

Golddigger Update

Dig & Find Coinshooters & Historic Club

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Welcome

The next meeting of the Dig and Find Coinshooters and Historical Club will be on March 26 at 7:30 p.m. We meet at Grace Lutheran Church, 338 Ocean Shore Blvd. in Ormond Beach. That is right across from the Neptune Beach Access on A1A.

February Meeting Report

The meeting was called to order 7:30 p.m. with 30 people in attendance.

We had a number of guests Bob Benware, Randy Brummitt, Mike Cornell, Gord Fontaine (still down from Canada), Doris Hopper, Jeff Koch and Tim Landers. Bob Benware, Randy Brummitt, Mike Cornell and joined the club.

Topics of Discussion:

Doug Melvin gave a presentation on Coin Roll searching (with the kind assistance by Eddie). Among some of Doug's good advice was to 'buy' coins in advance from many banks, and take the searches rolls back to several banks because one doesn't necessarily want all the coins back. Some banks want them returned rolled, others do not. Know which before you go. Doug mentioned that his main bank didn't mind ordering the large quantities of halves (up to \$3,000 worth) but they did not want them back. Not every roll (or even close to it) have silver in them. Most silver coins found will be the 40

percenters, 90 percent coins (1964 or older) are rarer. You can look for key dates, and mint errors on the clad coins, but it takes more time. A quick way to search is to look at the edges of the entire roll's worth of coins once they're unwrapped, the silver and silver clad coins will look silver on the edge, the other clads show the copper middle. Doug has found proofs and mint coins along with some odd foreign coins as well. Some CR searchers sometimes mark the silver they search.

After the presentation, group discussed gold and silver sales (where and who).

Gary wants everyone to know that he has links to Kitco and Silver Coinflation to check current values on the digandfind.com home page.

Another guest showed up. Didn't get his name, but he's from Philadelphia and didn't like beach hunting. He only likes hunting for colonial. (not too much happening in that arena around here.)

Tom Egan mentioned how a 14k earring rolled up in the surf to him.

Jim Tippitt told his story about Treasure Beach and the mysterious rectangular 4-foot-deep target. He was thinking treasure chest. He and Gord Fontaine dug it out at low tide and the treasure chest turned out to be a chrome chair part.

Ralph Flippo won the Name Tag Drawing.

Shirley Bossert announced that the February meeting was the 29th anniversary of the D&F club. Shirley is the only founding member the club left, although Doug joined shortly thereafter. Gary claims he was in a club in the 70s that predated D&F, but he's just bragging about how long he's been detecting.

Wes and Gary filled in club about the Sunshine Shootout to be held in May. (See more information later in the newsletter).

There was some discussion of a beach hunter that uses a black shovel and an Excal and is not filling his holes. A few of the members had tried to get him to fill holes, but he refused and responded with vulgarities. Perhaps the next person to encounter him should just widen one of his holes and fill it with him. (I joke, I joke, but I'd put that picture in the newsletter).

'Wrong' is one of those concepts that depends on witnesses.

Scott Adams

Monthly Raffle

The raffle winners were:

Gary Flatt won a sectioned display box.
 Deyton Peyton grabbed a bunch of treasure magazines.
 Debbie Rotstein won an 1988 proof coin set.
 Tom won a 1-oz. copper coin.
 Sandy Hamilton won a 1-oz. copper coin.
 Doug Melvin won a 1-oz. copper coin.
 Shirley Bossert selected some bungee cords.
 Gene Crovella got the other display box.
 Tom Egan won the Geek Pen.

Damian Wohlfert won a mesh bag.

Tom won a Pink Waterproof container, which several had picked up but didn't take, and found it held a barber dime.

Ralph won a water bottle and also found a barber dime inside it.

Congratulations to the winners. Thanks to all who donated prizes.

Friends should always tell you the truth. But please don't.

Louis C. K.

Finds of the Month Competition

The winners of this month's finds were:

Jewelry Single – 14k bracelet – Ralph Flippo

Jewelry Group – Cross, silver rings, Skull

Ring – Jim Tippitt

Coin Single – 1900 Indian Head Penny – Jim again

Coin Group – School Yard Coins – Jim from CFMDC school hunt

Artifact Single - Mustang Ranch Token (Brothel) – Jim Tippitt

Artifact Group – no entries

Miscellaneous Single – Silver Fork – Ralph Flippo

Miscellaneous Group – Eyeglasses, round tuit, phone – Ralph Flippo

Display Single - Hair Club – Shirley

Display Group – Old locks & Keys and Roman coin – Damien Wohlfert

The winners this month received one or two foreign silver coins with total silver value of greater than a dime. Second Chance prize was won by Ralph Flippo (who remarked you can't win if you don't enter)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

I take my children everywhere, but they always find their way back home.

Robert Orben

D&F Members-Only Turtle Hunt

The annual Turtle Hunt will be held Sunday April 21 at Winter Haven Beach Park, 4589 S. Atlantic Ave., Ponce Inlet. The cost is \$15 per person and the March meeting is the perfect time to pay. In fact, I would very much like to have at least 15 people signed up at the March meeting so I have a basis for getting prizes, so if please pay Sandy at the March meeting. This is a nice-sized hunt on the beach. Consider it a warm-up for the following hunt. If you don't attend the meeting, send a check made out to Sandy Hamilton to the address listed in the back of the newsletter. The hunt flyer is enclosed with the newsletter. **Don't miss this hunt.**

The test of courage comes when we are in the minority. The test of tolerance comes when we are in the majority.

Ralph W. Sockman

CENTRAL FLORIDA "SUNSHINE" SHOOTOUT

Moss Park, Orlando, FL. May 4th, 2013

THE CENTRAL FLORIDA SUNSHINE SHOOTOUT IS A PRE-PAID REGISTRATION EVENT DESIGNED TO BRING TOGETHER 200 – 250 METAL DETECTING ENTHUSIASTS FROM

ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO COMPETE FOR CASH, SILVER AND OTHER VALUABLE PRIZES.

COMPETITION EVENTS WILL BE HELD THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

ON SITE LUNCH WILL BE INCLUDED WITH EACH PAID REGISTRATION.

DEMONSTRATIONS FROM VARIOUS MANUFACTURERS FEATURING STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGIES WILL BE SCHEDULED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS. AVAILABLE COVERED SPACE IS LIMITED SO GET YOUR REQUEST IN EARLY.

GUEST EXPERT SPEAKERS WILL CONDUCT TRAINING/LECTURE SESSIONS

Schedule:

- 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. – Vendor Setup
- 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. – Registration (Main Pavilion)
- 9:30 - 9:40 a.m. -- Introduction (Main Pavilion)
- 9:45 - 10:45 a.m.– Warm Up Hunt (individual competition)
- 10:45 - 11:15 a.m. – Speakers Pavilion
- 11:15 a.m.- 12:45 p.m. – Lunch and 1ST Raffle Drawing (speaker's pavilion)
- 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. – Silver Scramble Hunt (token hunt, etc.)
- 1:45- 2:15 p.m. – Speaker's Pavilion
- 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. – Relic Roundup Hunt (buried relics, etc.)
- 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. – Raffles / Awards (Main Pavilion)
- 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. – Open Hunting / General Get Together

For more information go to <http://www.thecfmdc.com/sunshine.html>

Procrastination isn't the problem, it's the solution. So procrastinate now, don't put it off.

Ellen DeGeneres

Coming Attractions

March 26 - Club Meeting

April 21 - Turtle Hunt

April 23 - Club Meeting

May 28 - Club Meeting

The future is much like the present, only longer.

Dan Quisenberry

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Greetings from Doug Melvin

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On Saturday I went to my metal detecting hunt (The TCAS Hunt) and had a good time. I recovered fifteen silver dimes from the hunt field worth a little over thirty dollars.

They had a pinpointing competition where a

coin is placed under a board and you put an X on a sheet of paper where you think the center of the coin might be. Then they push on the board and a nail goes through a hole, the closest person to the nail hole wins a new metal detector. Guess who was right on the nail hole? ME! I won a new metal detector! That was pretty neat. It's worth about \$225. The next closest person was about one eighth inch away.

I had a lot of fun and the weather was perfect but it's a long day. A two and a half hour drive to go down than another two and a half hour drive back and the hunt starts at 9 a.m. and went until 3 p.m. On my way back I drove through Sanford and spotted a large empty lot so I had to stop and metal detect there and it was pretty late when I finally got home. I found a railroad spike, wheat penny and a lead railroad luggage tag (which is worth about ten dollars to a collector) and a lot of copper and lead which I keep.

Some of Murphy's Lesser Known Laws

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

He who laughs last, thinks slowest.

Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.

Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.

Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.

The things that come to those who wait will be the things left by those who got there first.