



Digs & Scoops

January 2023

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Presidents Message



< Mark Rubey

Is metal detecting on a vacation really a vacation? Well, for me it was. My wife and I went to Aruba in January and stayed a week with some friends in a 4 bedroom rented house with a pool. Sounds like paradise, right? In a way it was...beautiful beaches, great food, friendly people, fun casinos, and I found 11 rings, 3 of them gold. The only real down side was the actual trip flying down there and back. I couldn't find any direct, non-stop flights to there from San Diego....at least nothing affordable, so, I went with a round trip on American Airlines with a stop in Charlotte SC. Ok, that's doable even with a 4 hour layover in CLT. Leave here at 10:30pm, land in CLT at 6am the next morning, wait a bit, and another 3 ½ hours until landing at Oranjestad Aruba. It was supposed to be the same sort of thing on the way back with a shorter layover in CLT. Well, the flight schedule got changed 4 times since the time I booked it, so, I had to adapt my itinerary accordingly. The first 3 changes were not a big deal, inconvenient, but, a minor annoyance. The last one, however, was made at a late date with very little way of canceling and rebooking with some other airline. Our round trip ticket suddenly wasn't. American Airlines decided to change the time for the flight back to San Diego to an hour before we even arrive in CLT. Well, that isn't going to work! So, American in their infinite wisdom decided to put us on the later flight to LAX. Ok, then when is the next flight down to San Diego so I can tell my sister when to pick us up? "Well, we have no flight to San Diego" "That's the closest we can get you" was their answer. Get thanks, some round trip! Now I had to book another flight on United/SkyWest/United Express along with more baggage fees just to get home from LAX. Getting up at 6am Aruba time, add all the other flights and layovers, and we got home just about midnight San Diego time which made for a long day's travel back home. American Airlines will never get another dime of my money if I can avoid it. Hopefully, there will be other options the next time we travel there, since we both liked being there and hope to return. I hope your travels will have less drama! Happy Hunting everyone!

Thanks, Mark Rubey

Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library January 24th
Meeting Minutes

Next Meeting is Tuesday February 28th

Up-coming hunt is on February 5th

TBA 2:30 to 4:30 pm low tide -0.8

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Officers in Attendance:

President— Mark Rubey

Vice President— Rick Hunter

Secretary and Newsletter Editor—Kurt Hoeger

Treasurer— David Lyon

Treasurer's Report— Adequate Bank Account

Board of Directors— Jim Walker, Dwight Reed, Mike Bryant,
Tom Dunning

Meeting Called to order at 6:15pm

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 pm

Members— 20, guests— 1

Competition Table set up by Rick Hunter

Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library January 24th

Competition table was closed by 6:15pm

Mark called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm and we said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mark welcomed the new members and guests and explained how the Club functioned.

The newsletter report stated that any treasure hunting articles can be sent to Kurt for the newsletter.

Dave Lyon gave the Treasurer's report.....Club funds are good.

Kurt Hoeger gave the Secretary's report....Talked about some board meeting items. The Board wants to make the Webmaster a Board position. A vote to add it to the Bylaws and Constitution will be at the February meeting.

Jeff Gardner is the webmaster for the Club's website. 900+ hit this reporting period. Post on the website and be eligible for the Webb Drawing. If you have a scenic picture you think will look good on the website home page, send it to Jeff (**Jeffrey.frank.gardner@gmail.com**).

Rick Hunter will manage the Clubs Facebook page and is still in the process of working it up.

Tom Dunning talked to the members about the Hunt at Quartzsite. He, Gene Henderson and Dave Vilett went but Dave just looked at rocks. There were good prizes earned and the 50/50 drawing was \$500. Tom said there were about 200 detectorists at the hunt. The next day, they went to the Bullhead city Hunt and was joined by Jim Walker.

Mark Rubey went to Aruba for a week to detect and found some nice rings. A Silver wedding band had this inscribed : CIAO 19.08.19 Mark is not sure what it means. The ring was pretty beat up and did look to be kind of old. (Did it mean Day 19 of Month 08 in year 1919?)

Jeff did the Website Drawing

Web Drawing Winner: Mark Rubey (silver quarter)

Jim Walker did the name tag drawing.

Name tag drawing : Jim Walker

Tom Pyle passed out tickets for the door prizes.

Door Prize drawing : Dave Vilett —Display Box; Denise Rubey— Diamond Tester

Tickets were not sold for the silver coin raffle at the meeting. Silver Coin Raffle winner: none

Tickets were not sold for the 50/50 raffle. 50/50 raffle winner : none

The Raffles brought in total \$ 0

Snacks supplied by Rocky Chouinard GOOD EATS!

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Candid Camera



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Jeff Gardner is the snack coordinator. Need a volunteer for the March Meeting. Contact Jeff (Jeffrey.frank.gardner@gmail.com).

Dave Vilett has new hats with the Club logo embroidered on them. Contact him to order a hat. (vilett@cox.net) Ask him about embroidered shirts also.

Mike Bryant (sdmike@san.rr.com) will order a new name tag for you if you want it. \$8 for the ones with pins and \$10 for the magnetic ones.

Check out the new gallery on our website, <http://sdcoinshooters.com/gallery>

Please remember to post on the website to be entered into the silver quarter drawing the reason we do this is to incentivize members to post. Posting helps search engines index our website so it can be found by search engines. If at all possible, think of key words and phrases to put into your description. You don't have to write a lot, just try to be descriptive.



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Questions? Ask Jeff

Club Membership Dues are now \$20 for single memberships and \$30 for family memberships starting in January of 2023. We sent out application to be filled out when renewing your membership. Don't forget to pay your dues and stay a Club member. Dues and application can be sent to our Treasurer David Lyon at 8485 Ivory Coast Drive, San Diego, Ca. 92126 or brought to a meeting.

Welcome Mark Eckman and David Millstein our newest members.

You can give your crusty coins and aluminum can pull tops to Tom Dunning. Just collect them and when you have a plastic bag full, bring them to a Club meeting.

February Meeting is the Pot Luck. Bring your favorite pot luck food and share.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Coinshooters Board meeting January 17th

The Club Board meeting was held at Emiliano's Mexican Restaurant. 12:18 pm

Members present: Mark and Denise Rubey, Tom Dunning, Dwight Reed, Rick Hunter, Kurt Hoeger, David Lyon, and Mike and Dixie Bryant.

Mark handed out the template schedule for the next six month and the Board chose hunt types and location and programs for the monthly meetings.

The Board discussed making the Webmaster position a Board position similar to the Newsletter Editor. We voted that it made sense and will put it out to the membership for a vote in February.

(This is the notice to membership that a vote will be at the February meeting to make changes to the Coinshooters Bylaws and Constitution by adding the position of Webmaster as a Board position.)

Mark commented on sharing the Club newsletter with other Detecting clubs in return for their newsletters. Mark will find leads for Kurt to follow.

It was mentioned that the finds for the competition table need to be more anonymous when being entered. It was decided that all competitors will be asked to place their finds in the envelopes provided (unless the finds are too large) and let the competition table moderator set them out for display.

Kurt will send an email out to Club membership with a new membership application attached for the 2023 year. The application will help track the Club membership renewal and update the Club roster. Applications will be available at monthly meeting.

Mark commented on having the Club set up at the swap meet. A written concept needs to be drafted to understand what this will entail.

The Board came out with these program ideas for the monthly meetings:

White Elephant Sale

Bake Sale

Pot Luck

Ice Cream Social

Tales of Hunting Abroad

Instructional talks on Park Hunting, Beach Hunting, Equipment setup.

Meeting ended at 1:50 pm

Monthly Hunt for January 22nd

So.Mission Beach



All the finds



Working the beach

The good Finds



Sunset over the Jetty

Best find by Dwight Reed
Silver Ring with 6 stones



Editor's Page

Kurt Hoeger- Digs & Scoops Editor



Hello Coinshooters!

Here is the January 2023 newsletter....I hope you enjoy it!

If you have any good stories or pictures, send them to me and I will put them in the newsletter.

Email : Pipemajor7cnpb@cox.net

If a Club member is sick or needs a prayer, send the info to Denise Rubey for the Sunshine Report.

Sunshine Report: by Denise Rubey.

The Club send cards out to Kurt Hoeger (and his daughter Michelle) for the passing of his Mother-in-law and his daughter's Mother-in-law. Also, Malcom Campbell's wife Marion passed away. All in January. Jeff Gardner was visiting Maui and had a black-out episode and was hospitalized. He is doing much better. Please keep the families in your prayers.

Denise Rubey— smilyskier@aol.com



Member Contribution Page

Searching the beaches . . . by Frank M. Trutta

Our hunt at Mission Beach in January was a disappointment. A lot of sand moved around but did not expose the deeper targets as we had hoped for. Alice Symons found one coin up on the small dry strip of sand near the boardwalk wall. I was trying to find a concentration area but was not successful at it and came up with 9 coins, Tom Alaniz was working the waters edge and found 16 coins.

My wife Zee and I were out checking different beaches. The news on television was reporting high tides and huge waves. That is the perfect combination for erosion to occur. When this happens it only lasts for a couple of days then it gets covered up again. We love erosion and destruction of the beaches. We went out four times and came up with 492 coins and 8 pieces of gold jewelry, 6 rings and 2 pendants all 14K. One day my wife found 3 gold rings. Weighing our finds came out to \$974.00 in gold.

I am going to skip the club hunts until May. No one is coming to the dry sand to drop stuff and hunting the low tides is slim unless a storm comes.

Should you have any questions on metal detecting give me a call at Columbia Metal Detectors 760 743-8516 or on my cell 760 291-7900.

Hunt smart!

Hi All,

We moved from the San Diego area in mid-March to the Solivita Golf Retirement Community in Poinciana, FL. It is beautiful here but over a hundred miles to the sea so I haven't done any metal detecting since I've moved here. However, it is high on my priorities when I get a chance to visit the ocean again. Meanwhile, we were in Canyon Lake in early October. I was walking the perimeter of the lake and found a heavy elastic band sticking out of the sand and rocks. When I tugged on it to my amazement the subject camera popped up out of the sand. No metal detector needed.

Sincerely,

Alan Calvert



Pictures from Dave Vilett. Found at his "Secret" location.



Monthly Find Competition Rules Entering Your Find

General info: We currently have 8 categories. Your find should fit into one of them! Every find must have been made with a metal detector since the last meeting. (Note: If your find is sent to you from another country [i.e. England] you may enter it in the month you received it) You may enter only one item in each category. items that are found together count as one item. (A cross on a chain, matching bracelets, are examples.) The competition table judges will help you place your find if needed. Their decisions are final! . Categories:

Most Unusual. Our catchall category! If your item fits better elsewhere it should be placed there. Tell us what you know about your find. Age, type of metal, what makes it unusual! Examples: a brass boat rudder, a meteorite, a toy, who knows!

Relic. Must be at least 50 years old! Describe the item.

Best Foreign Coin or Token. What is it? Is it dated? Does it have value? Type of metal? An undated gold Roman coin can go here!

Oldest Dated Coin. The date must be visible with a loop. We have to be able to read the date!

Best North American Coin. Canada, USA, and Mexican coins. An identifiable "slick" large cent might win this category.

Best Other Jewelry. Non-precious metal items that were made as personal adornment items or for display purposes.

Silver. Items stamped .800 and above or sterling. You can also have an item tested and certified. Silver plated items belong in Other Jewelry.

Gold, Platinum and Palladium. Items stamped with a claim as to the metal content, or tested and certified. Counterfeit items will be removed by the judges. Gold plated non-precious metal items belong in the Other Jewelry category.

Best overall. What was your favorite item from all of the other categories? It may be the most valuable find, or it may not! Examples: The gold ring with diamonds, the Civil War sword

VOTING. Vote for one item in each category by circling the letter on the voting slip that corresponds with that item's envelope. **Vote once for your personal choice as to the best overall find from among the 8 preceding categories.**

Best Finds competition January 24th Meeting

Pictures thanks to Jeff Gardner

Best Overall Find



Winners of the Best Find competition:

Most Unusual— Dave Vilett—Brass Shiva

Best Relic - Dave Vilett—Brass sundial c.1920

Best Foreign Coin/Token— Dave Vilett—Redwing Lounge token

Oldest Dated Coin— Mark Rubey— 1907 Indian Penny

Best N.A. Coin— Mark Rubey—Barber Dime 1911S

Best Other Jewelry— Rick Hunter—C-Ring

Best Silver - Tom Dunning—Silver Ring

Best Gold/Platinum— Dave Vilett—Gold ring w/7 square Diamonds

Best Overall— Dave Vilett—Gold ring w/7 square Diamonds

Most Unusual



Best Foreign/Token



Best Relic



Oldest Dated Coin



Best Finds competition January 24th Meeting

Pictures thanks to Jeff Gardner

Best N/A Coin



Best Other Jewelry



Best Silver



Best Gold/Platinum/
Palladium



Show And Tell for January 24th Meeting

Mark Rubey >



<Rocky Chouinard

Tom Dunning>



Show And Tell for January 24th Meeting

Kurt Hoeger >



< Jeff Gardner



Jim Walker >



Show And Tell for January 24th Meeting



Dave Vilett ^



Bill Reynolds ^

Cartoon of the month









Precious Metal Prices

As of January 28th

Silver (925)	\$00.70g
10k Gold	\$25.83g
14k Gold	\$36.15g
18k Gold	\$46.48g
22k Gold	\$56.81 g
24K Gold	\$61.91 g
Platinum 950	\$30.88 g
Platinum 900	\$29.25 g
Palladium 950	\$47.40 g



San Diego, CA - Feb 2023

Date		High				Low						
		AM	ft	PM	ft	AM	ft	PM	ft	Rise	Set	Moon
1	Wed	6:11	5.6	8:29	3.7			1:43	-0.5	6:41	5:22	
2	Thu	6:52	5.8	8:51	3.8	12:44	2.5	2:14	-0.7	6:41	5:23	
3	Fri	7:29	6.0	9:12	3.9	1:22	2.3	2:42	-0.8	6:40	5:24	
4	Sat	8:02	6.1	9:32	4.0	1:55	2.0	3:08	-0.9	6:39	5:25	
5	Sun	8:34	6.2	9:55	4.1	2:27	1.8	3:33	-0.8	6:39	5:26	
6	Mon	9:04	6.1	10:19	4.2	2:58	1.7	3:58	-0.7	6:38	5:27	
7	Tue	9:34	5.8	10:44	4.3	3:31	1.6	4:22	-0.5	6:37	5:28	
8	Wed	10:04	5.5	11:10	4.4	4:05	1.6	4:46	-0.2	6:36	5:29	
9	Thu	10:36	4.9	11:37	4.5	4:43	1.6	5:09	0.3	6:35	5:29	
10	Fri	11:12	4.3			5:29	1.6	5:30	0.8	6:34	5:30	
11	Sat	12:08	4.7	12:00	3.5	6:29	1.6	5:51	1.3	6:34	5:31	
12	Sun	12:46	4.8	1:22	2.8	7:53	1.5	6:12	1.8	6:33	5:32	
13	Mon	1:41	4.9	4:04	2.5	9:40	1.1	6:39	2.4	6:32	5:33	
14	Tue	2:57	5.1	6:41	2.9	11:11	0.4	9:03	2.8	6:31	5:34	
15	Wed	4:18	5.4	7:14	3.3	12:13P	-0.4	10:59	2.7	6:30	5:35	
16	Thu	5:27	6.0	7:43	3.7			1:00	-1.1	6:29	5:36	
17	Fri	6:24	6.6	8:14	4.2	12:08	2.3	1:42	-1.6	6:28	5:37	
18	Sat	7:16	7.0	8:45	4.5	1:03	1.8	2:22	-1.9	6:27	5:37	
19	Sun	8:03	7.2	9:18	4.9	1:52	1.2	2:59	-2.0	6:26	5:38	
20	Mon	8:49	7.1	9:52	5.2	2:39	0.8	3:35	-1.7	6:25	5:39	
21	Tue	9:34	6.6	10:26	5.4	3:26	0.5	4:10	-1.3	6:24	5:40	
22	Wed	10:19	5.9	11:02	5.5	4:14	0.4	4:44	-0.6	6:22	5:41	
23	Thu	11:06	5.0	11:39	5.4	5:06	0.5	5:16	0.2	6:21	5:42	
24	Fri			12:00	4.0	6:04	0.7	5:47	1.0	6:20	5:42	
25	Sat	12:20	5.3	1:12	3.1	7:14	0.9	6:17	1.8	6:19	5:43	
26	Sun	1:08	5.0	3:34	2.6	8:49	0.9	6:48	2.5	6:18	5:44	
27	Mon	2:14	4.7			10:44	0.7			6:17	5:45	
28	Tue	3:40	4.7	7:28	3.4	12:00P	0.3	10:54	3.0	6:16	5:46	

For Sale /Free/Wanted

(This page is strictly for Metal Detecting Stuff Only)

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1. Respect the rights and property of others, especially no trespassing posted areas, by not damaging or destroying public or private property.
2. While Searching, leave all land and vegetation as it was by taking the necessary time to properly fill holes.
3. Remove litter or unwanted items from your search area, leaving it cleaner than you found it.
4. Limit your digging tools to a probe, a knife or small serrated trowel when searching parks, schools, or public property. Do not bring or use a shovel in a park.
5. When digging the beach, fill any holes which might endanger joggers or others.
6. As an ambassador for the Coinshooters, use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.

GO GET 'EM ALL YOU TH'ERS!

HAPPY HUNTING AND GOOD LUCK



Schedule Outline for February—July 2023

February

Hunt 5th –0.8tide @ 3:33 PM Location TBA 230 to 430 PM

Meeting... 28th @ T.S. Library

Program ... Pot Luck

March

Hunt 19th -1.4 tide @ 2:56 pm Location TBA 2- 4 PM

Meeting... 28th @ T.S. Library

Program ... Instruction on Park Hunts

April

Hunt 16th Park Hunt Location TBA 8 -10 am

Meeting... 25h @ T.S. Library

Program ... Bake Sale

May

Hunt 21st Mini Hunt at Bonita Cove 8-10 am

Meeting... 23rd @ T.S. Library

Program ... Instruction on Beach Hunting by Mark Rubey

June (Board Meeting to be scheduled)

Hunt 4th –1.4 tide @ 4:25 AM Location TBA 3:30-5:30 am

Meeting... 27th @ T.S. Library

Program ... Adventure Hunting in England with Mark Rubey and Dave Vilett

July

Hunt 9th –.5 tide @ 8:54 AM Location TBA 8-10 am

Meeting... 25th @ T.S. Library

Program ... TBA



The Coinshooters of San Diego has joined the modern age, and now has a page on Facebook. This is your site. * Viewers can post pictures of their finds, detecting pictures, make announcements, or share their favorite stories. The club, likewise, will be able to send out information, share current pictures of club activities and spread the word about our great club. You will need to register with Facebook before viewing the Coinshooters Facebook page. It is easy and quick Once registered, on search, type in Coinshooters of San Diego and our page will come up. Make sure you click on "LIKE" to start receiving posts. Check it daily. Facebook is a great site to look up old friends, businesses and other organizations. Just remember, whatever is posted, is posted for the whole world to see. Don't post anything you wouldn't want your family or pastor to see. Remember, you are also representing the Coinshooters, so it is best to avoid controversial subjects and just focus on the fun and rewarding hobby of metal detecting.

Rick Hunter maintains the Facebook page<https://www.facebook.com/CoinshootersOfSanDiego>

*Currently, this cannot be done. It is under repair.

Club Officials:

- President – Mark Rubey (Cudamark@aol.com)
- Vice President - Rick Hunter (rick.hunter913@gmail.com)
- Secretary / Editor – Kurt Hoeger (pipemajor7cnpb@cox.net)
- Treasurer – Dave Lyon (lyonize2@gmail.com)
- Board of Directors –, Dwight Reed, Tom Dunning, Jim Walker, Mike Bryant
- Past President—Terry Libby



Sunshine Committee:

Denise Rubey— 619-920-8227 (smilyskier@aol.com)

Snacks for the meetings are provided by member volunteers. It takes participation to make this happen. Please contact Jeff Gardner to sign-up to bring a snack to one of the meetings. You can bring anything you want and you will be reimbursed up to \$50. jeffrey.frank.gardner@gmail.com / 619-405-3515.

The club has both a Facebook Page and a Website. Rick Hunter maintains the Facebook page [http://https://www.facebook.com/CoinshootersOfSanDiego](https://www.facebook.com/CoinshootersOfSanDiego) and Jeff Gardner maintains the website, <http://sdcoinshooters.com>.

Please contact Jeff or Rick for questions on these sites. Please post on these sites so there is updated content.

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