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Tom's Tips

As we get older we start to realize that our memory is not as good as it once was. This summer has been an exception to that rule for me. Each day I get up and try to do things outside I remember all too well what it was back in 2006 that made Suzi and I decide to spend the next 2 summers in Alaska. Since then I have been in and out of Florida for most of the season, but not this year. I don't leave until the end of August. What was I thinking?



None-the-less it's hot out there, be sure you stay hydrated and wear sun protection.

I'm not much of one to hunt in the water after dark, SFT (Shark Feeding Time). Never did like things that go bump in the dark if you know what I mean. Although it is a perfect time to hunt the dry sand areas.

Happy Hunting Everyone!

Meeting

Date: July 25, 2016

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

Time: 7:00 PM

Program: Derek Asklar
Blisstool America
Trip to Bulgaria

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Birthdays



**Birthday Ambassador
Joe Szemer**

Tom McVeigh	Megan Shuler
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Bienenido Torres	Phil Myers
Pamela Pantermoller	

Coming Events:

Oct 29th Ft De Soto Picnic & Fun Hunt. Please pay in advance for the hunt by the Oct. meeting

Meeting Minutes

June 27, 2016

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

We had an open forum night and a lot of good questions were ask and discussion from the club members.

Break was taken at 7:50

The meeting was called back to order at 8:10pm.

The treasurer's report was given by Gerri Adams. The winners of the competition table were announced and the raffle was held. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Board Meeting Highlights:

The board met on July 5.

Tom Killian was elected as Education and Training Chairman.

Oct. 29 was selected for the Ft De Soto Picnic & Fun Hunt.

Annual Christmas Banquet is scheduled for November 29, 2016

Annual dues: payments are being taken starting at October meeting.

Agreed to buy a digital pocket scale, a gold tester and a gem tester for the club's use.

Lost and Found



As he walked out of the water, Zane realized he had lost his wedding ring. Devastated, he told his wife and then all the family joined in the search but with no luck. They had all come to Florida from Atlanta, Georgia to enjoy the beaches and then take the kids to Disney World so this event was just not in the plan.

Zane had been tossing a football in the water with his brother and never felt the ring come off his finger. His sister-in-law Kimberly immediately googled lost ring Sarasota and SRARC popped up on The Ring Finders. She contacted Tom who passed her on to Mike. They had people waiting in the area that the ring was lost but they needed to leave for their trip to Orlando soon. Mike headed down to Siesta Key right away and arrived as they began to pack up their beach

gear. After getting the lay of the land, Mike went to work and after about 30 minutes the ring came back out of the water and into Zane's hand. Zane was all smiles and they all were soon on their way to Disney world I'm sure to the children's delight.



Elizabeth, her husband Jonas and son Elias are on holiday from Helsingborg Sweden and ready to enjoy all that Florida has to offer. The water was warm and welcoming as Elizabeth swished her hands in the clear blue Gulf of Mexico. As she lifted her hands up she realized that the ring her husband had gotten in Thailand and given to her 16 years ago was gone. Heartbroken, they searched

for hours with no luck. That is when they went online and contacted Mike Miller. Mike contacted Paul Hill who he knew was off today and available for a rapid response. He made his way to Clearwater Beach and met up with Elizabeth. Paul looked at his watch, 3:29, picked his north to south line based on some questions he asked and on tide information that he had been given by Mike on the drive



over. Thirty or so feet later he got a solid 12-27 signal, presenting his scoop to Elizabeth she reached in and retrieved her white gold and ruby ring then almost knocked Paul over with big hug. Quick look at his watch...3:34. The happy family headed back up to the beach ready to enjoy the rest of their 3 week vacation!



SRARC is very happy that we were

able to help and wish them safe travels back home.



Michelle was out at her families boat dock on a hot July night with friends when she decided to go for a swim. Michelle, took off her silver bracelet her dad had given her as a keepsake and gave it to her friend for safe keeping. The friend then put the bracelet in her pocket and sat on the dock while Michelle swam. At some point the friend pulled her cell phone out of her pocket and the watched the bracelet come out of her pocket and slip through a small crack in the dock. Michelle was devastated in losing such a cherished

bracelet. Miserable over the loss, Michelle went to the internet for help and finding SRARC on the ring finders web page. She in turn called Tom Jones who passed the information on to member Stan Flack. With fading sun light and Michelle leaving town the next day, Stan made his way to the home and geared up to give it a go. After digging several targets and a wrestling match with dock light cable, Stan got a clear signal. Three or four scoops later, the bracelet found its way into his scoop. Cheers and a genuine happy dance from Michelle ensued and Michelle was reunited with her bracelet vowing to NEVER take it off again.



Ron and Mercy Manning were spending the week of July 4th with her family on Siesta Key. Ron was out in the water throwing a ball when his white gold wedding ring came off and went into the water. The whole family went in the water looking for the ring. Ron and Mercy had planned to stay at Siesta for the whole week until Mercy's sister injured herself and had to be taken back to Miami. Losing the ring and having to leave it behind broke Ron's heart and also their daughter who was afraid that the ring was gone and her parents would no longer be married. Mercy reassured her that they were still married.

Upon returning to Miami Mercy found theringfinders.com on the internet and contacted Tom Jones on July 7th and scheduled a hunt for July 8. Tom, Mike Miller, Mike Shuler, Ed Osmar and Mark Sillence arrived at the beach and started hunting for the ring. After searching the area where the ring was lost with no results, Ed and Mark moved to the gulf side of the sand bar. Not long after



Ed yells out, "is this it?" Tom took the ring and read the date 02/14/97 which was Ron and Mercy's wedding date. Tom called her on facetime to give the good news and be able to see her face when she saw the ring. She was over joyed when she heard that the ring had actually been found. Mercy call her aunt who was still on Siesta and the ring was given to her to take home to Ron.



Garrett and his wife Kristin were spending the weekend on Madeira Beach with her two brothers and their families. They had all decided to do a special trip to the beach celebrating Kristin's niece's birthday. Saturday afternoon Garrett and his

brothers in law were tossing a football in the water when his wedding ring came off his finger and he watched it drop in the water and disappear in the sand below. He and Kristin were married in March and now the ring is gone just 4 months later. Kristin's niece asked them if they were still married now that the ring was gone. They reassured her "yes we are still married".

Jonathan, Garrett's brother in law started a Google search to rent a metal detector and contacted Phil Myer of Myers of Myers Detector Depot. Phil told him to contact SRARC and they would come out and search for it. Jonathan contacted Tom Jones who was having lunch at the time with Joe Szemer on Treasure Island. After lunch the two headed up to Madeira Beach and met up with the family. After getting the details Joe and Tom started searching. The hunt went on for 45 minutes and neither hunter had found a single target, much less the ring. Tom started hunting a pattern up and down the beach moving



closer to the water line each time thinking that the tide was going out and waist deep water at noon could be knee deep by 2:30. Finally a good target was heard and the ring appeared in Tom's scoop. The whole family ran over to see the ring, amazed that it could even be found.

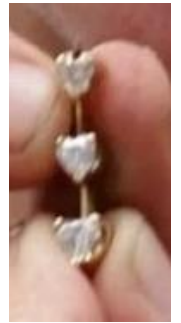
Before saying goodbye, Tom gave them his normal newlywed speech.

"Remember this day for the rest of your married life. If a time comes when things get tough, remember back to this day and realize that nothing is impossible".



Sandy was working in her garden when a fly started annoying her. She

swatted at the fly and accidentally hooked into her 3 diamond pendant and sent it flying into the flower garden somewhere. She rented a metal detector and had no luck finding her pendant. She then contacted SRARC and Howard Metts went to the home to search for the pendant. Howard started hunting with his detector but soon realized that he would have to use a pinpointer to hunt through the flower bushes. After 20 minutes or so he came up with the pendant which has 3 heart shaped diamonds each representing one of her three children. Sandy was so excited to get the pendant back, especially since her family will be moving out of the home in the near future and she did want to leave her precious pendant behind.



Good work Ringfinders team.

Thank you for your time and efforts.



The Club Coin Clues

Will be posted later tonight on srarc.com

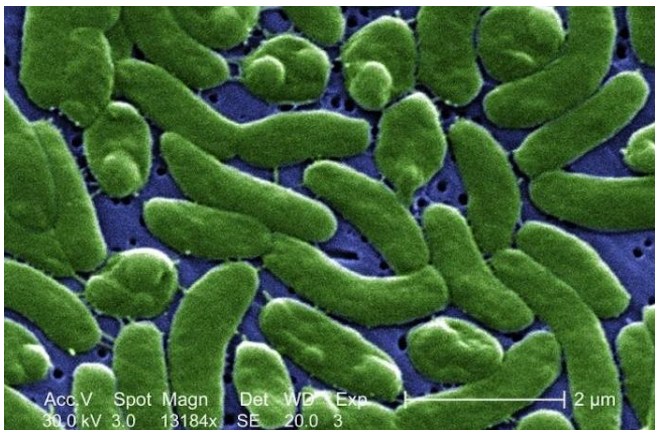
Health News

In our last meeting this topic was brought up about the risk of Flesh Eating Bacteria in Gulf Waters.

You can read about it on the site below

Quick Look at the Flesh-Eating Bacteria Haunting Florida's Waters

Oct 7, 2013 | [Lindsay Denny](#) | [Outbreak News](#)



vibrio vulnificus by [Janice Haney Carr](#), [James Gathany](#), CDC 2005 #7185- See more at:

<http://www.healthmap.org/site/diseasedaily/article/quick-look-flesh-eating-bacteria-haunting-florida%E2%80%99s-waters-10713#sthash.ftZJkqHb.dpuf>

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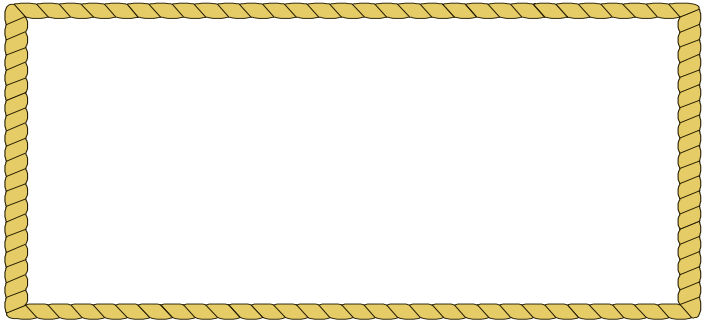
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Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics

- 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.