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Club News

If you missed the meeting, you can see some of the Displays on our website. There was so much creativity this year. Bill Stiles made a used car lot with metal cars and I think it was Steve Herring who made a display of all the keys he has found—amazing. President Bill Stiles will provide the program for February 3 meeting demonstrating the Fisher metal detector F75 model.

Scott Bradley has notified me that the February Hunt has been postponed until March. The date will be confirmed at the February meeting.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE 7:00 PM AT THE TRINITY BIBLE CHURCH, 915 CHERRY ROAD, ROCK HIL, SC 29732.



FREBRUARY 3 MEETING NOTES

We had a great crowd at the meeting. There were as everything that makes this Club such fun; laughter, great treasure to admire, sharing of information, and the anticipation of future hunts. We had 34 members present with one visitor. Jimmy Earnheart reported three new books were donated to our Library by Eli McHone, Bob Batts and Donnie.

Take a look at our Club Website www.scmetaldetectingclub.com. Scott Ellman has done an excellent job updating the photo section; there are Christmas Party pictures, Special Category Displays, FMDAC Newsletter, and links to all the good stuff.

Scott Bradley made arrangements for us to hunt at Cedar Park located between Polkville and Casar, NC on Hwy. 10. Unfortunately, he called to say the lady who runs the Park has a family medical problem and cancelled out on us. Scott feels we will be able to have the hunt in March and you will need to bring your lunch—no meal will be available. He will provide more information at the February 3 meeting.

Jeff Kleparek hopefully will be able to hold a hunt at the area near Brattonsville in February. I will provide an update as information becomes available.

Rick Baker very wisely suggested getting an early start on the Raffle to raise money for our Leonard Bratton Memorial Hunt in the Fall. Rick will have information at the February 3 meeting about the prizes that will be awarded. The plans include Chris Watson being responsible for printing 1,000 tickets. The Tickets will be available to members at the April 7 meeting. Frances Alexander will be in charge of the Ticket Sales. The member who sales the most tickets and the member who sold the grand prize ticket will be awarded a prize also.

CLUB HUNT: JEFF KLEPAREK HAS ARRANGED FOR THE CLUB TO HUNT IN THE BRATTONSVILLE AREA ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST. WE WILL MEET AT JACK IN THE BOX RESTAURANT (TEL.803-366-3255), 895 HECKLE BLVD, ROCK HILL, SC 29732 AT 7:30 A.M. DEPARTING AT 8 A.M. HOPE TO SEE LOTS OF OUR NEW MEMBERS COME OUT TO HUNT WITH US.

Bill Stiles very generously donated a Morgan Silver Dollar for our Raffle after the meeting. Stu Lord was the winner but the Club came out a winner also with \$67 in our Club funds from the ticket sales. THANKS BILL! Carolina Beach and earned two first place wins on the Treasure Board. While telling about his finds, he provided some valuable information about beach hunting. He said that he hunted for three days, I believe. He said that he noticed how the beach had hills and valleys and that where the waves came in at an angle to the beach, that is where he found treasure! In those three days he found over \$60 in change plus numerous pieces of jewelry. The amazing part of the story was that he went back to the same location at the next low tide and the ocean had reloaded the beach with more coins and jewelry. Wouldn't that be great? I could not tell you how many miles I've detected the beaches without ever finding such a loaded

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

TRACE KRONE (SENT IN BY MAIL AND SHOWED UP FOR MEETING!) BOB NEAL(RECEIVED DETECTOR FOR CHRISTMAS GIFT), BARNEY CRADDOCK (WIFE, JOYCE, ATTENDED ALSO), AND JAMES DONCASTER (JOINED BY MAIL).

Scott Ellman reported that Lost Treasure Magazine is impressed with our Club and will be including information about our Club and the article about Mike Plyler finding and returning two rings to the owners in one month; in a future magazine or on their website. The Website article did come out and Shaler Willis notified me. I sent an email link to everyone – hope you read it. What a great honor for our Club. Congratulations Mike! You deserve that praise. They included photos of our Club Logo which we had displayed at Randy Gatchell's Treasure Hunt of the Carolinas, as well as photos from FMDAC Hunt at Myrtle Beach and Leonard Bratton Memorial Hunt photos.

OTHER HUNT INFORMATION

APRIL 3, 4, & 5TH, 2009 GREAT SOUTHERN BEACH SHOOTOUT—DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. ENTRY \$200, CONTACT RAY LEIST 386-428-3401

APRIL 4 & 5TH 2009 TREASURE EXPO & TRADE SHOW—MYRTLE BEACH, SC DAVID TOLLER 843-455-7223 (OVER 100 VENDORS).

The Allendale Relic Hunt will be April 18. I think there is a link to that application on the Website. Bill Stiles reports it is a great hunt to experience hunting relics.

Please be aware that RANDY GATCHEL'S TREASURE HUNT OF THE CAROLINAS HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

REFRESHMENTS:

WE APPRECIATED FRANCES ALEXANDER AND DONNIE BRAZELL ACCEPTING THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING REFRESHMENTS. WE ALL ENJOYED THEM. BILL STILES AND CHRIS WATSON HAVE AGREED TO PROVIDE REFRESHMENTS FOR MARCH 3RD MEETING.

We will be passing around the sign up sheet for 2009 at the February meeting, so make plans for which month best suits you. You do not need to do anything elaborate; cookies or chips and soda would be appreciated. Just plan for about 35 people; bring cups, ice, plates and napkins.

TREASURE BOARD
FEBRUARY 3, 2009

COINS: SILVER & GOLD

1 ST	MIKE PLYLER	1797 2 REALE
2 ND	DONNIE BRAZELL	1805 ½ REALE
3 RD	STU LORD	1911 V NICKEL

COINS: OTHER

1 ST	STU LORD	TWO INDIAN HEAD PENNIES
2 ND	DONNIE BRAZELL	1881 INDIAN HEAD PENNY
3 RD	STEVE HERRING	25 CENT TOKEN

JEWELRY

1 ST	SHALER WILLIS	10K GOLD FILLED RING
2 ND	RAYMOND MCHONE	SILVER KEY CHARM
3 RD	MIKE PLYLER	CHAIN BRACELET

RELICS (MILITARY PRE-1865)

1 ST	STEVE HERRING	SILVER SC SEAL BUTTON
2 ND	DONNIE BRAZELL	YANKEE NAVAL CUFF BUTTON
3 RD	JEFF KLEPAREK	1700'S FLINT LOCK PLATE

RELIC: OTHER

1 ST	DONNIE BRAZELL	BRASS LOCK
2 ND	MIKE PLYLER	W & W LOCK CO. PADLOCK
3 RD	JEFF KLEPAREK	FLOWER BUTTON

BEST FIND

1 ST	JEFF KLEPAREK	SC PALMETTO SEAL BUTTON
2 ND	RAYMOND MCHONE	TWO GOLD RINGS
3 RD	DONNIE BRAZELL	SC CUFF BUTTON

EYE SPY

1 ST	STEVE HERRING	ARROWHEAD
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2ND MIKE PLYLER
3RD JEFF KLEPAREK

ARROWHEAD
POLICE GUARD BADGE

CLUB DUES:

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO PAY YOUR CLUB DUES FOR 2009. IT WAS DECIDED NOT TO PRO-RATE DUES FOR MEMBERS. NEW MEMBER'S DUES WILL BE PRO-RATED AFTER MARCH.

IF YOU ARE UNSURE IF YOU HAVE PAID YOUR DUES, YOU MAY CONTACT DOUG KIRKLAND, TREASURER, AT REDDOG57@EARTHLINK.NET OR CALL HIM AT 803-327-3525. IT IS A BUSY WORLD AND SOMETIMES YOU JUST FORGET! AN UPDATED CLUB DIRECTORY WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE APRIL MEETING. YOU CAN ALWAYS VIEW IT ON THE CLUB WEBSITE WWW.SCMETALDETECTINGCLUB.COM. A GREAT MANY MEMBERS TOOK CARE OF THIS AT THE FEBRUARY MEETING, BUT THERE ARE MORE OPPORTUNITIES. THE DUES ARE \$15 FOR THE YEAR WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$5 IF YOU WANT TO BE A MEMBER OF FMDAC (THE FEDERATION OF METAL DETECTOR & ARCHAEOLOGICAL CLUBS) AND \$5 FOR A JUNIOR MEMBER. IF YOU WISH TO MAIL YOUR DUES; MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SC METAL DETECTOR & RELIC ASSOCIATION (SCMD&RA) AND MAIL TO:

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