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Tom's Tips

**Greetings from:
Grand Canyon**

Hello everyone.

It is time for me to get back to work with my busy summer schedule of Tour Managing.



Summer is here even though we seem to still get an occasional cooler front coming through. It makes it nice to be able to enjoy getting out early in the morning before it gets too hot. Don't worry, that will all change come July and August.

Special Note: The SRARC board held their regularly scheduled board meeting on May 9th. The board voted to eliminate Fossils as a category from the competition table. The discussion has been brought to the board on several occasions that we are a metal detecting club and fossils cannot be found with a detector. The point standing to date will not change. Fossils can be brought to exhibit only

Meeting

Date: May 22, 2017

**Place: Bill Jackson's
Outdoor Adventure
9501 US 19 N
Pinellas Park, FL 33782**

Time: 7:00 PM

**Program: The Stories of The
Ringfinders**

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Birthdays



Birthday Ambassador Joe Szemer

Jane Defeo	Judy Parker
Alex Hatzilias	James Pincus
Kirk Strauchler	Edward Osmar
Emily Seymour	Jerry Zadar
StanFlack	Barbara Kober
Mike Kennedy	Bob Stalker

Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Stan Flack did a presentation about his latest detecting trip to England.

Break was taken at 7:55pm

Meeting was called back to order at 8:10pm

The treasurer's report was given by Tom Killian. Winners of the competition table were announced. The raffle was held. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Board Meeting Highlights May 9

Club Shirts: We would like to create a new colorful club logo. We would like club members to be involved by submitting ideas.

We are looking at a new shirt printing system that has amazing colors and details.

Fossils: The board voted to remove fossils from the competition table effective this month. They can be brought for display only.

Volunteers: The club needs volunteers to step up to help out with various duties in the regular operation of the club.

Water Hunting Basics

Saturday May 27, 2017

Constitution Park

18214 Gulf Blvd.

Redington Shores, Florida

Check in time 7:45AM - Class starts 8:00AM

Sponsored by the Suncoast Research & Recovery Club

Learn about water hunting with a metal detector.

We will have different brands of detectors, scoops and water hunting equipment for demonstration.

Where to hunt, what you find, safety and search patterns will be discussed.

After the presentation if you would like to get into the water and find some of the coins that have been dug in, please wear the proper water attire and footwear. Bring your water detector if you have one. If you do not own a water detector you can use one of ours.

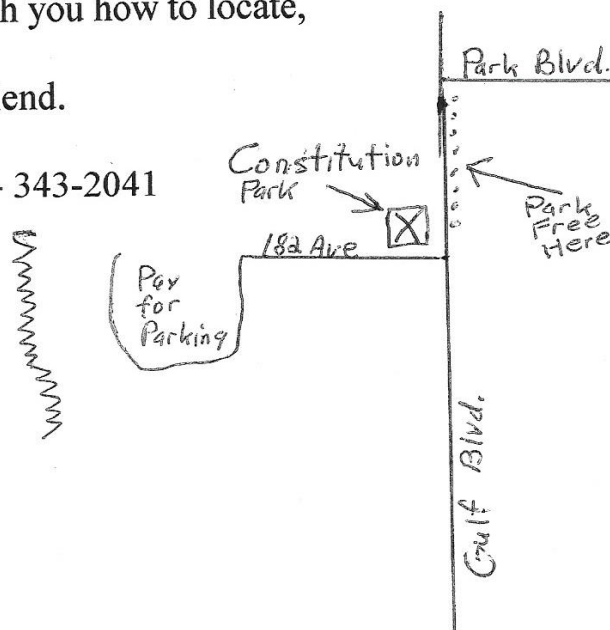
Our instructors will be available to teach you how to locate, pinpoint and dig up the coins.

Park on Gulf Blvd. it's free. Bring a friend.

The Class is Free.

For Reservations call Tom Killian 727- 343-2041

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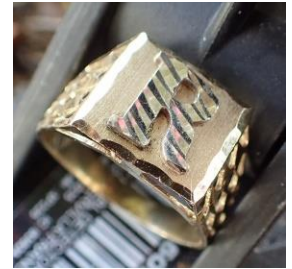


Lost & Found



Randy went down to a neighborhood pond to see if he could cast net some bait for a fishing trip. He got all setup to throw his first cast, let it go and heard a thump as the net flew through the air. He checked his finger for the gold signet ring his grandmother had given to him just before she passed away. His worst fear was verified when he saw it was no longer on his finger. He spent the next several hours looking in the grass around the area and finally decided it must have gone into the water. After googling for metal detector rental he found SRARC and contacted Mike Miller. Mike scheduled a hunt for the next day and Mark Sillence and Randy met him at the location at 10:30 am. Mark was geared up for the water so he started

hunting there and Mike started to cover the bank above the water. In about 15 minutes Mike got a good signal, looked down, and there it was in plain sight. Randy was overjoyed and grinning ear to ear.

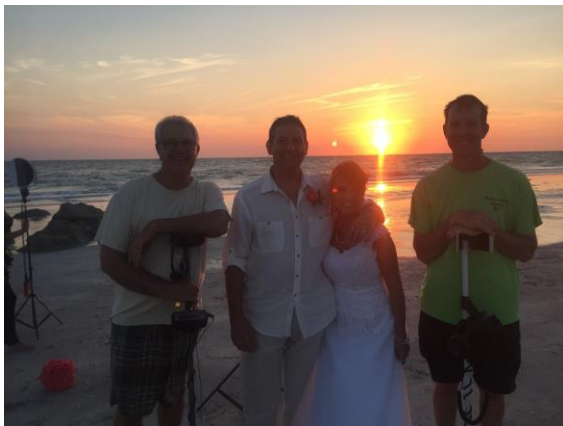


SRARC is always happy to put a cherished ring back on its owner's finger.

COAST TO COAST HELPING HAND LEADS TO RING RETURN

Rajesh was at a friend's apartment complex in Oldsmar, FL playing volleyball when he felt his ring come off his finger during a serve. He and his friends looked in the sand where they thought it had landed for a long time and finally gave up. Rajesh googled lost ring and found The Ring Finders web page where he then contacted Southern California Ring Finder member Steve Smith who was clearly way too far from Tampa, Florida to search. Steve's quick thinking had him look up a more local hunter and he in turn passed Rajesh on to SRARC and Ring Finder member Stan Flack. Stan then contacted the

nearest SRARC team member Howard Metz to help Rajesh in Oldsmar. It was already too late in the day so the two decided to meet the next day right after lunch. After getting a few more details of the events, Howard went right to work and within 10 minutes, a very relieved Rajesh was reunited with his ring. Hugs and smiles all the way around. Good work Howard and a shout out to Steve Smith for passing Rajesh along to us so we could reunite him with his cherished ring. Nice work everyone, that's what it's all about.



April and Tony came to Florida from Michigan to have a Beach Wedding and were joined by their families on Redington Beach just before sundown for the ceremony. As the ring bearer was making his way to the alter one of the rings fell off the pillow that he was

carrying. The ceremony continued without the ring and afterwards someone brought a rake and started searching for the ring. Meagan one of the wedding planners, looked up the Ringfinders knowing that they had helped another couple find a lost ring two years ago on Sunset Beach. She called Tom Jones and asked if anyone could get there before dark to search for the ring. Tom and Joe headed out immediately and called Stan Flack to see if he could help with the hunt.

Upon arrival they ask what metal the ring was made of and got several answers from the family. Some said Silver, White gold and the most common answer was platinum. They started hunting the path that the wedding party had walked but did not find the ring. After expanding the search farther back on the path Tom

got a good gold signal and up came the "14 K White Gold" ring. The Bride and Groom were busy with the Wedding Photographer getting pictures as the sun was setting but took time out to show how grateful they were that the ring was found.



Suncoast Research & Recovery Club Monthly Competition Guidelines & Rules

- Anyone who is a current member of SRARC can enter items.
- All entries for competition must have been found during the month since the last meeting (*in January two months is allowed from the prior November meeting*).
- Members must enter their recovered items in person. No other member is allowed to enter an absent member's finds.
- Only current members that are at the monthly meeting may vote.
- Only one vote per category please.
- If any items are not for competition, they must be marked "For Display Only". Anyone can set those up for any member.
- At every monthly meeting you get 1 point for each category entered, and 4 points for each category that you win first place.
- The annual winner will accumulate the most points from January through November.
- Purchased items are not eligible for the Competition Table, i.e. garage sale purchases.
- Absolutely no live ammunition or illegal drug paraphernalia.

Coin.....Any single interesting coin or token, regardless of age.

Coin Group.....Two or more coins in the following categories – Pennies minted prior to 1958 or other coins minted prior to 1965.

Clad Coins.....Coins minted after 1964. This is a quantity group.

Rings & Jewelry Single.....One ring, watch, chain or other type of jewelry.

Rings & Jewelry Group.....More than one piece of jewelry.

Artifact Single (as permitted by law).....Any find (*excluding coins*) that is over 50 years old. Artifacts may include jewelry & bottles.

Artifact Group (as permitted by law).....More than one artifact as described in artifact single.

Miscellaneous Items.....Items not listed in one of the above categories. These items must contain some metal that can be picked up by a metal detector.

Special Finds.....Any special miscellaneous item, or "special" item of any category.



The Club Coin Clues

Club Coin Clues will be posted on the website

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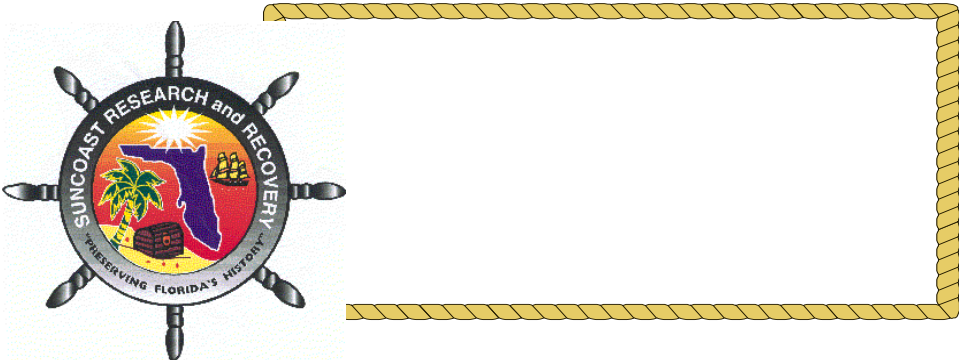
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Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics

- 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.