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METAL DETECTING CLUB OF METRO ATLANTA, GEORGIA

THE GENERAL

January 2020

SMTH CLUB NEWS AND FINDS

Our Next Club Meeting:

Tuesday, **January 28th**, at 7pm. The location is
For directions, please refer to the club's website.

Gwinnett County Fire Station # 5
3001 Old Norcross Road
Duluth, GA 30045

<http://www.stonemountaindiggers.com>

See map under CLUB MEETING INFO below

November Attendance

Members: 19

HAPPY NEW YEARS!!!!



Jeff Herke has 2 pair of headphones for sales. See Buy, Sale, Trade section below

2019-2020 Club Points Talley!

Rank	Name	Nov-19	Total
#1	David Hamilton	26	145
#2	Jeff Herke	22	89
#3	Mark Whipkey	0	79
#4	Robert Powell	17	77
#5	Ken Buckner	10	72
T6	Ed Lanfear	5	51
T6	Doug Rouner	28	51
#8	Paul Sawyer	13	48
#9	Bart Weaver	5	38
#10	Pete Waldrup	5	29

Current Treasury Report:

\$669.26 starting Balance

(\$72.80) Hams for FD Station

\$82.00 Raffle

\$6.25 Dirty Money

\$684.71 Ending Balance

New Business

- Good news, Robert has secured the current meeting room for the last Tuesday of each month for the balance of 2020!
- The club donated 3 hams for each of the shifts at the fire department, including potatoes and rolls. Thanks Robert, for representing the club on this.
- DIV Sign-up where on Dec 1, 2019. FWIW the names have been selected and posted.
- A number of club members will be attending the SC Diggers hunts in Summerville, SC and Kershaw County SC in Jan 2020.
- Both Josh and Ken received the Nokta Simplex detectors and will be putting it through it paces soon.

This Month's Club Discussion

Jeff Herke and Doug Rouner gave an impromptu talk on coil design and functions



Stewart Pence bought in an M1860 Light Cavalry Sword. Had an inspection date of 1863!

Ken Buckner followed up with a discussion about his previous entry of a Civil War bite built and the controversy surround them.

Raffle Prize

3 - 1921 Morgan silver dollars
Clinton Bryan
Robert Powell
ED Lanfear

Monthly Door Prizes

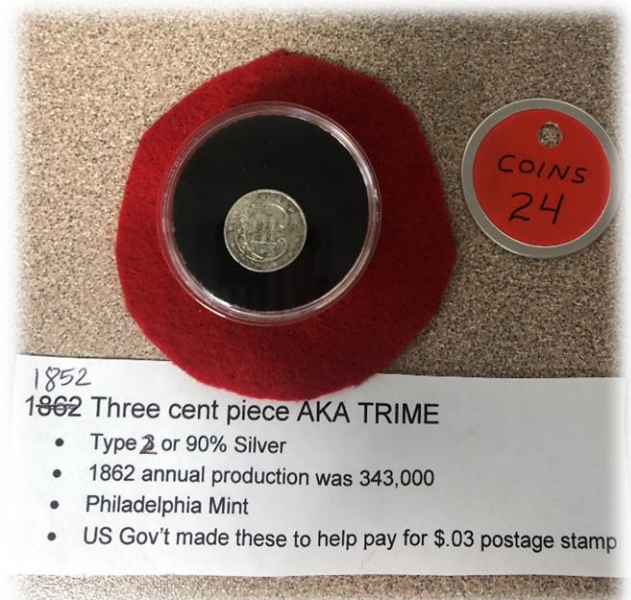
Josh – Minelab Hat
Kevin – Pruners Set
Frank – Kellyco Pouch
Stewart – Loupe
Ken – Screw Driver Set
Wes – Machete
Pete – Metal Detecting pouch

Pull Tabs:

Monthly Find Winners

Find of the Month:

Doug Rouner 1852 "Trime" 3 Cent Piece XP Deus



Relics:

Doug Rouner CW Finds from DIV



Artifacts:

Paul Sawyer

Farm House Tools Garrett 400



Jewelry:

David Hamilton

Diamond Ring



Congratulations everyone!

Club Interests

Buy Sell and Trade

Jeff Herke

Sun Ray Pro Headphones \$50

Killer B Headphones \$50

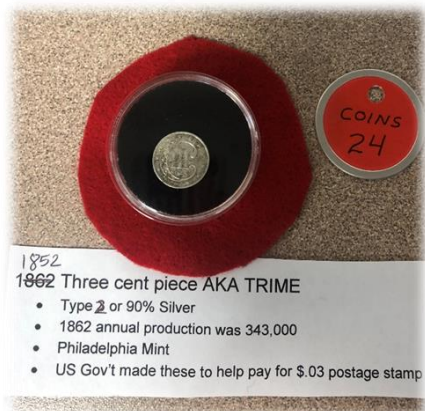
Lost and Found

to <http://www.lostmystuff.net/>

Many Happy Returns

Coins:

Doug Rouner 1852 "Trime" 3 Cent Piece XP Deus



Hobby News, Events and Interests

Events

State and national events links

<http://www.mdhtalk.org/ethics/hunts.htm>

<http://www.fmdac.org/hunts--events.html>

Websites

A great site geared for treasure hunters and preservation of the hobby: <http://www.wwats.org/>

Many detecting forums can be found here:

<http://www.findmall.com/>

Another website with a multitude of forums:

<http://metaldetectingforum.com/>

A website for the treasure hunter:

<http://www.treasurenet.com/>

Here is a site on everything you need to know about gold:

<http://golddeducator.com/index.php/materialtypes>

Here is a great repository website on everything metal detecting:

<http://www.mdhtalk.org>

An online relic hunting magazine. Very good!

<http://www.relic-hunting.com/>

30 Day gold and Silver Prices

Real time gold and silver prices can be found on our website. Please go to www.stonemountaindiggers.com and click on the gold and silver prices tab in the upper right of the home page.

Do you need to have jewelry appraised? Try H&A International Jewelry for \$20 located at 1820C Independence Sq., Dunwoody, GA 30338. 770-396-3456.

Great website for information on jewelry appraisals, Fredrick Jewelers. Business card appraisals are free. Full appraisals are just \$10.

<http://www.fredericksjewelers.com/>

Or maybe you need to cash in your gold and silver finds. Try ARA Refinery at www.aragold.com. Another refinery is Midwest Refinery, www.midwestrefineries.com.

Want to know the metal content value of your coins?

<http://www.coinflation.com/>

Save all those nickels and pennies!

Here is a gold/silver value calculator.

<http://www.dendritics.com/scales/metal-calc.asp>

Great website for silver coin melt values:

http://www.coinflation.com/silver_coin_values.html

Dirty Money

“Dirty Money” can be turned in to the club. Please remember to bring in your dirty modern coin finds and scrap copper or brass finds.

We are always in need of items to be used for door prizes at our meetings. Please bring what you can to any of our meetings.

SMTH Club Information

The Stone Mountain Treasure Hunters were organized in 1982. The founding members recognized the need for an organization of metal detecting enthusiasts to promote the following:

- That metal detecting is a rewarding and beneficial hobby to be shared by any individual or family.
- That all people using metal detectors share a common responsibility to themselves, and to the treasure hunting fraternity, to respect the rights of all landowners and public officials in the preservation and protection of their property against trespass or undue damage through carelessness on the part of treasure hunters or other individuals.
- That service to historical societies, law enforcement agencies, and charitable organizations, is an integral part of a treasure hunter’s code of ethics.

In furtherance of these aims, the Stone Mountain Treasure Hunters have established this organization, for the purpose of inspiring those standards of attainment and neighborly conduct; and it shall be the endeavor of the members who may be called upon to preside over and govern this organization, to enforce the precepts of this organization by every reasonable means within their power, and they and all members of this organization shall exemplify those principles by conduct as well as enforcement in order that the club may bring honor to itself, and the world may be convinced of the sincerity of our purpose.

Club Officers 2019-2020

Mark Whipkey

President

Ken Buckner

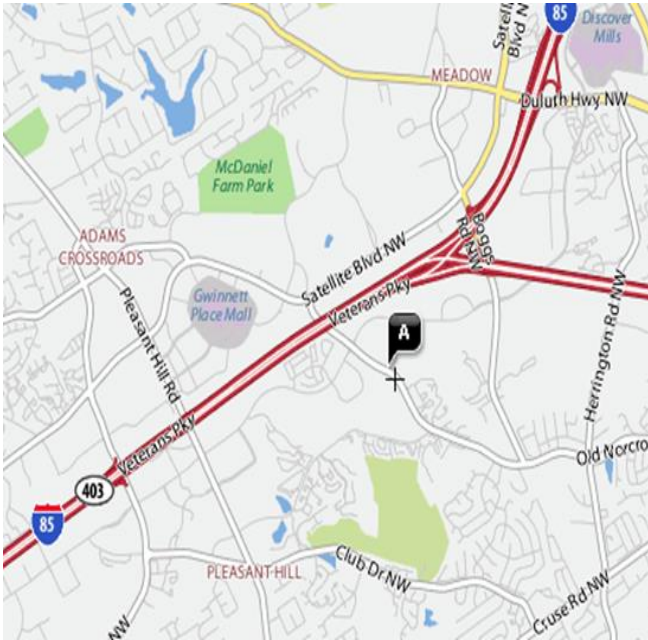
Vice President

Linda Morgan	Secretary
Robert Powell	Treasurer
Open	Programs/Best Finds
Randy Dickerson	Webmaster
Mel Parker	Point of Contact
Open	Hunt Master
Doug Rouner; Ed Landfear	Newsletter Editor

Club Meeting Information

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To Join or Renew Your Club Membership: The club's membership year is from July – July. Dues are \$30 a year and are still a great value. Dues are prorated during the year. Make your checks payable to Stone Mountain Treasure Hunters. Please mail them to Robert Powell, 120 Plantation Court, Johns Creek, 30022. Should you need to contact Robert his phone is 678-566-0950 or Email is powellrc@bellsouth.net.

Point of Contact:

For information on our club, its meetings, or activities please contact Mel Parker at parkers4548@att.net

Our Club Website:

<http://www.stonemountaindiggers.com>

You can find our club's constitution, Find of The Month and Year rules, the entry form for the Find of The Month / Treasure Hunter of The Year competition, pictures showing the winning entries from the previous months find of The Month category winners, past monthly newsletters, membership list, interesting links, etc....

Please forward any constructive comments on our club's website format or what you would like to see. Submit them at the next club meeting.

For items of interest to The Club and its members, please forward any articles along with the publication's name and date or items of interest to drouner@gmail.com or submit them at the next club meeting.

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