



# Digs & Scoops

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## Presidents Message



< Mark Rubey

Beach hunting season is upon us. I gave a short talk about it at the meeting, but, due to time constraints, I had to cut it a bit short. Here's a bit more info on how I detect beaches and what I recommend. First, choose/use the right detector for the type of beach hunting you do. In the dry sand, just about any detector will work fine. In the wet sand and water, a simultaneous multi-frequency detector (such as a XP Deus 2, Fisher CZ20/21 or 3D, Nokta Makro Legend, and most of the VLF Minelabe machines from the early Sovereign and Excalibur, to the latest Equinox and Manticore) will give you the best performance if you want discrimination. A Pulse Induction will also work great if you don't care about absolutely digging everything, iron and all.

Next, where to hunt. If you're familiar with the beach, look for changes since the last time you detected there. Sand loss, holes, troughs, shell layers, cobble, and rocks showing are good indicators of possible good areas to search. If you are new to that beach, start by searching for hot spots for targets. I like to zig zag from dry sand to water to see if there is some sort of pattern as to where the good stuff is. Then follow that down the beach with occasional side trips higher and lower on the beach to see if the hot area gets larger at some point. Dig EVERYTHING that isn't a dead iron target. I even dig a few iron targets to make sure the detector is identifying things correctly. Sometimes in black sand, target I.D.'s can be all over the place...even in the low iron range. I don't overlap my swings unless I hit a target rich spot. I'll grid and overlap those areas. A good quality scoop is a must in the wet and water. Cheap scoops will break in no time. Even top quality scoops will break eventually, but they're worth the extra cost IMO. Wear proper footwear, hat, clothing, sunscreen, pouch, water, etc for day hunting, and a headlamp at night. Don't use waders in the ocean! They can be very dangerous if they fill with water. Use a wetsuit instead if needed. In the water, keep an eye out for critters that might bite or sting, and shuffle your feet to keep stingrays away. The depositors are doing their part, now it's time for you to do the same!

Thanks, Mark

# **Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library May 23rd**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Next Meeting is Tuesday June 27th**

**Program: Hunting in England with Mark Rubey and Dave Vilett**

**Up-coming hunt is on June 4th**

**PB -1.4 low tide 3:30 to 5:30 am**

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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

Web Master—Jeff Gardner

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

Meeting Called to order at 6:11pm

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 pm

Members— 18, guests— 0

Competition Table set up by Rick Hunter

## Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library May 23rd

Competition table was closed by 6:10 pm

Mark called the meeting to order at 6:11 pm and we said the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Kurt Hoeger gave the Secretary's report and the newsletter report stated that any treasure hunting articles can be sent to Kurt for the newsletter.

Jeff Gardner is the webmaster for the Club's website. 857 hits 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.

Dave Vilett Brought some hats in for sale that his wife, Jeanne, embroidered.

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

Mark talked a little about his hunting trip to England.

Jeff did the Website Drawing

Web Drawing Winner: Mark Rubey (silver quarter)

Jim Walker did the name tag drawing.

Name tag drawing : Jim Walker (silver Quarter)

Mark Rubey passed out tickets for the door prizes.

Door Prize drawing : Jeff Gardner—Display Case, Dave Vilett—Medallion, Pat Walker—Art Work

The Medallion and Art work donated by Bob Cox

Tickets were sold for the silver coin raffle at the meeting.

Silver Coin Raffle winner: Bill Reynolds—Silver Dollar, Rocky Chouinard—1887 Silver Dollar

50/50 raffle—Denise Rubey—\$26.00

Mark did a short program ( we were running out of time) on how to hunt beaches.



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The snacks above were brought by Bob Cox. He made Apple and Cherry Burritos and Chicken, Bean and Cheese Burritos. Also he brought smoked Yellowtail and Blue Fin Tuna. This was impressive and it was very yummy! Thank Bob!!!

## Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library May 23rd

Jeff Gardner is the snack coordinator. A snack volunteer for the **June** Meeting is needed. Contact Jeff ([Jeffrey.frank.gardner@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:vilett@cox.net)) Ask him about embroidered shirts also.

Mike Bryant ([sdmike@san.rr.com](mailto: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.

Mark talked about Club Patches and how we need find a place to make them. If you know of reasonable place to have patches made, please contact Mark ([Cudamark@aol.com](mailto:Cudamark@aol.com))

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.

Questions? Ask Jeff

Mark talked about a desert hunt. Here is the email he sent...

Hello Coinshooters,

As I mentioned at the meeting, here's a link to the Digstock event that is going to be held in Oct. Looks very interesting even though a bit on the pricey side. <https://www.digstockevents.com/digstockvii-tickets>

There was a discussion about setting up a really good Mini Hunt. Further discussions will take place at the **Club Board Meeting on June 8th.**

**Club Membership Dues are \$20 for single memberships and \$30 for family memberships starting in January of 2023. We have 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.**

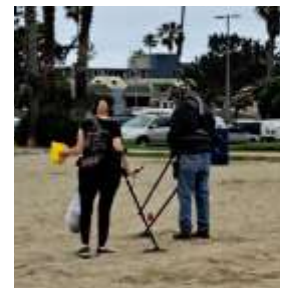
You can give your crusty coins and aluminum can pull tops to Tom Dunning. Just collect them and when you have a plastic bag full, bring them to a Club meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm



# Monthly Hunt for May

Mini-hunt at Bonita Cove



## Editor's Page

**Kurt Hoeger- Digs & Scoops Editor**



**Hello Coinshooters!**

**I hope you enjoy the May Newsletter.**

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

**Email : [Pipemajor7cnpb@cox.net](mailto: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.

Hello, I spoke to Pat Walker on Thursday 6/1/23 Pat said she had back surgery on Wednesday 5/31/23 and everything went well. Pat is recovering at home now and Jim has been a great help and nurse. Pat just takes 1 day at a time.

On Thursday 6/1/23, I spoke to Jeff Gardner and he had pacemaker surgery on Wednesday 5/31/23. Everything went well. Jeff is recovering at home now.

I spoke to Jeff Gardner's wife Mary, who has been having chemo treatments. I let Mary

Know she is in our thoughts and we're all thinking of her.

Mark received an E-mail from Bill Reynolds on 6/1/23 that he had back surgery on 5/31/23. Everything went well. Bill is recovering now and it won't be long before he will be able to metal detect.

We wish all them speedy recoveries and sent them all cards from the Coinshooters.

Thanks, Denise Rubey

**Denise Rubey— [smilyskier@aol.com](mailto:smilyskier@aol.com)**



## Message from Mark

The July general meeting will still be on the 25th, just starting at 4 pm and ending at 5:30 pm. An interesting side note is that the July 25th day and time we want is being used by Oasis Presents, which is doing a presentation of Weird and Wonderful San Diego History from 6pm to 7pm. We can stay and listen to Jack Ellis's presentation. That might a good presentation to watch and maybe get some ideas on detecting sites. We could have a very short meeting afterward and hopefully get the competition table part of it done. I doubt we would have time for much of anything else though.....so likely no snacks or raffles.

Thanks, Mark Rubey



## 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 May 23rd Meeting

Pictures thanks to Jeff Gardner

## Best Overall Find



## Winners of the Best Find competition:

Most Unusual— Mark Rubey—Train Axle Bearing Housing

Best Relic - Jim Walker—AAA Road Tag

Best Foreign Coin/Token— Mark Rubey—Chinese Coin 1736—1795

Oldest Dated Coin— Dave Vilett—1893 Indian cent

Best N.A. Coin— Jim Walker— 1900 Barber Dime

Best Other Jewelry— Rocky Chouinard—Ring

Best Silver - Rocky Chouinard—Big Honking Ring

Best Gold/Platinum— Rocky Chouinard—Necklace

**Best Overall**— Rocky Chouinard—Necklace

## Most Unusual



## Best Foreign/Token



## Best Relic



## Oldest Dated Coin



# Best Finds competition May 23rd Meeting

Pictures thanks to Jeff Gardner

Best N/A Coin



Best Other Jewelry



Best Silver



Best Gold/Platinum/  
Palladium



# Show And Tell for May 23rd Meeting

Mark Rubey >



< Kurt Hoeger

Dave Vilett >



# Show And Tell for April 25th Meeting

Rocky Chouinard >



< Jim Walker



Chris DeBeer >



# Cartoon of the month



























## Precious Metal Prices

As of June 3rd

Silver (925)	\$0.70 g
10k Gold	\$26.09 g
14k Gold	\$36.52 g
18k Gold	\$46.96 g
22k Gold	\$57.40 g
24K Gold	\$62.55 g
Platinum 950	\$30.70 g
Platinum 900	\$29.08 g
Palladium 950	\$42.73 g



## San Diego, CA - Jun 2023

Date		High				Low						
		AM	ft	PM	ft	AM	ft	PM	ft	Rise	Set	Moon
1	Thu	8:26	3.9	7:58	6.2	2:25	0.1	1:33	1.6	5:40	7:52	
2	Fri	9:14	3.9	8:31	6.6	3:04	-0.5	2:08	1.8	5:39	7:53	
3	Sat	10:02	3.9	9:07	6.8	3:45	-1.0	2:44	2.0	5:39	7:54	
4	Sun	10:52	3.8	9:46	6.9	4:28	-1.3	3:23	2.2	5:39	7:54	
5	Mon	11:45	3.8	10:30	6.8	5:15	-1.4	4:05	2.3	5:39	7:55	
6	Tue	12:43P	3.7	11:19	6.6	6:05	-1.3	4:55	2.5	5:39	7:55	
7	Wed			1:44	3.8	6:58	-1.1	5:57	2.7	5:39	7:56	
8	Thu	12:15	6.1	2:46	4.0	7:53	-0.8	7:17	2.8	5:38	7:56	
9	Fri	1:21	5.5	3:48	4.3	8:50	-0.4	8:53	2.7	5:38	7:57	
10	Sat	2:37	4.9	4:42	4.7	9:48	0.0	10:34	2.2	5:38	7:57	
11	Sun	4:03	4.3	5:29	5.2	10:42	0.4	11:55	1.5	5:38	7:57	
12	Mon	5:28	4.0	6:10	5.7	11:31	0.8			5:38	7:58	
13	Tue	6:44	3.8	6:49	6.1	12:59	0.8	12:15	1.2	5:38	7:58	
14	Wed	7:51	3.8	7:26	6.4	1:52	0.1	12:56	1.6	5:38	7:59	
15	Thu	8:49	3.8	8:02	6.5	2:38	-0.4	1:36	1.9	5:38	7:59	
16	Fri	9:38	3.8	8:37	6.6	3:19	-0.7	2:15	2.2	5:39	7:59	
17	Sat	10:23	3.8	9:11	6.5	3:58	-0.8	2:52	2.4	5:39	8:00	
18	Sun	11:05	3.7	9:46	6.4	4:34	-0.8	3:28	2.5	5:39	8:00	
19	Mon	11:47	3.7	10:20	6.1	5:11	-0.7	4:04	2.6	5:39	8:00	
20	Tue	12:29P	3.7	10:55	5.9	5:48	-0.5	4:40	2.7	5:39	8:00	
21	Wed	1:13P	3.7	11:32	5.5	6:26	-0.3	5:21	2.8	5:39	8:01	
22	Thu			1:58	3.7	7:04	0.0	6:11	2.9	5:40	8:01	
23	Fri	12:12	5.1	2:46	3.8	7:43	0.3	7:15	3.0	5:40	8:01	
24	Sat	12:57	4.6	3:34	4.0	8:22	0.7	8:38	3.0	5:40	8:01	
25	Sun	1:55	4.1	4:18	4.3	9:03	1.0	10:15	2.7	5:40	8:01	
26	Mon	3:16	3.6	4:57	4.7	9:47	1.4	11:36	2.1	5:41	8:01	
27	Tue	4:51	3.3	5:33	5.1	10:33	1.7			5:41	8:01	
28	Wed	6:14	3.3	6:09	5.5	12:35	1.4	11:19A	2.0	5:41	8:02	
29	Thu	7:25	3.4	6:46	6.0	1:24	0.6	12:05	2.2	5:42	8:02	
30	Fri	8:25	3.6	7:27	6.5	2:10	-0.1	12:52	2.3	5:42	8:02	

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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)
- Web Master—Jeff Gardner  
([Jeffrey.frank.gardner@gmail.com](mailto:Jeffrey.frank.gardner@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](mailto: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> 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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