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Sacramento Valley Detecting Buffs

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March Meeting Minutes

- Barbara called the meeting to order. Kyle Miles was absent from the meeting. Dan Cordes was acting hospitality for the evening and brought in cake for everyone. Thanks Dan.

Secretary's Report:

- Steve requested that members submit any interesting metal detecting stories for inclusion in the newsletter. See the stories at the end of this newsletter and keep them coming.

Treasurer's Report: Charlotte Key

- Charlotte reported the financial activity for the month. As noted in the meeting and in the last newsletter, we will not be publishing the actual numbers associated with her report. The totals will be announced at meetings and members may ask Charlotte for more information at the meetings. This is for the Club's protection.

Membership Report: George Magann

- George reported there are 144 paid members. If you have not renewed your membership, please do so as soon as possible to help the Club.

Web Site Report: Bob Meneely

- Bob noted that separate email boxes were being set up for Metal Detecting Training (overseen by John Hainlen) and Recovery Team (overseen by Tom Boyd). He also asked for volunteers to help with training.

It's a dirty business



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Calendar Legend: SVDB Monthly Meetings
 Sun Day-in-the-Park Hunts
 Sat Day-in-the-Park Hunts

New Business:

- Tom Boyd discussed the Recovery Team. If interested, please sign up. Tom will create a list and rotate through it as we get requests. After you go out on a recovery, your name goes to the bottom of the list. Each recovery effort will include two club members, who are encouraged to submit the story of their hunt to the newsletter for publication. Tom stated he checks the emails daily.
- The annual hunt is now scheduled. It will be May 11, 2013 at Alta Mesa Gun Club (same as last year). The prize list is growing. If you have suggestions please see George Magann or Al Woltman. Entry fees will be \$40 for members (\$5 extra on the day of the hunt) and \$12 for kids. The May club meeting on the 2nd will be the cut off for the \$40 fee so don't be late. Some of the prizes will be gold coins, leche knives, garrett probes, and more. Non-hunting volunteers are needed on the day of the hunt to seed the field.
- Don Dunn continues our "buy from members" program. See him if you have coins to sell. We will need a large number for the annual hunt and the club is paying top dollar.
- Dan Cordes brought in coil covers for no charge if they fit your coil. He also brought in his gear for hunting underwater in the rivers. He gave a short talk on his scuba hunting with the Excalibur II and

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a concrete block to keep him anchored. Dan, as well as others, often post on our facebook page. Visit it to see who's finding what.

- Bob Meneely talked about the WWATS meeting he attended in Arizona. This organization is dedicated to preserving and protecting the free use of lands. There is a link to their web site on our web page if you want more information.

SVDB Meeting Time and Location Information:

- SVDB Meetings are held at **7:30 pm** the **first Thursday of each month** at the Sacramento County Sewer District's Building in North Highlands, located at the intersection of Elkhorn Blvd. and Don Julio Blvd. Our meeting room is held in a large room facing Elkhorn, close to where all the cars are parked in the parking lot near Elkhorn Blvd. (Mapquest address is 5026 Don Julio Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95842).

Day-In-The-Park Hunts:

- There are 4 day-in-the park hunts per month. The hunts are on the first, second and third Sundays and the fourth Saturday. Breakfast is at 8:00 am with departure to the hunt site at 9:00 am. The hunt ends at 12 noon. The meeting places for the hunts:
 - ❑ 1st Sunday Hunt: Meet at Denny's Watt and Auburn
 - ❑ 2nd Sunday Hunt: Meet at Denny's at Sunrise and Zinfandel Dr. (2474 Sunrise Blvd)
 - ❑ 3rd Sunday Hunt: Meet at Lumberjack's at Howe Ave. and Enterprise Dr.
 - ❑ 4th Saturday Hunt: Meet at Denny's Watt and Auburn

A prize is awarded for the oldest coin found at each hunt. For February, Bob Woods, Jerry Nerbovig, Ray Goyette, and Bob Meneely won oldest coin.

Odds 'n Ends:

Show and Tell winner was John Hainlen, Paul Geiss won the membership drawing, and James Neeley won the 1/10th oz. gold coin.









From the Recovery Team

Cynthia told us where she was standing at time of loss. She then pointed out where the ball landed that she threw when ring came off. She also postponed lawn service to prevent lawn mower from sending the ring flying.

Bob and I covered the lawn in the direction of throw, for about an hour with no success. Some friends of Cynthia had come over to watch the process.

While we were standing discussing the lost ring, a friend of Cynthia's looked down on the opposite side of sidewalk from where we were looking and saw the ring sitting in a bush.

There are a couple of valuable lessons learned from this outing.

Lesson #1. Look in all directions from where person was standing when they lost an item. Not just in the direction of a thrown object.

Lesson #2. Do not discriminate lower readings, as ring was made of strands of gold wire, and did not read above a "9" when placed on sidewalk so we could see where it reads.

Cynthia was so happy to find her ring, and gave Bob and I credit for giving her hope, she insisted we take a reward. After resistance, Bob told her if he took any money, he would donate it to the club. So Bob now has \$80 for the club.

Search Coil Trails

In the early morning hours late in December we packed our metal detecting equipment in the SUV and headed out to meet at Frontier Park. We were equipped with the tried and true MXT, but our friend who always has the latest and greatest, shows up with a big smile and a new Deus detector. At first sight it looks like a toy, but hidden behind that disguise was a lightweight wireless, powerful, programmable, treasure finding machine.

We strapped on our knee pads and tool belts, and the five of us headed off; looking like some sort of rag tag SWAT team armed with Star Trek looking weapons. After an hour of hunting we gathered around a picnic table to display our treasures and claim bragging rights. I was humbled with the MXT and luck, I thought I did very well with four quarters, six pennies and a pendant watch. Steven did very well with his Tesoro; he found several coins and a very nice gold ring. But the first place prize goes to Ken and his new toy. Fourteen quarters, three nickels, a gold chain and a Rabies tag.

The second half of the hunt, we decided to concentrate on the soccer field area. We all found coins but the area was very trashy and we spent a lot of time digging trash in the muddy soil. We now looked like we spent the night in a homeless camp, muddy search coils and muddy faces. We looked at each other and laughed each of us thinking the others looked funny. A mirror would have brought straight faces to all of us. We packed up our gear and headed home to clean ourselves and the bounty.

Looking forward to the next treasure hunt!

Dave Harris

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Roseville Park Regulations

Regulations for the use of metal detectors as prescribed by the Parks and Recreation Commission 11/02/1970:

Use of metal detectors shall be permitted on City Parks subject to the following conditions:

1. The metal detector hobbyist shall be familiar with the provisions and procedures of the State Possession Law (Section 2080).
2. The metal detector hobbyist shall make all efforts possible to pick up beer tabs and other undesirable objects found on and under the ground.
3. The metal detector hobbyist shall be made aware of the "hold harmless" clause on the City's Application for Use of Facilities.
4. The metal detector hobbyist shall be made aware to protect the turf and other physical properties making up the horticultural setting of the park.
5. **Permits for metal detector use shall be for one year durations.**

A metal detector permit costs \$3.00 and is good for one year from the day of purchase. They can purchased at the Roseville Department of Parks and Recreation at 401 Oak Street, in the city of Roseville. Their phone number is 916-774-5242. Normal business hours are Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM. The permit is good for all parks except the Maidu Interpretive Center and parks under construction