

Suncoast Research & Recovery Club
March 2019 Newsletter



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March Meeting on the 25th at 7 pm

Our club meetings are on the fourth Monday of each month except December. Location is Bill Jacksons Shop for Adventure at 9501 US 19 N, Pinellas Park Florida. We will have a guest speaker and guests are welcome to attend. Meeting starts promptly at 7 pm!

From the President

The weather was sunny and warm for the Annual Silver Hunt. A good turn out from members who helped get all of those silver dimes out of the sand.

Ironically, we had a call that morning for a lost ring approximately ten blocks away. The lady was surprised to see so many hunters show up to find her wedding ring. Thank you to all who helped.

See everyone on Monday night.

Joe Szemer



Notes from your VP

As the gulf starts to warm up, many of us will be detecting in the water. Be aware of the undertow if you hunt in less than ideal conditions. Also be aware of rouge waves as I have seen others get knocked off their feet. If using a weight belt, make sure it has a quick release in case you step into a deep drop off and need to lose the weight. Finally the stingrays like the warmer shallow water so shuffle your feet. Be safe in 2019!

Howard Metts





Ringfinders Return!

Chris traveled from the Chicago area and was staying on Sand Key Beach visiting family. He noticed his platinum wedding band was missing, and the last time he remembered seeing it was when he placed it on his lap to apply sunscreen. He found The Ringfinders, and Howard Metts put out a notification. Bill Gallant and Mike Shuler met Chris at the condo and were escorted to the area on the beach where his family was gathered. In less than 5 minutes, Bill was holding up the ring!

Great Job Mike & Bill!



Great Job Paul, Ed, and Mike!

It was great to get back out on another lost ring hunt. I was lucky enough to be the one to walk over it (Paul Hill). They were just so happy!





Ancient gold band - possible wrist torc fragment - reported
as treasure to museum

11.16g, 4.33mm dia x 49.12mm L

Items of Interest

*This was found by club member
Paul Hill while in England.*

Back in England hunting for history. I managed to find quite a rather nice piece of it! An ancient gold wire dating back at least 1700 years, but from the discussions around here it could be into the BC era. Possibly part of a Celtic Torc Bracelet. Needless to say I was very excited to see it pop out of the ground.



Ring Finders Update

Ring Finders contributions to the club for January - February 2019 was a total of

\$1,808

Great job and thanks Ring Finders for volunteering your time to help both the club and those who lost items.

Ft Desota Fun Hunt And Pinic

Our event will take place at Park
Pavilion 13 on Saturday March 30th

Please bring a dish to share, lunch at
noon and hunt at 1 pm.



Competition Table Top Five

1. Rob Clarke- 22 points
2. Tom Carroll- 20 points
3. Mike Shuler- 14 points
4. Tom Killian- 12 points
5. Alex McCabe- 6 points

Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics



I WILL respect private property and do no treasure hunting without the permission of the property owner.



I WILL appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources, wildlife and private property.



I WILL fill all my excavations, remove and properly dispose of all trash that I find.



I WILL use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times, leaving gates as I found them.



I WILL assist law enforcement and other government agencies or private citizens as needed.



I WILL NOT litter.



I WILL NOT destroy property, buildings, or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures.



I WILL NOT tamper with signs, structural facilities or equipment

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