



Digs & Scoops

February 2023

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Presidents Message



< Mark Rubey

I don't like to give a lecture about behavior, but, I think some of you might like to hear my thoughts on what I believe works in our hobby. I've already mentioned how detecting in a turf area such as a park or school requires extra care when making recoveries, and that a trap door type plug is essential to keeping the grass from dying and that full circle plugs don't. Full circle plugs are more likely to come out for various reasons too, making the area look bad and getting us banned from detecting there again. Another area of concern to me is asking permission. Sure, on private property it's a must. To me, even getting permission from a tenant is fine. If the owner has a problem with you being there, that's between him and the tenant. Now, on government land, that's a different story. Don't ask permission unless it's required by law. By that, I mean that there are rules and regulations already in place and posted either online and/or at the city/county courthouse regarding what is permissible for any particular piece of government land. Look it up yourself rather than ask a bored bureaucrat permission. Most government officials don't know the law off the top of their head anyway, and the safe answer to them is NO. Some areas such as State and Federal Parks are off limits to detecting as a blanket rule, but, even those can sometimes be hunted by asking park rangers. Our local State Park Beaches for instance don't seem to have any problems with hunting there without asking, so please don't. No point in bring our hobby to their attention. Wildlife preserves do however, even ones right on the coast. National Forests don't have any prohibitions, but, certain areas of those forests can, such as a historic site within that particular forest. Even when there is no prohibition to detecting a particular site, I find it best to keep a real low profile. Use small hand tools, not a big shovel. If confronted by an official who wants you to cease detecting, just comply and come back at some future time to try again. No point in arguing the point as they generally won't change their mind. Occasionally, they will if you are friendly and show them all the hazardous junk you've been collecting. There again, if you leave no trace of where you've made a recovery, you may be able to get them to change their mind. Just being friendly and helpful can sometimes work wonders. Good Luck and Happy Hunting out there!

Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library February 28th
Meeting Minutes

Next Meeting is Tuesday March 28th

Program is "Park Hunting"

Up-coming hunt is on March 19th

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, Mike Bryant, Tom Dunning

Meeting Called to order at 6:15pm

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 pm

Members— 14, guests— 1

Competition Table set up by Rick & Rory Hunter

Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library February 28th

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 Robert Cook and Bob Cox and introduced his guests Tony Eisenhower.

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 and read last weeks minutes.

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 is the star of the Sunshine Report. He Spent 15 days in the hospital. He is doing much better. Club sent him a get-well card.

Mark gave a pitch for hats, shirts, and name tags.

Mark Rubey was the winner of the best Find at the February Club Hunt. Gold Ring.



Jeff did the Website Drawing

Web Drawing Winner: Dave Vilett (silver quarter)

Jim Walker did the name tag drawing.

Name tag drawing : Carl Butzin (silver Quarter)



Denise Rubey passed out tickets for the door prizes.

Door Prize drawing : David Lyon—Pocket Scale

Tickets were sold for the silver coin raffle at the meeting. Silver Coin Raffle winner: Mark Rubey—1890 Morgan and Tom Dunning—Silver Round



Tickets were sold for the 50/50 raffle. 50/50 raffle winner : Denise Rubey—\$30

The Raffles brought in total \$ 140

Today is the Pot Luck GOOD EATS!



Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library February 28th



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

A vote was taken to make the Webmaster position Part of the Board of Director. Passed 100%

An updated Constitution and By-Laws will be sent out to all members in the near future

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.

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.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Monthly Hunt for February

Coronado 2/5



Coin Count

Kurt—7

Lance—13

Mark—38

David—15

Dave—23

Jeff—6



All the finds



Best find by Mark Rubey

14k Gold Ring



Editor's Page

Kurt Hoeger- Digs & Scoops Editor



Hello Coinshooters!

Here is the February 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 Tom Dunning. He was in the Hospital for 15 days and is now doing better.

Denise Rubey— smilyskier@aol.com



Member Contribution Page

Searching the beaches . . . by Frank M. Trutta

Beach hunting for us has not been too productive. There is still a lot of sand on the beaches that we hunt. The high tides and storms still has not moved the sand off of the slopes or made any large cuts, seams like a slow movement of sand onto the slopes. One beach we hit we recovered about 45 black coins in three hours with no jewelry found. Hopefully the current storms will give us a sweeping wave action rather than a straight up and down movement. All we can do now is check out the different beaches and hope for the best.

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

Hunt Smart!



The Red Book—Jim Walker

Guide Book to U.S Coins , better known as the "RED BOOK", is one of the 10 best selling nonfiction references of all time. One can only wonder how many enthusiasts purchased the Red Book as the first book in their numismatic library, or how many got turned on to the hobby by paging through the Red Book, discovering the mysteries of long discontinued designs and even denominations... ..The precedent for the first Red Book was set with the "Blue Book", compiled by Yeoman, Lee Hewitt and Charles E. Green . The Blue Book intended as a wholesale price guide, debuted at the 1942 ANA convention in Cincinnati... ..The first printing of (the Redbook) 9000 was produced in November 1946 with a 1947 date on the cover . A second printing of the same number was run the following February. The two printings can be told apart by looking at the bottom of page 135. The first printing has and of the line reading ` scarcity of this date" while the second printing reads "...scarcity of the 1903-o" The second addition with a 1948 cover, had a total printing of 22,000 and the numbers gradually increased until numismatic boom year 1965, with the highest press run ever at 1.2 million. Many smaller varieties exist: some 1963 additions were missing page 237 and have an extra 239 in its place; some 1948 and 1987 editions are bound upside down; some 1973 have an extra set of pages33-48 and are missing 49-64; 1977 editions have a listing of a non-existent 1908-s VDB cent; some 1980 editions have a double cover printing and 1983 editions are missing pages 33-64. Red Books are now collectors items that can be displayed attractively with little risk , and most of the rarities are not out of reach for collectors. Few additions cost over a \$100 , and even those that are costly are sometimes seen at used book stores for 50c. They can be cherry picked , so to speak. A collector of Red Books offers not only the " hard facts" and a record of numismatic history, but also a piece of numismatic history.

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 February 28th Meeting

Pictures thanks to Jeff Gardner

Best Overall Find



Winners of the Best Find competition:

Most Unusual— Tom Dudding—Derringer Cap Gun

Best Relic - Jim Walker—Civil War Button

Best Foreign Coin/Token— Tom Dunning—Redwing Lounge token

Oldest Dated Coin— Mark Rubey— 1901 Indian Penny

Best N.A. Coin— Mark Rubey—1900 Indian Penny

Best Other Jewelry— Mark Rubey—Necklass

Best Silver - Dave Vilett—1 oz round silver

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

Best Overall— Dave Vilett—Gold ring w/Diamonds

Most Unusual



Best Foreign/Token



Best Relic



Oldest Dated Coin



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Best N/A Coin



Best Other Jewelry



Best Silver



Best Gold/Platinum/
Palladium



Show And Tell for February 28th Meeting

Mark Rubey >



< Rick Hunter



Jeff Gardner >



Show And Tell for February 28th Meeting

Jim Walker >



< Dave Vilett

Cartoon of the month



























Precious Metal Prices

As of February 8th

Silver (925)	\$00.59 g
10k Gold	\$24.31 g
14k Gold	\$34.03 g
18k Gold	\$43.76 g
22k Gold	\$53.49 g
24K Gold	\$58.29 g
Platinum 950	\$28.65 g
Platinum 900	\$27.14 g
Palladium 950	\$39.49 g



San Diego, CA - Mar 2023

Date		High				Low						
		AM	ft	PM	ft	AM	ft	PM	ft	Rise	Set	Moon
1	Wed	5:00	4.7	7:47	3.6			12:48	0.0	6:14	5:47	
2	Thu	5:57	5.0	8:02	3.8	12:02	2.7	1:22	-0.3	6:13	5:47	
3	Fri	6:40	5.3	8:17	4.0	12:43	2.3	1:50	-0.5	6:12	5:48	
4	Sat	7:16	5.6	8:32	4.2	1:16	1.9	2:14	-0.6	6:11	5:49	
5	Sun	7:48	5.7	8:51	4.4	1:46	1.6	2:37	-0.6	6:10	5:50	
6	Mon	8:18	5.7	9:11	4.6	2:16	1.3	2:59	-0.5	6:08	5:50	
7	Tue	8:48	5.6	9:32	4.8	2:47	1.0	3:20	-0.3	6:07	5:51	
8	Wed	9:18	5.4	9:53	4.9	3:19	0.8	3:41	-0.1	6:06	5:52	
9	Thu	9:50	5.0	10:16	5.1	3:53	0.7	4:01	0.3	6:05	5:53	
10	Fri	10:26	4.4	10:40	5.2	4:31	0.6	4:20	0.7	6:03	5:53	
11	Sat	11:08	3.8	11:08	5.2	5:15	0.6	4:37	1.2	6:02	5:54	
12	Sun			1:06	3.1	7:11	0.7	5:52	1.7	7:01	6:55	
13	Mon	12:44	5.1	2:46	2.5	8:30	0.8	6:02	2.2	7:00	6:56	
14	Tue	1:40	5.0			10:22	0.6			6:58	6:56	
15	Wed	3:16	4.9	7:53	3.2	11:54	0.1	10:25	3.1	6:57	6:57	
16	Thu	5:02	5.1	7:52	3.6			12:54	-0.5	6:56	6:58	
17	Fri	6:17	5.6	8:14	4.1	12:10	2.6	1:40	-1.0	6:54	6:59	
18	Sat	7:16	6.1	8:41	4.6	1:12	1.9	2:20	-1.3	6:53	6:59	
19	Sun	8:07	6.4	9:10	5.1	2:03	1.2	2:56	-1.4	6:52	7:00	
20	Mon	8:54	6.4	9:40	5.5	2:49	0.6	3:29	-1.2	6:50	7:01	
21	Tue	9:38	6.2	10:11	5.8	3:34	0.1	4:01	-0.9	6:49	7:02	
22	Wed	10:21	5.7	10:43	6.0	4:17	-0.2	4:32	-0.3	6:48	7:02	
23	Thu	11:06	5.0	11:15	5.9	5:02	-0.4	5:00	0.3	6:47	7:03	
24	Fri	11:54	4.3	11:47	5.7	5:49	-0.3	5:27	1.0	6:45	7:04	
25	Sat			12:49	3.6	6:39	0.0	5:51	1.7	6:44	7:04	
26	Sun	12:22	5.4	2:02	2.9	7:38	0.4	6:06	2.3	6:43	7:05	
27	Mon	1:01	4.9			8:59	0.7			6:41	7:06	
28	Tue	1:59	4.4			10:55	0.7			6:40	7:07	
29	Wed	3:45	4.2	8:02	3.6	12:17P	0.5	11:56	3.1	6:39	7:07	
30	Thu	5:26	4.3	8:08	3.8			1:05	0.2	6:37	7:08	
31	Fri	6:29	4.6	8:19	4.0	12:52	2.6	1:40	0.0	6:36	7:09	

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

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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