



A Nonprofit Organization

The Public Is Invited To Attend Our Meetings

SVDB Web Site <http://www.sacramentovalleydetectingbuffs.com/>

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Sacramento Valley Detecting Buffs

2014 Elected Officers

President: **Bob Meneely**
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Vice President: **John Hainlen**
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Secretary: **Bill Caldwell**
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Treasurer: **Al Woltman**
looking4au@live.com

Membership: **George Magann**
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2014 Volunteer Positions

Hospitality: **Dan Cordes**
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Hunt Master: **Chai Vang**
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Librarian: **Tom Scheppe**
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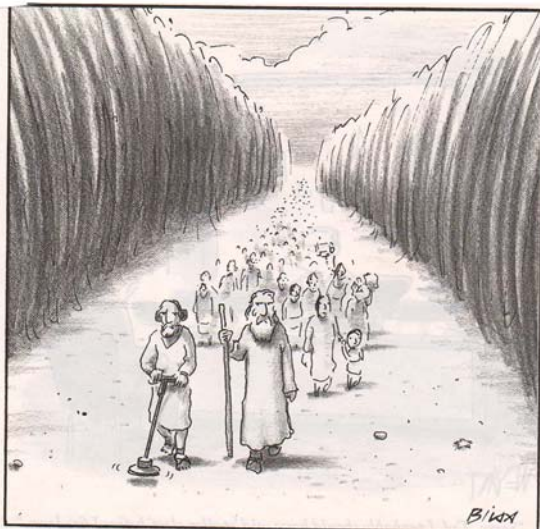
Newsletter Editor: **Bill Caldwell**
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Coin Buying for Club: **Al Woltman**
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You only wish



February 05, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Meeting started at 7:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

President's Report: **Bob Meneely**

Bob has graciously accepted the role of president for the remainder of 2015 (unanimous approval/ nobody running against). He told a story on keeping your eyes open for opportunity – His daughter in associated with a renaissance fair in Louisiana and received permission to enter the ground off season and found lots of coins.

Vice President's/Web Site Report: **John Hainlen**

John has graciously accepted the role of vice president for the remainder of 2015 (unanimous approval/ nobody running against). No report.

Secretaries/Newsletter Report: **Bill Caldwell**

Bill graciously accepted the role of secretary and will also be editor of the monthly newsletter (unanimous approval/ nobody running against). No report

Treasurer's Report: **Al Woltman**

Al was absent from the meeting, on vacation. All receipts to George Magann for payment.

Membership Report: **George Magann**

George reported on a roll for collecting dues, and we have new members.

Recovery Report: **Scott Newens**

Scott reported we received 2 calls:

- 1) In the "pocket" of Sacramento looking for a ring in a front yard, no ring but found a crucifix
- 2) In Rocklin, wedding ring lost in park. Barb and Scott were already there, one park over. Did not find ring after 3 hours – 1 week later Rick Costello/Don Dunn found it.

Hunt Master Report: **Chai Vang**

Thanks to everyone who participated, the next one will be better.

February 2015						
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April 2015						
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Calendar Legend: **SVDB Monthly Meetings**
 Weekly Day-in-the-Park Hunts
 Annual Club Planted Hunt

Library Report: Tom Schweppe

Tom reported all is well with the library.

Hospitality:

No report

Raffle: James

We raised \$981 – this upped the total coins to 35 silver and 1 gold coin.

Coin Buying: Al Woltman

No report

National Association Reports – Lee Wiese

- West Coasters – 1 day, March 29, 2015
- 1 hunt for under 12 yr. olds
- 1 token hunt (will Frodo and Gandalf be there?)
- 1 old coin hunt
- A silver challenge
- *See club website

Riverside Hunt – April 17 to 19 \$175
 Brochure attached

May 16 – MineLab Hunt in Indiana – only US location listed at this time.

Ron Swenson and Mark Dayton – January Find

- Researched undisclosed site
- Found 9 silver ½ from 1800's
- Found 5 (yes 5) \$20 gold pieces, then found another
- Again, Mark cleared some brush from a site and found a cast buckle and 1835 gold piece.
- The moral of this story – research, research, research, and then luck.

China – a sheepherder ran across a 17lb. gold nugget
 Florida – man using a detector runs across some scrap big scrap aluminum, continuing on he eventually found the remains of a plane reported missing from WWII with 5 people.

Arizona – reports of vandalism at archeological sites – always report incidents

Nevada – workers found a 1882 Winchester rifle leaning against a tree, placed there 100 years ago.

Ace added – Kingman AZ, 1886 rifle had a tree growing around it.

DO NOT HUNT NATIONAL PARKS

- National parks
- Indian Reservations
- Federal Lands
- Bureau of Land Management
- National Monuments
- Most State Parks
- CA – Salt Water Beaches – OK; Inland Beaches – No unless park ranger (in triplicate) signs off

Law Enforcement Searches

No report, no activity in months

New Guests:

- 1) Dave Hrivnak – uses ATPro & U3I
- 2) Dave Kitchen
- 3) Rob Kaiser – uses Bounty Hunter

Membership Drawing: Winner – 1 silver dollar for George Adaza

Barbara asked if anyone found Steve Timmons XP Deus control unit, it was lost at the great hunt.

Ace – due to her many sacrifices and help in the club, Barbara should receive a lifetime membership – seconded and ratified by members present.

Great Hunt 01/24/2015 –

Story – Ricardo Forentess (How research and perseverance pay off)

- In South Sac there is a 40 acre farm that had a house burn down and not rebuild from the turn of the 19th century. Researched the land records (public) and found the owners of the land/farm. Wrote them several letters explaining the hobby and his interest but did not hear back. Ran across owner at a public function and managed to convince him to let him try. Found a 1968 Finnish Nickel, a quarter, corroded horse shoes. The farmer became interested in what he was doing, so it was explained to him and detecting was demo'd – the farmer got involved and finally spilled the beans as to where the house was actually located.

Day-In-The-Park Hunt:

There are 4 day-in-the park hunts per month. The hunts are on the first, second and third Sundays and the fourth Saturday. We meet between 8am and 9am, leaving exactly at 9am for our destination.

The hunt ends at 12 pm.

The meeting places for the hunts:

- ❑ 1st Sunday Hunt: Meet at Denny's Watt and Auburn Blvd
- ❑ 2nd Sunday Hunt: Meet at Denny's at Sunrise and Zinfandel Dr. (2474 Sunrise Blvd)
- ❑ 3rd Sunday Hunt: Meet at Waffle Square 1825 10th St, Sac
- ❑ 4th Saturday Hunt: Meet at Denny's Watt and Auburn Blvd

There will usually be a get together after the event for lunch (pay your own)

Show & Tell:

- Kris Wilson
- Scott Newens
- John Hainlen
- Don Jong
- Barbara Anderson
- Clyde Schroeder

Break – returned at 8:06 pm

Hunt winners – every weekly hunt draws a random item to be the winner of the hunt. Each winner receives a random silver quarter if present at the next club meeting.

12/07/14 – Kingsbridge Heights – winner Kyle Miles with newest dime

01/04/2015 – Kingwood Elementary – winner Ken Silva with oldest dime

01/11/2015 – Gold River Park – winner John Hainlen – most pull tabs

01/18/2015 – winner Scott Newman – oldest coin (1960 nickel)

Pull Tabs go to Ronald McDonald House

Zinc Pennies go to George

Scrap goes to Scott for Habitat for Humanity

Hunt volunteers are needed.

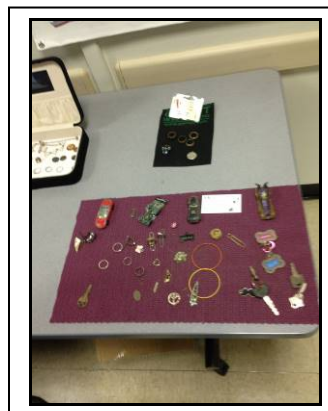
The raffle brought in \$981.

Raffle 35 Silver and 1 Gold.

Winner of 1/10 gold coin – Sharon Brown

Pristina Miles – Volunteer runner for raffle

Show and Tell





Secretary and
Newsletter
Editor
Bill Caldwell



President
**Bob
Meneely**



Gold Coin
Winner
**Sharon
Brown**



Tonights
**Raffle
Prizes**

Vice President
**John
Hainlen**



Here is a great email that SVDB received from David Ponath for the help he received in finding his lost wedding ring.



“I have been married for only three months when I lost my white gold wedding band while playing catch with my son in a Rocklin park on 1/20/2015. It was a hard conversation telling my wife that it was lost. After spending several unsuccessful hours on my own searching for the ring I contacted the SVDB club for their help. Don Dunn as well as John Hainlin and Scott Newens all contacted me to offer assistance. In addition Don, Scott, Barbara Anderton and Rick Costello all searched for my ring with their metal detectors. On 1/26/2015 Don Dunn called me to say he located the ring while doing a final sweep of the area. While on a last “oh give it a few more minutes” attempt the ring was recovered. I would like to express my sincere appreciation for everyone that assisted me in recovering my lost ring. You guys are unbelievable! I appreciate you so much you have no idea.

The overwhelming support from all of you provided me with a story I will one day tell my grand-kids and have for the rest of my life.

David Ponath”



West Coasters Rendezvous 2015 April 17, 18 & 19

Please join the West Coast Prospectors & Treasure Hunters Association’s 28th annual open hunt held at **Rancho Jurupa Campground in Riverside, California.**

Visit our website: www.westcoasters.org

Food Available for Sale

- Saturday Breakfast & Lunch
- Sunday Breakfast only

Saturday Night Potluck

- Bring a dish and join us for a Potluck Dinner on Saturday Night

Big Drawings

- Prize Drawing
- Treasure Chests
- Special Kid’s only Drawing
- 50/50 cash drawing
- Silver Drawing

10 Great Hunts!

- All coil sizes allowed
- Reduced price for Silver hunt!
- Headphones mandatory except Junior and Night hunts
- Pinpointers okay except Night hunt

Schedule of Events

Friday, April 17, 2015

6:00 - 6:30 PM **Warm-up Hunt:** A fun hunt to start out the weekend with clad coins and tokens for prizes.

Cost: \$10 pre-registration; \$15 at site.

8:00 PM **Bingo:** \$3 per card - cash prizes based on money collected. All monies returned as prizes.

Saturday, April 18, 2015

9:00 - 9:45 AM **Silver Bonanza Hunt:** All planted targets will be silver dimes. Cost: \$40 pre-registration; \$45 at site.

10:30 - 11:00 PM **Five & Dime Hunt:** A field full of nickels and dimes with tokens for \$5 and \$10 bills. Cost: \$10 pre-registration; \$15 at site.

11:30 - 12:00 PM **Junior Hunt:** A great hunt for kids age 12 years and younger. Plenty of coins, tokens and awards. Each kid must have a detector but headphones not required. Cost: \$2.00

12:00 - 1:30 **Lunch Break**

1:00 - 1:30 PM **Haystack Hunt:** A fun hunt for children ages 5 and under - no detectors and it's Free!

1:45 - 2:15 PM **Dollar Twenty-Five Hunt:** An equal number of dollar coins and quarters will be planted in this hunt - no tokens. Cost: \$20 pre-registration; \$25 at site.

3:00 - 3:30 PM **Treasure Chest Hunt:** A finders-keepers hunt filled with lots of clad, tokens and twelve special tokens to open treasure chests. Cost: \$20 pre-registration; \$25 at site.

5:00 - 5:30 PM **Senior Hunt:** All hunters 55 and older get to participate in this one. Hunt field will have clad coins and tokens for prizes. Cost: \$15 pre-registration; \$20 at site.

6:00 PM **Main Drawings (all but silver drawing)**

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM **Dinner Break** - Bring a dish to share and join us for a good old fashioned pot-luck dinner

8:30 - 9:15 PM **Night Hunt:** One detector & one flashlight for two registered hunters. Headsets not required; pinpointers not allowed. We'll match you with a partner if you don't have one.

Clad coins and tokens for prizes (2 prizes/token so you'll each get one). Cost \$10 pre-registration, \$15 at site.

Sunday, April 19, 2015

8:30 - 9:00 AM **Finders Keepers Hunt:** A rich hunt filled with clad and tokens for prizes including gold coins.

Cost: \$25 pre-registration; \$30 at site.

10:00 AM **Main Silver Drawing:**

10:30 - 11:00 AM **Go for the Gold:** A progressive hunt to proceed through three fields in search for a token for a gold coin. There will be a consolation field filled with clad and tokens for those that don't get a gold coin. Cost: \$25 pre-registration; \$30 at site.

Preregistration Fees

- Friday Warm-up \$10.00
- Silver Bonanza \$40.00
- Five & Dime \$10.00
- Junior (12 and under) \$2.00
- Dollar Twenty-five \$20.00
- Treasure Chest \$20.00
- Senior (55+) \$15.00
- Night Partners (each hunter must register) \$10.00
- Finders Keepers \$25.00
- Go for the Gold \$25.00



Go On-Line at <http://westcoasters.org> to view and fill out the registration form.

Then mail the form with a check made payable to **West Coast PATHA**

Mail the completed form and check to:

Ralph Crowther
26722 Valpariso Dr.
Mission Viejo, CA 92691

Must be postmarked by April 8, 2015