

East Fork Treasure Hunters Association

Our Club
NEWSLETTER

February 2019



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 meetings are on the first Thursday of each month. The next club meeting will be on **Thursday, February 7th at the gymnasium inside 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 week. More info at the meeting. The Fun Hunt is for anyone, so bring your friends! There will be further details and maps at the next meeting, on our FB page, or on the website.

OUR CLUB OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT:
Andrew P.



VICE PRESIDENT:
Aaron S.



TREASURER:
David S.



SECRETARY:
Steve D.



Our appreciated volunteers!

Finds of the Month Coordinator:
Andretta L.



Hunt master:
Jim S.



Refreshments:
Robert W.



Webmaster:
Sue R.



A FEW WORDS FROM OUR CLUB PRESIDENT:



Hello everyone! I'm happy to report that we gained 4 new members at last months meeting so we want to please welcome Jerry, Dean, Michael and Aaron!

At our next meeting we will be having the Chili/Tex Mex cookoff fundraiser. Please bring your favorite dish to enter. There will be cash prizes for the top 3 winners!

There are a lot of upcoming events in the months ahead; the HARC Beach Hunt in Galveston Feb 16th, the Piney Woods Relic hunt in East Texas March 2nd, the Garrett Memorial hunt March 29-31, and the TAMDC show April 26 -28, so there will be lots going on in the next few months. We will have flyers available for these events at the meetings.



JANUARY FUN HUNT, WHITE ROCK LAKE PARK:

Well, we had a nice turnout of 11 hunters for the January Fun Hunt at Whiterock lake Park (Stone Tables). Many hunters detected near the hidden quarter, but Sue R finally found it and got to keep it and half of the pot! Nice find!

The drawn winning categories were:

MOST TRASH: 1) Aaron S, 2) Sam G, 3) Juan P.

MOST PENNIES: 1) Aaron S, 2) David S, 3) Dean W.

MOST BOTTLECAPS: 1) Aaron S, 2) Sam G, 3) Steve D.

MOST PULL TABS: 1) Sam G, 2) Sue R and Aaron S, 3) Steve D.



Thanks to all who came out and to Huntmaster Jim for the very first and very Fun Hunt for 2019!
See ya at the next one!



Sue R found the hidden silver quarter and wins it and some cash! Sweet!



Our club always pulls out a lot of trash from the parks we hunt in, making it a cleaner place for all!



FUN WINNING AT THE LAST MEETING!

DOORPRIZE WINNERS (Jan):

Last months lucky door prize winners included:

Rebecca P, Rheia D, Dean W, Bill A, Sam G and a happy winner.

NAMETAG DRAWING WINNER (Jan):



Sam G.

"Pig in a Poke" winner (Jan):



Mary P was our lucky "Pig in a Poke" drawing winner!

Thanks Mary for sharing the fun!

Oink, Oink! Oink!



FUNDRAISER WINNERS (JAN):

Lucky Fundraiser winners included:

Buffalo nickel silver round - Ann S.
a silver Eagle - Robert W.
1921-S Morgan dollar - Ann S.
1885-O Morgan dollar - Bea G.
1941 Walking Liberty half - (?)
1957-D Franklin half - Robert W.
1926 Standing Liberty quarter - Dave A.
1889 seated dime - Sue R.
1867 two cent piece - Brooke R.
1853 large cent - Dean W.



NICE!

MARBLE GAME FUNDRAISER (JAN):

EXCITING!



NICE!



The Marble game EXCITEMENT rises now as the prize cash pot grows to approaching \$200!
At the last meeting Jim S drew another CLEAR marble, which means it rolls on!
Can you find the red marble amongst the remaining clear ones? If you do, you win the cash prize!

This is an exciting game so get some tickets at the next meeting and join in on the fun!

Tickets are only \$1 each (max of 5 tickets please).

Good luck and thanks for supporting our club!

Congratulations to all the lucky winners and thank you for supporting our club!



JANUARY MEMBERSHIP DUES DRAWING WINNERS:

As part of the EFTHA new prizes list (effective Oct 2018), all the folks who paid their club membership at the January meeting got to be entered into a special drawing for some very nice prizes, so at the January meeting we drew 3 names from the list of those who paid.

Here are the lucky winners!

1st place, Silver Eagle - Sue R.
2nd place, 2 Silver Half dollars - Rheia D.
3rd place, 2 Silver quarters - David R.

Congratulations and thanks for paying your dues!

OUR NEXT COIN FUNDRAISER:

Our next coin Fundraiser will include:

1886-O silver dollar,
Buffalo silver ounce,
1854 silver dime,
1786 half reale,
Silver Eagle,
1868 two cent piece,
1893 Columbian half dollar,
1923 Peace dollar,
1849 Large cent,
1964-D tripled die half dollar.



Tickets are only
\$1 each, or
6 for \$5,
12 for \$10,
or 30 tickets for
\$20!

Come on and get
in on the fun!

Thank you for supporting our club!

FEBRUARY IS CHILI/MEX COOKOFF TIME!



Well as the weather gets colder, it's time to "heat things up" by our annual Chili/Mex cookoff Fundraiser and contest!

At the February meeting, bring in your best heated dish of chili or Mexican food to enter. First prize will be \$15 for first place, \$10 for 2nd place, and \$5 for 3rd place, to be determined by a panel of selected (and happy) judges.

We are asking for a nominal contribution of \$3 per person to sample the dishes. Good luck and happy tasting!



REFRESHMENTS REMINDER BOX:



We proudly announce that our new Refreshments Coordinator is Robert W! Our club is now also providing a budget for refreshments so we typically will have hot dogs or other snacks at each meeting as well! Even so, let's please show our continued support and remember to bring in a snack or drink to each meeting as it is always appreciated! If you have a special food or drink item you would wish to bring to the meeting to share, please see our Refreshments Coordinator, Robert W.



HUNTERS OF THE YEAR (2018) AWARDED:

Yes, 2018 was a very productive year for finding treasures as the high number of entries in the Finds Of The Month contest.

At the January EFTHA meeting the Hunters of the Year awards were presented and prizes established. First prize gave Ken free membership dues for 2019! Second, third, and fourth place gave half off 2019 membership dues.

Even though President Earl was no longer with us, we printed his award and announced him winning 2nd place because we know he worked hard at the hobby and so very much earned it.

Thanks goes out to Andretta who kept track of the points and all she does for FOM.

The top hunters for 2018 were:



1st Place:
Ken Kohler -
740 points



2nd Place: Earl
Hitt -
635 points
(posthumously)



3rd Place:
Bill Stanford -
555 points



4th Place:
Mitch
Williams -
425 points

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to Andretta for pulling this together! Here are some of the finds that were entered in the "Finds of the Month" contest in the past year. Great job hunting everyone! If you are a new member, be sure to get your finds into this contest and start racking up the points!

Did you know our club has a Library? Well, it does. We share magazines, Newsletter, flyers at each meeting that's true, but there is a lot more interesting articles available to our club members as well, such as "where can I metal detect?", "where can I get club T-shirts?", and of course the clubs Code of Ethics and By-laws as well. How about dating civil war bullets or whats are the best ways of coin cleaning?

There are many, many more. Need a listing? We have an index as well. To get the Index and or have any of these articles emailed to you, see our club Secretary, Steve D. Oh and if you have something you would like to share, let us know as well.

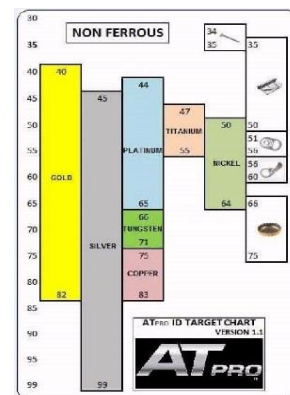
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Dating Buttons

1790 - 1795	1795 - 1800	1800 - 1805
1805 - 1810	1810 - 1815	1815 - 1820
1820 - 1825	1825 - 1830	1830 - 1835
1835 - 1840	1840 - 1845	1845 - 1850
1850 - 1855	1855 - 1860	1860 - 1865
1865 - 1870	1870 - 1875	1875 - 1880
1880 - 1885	1885 - 1890	1890 - 1895
1895 - 1900	1900 - 1905	1905 - 1910
1910 - 1915	1915 - 1920	1920 - 1925
1925 - 1930	1930 - 1935	1935 - 1940
1940 - 1945	1945 - 1950	1950 - 1955
1955 - 1960	1960 - 1965	1965 - 1970
1970 - 1975	1975 - 1980	1980 - 1985
1985 - 1990	1990 - 1995	1995 - 2000
2000 - 2005	2005 - 2010	2010 - 2015
2015 - 2020	2020 - 2025	2025 - 2030



FINDS OF THE MONTH (JAN)

COINS:



1st Place:

Layne P - 1878 Goliad dollar,
Mitch W - English gold coin

2nd Place:

Harold R - coin spill, Ted
W - Mex 50C pc

3rd Place:

contestant - 10 Pence coin, Ken
K - 1936 Silver Qtr

JEWELRY:



1st Place:

Ken K - Harley ring,

2nd Place:

Harold R - 14K gold ring,
Dean W - Bull ring

3rd Place:

Ken K - Amethyst pendant,
Juan P - 14K Emerald ring

SECOND CHANCE:



1st Place:

Mitch W - Silver ring,

2nd Place:

David S - 1960-D Franklin,
Harold R - 1939 Silver Qtr

3rd Place:

Dean W - Silver CZ ring,
Juan P - 1977 charm

WILD CARD:



1st Place:

Mitch W - 105mm shell,
Juan P - sheriff badge

2nd Place:

Layne P - bronze key,
David S - St Fair badge

3rd Place:

Dean W - Celtic axe head,
Mitch W - toy soldier

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 prizes!

At the September 2018 meeting, it was voted on and passed to increase the FOM prizes to a Silver Half Dollar for 1st place, a Silver Quarter for 2nd place, and a Silver Dime for 3rd place, effective immediately. This was a recommendation from the Suggestion Box and most everyone liked the idea! Now then, with these increase value of prizes, we definatly want to be going out there and finding those treasures that our hunters prove are surely out there!

Remember, only members can enter our FOM contest, so if you are not yet a member it's never too late to join! To become a member, see our club secretary. Come on and get in on the winning!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

(all flyers available at tamdc.org)

Feb 16th, 2019:

HARC 37th ANNUAL OPEN BEACH HUNT with TAMDC Satellite hunt.
Affpel park, East Beach, Galveston, Texas.



March 2nd, 2019:

ETTHA 8TH ANNUAL PINEY WOODS RELIC ONE-DAY HUNT: 2 Relic hunts, cake auction, over 4000 targets and 80 prize tokens in ground.



March 29-31, 2019:

Charles Garrett Memorial Hunt III - Mar 29-31, Diamond Don RV park, 1602 Hwy 49 East, Jefferson, Texas, 75657



April 26th - 28th, 2019:

2019 TAMDC TEXAS TREASURE SHOW, Carthage Civic Center, 1702 South Adams, Carthage, Texas., 75633. Special guest speaker will be Butch Holcombe with American Digger magazine.



Carthage Civic Center

UPCOMING COIN SHOWS:

(visit www.coinshows.com for more information)

TEXAS COIN SHOWS

FRIDAY **MARCH 22nd** 2pm - 6pm
SATURDAY **MARCH 23rd** 9am - 6pm
SUNDAY **MARCH 24th** 9am - 3pm

GRAPEVINE CONVENTION CENTER

1209 South Main Street
(Hwy 114, exit Main Street, first light turn right on Vine,
4 miles northwest of DFW Airport)
Grapevine, Texas 76051

FREE PARKING, \$3 ADMISSION CHARGE
ANACS GRADING SERVICE - Saturday only
R J PEED SUPPLIES, 24-HOURS POLICE SECURITY

PROMOTER:

Ginger Pike
P O Box 356
Howe, TX 75459-0356
214-535-3465
E-MAIL: TexasCoinShows@aol.com



DEALERS: 70. Tables available - Yes. Price \$255
single, \$375 corner.

DEALER SET-UP TIME: Friday March 22nd 10am-
2 p.m. Early Bird badges \$25.00.

COWTOWN COIN SHOW

FRIDAY **MARCH 29th** Noon - 5pm
SATURDAY **MARCH 30th** 9am - 5pm

WHITE SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE CENTER

AT SPLASH DAYZ
8905 Clifford Street
White Settlement, Texas 76108

FREE PARKING, \$3 ADMISSION CHARGE
\$25 EARLY BIRD ADMISSION CHARGE FRIDAY 9am
- Noon, DRAWINGS FOR FIVE \$20 DEALERS
CERTIFICATES AFTER SHOW (notified by email &
valid for 12 months), FREE APPRAISALS, POLICE
SECURITY, FOOD STAND

PROMOTER:

Gary Andrews
2901 Flat Rock Road
Azle TX 76020-1837
817-444-4813
E-MAIL: apctexas@aol.com



DEALERS: 36. Tables available - Yes. PRICE: \$150 per 6'
table, \$200 per 8' table, \$250 per 10' table or \$300 per
12' table. No corner tables.

DEALER SET-UP TIME: 9am-Noon Friday.

