



A Nonprofit Organization

The Public is Invited to Attend our Meetings

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Sacramento Valley Detecting Buffs

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Coin Buying for Club: Don Dunn

Recently found in Massachusetts
See reverse side in the pictures



April Meeting Minutes

Presidents Report: Barbara Anderton

Barbara began the meeting by thanking Ace Smithart and Al Woltman for taking over the mini-hunt at the last minute and doing a great job.

Vice President's/Web Site Report: Bob Meneely

Bob said he was thinking of using George's new club flyer as the front page for the web site.

Secretary's/Newsletter Report: Steve Timmons

No report.

Treasurer's Report: Al Woltman

Al reported the month's income and expenses and cash balance.

Membership Report: George Magann

George reported membership money is still coming in. If you are participating in the annual hunt in May, pay your entry fee by the May 1st meeting or there will be an additional \$5.00 charge for late payments.

Recovery Report: Tom Boyd

Tom said we got one request for help for a lost wedding ring. Tom, John Duffy and James Neeley went hunting for it. Lost the light the first day and day 2 they still came up empty, but the fellow, Jay Davison, thanked them for their effort with a \$150 check.

April 2014						
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May 2014						
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June 2014						
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Calendar Legend: SVDB Monthly Meetings
 Sunday Day-in-the-Park Hunts
 Annual Club Planted Hunt

Hunt Master Report: Chai Vang

Chai Vang volunteered for the opening for our hunt master. Thank you Chai. If you wish to contact him, his e-mail has been added to the volunteers listed on the first page.

Library Report: Tom Schweppe

Tom reported all is well with the library.

New Business:

Don Dunn had another White's TRX pinpointer that was donated to the club and said it would be one of the grand prizes in the nights raffle if sales exceeded \$1,000. The other grand prize was a MS69 grade 1/10th oz. American Eagle. Brad Short from Brush Creek Detectors in Ohio had donated about \$300 worth of equipment that we are including in the raffle over the next several meetings. Don also wanted to warn everyone that we are seeing a lot of counterfeit detectors from China showing up in the market place. Notably the upper end Mine Labs and all Fishers. If you are buying a detector from a private party, be careful.

Barbara asked that when dealing with vendors and other businesses that deal in metal detecting, members do not represent themselves as representatives of SVDB unless

they have been specifically empowered to act on behalf of the club.

Lee Wiese spoke about the Mine Labs sponsored meeting in Chicago to discuss the Portable Antiquities Scheme law from England and developing something similar in the U.S. A synopsis of the meeting and some links to web sites are included later in the newsletter.

John Hainlen gave a demonstration of the Garrett pinpointer showing some less well known capabilities and a few tricks to using the pinpointer.

Al Woltman talked about the upcoming annual hunt. There will be \$1,100 of clad coins in the field as well as tokens for prizes and a total of \$4,600 for the event. A list of prizes and other information about the hunt is included later in the newsletter. We are going to be BBQing this year instead of members bringing food. Bring folding chairs and tables if you have them. We need volunteers to help clean up after the event.

Included at the end of the newsletter is a flyer for a Prospecting and Metal Detecting gathering in Mill City, NV. It is scheduled for Mat 4-11.

Show & Tell:

Clyde Schroeder won the Find of the Month. The picture of all the coins clumped together are his finds. James Neeley found some "Hip Hop" Jewelry.

Kristina Miles won the membership drawing. Chai won the oldest coin for 2 Sunday hunts with a 1944 wheatie

and a 1959 penny. Ken Silva won the oldest for the third Sunday hunt.

The raffle brought in \$1,042, which meant the TRX was raffled and won by Stephen Hallett. Betty Yerby won the other grand prize of the 1/10th oz. American Eagle.



Brand new TRX pinpointer



Reverse of Columbian Coin



Decisions, decisions



Demonstrating the Garrett



Task Force For Metal Detecting Rights Foundation <http://detectingrights.com/>
Promoting and defending your right to enjoy the recreational hobby of metal detecting on public use lands and waterways.

News

Portable Antiquities Scheme Meeting

Meeting with the Architect of the English Portable Antiquities Scheme

On February 17, 2014, Minelab Americas hosted a conference in Chicago featuring Mr. Norman Palmer, one of the authors of the English "Portable Antiquities Scheme" (PAS) law as the speaker.

Those attending the conference were: Malissa Salzinger, Jeff Otero & Jin Peng of Minelab Americas; Stuart Auerbach & David Spencer from Kelly Co (Stuart Auerbach was also Alan Holcombe of White's Electronics proxy at the meeting); Michael McComb of First Texas; Matthew Hallisey of Government Affairs, Connecticut; Mark Schuessler from the FMDAC; James Hurst of Garrett; J. Smith, Historical Archaeologist from the Maine Historic

Preservation Commission; Jim Selburg of Outdoor Outfitters, and Allyson Cohen from the Task Force for Metal Detecting Rights Foundation.

The purpose of the conference was to introduce leaders from the U.S. Metal Detecting Community to the English "Portable Antiquities Scheme" law.

Mr. Palmer gave a slide presentation, during which time he discussed the metal detecting laws in England, and how they have helped provide for a more mutually respectful relationship between the detecting and archaeological communities in their country.

The English system is successful because detectorists and archaeologists have accepted the need for a system of government oversight, and the proper documentation of finds. The PAS law provides for trust, cooperation and mutual respect between the two groups.

The English government also realizes that financial rewards, based on fair market value, is the best incentive to foster an honest system where all parties involved benefit.

In order for something like the PAS system to move forward here in the U.S., it would also have to be enacted as a law, and it was noted that the Florida Treasure Coast could benefit greatly from this type of law.

Finding lawmakers who are interested in Metal Detecting or Treasure Hunting, and who are willing help by introducing pro Metal Detecting legislation, would be a good first step.

The Task Force would like to keep on top of this idea, and will work with Minelab and all the other attendees in promoting a system similar to the Portable Antiquities Scheme in the United States.

<http://detectingrights.com/task-force-attends-meeting-with-the-architect-of-the-portable-antiquities-scheme>

*Prize List Annual Hunt
May 24, 2014*

- 1 *Fisher Metal Detector W/2 Coils* _____
- 5 *2-Peso Gold Coins* _____
- 1 *Sun Ray Pro Head Phones* _____
- 1 *1998 Silver Proof Set* _____
- 1 *\$50.00 Bill* _____
- 1 *2008 Silver Quarters Proof Set* _____
- 1 *Garrett Pro-Pointer* _____
- 2 *Lesche digging tools* _____
- 2 *Treasure Bags* _____
- 1 *Whites Pro-Pointer* _____
- 2 *U S Mint CC Silver Dollars* _____
- 2 *1964 Canadian Silver Dollars* _____
- 5 *Silver Eagles* _____
- 1 *1987 US Constitution Silver Proof Dollar* _____
- 1 *1987 US Constitution Silver UNC Dollar* _____
- 2 *1853 ½ Dime Silver, 1857 ½ Dime Silver* _____
- 8 *Morgan Silver Dollars* _____
- 1 *2002 Silver Strike Golden Nugget Token* _____
- 5 *Silver Peace Dollars* _____
- 1 *American Legacy Collection 2005* _____
- 3 *American Legacy Collection 2006* _____
- 1 *1839 Dime Silver* _____
- 1 *1776-1976 Bicentennial Silver Set* _____
- 1 *2014 Gift Memberships SVDB* _____

- 4 *Tahoe Joes Steakhouse Gift Certificate* _____
- 1 *Gold Test Kit* _____
- 1 *Kennedy-Lincoln Memorial Silver* _____
- 1 *Americana Series* _____
- 30 *Silver Half Dollars* _____
- 1 *1.25 oz Silver Pigskin Gaming Challenge Token* _____
- 7 *1oz Silver Rounds* _____
- 2 *Red Book US Coins 2015* _____
- 3 *1oz Silver Bars* _____
- 2 *Wine Tasting For Two, Gift Certificates* _____
- 4 *Pottery World Gift Card* _____
- 1 *Whites Backpack* _____
- 1 *Bobs Carwash & Detail \$60.00 Value Wash & Hand wax* _____
- 1 *Dickey's Barbecue Gift Card* _____
- 2 *Rubinos Restaurant Gift Cards* _____
- 1 *Best Western Plus Gift Certificate, complimentary 1 night stay* _____

Total 112+ main token prizes

Other prizes, To be given away at registration, 1 Envelope to each hunter, containing a mystery coin and raffle ticket,

Children's bag of misc coins and raffle ticket

Estimate of hunt costs \$4600 total

Clad coin targets, \$1100 coin cost, estimation of number of targets 6880

Main prizes 112+

Other prizes depends on the number of hunters,

Above subject to change before hunt

TREASURE HUNTER'S CODE OF ETHICS

As part of our commitment to recreational metal detecting, we at *Western & Eastern Treasures* encourage responsible conduct and strict compliance with all local, state, and federal regulations and restrictions, as well as unconditional respect for the rights and property of others, and for those held in common by us all. Even though these values and standards may not be explicitly stated in every article, they are an integral part of our philosophy, efforts, and goals. We take pride in the hobby and industry we serve, and ask you to join us in observing and promoting the following Code Of Ethics.

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

I WILL fill all excavations.

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

I WILL use thoughtfulness, consideration, and courtesy at all times.

I WILL build fires in designated or safe places only.

I WILL leave gates as found.

I WILL remove and properly dispose of any trash that I find.

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.

Western & Eastern Treasures magazine endorses the Treasure Hunter's Code Of Ethics.

The sport of metal detecting has a national organization