



EAST FORK TREASURE HUNTERS ASSOCIATION

Our Club **NEWSLETTER**



May 2017

ABOUT OUR CLUB: Founded in 2005, we are a family friendly, fun-seeking group of folks that enjoy the hobby of metal detecting, searching for lost coins, jewelry, or other treasures that are surely out there. We help clean up parks and responsibly recover items following our digging ethics. Typically we meet on the first Thursday of every month and our meetings are **open to the public**. We would love to have you as a member or would just welcome your friendly visit. Lost something and need our help finding it? Visit our website or email us at eastforktreasure@gmail.com. Our club Newsletter helps keep our members informed about the activities and adventures of our metal detecting club. We welcome your visit!

Our **next club meeting** will be on **Thursday, May 4th** in the gymnasium of the New World United Methodist Church, 5134 Northwest Highway, Garland, TX 75043, from 7 – 9 pm. Look for the EFTHA sign!

(The GPS coordinates are: N 32 51' 20.56 W 96 38' 10.05.).

Our next **Fun Hunt** is scheduled for the Saturday following the meeting, typically in a local park. There will be further details and maps at the next meeting. Members can visit our FB page, or there will be an email about it. Our Fun Hunts are open to anyone interested and is a good way to learn your detector! Come out and have some fun metal detecting!

OUR CLUB OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT:
Earl H.



**VICE
PRESIDENT:**
Andrew P.



TREASURER:
Mary P.



SECRETARY:
Rheia D.



**Finds of the Month
Coordinator:**
Andretta L.



Huntmaster:
Bill A.



Webmaster:
John W.



Newsletter:
Steve D.



Refreshments:
(open)

Our appreciated volunteers!

WORDS FROM OUR CLUB PRESIDENT:



Hello Everyone,

The TAMDC convention was a great time, like always. The TAMDC added the East Fork Treasure Hunters Association to their membership list and covered the dues for 30 members for 2017. Our booth won a silver round for 3rd place in the best booth contest. A special Thanks to Steve, Rheia, Bill and Mary for the great job they did. I saw several members of our Club at the convention. Thanks for attending and supporting your club. I attended the meeting for the club Presidents and the seminar on How To Build Your Metal Detecting Club. I learn some things that I would like to implement in our Club. There will be more information at the meeting about how we did on our booth and coin fundraisers.

The May meeting is our Dessert cook off. I hope everyone is planning on bringing a dessert.

June is our Members only Club Hunt. Bring your Silver Dimes and Quarters to the meeting if you want to sell them to the club. Mary is working on how much we will pay for your silver.

August is our Club auction. I hope you are gathering up some items to donate. The items can be anything. They do not have to be metal detecting related. This is a great way to support your club and help raise more funds for the club.

The Fun Hunt is open to all Members, Guest and Visitors,

Ellen Jackson will be our speaker at the May meeting. She will have a presentation on her participation and metal Detecting use at the Khirbel el Magatis Archeological Dig in Israel.



APRIL FUN HUNT AT HARRY MOSS PARK:

A nice group of treasure hunters came out to the April Fun Hunt at Harry Moss Park. The weather was nice and sunny and the ground digging was not too hard.

Lucky hunter David S found the token and scored the prize. The catagories drawn were:

"Best Jewelry": 1) Aaron with a sterling ring, 2) David with a bracelet link and 3) Terry with a ring.

"Most Coins" went to: 1) Maureen, 2) Terry and Aaron (tie), and 3) a happy winner.

This was such a huge park everyone said they might want to come back again. See ya at the next one! Filling in for Huntmaster Bill, Steve and Rheia.



Lucky hunter David S found the Jackpot token and won the prize!

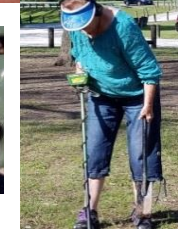
Aarons coin spill!



Aaron found both of these beatiful silver rings. Nice find, Aaron!



Here is our team at work searching for the hidden token.



As always our hunters remove stacks of trash that were dug up and disposed of in the trash cans, making it cleaner and safer for everyone!

LUCKY WINNERS FROM THE LAST MEETING!

DOORPRIZE WINNERS (April):

Last months lucky doorprize winners included: Don B, Charles L, other happy winners.

Our thanks to Denny K, Charles L and **Garrett** and all those who donated our door prizes!



NAMETAG DRAWING WINNER (April):

Larry C.

COIN FUNDRAISER WINNERS (April):

Lucky COIN Fundraiser winners included:

1921 Morgan Silver Dollar: a happy winner
Canadian 1oz Silver Round: a happy winner
1870 3 Cent Nickel: Julie R.
1912 Barber Quarter: John W.
1950 Franklin Half: David T.



Mary and Bill
donated vials of
gold flakes for
each coin won!
Thank you both!

Congratulations to all the lucky winners and thank you for supporting our club! Special thanks to Garrett for the donated Door prizes! Feel free to donate doorprizes as well!



MARBLE GAME FUNDRAISER (April):



Lucky winner **Dave T** got to take a draw from the Marble bag at the March meeting. He drew a clear marble, which means he didn't win the jackpot, but did get to select 1 of 3 envelopes, which had a nice cash prize! The winnable jackpot is now an estimated \$85 and is climbing each month!
Also, there are 8 clear marbles left to draw that is not a jackpot winner (red marble wins jackpot).
Tickets are only \$1 each or 5 for \$5 (max).

Get in on the excitement at the next meeting!

OUR NEXT COIN FUNDRAISER:

The next meeting Coin Fundraiser will include:

1 oz Copper Round,
Three nice Mercury Dimes,
1943 Walking Liberty Half,
1845 Large Cent,
1923 Peace Dollar

See our club
Treasurer for
tickets.

Come on and get
in on the
winning!



FINDS OF THE MONTH WINNERS (April):

COIN:

1st Place: Maureen W - coin cache

2nd Place: Bill S - 1935 Merc dime

3rd Place: Aaron S - 1928 Merc dime



JEWELRY:

1st Place: John W - Silver signet ring

2nd Place: Terry R - silver ring

3rd Place: Bill S - silver ring



SECOND CHANCE:

1st Place: Bill S - 1944 Merc dime

2nd Place: Terry R - camera necklace

3rd Place: Aaron S - 1943 Steel wheatie



WILD CARD:

1st Place: John W - cap dart

2nd Place: Bill S - magnifier glass

3rd Place: Steve D - medicine bottle,



Thanks to all members who entered their finds in the "Find Of The Month" contest and congratulations to all the winners!

Yes, you can win a silver coin at each meeting for your 1st place winning entry, plus a chance at the year- end awards!

Remember, only members can enter so if you are not yet a member it's never too late to join! To become a member, see our club secretary.



REFRESHMENTS REMINDER BOX:

As of yet, we are still needing a refreshment coordinator. If you would like to help out with this, please let us know. Thank you to all who bring snacks and refreshments to our monthly meetings!

METAL DETECTING WITH DAVE T!

At the April meeting, we had a talk from a local "power hunter", Dave T. Metal detecting since 1998 and well known for his speed and skill at competition hunting, Dave had a nice collection of coins and tokens he has found over the years. "Its not my hobby...it's my passion!" Dave says and we can tell for sure.

At the Garrett Memorial Hunt, he pulled in a respectful amount of silver dimes and also later at the TAMDC Silver hunt.

Dave talked about his adventures while metal detecting and he answered some questions from the audience about historical markers and asking permission. Thank you very much for the talk, Dave!



(file photo)

FUN AT THE GARRETT MEMORIAL HUNT:



WOW! A great time was had by all at the Charles Garrett Memorial Hunt in Jefferson Texas in April! We got some rain on Sunday and that kinda cut things short but it held off long enough to get all the hunts done and prizes awarded. Garrett had 3 tables full of prizes and rows of detectors and other great prizes! Club President Earl wins a nice silver round on a TAMDC raffle. Bill A won some nice prizes too. Also there was bottle dig where some nice ones were found. Our own club member Maureen worked really hard at the show so we definately want to thank her and all the fine folks at Garrett for everything! Visit the Garrett page on Facebook for more photos. (Photos courtesy of Garrett Facebook site).

FUN AT THE TAMDC SHOW IN TEMPLE:



At the TAMDC show in April, there was a lot of fun to be had. The special guest were "Aquachigger" and "Nugget Noggen". They were both fun to meet and even autographed a few hats for our club!

First place booth went to Terry Smith who constructed new shelving for his displays. He said he worked on it all year. Second place went to the GPAA booth, and East Fork booth took 3rd place winning a silver round for the club. Young and old alike had fun with our interactive Fishing and Wheel fundraisers.

In the Silver hunt on Sunday, we heard that someone was able to gather 200 dimes, wow! Also the kids had fun and won a lot of nice detectors at the kids hunt.

Our Coin Fundraiser prize winners were:

Dos Peso gold: Keith Wills booth assistant.

Morgan Silver dollar #1: Ed B.

Morgan Silver dollar #2: David S.

Silver Round #1: Maureen W.

Silver Round #2: Maureen W.

Silver Round #3: Vince B

Steve and Rheia donated a "guess the pennies in the jar" game and the winner of that was Blaine N with a guess of 360. There were 354.

Bill S won a detector. Bill A won the gold \$2 1/2 coin from Lonestar. Earl won a ProPointer and some gear. Rheia won GTES Dos Peso gold, 3 silver dollars, a RTIC cooler, a civ war button and the "split the pot" penny guessing game. Maureen did well winning 7 silver dimes on our clubs Wheel game. There were lots to see. Thanks to everyone! See



UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY DESSERT COOKOFF

At the May EFTHA meeting we will be having our Dessert Cookoff Fundraiser. Its a delicious time to bring in your favorite dessert dish and let our judges happily decide which is the "best in texas" this year! Since it's a club fundraiser, it will cost ya \$4 to sample these sweets. Good luck and happy tasting!

AUGUST SILENT AUCTION

We would like to have a Silent Auction Fundraiser at the August meeting. Please start thinking about items you would like to donate for this event. Recommended items include metal detectors, jewelry, tools, collectible coins or tokens, just to name a few. It does not have to be metal detector related but should have some value to it.

OUR JUNE SEEDED HUNT!

In June, our club will be having the Annual Seeded Hunt for paid members only. The hunt fee will be \$40 and must be paid by end of the June 1st club meeting (no exeptions).

It will be at Samual Farms park on Saturday, June 3rd from 10am till about 2pm. There is going to be a sandwich lunch and ice water provided by the club.

In the Main Hunt we will be looking for painted pennies which represent silver dimes and other prizes. There will be a ticket drawing for the main detector prize.

Please bring your folding chair if you want to sit and anything else needed. This is a rain or shine event so prepare as usual.



UPCOMING LOCAL COIN SHOWS:

(visit www.coinshows.com for more information)

FIVE STATE COIN & CURRENCY SHOW

FRIDAY JUNE 9th 1pm - 7pm

SATURDAY JUNE 10th 9am - 5pm

MAGNUSON GRAND HOTEL

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(just off loop 323 & highway 110 south)

Tyler, Texas 75701

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