1907 Indian Head penny found by Rick G, his first IHP! Rick also found a 1923-S wheat penny. Scott H. found a 1935 George V Small Cent. Bill B. found a silver ring.

Notable items found: 1 silver item, 1 Indian head penny, 3 wheat pennies, 5 foreign coins,

and 27 pieces of costume jewelry.

Total clad found: \$24.34

Trash collected during the hunt: 760 pieces!

Thanks to Ryan P. and Matt N. for organizing the August Club Hunt.



### Hunt Master Notes:

None

### Next Club Hunt Details:

Matthew N and Ryan P will be hosting the September club hunt. The next club hunt will be September 12th. We will meet at the following address: Albertsons parking lot 5415 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy, Portland, OR 97221.

We will meet at 7:30 and begin the hunt at 8 am. Count out will be at 12 am.

## Metal Detectors for Sale:

Mike J. has a MXT Pro for sale. Price \$500 comes with head phones 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

Ryan P. has a White's MXT. He doesn't use it anymore and it would like to find a great new home for it.

Price: \$250. Comes with wired headphones, rechargeable battery pack, AA battery pack, lesche digging tool, pouch, original box & owner's manuals. Coil is standard Eclipse 950. Plus it comes with the White's 4"x6" Shooter DD coil and a spare shaft

Email: ryanccc3@yahoo.com



## Club Member's Experiences



Submitted by Harold V. Harold wants to remind us all to always wear footwear at the beach!



Submitted by Kirk E. (prospecting 3 Portland parks for about 3 hours total)

# 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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Vice President: Ashley W

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

Website: Jerry H

Newsletter: Rick G

### Find of the Month Team

Harold V

Willy A

Linda C

Sherrie B

### Club e-mail address

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