



Digs & Scoops

August 2023

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Presidents Message



< Mark Rubey

I'm sure all of you have been asked what your best find is. Some of us have been asked MANY times, as well as "what got you into metal detecting?" In my case, it started in June of 1970. Up until that point, I'd been collecting coins and mainly finding them in change, but, the good coins had pretty much dried up by then. One day, I saw an ad in a magazine that claimed that you could find old coins with their metal detector. Well, that peaked my interest and I hopped on down to my local electronics store and purchased my first metal detector, a Treasure Probe IV, which came with three sizes of coils. I don't know if there was a Treasure Probe I, II, or III previously, but, I figured I had the latest and greatest machine that would practically make the coins jump out of the ground! Of course, that vision of immediate riches and ease of acquiring them was quickly dashed when I found out that detecting took a lot more work than originally thought. Even at the beach where I concentrated my searching, making a recovery was a learning process of how to swing the coil, pin point the target, and dig it up. I didn't have a scoop at that point, just a garden trowel I took from home. I didn't even have a pouch initially, but, instead used my pockets for coins, and did some walking to the trash cans for the junk. I eventually learned the ins and outs of what worked and what didn't and had a great time earning more than I did at my first full time job! Half my finds back then were real silver and wheat cents. I kept those, and used the clad to put in the gas tank, which in those days was \$.25 a gallon on the base for regular. Of course back then, minimum wage was only \$1.60/hr, so, you needed cheap gas. I made \$1.65/hr at my job, and way over that detecting.....and no FICA and other state/federal deductions to take away from the bottom line. As the years went by, life went on, and the detectors got much better. Looking back, that first machine was pretty awful as far as features and ergonomics. It did have an analog meter, but, it was of a BFO (Beat Frequency Oscillator) design, no arm rest, wasn't waterproof in any way, got maybe 3 inches in depth on a quarter, and was pretty much a beep and dig machine. We're spoiled today in comparison with everything computerized with discrimination and a depth gauge. I still look fondly to those beginning days though, and the fun I had on virgin sites. Happy hunting everyone!

Thanks, Mark Rubey

Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library August 22nd
Meeting Minutes

Next Meeting is Tuesday September 26th

New start time 5 pm to 7:45 pm

White Elephant Sale\ Auction

Up-coming hunt is on September 17th

Seeded Mini Hunt Bonita Cove 8 to 10 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 5:53 pm

Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 pm

Members— 15 guests— 0

New Member John Salvadori

Competition Table set up by Rick Hunter

Club Meeting at Tierrasanta Library August 22nd

The meeting started at 5:53 pm with our pledge of allegiance. New Member is John Salvadori. Our treasurer reported the club bank balance. Sunshine report didn't have anything to say. Mark announced that we have some new club patches to purchase for \$5ea. No additional out-of-area club hunts reported, secretary/newsletter reported that everything is basically on track and always asks for stuff to put into newsletter.

Jeff Gardner is the webmaster for the Club's website. Past Newsletters can be downloaded from the Club web page. (<https://sdcoinsshooters.com/>) 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 said the Clubs Facebook members only page is now active. Chris DeBeer will answer any question about the Clubs Face Book page (debeer.cris@gmail.com)

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

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

Raffle Drawings:

Name tag drawing : Kurt Hoeger—Silver Quarter

Door Prize drawing : Carl Butzin—Display Case

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

Silver Coin Raffle winner: Jeff Gardner

50/50 raffle— n/a

SAVENGER Hunt at South Mission Beach

Monthly hunt winner (s):

Barbie Rauch Had the best find — it was a watch.

Chriss DeBeer had the most unusual Find—Boat Rudder.

Mark Rubey —165 points



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I'm Watching you

Tom, Tom, The Ice Cream Mon!



Wow, That's Unusual!



Candid Camera



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Jeff Gardner is the snack coordinator. The snack volunteer for the **September** meeting is **TBD**. Contact Jeff (Jeffrey.frank.gardner@gmail.com) to volunteer for snacks in October.

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. \$9.50 for the ones with pins and \$11.50 for the magnetic ones.

. Mark announced that we have some new club patches to purchase for \$5ea. (Cudamark@aol.com)

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



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>

The Club has a new sponsor called SAKOBS who gave us 3 beginner metal detectors as prizes/auction items for Mini Hunt and White Elephant Sale Auction.

September is the White Elephant sale/auction. Bring in something the club can auction off for this fund raiser. (see page 7)

Club Membership Dues are \$20 for single memberships and \$30 for family memberships. This January thru December. We have application to be filled out when renewing /starting your membership. (<https://sdcoinshooters.com/application/>)

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. Make checks payable to : Coinshooters Clique of San Diego.

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. The coins go to Ronald McDonald House and Tom matches a good coin for your bad coin 1 to 1.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE/AUCTION SEPTEMBER 26TH

The Coinshooters will have a WHITE ELEPHANT SALE/AUCTION at the September meeting (9/26th). This is a Club fund raiser. We need all members to bring something of interest to auction off. This item can be just about anything. Yes you read it right. From grandma's dentures to Banana Nut Bread, a bottle of Jack Daniels to that Zebra print Romper you're embarrassed to wear (Tom).

This isn't a meeting to miss!

A metal detector from SAKOBS will be one of the auction items. A \$150.00 Value.



Monthly Hunt for August

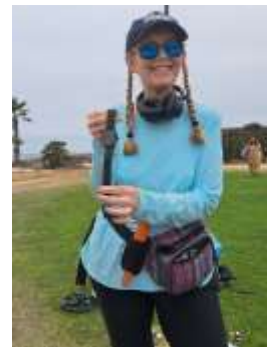
Scavenger Hunt at South Mission.



Best Find Entries^



Best Find by Barbie :
Bulova Watch



Most Unusual Find By
Chris : Boat rudder

Editor's Page

Kurt Hoeger- Digs & Scoops Editor



Hello Coinshooters!

I hope you enjoy the August 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

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

Sunshine Report:

Denise Rubey— smilyskier@aol.com



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 August 22nd Meeting

Pictures thanks to Jeff Gardner

Best Overall Find



Winners of the Best Find competition:

Most Unusual— strange object—Tom Dunning

Best Relic - Chris De Beer— Aluminum Coaster

Best Foreign Coin/Token— Tom Dunning—San Diego Transit Token

Oldest Dated Coin— 1906 Indian penny USA – Mark Rubey

Best N.A. Coin— Mark Rubey—1920 Merc Dime

Best Other Jewelry— Rick Hunter— Onyx Ring

Best Silver - Chris DeBeer—Silver Ring w/ 54 diamonds

Best Gold/Platinum— Tie—Rick Hunter—950 Plat & 18K ring and Mark Rubey—14k Ring

Best Overall— Tie—Rick Hunter—950 Plat & 18K ring and Mark Rubey—14k Ring

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 August 22nd Meeting

Rocky Chouinard >



< Dave Vilett

Show And Tell for August 22nd Meeting

Kurt Hoeger



Jeff Gardner



Cartoon of the month


































Precious Metal Prices

As of August 31st

Silver (925)	\$0.73 g
10k Gold	\$26.03 g
14k Gold	\$36.43 g
18k Gold	\$46.84 g
22k Gold	\$57.25 g
24K Gold	\$62.39 g
Platinum 950	\$29.60 g
Platinum 900	\$28.04 g
Palladium 950	\$36.35 g



San Diego, CA - Sep 2023

Date		High				Low						
		AM	ft	PM	ft	AM	ft	PM	ft	Rise	Set	Moon
1	Fri	10:56	5.9	10:57	6.4	4:45	-0.6	4:51	0.6	6:22	7:15	
2	Sat	11:33	6.0	11:46	5.6	5:19	0.0	5:43	0.6	6:22	7:13	
3	Sun			12:12	6.0	5:52	0.7	6:40	0.7	6:23	7:12	
4	Mon	12:43	4.6	12:54	5.9	6:25	1.5	7:46	1.0	6:24	7:11	
5	Tue	1:53	3.8	1:42	5.6	6:59	2.3	9:13	1.1	6:24	7:09	
6	Wed	3:47	3.3	2:47	5.3	7:38	2.9	11:04	1.0	6:25	7:08	
7	Thu	6:57	3.5	4:15	5.1	9:21	3.4			6:26	7:07	
8	Fri	7:51	3.9	5:38	5.2	12:25	0.7	11:39A	3.4	6:26	7:05	
9	Sat	8:17	4.2	6:39	5.5	1:19	0.4	12:48	3.1	6:27	7:04	
10	Sun	8:37	4.4	7:25	5.7	1:59	0.2	1:30	2.7	6:28	7:03	
11	Mon	8:55	4.6	8:02	5.9	2:30	0.1	2:03	2.3	6:28	7:01	
12	Tue	9:12	4.8	8:34	6.1	2:55	0.1	2:33	1.9	6:29	7:00	
13	Wed	9:30	4.9	9:05	6.1	3:18	0.1	3:03	1.6	6:29	6:59	
14	Thu	9:49	5.1	9:35	5.9	3:39	0.2	3:33	1.4	6:30	6:57	
15	Fri	10:10	5.3	10:05	5.6	4:00	0.4	4:05	1.2	6:31	6:56	
16	Sat	10:31	5.5	10:37	5.3	4:20	0.7	4:38	1.0	6:31	6:55	
17	Sun	10:52	5.6	11:12	4.8	4:40	1.1	5:14	1.0	6:32	6:53	
18	Mon	11:14	5.6	11:53	4.2	4:57	1.5	5:56	1.1	6:33	6:52	
19	Tue	11:38	5.6			5:12	1.9	6:47	1.2	6:33	6:51	
20	Wed	12:49	3.6	12:11	5.5	5:25	2.4	7:58	1.3	6:34	6:49	
21	Thu	2:23	3.1	12:59	5.3	5:32	2.8	9:41	1.2	6:35	6:48	
22	Fri			2:28	5.2			11:19	0.8	6:35	6:47	
23	Sat			4:25	5.3					6:36	6:45	
24	Sun	7:25	4.1	5:46	5.8	12:22	0.2	11:43A	3.2	6:37	6:44	
25	Mon	7:45	4.6	6:47	6.3	1:09	-0.2	12:45	2.5	6:37	6:43	
26	Tue	8:11	5.1	7:39	6.6	1:49	-0.6	1:36	1.8	6:38	6:41	
27	Wed	8:40	5.6	8:27	6.7	2:25	-0.7	2:23	1.0	6:38	6:40	
28	Thu	9:10	6.1	9:13	6.6	3:00	-0.6	3:08	0.4	6:39	6:38	
29	Fri	9:42	6.4	9:59	6.2	3:33	-0.2	3:53	0.0	6:40	6:37	
30	Sat	10:14	6.7	10:46	5.5	4:04	0.3	4:40	-0.2	6:40	6:36	

For Sale /Free/Wanted

(This page is strictly for Metal Detecting Stuff Only)

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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 July to January 2024

July 9th 0.5 tide @ 8:54am 8 -10 am

25th Monthly Meeting 4 – 5:30 pm

Program: Maybe show & tell; Comp Table

August 13th Scavenger Hunt 8 – 10 am

22nd Monthly Meeting (and Ice Cream Social)

Tom Dunning will be the Ice Cream Man

September 17th Mini Hunt 8 – 10 am

26th Monthly Meeting

Program: White Elephant Sale/auction

October 15th 0.2 low tide @ 4:22 pm 3 – 5 pm

24th Monthly Meeting ...nom. for officers (and Bake Sale)

November 12th -0.3 @ 2:35 pm 1:30 – 3:30 pm

28th Monthly Meeting, Elections, Best Find of the Year

Voting

December Christmas Dinner at Golden Coral @ 6pm, Date Dec 15th

17th -0.4 low tide @ 7:09 pm 6 – 8pm

January 14th -0.9 @ 5:42pm 4:30 – 6:30 pm

_TBA___ Board Meeting

23th Monthly Meeting and Extended Show and Tell



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 and Chris DeBeer maintains the Facebook page<https://www.facebook.com/CoinshootersOfSanDiego>

Club Officials:

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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.