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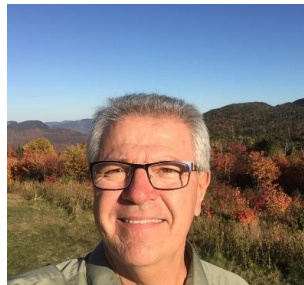


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Tom's Tips

Hello Folks. I just got back from another season of touring and it sure feels



good to be back home. Finally the weather is starting to cool down a little, at least at night.

If you plan to hunt the Ft De Soto Picnic & Fun Hunt you will need to pay your \$10.00 entry fee no later than the October meeting. It will be held **Oct. 29th** at Pavilion #13. Bring a side dish to share and your own drinks, Club provides the meat, bread, plates and utensils.

Nov. 29th Annual Silver Tuesday Christmas Banquet. \$25.00 per member. \$10.00 children under 15. Due October meeting.

Annual Dues \$35.00 per household due November meeting.

Meeting

Date: October 24, 2016

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

Time: 7:00 PM

Program: Mark Prue, Stan Flack &
Paul Hill
Program on
Detecting trip to England

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Birthdays



Birthday Ambassador Joe Szemer

Danny Sims	Georgia Duerden
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Coming Events:

Oct 29th Ft De Soto Picnic & Fun Hunt. Please pay \$10.00 in advance for the hunt by the Oct. meeting

Annual Christmas Banquet November 29, 2015

At the Club at Treasure Island
6:00 pm

There will be a buffet dinner
\$25.00 per member,
\$10.00 members children 14 years old
and under.

Annual dues for 2017: \$35.00 per household. Payments are being taken starting at October meeting.

Meeting Minutes

September 26, 2016

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

The Shell Lady spoke to a small crowd. Break was taken at 7:50 pm

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.

I Won't Wear It!



Tony and Tammy were visiting from Michigan and staying at the Don Cesar Resort in St Pete Beach. While out playing in the water, Tammy lost her ring. After looking as long as they could they retired to their room where she spent a sleepless night thinking that she would never see her beloved ring again. Tony assured her that the ring was insured and could be replaced. She didn't want another one, she wanted hers back. This ring is very special, Tony had got it for her after she had given birth to their daughter. He came in the hospital and told Tammy that she had given him something very special and he wanted to give her something special and presented her the ring. The next morning Tony contacted SRARC and talked to Tom

Jones asking for help hopeful that someone could find the ring. A hunt was scheduled at 5:00 that afternoon. Tom, Joe Szemer, Mike Miller, Mark Sillence and Wayne Cree arrived and after meeting up with Tony started hunting. 30 minutes into the hunt Joe Szemer, who had moved into shallower water and out of the hunt area waved Tom Jones over and asked, "is this the ring?" Tom said I think so and took the ring. Joe said to him as he walked off, "if that's not it I want it back". Tom made his way back to where Tammy was and found her with a dive mask and her head under the water. He walked over to where she was at and put his hand with her ring on his finger under the water in front of her mask. Tammy's head came quickly out of the water and said, "Oh, my ring. You found it." Tony came over and was so happy that he wanted to personally hug everyone that had helped look for the ring.



Tammy told the group later. "I told him even if the insurance pays for it and you get another one, I WON'T WEAR IT."

Family Heirloom Found



Austin and his wife were visiting his brother in Florida from Flint, Michigan. They all went to Pass A Grille and set up a canopy near the water for a fun day at the beach. Shortly after arriving they went into the water and as they enjoyed the warm gulf water temperature, Austin sat down in about neck deep water. As he was sitting he felt a shell in the sand, picked it up and threw it toward the shore. As the shell headed to shore so did Austin's precious ruby ring. They all searched for hours but with no luck.

The ring was his grandfathers which was given to his grandfather by his grandfathers mother when he had turned 18. His grandfather wore the ring everyday of his life until he chipped the original ruby. At that time,

one of his daughters (Austin's Aunt) had the ruby replaced for him and he put the ring back on and wore it for the rest of his life. The Family is not sure what the significance of the ring was but they do know that both of his parents had worn ruby rings.

For Austin's 18th birthday in July his grandmother gave him the ring as a birthday present. Not only is the ring significant in his families history it is also Austin's birthstone. The ring is approximately 61 years old.

About 8 days after he lost it, Austin found SRARC Ring Finders and contacted Tom Jones. A hunt date was established and Paul Hill, Ed Osmar, Dimitur Alipiev, Mark Sillence, Howard Metts, Jeffery Miller, Mike Miller, and Bill Gallant showed up for the hunt. 13 minutes later Bill held up the ring and said "I think I found it". Awesome job Bill and a big "Thank You" to all who helped on this recovery. SRARC is very happy to have been a part in returning this important piece of history to Austin's family.



Another Heirloom Found & Returned



Jennifer along with her husband and son had spent a day at Fred Howard Park Beach on Labor Day weekend. After putting suntan lotion on her husband and son snorkeled over the grass flats looking for fish. Some time during their swim his ring which was handed down to him from Jennifer's grandparents from Germany slipped off. Mike Miller asked Howard Metts to set up a hunt which included members Mark Silence, Jim Adams, Bill Galant, Mike Shuler, Ed Osmar, and Howard Metts. It had been over a month since the ring was lost so expectations were not high. Ten minutes into the Hunt

Howard Metts found a gold ring and brought it to shore where Jeanine Metts and Gerri Adams



could read the inscription verifying

this was the lost ring. Jennifer is meeting with Howard and Jeanine on Thursday Oct 20 in Tampa to retrieve her husband's ring.

The Football Does It Again



Mike, Rachel, and children were down from Indiana for fall break. After spending the morning swimming and relaxing in the sun, Mike noticed his children tossing a football on the Beach. He joined them and moved out into about chest deep water. They threw the ball for a few minutes and on the final toss Mike saw his wedding ring fly off and disappear into the waters of the gulf. The whole family looked for several hours but could not find it.

Mike googled for a place to rent a metal detector and found the SRARC Ring Finders Service. He contacted us and we set up a hunt for the next day. Jim Adams, Joe Montione, Mark Sillence, Bill Gallant, Jeffery Miller,

and Mike Miller joined in the hunt and within 15 minutes Bill said I think I found it. Sure enough Mike rushed over and confirmed it was the missing ring. Rachel, Mike's wife, also came rushing out in disbelief and gave Bill a great big hug. Mike told me later she had no faith that we would find the ring and had told him it was a 1 in 1 million chance.



The SRARC ring finders team is happy to be the ones to make a 1 in A million opportunity come true for Mike and Rachel.

Great Job Volunteers



The Club Coin Clues
Will be posted Tuesday Night
10/18/2016 on srarc.com

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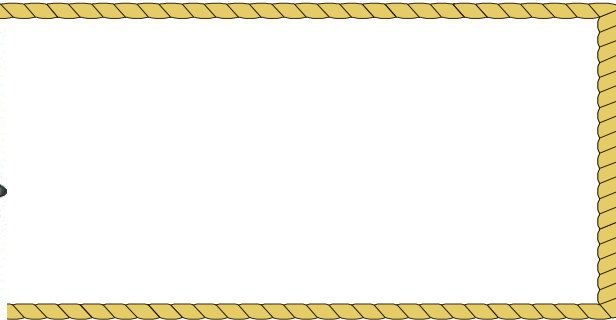
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Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics

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.