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Club Newsletter

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The President's Corner by William Purkey

Hello, Fellow ONSD Members,

During this Thanksgiving season, our club can be thankful for the many contributions of its' members over the past year.

Rodney Joslin served as our auctioneer for a club sale that raised over \$300.00 to purchase prizes for the upcoming seeded hunt, which Jim Spivey once again set up and hosted. Our thanks to Mac McAtee and Jim who ran the seeded hunt. Robert Underwood provided a display of historic and relic items at the Reidsville and Mayodan Libraries and has arranged a club hunt next month at one of the oldest buildings in Madison, NC. Jim, Mac, and Robert also hosted a booth for GenFest 2012 in High Point and the Village Fair 2012 at the Mendenhall Plantation. Thom Metz designed, built, and donated a shadow box to display a toy badge found at the now-closed Camp Douglas Long to the triad-area Girl Scout office. Jeffrey Blackburn won a Mexican silver dollar for his first-place entry of Civil War relics in the initial "Best Finds" contest. Norm Birdsall won the same award for the "Best Find of July, August, & September" contest. Rodney Joslin and Becky Craddock both submitted articles that were published in the club newsletter. Jerry Dorsett recovered a ring lost for 8 years and returned it to its' owner.

Recently, Gail Sheffield worked with a property owner to obtain permission to hunt a large 1910-era homesite near Pleasant Garden coming up in early November. We are being allowed to hunt this old site before it is bulldozed for future development, thanks to Gail.

The Club's Executive Committee, Becky Craddock, Robert Underwood, Ron Washburn, Thom Metz, Mac McAtee, and Randy Woolbright,

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Turf Wars

An interesting article appeared in a forum the other day discussing what the poster thought were two poachers on "his hunting spot". He claimed to have invested a lot of research time in discovering and finding the site using various methods available such as aerial map overlays and GIS.

These other two fellows just happened to be there at the same location and at the same time he was going to detect. He said it made him mad, so he just left. Do you need a crystal ball here? No. My question would have been why not approach the two detectorists and ask how they are doing? Their response would quickly tell you if an introduction is in order.

Folks I have met while out metal detecting have been friendly and interested about what I have found. While it seems rare to ever see another hobbyist detecting, the above situation was a golden opportunity to meet a person who may become your hunting partner for life.

Meeting other detectorists is a guaranteed way to find yourself some brand new territory to search. It's exciting to have an old ghost town site to hunt, thanks to a new friend. If you have an event like this happen to you, get out of your car and meet some new friends.

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MINUTES OF ONSD MEETING - SEPTEMBER 29, 2012

ATTENDANCE: WILLIAM PURKEY, ROBERT UNDERWOOD, JIM SPIVEY, RON WASHBURN, DAVID PAYNE, RANDY WOOLBRIGHT, BILL BOOKOUT, JOHN YOUNG, TIM PIERCE, TRACY SMITH, RODNEY JOSLIN
NORM BIRDSALL, MAC McATEE, BECKY CRADDOCK

GUESTS: BRENT BEVILLE (BENAJA, NC)
RALPH NELSON (JOINED)
SUSAN NEUBAUER (JOINED)
DAN KAUPPILA (JOINED)
CECIL BURCHELL (JOINED)

ONSD OATH: LED BY ROBERT UNDERWOOD

OLD BUSINESS:

*TREASURERS REPORT: \$873.37 FINAL BALANCE BY RON WASHBURN IS APPROVED.

*VOTE ON BYLAWS CHANGES IS PASSED:

1. TRIM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO 5 MEMBERS
2. TWO EXTRA MEMBERS WORK AT PLEASURE OF EXEC COMMITTEE.

NEW BUSINESS:

*PRESENTATION OF JUDGE'S CHOICE AND GOLDEN DETECTOR AWARDS AT RECENT UZZLE HOUSE CLUB HUNT FOR FINDING OWNER'S GOLD RING TO JERRY DORSETT.

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*PRESENTATION OF WINNER OF JUDGE'S CHOICE AWARD OF QUARTERLY DETECTOR FINDS TO NORM BIRDSALL FOR HIS LANTERN MANTLE PIECE DUG AT UZZLE HOUSE HUNT.

*PRESENTATION OF JUDGE'S CHOICE AWARD WILL BE PRESENTED AT OCTOBER 27TH GOLD MINE HUNT.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE):

*NO 50/50 RAFFLE ALLOWED ON GREENSBORO PARK PROPERTY.

*DATE FOR SEEDED HUNT/PICNIC SET FOR APRIL, 2013.

*APRIL PICNIC FOOD VOLUNTEERS ARE BECKY CRADDOCK, RANDY WOOLBRIGHT, AND RODNEY JOSLIN.

*THE ONSD WILL PURCHASE SILVER COINS FROM MEMBERS FOR APRIL HUNT- ABOUT \$150.00 WILL BE ALLOCATED FOR THIS FROM TREASURY (\$15.00 PAID PER COIN).

*DATE SET FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY AT LIBRARY FOR DECEMBER 15, 2012.

*DATE SET FOR NOVEMBER 17TH, 2012 HUNT AT JORDEN HOMESITE (1800) IN MADISON, NC. ROBERT UNDERWOOD WILL BE HUNT MASTER AND DIRECTIONS TO SITE SENT BY E-MAIL TO MEMBERS LATER. THE MADISON, NC HISTORICAL PROPERTIES COMMISSION NEEDS A LIST OF HUNTERS.

OPEN MIC:

*A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR DETECTOR BEGINNERS WILL BE CONDUCTED BY JIM SPIVEY AND ROBERT UNDERWOOD.

*A RAPID RESPONSE HUNTERS' LIST IS NEEDED.

*A VISITOR'S BADGE NEEDED FOR FIELD HUNTS & MEETINGS.

SUBMITTED BY:

ROBERT UNDERWOOD - ONSD SECRETARY

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Club member Robert Grazioso relayed some comments via email the other day. Here's what he had to say about his recent activity...

Just to let you know that I am home from my surgery (Bi-lateral Knee replacement). It will be at least another 3 weeks before I will be able to walk on my own without a walker and drive. So I wish you all fun and excitement with the hunts. I will be thinking about you all. - Bob Grazioso



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and have provided dynamic leadership for the club. These are just samples of the many ways that members have given the club energy and leadership. Many thanks. Now it is your turn. You can contribute by keeping a sharp lookout for promising club hunt sites. If you spot a location, please obtain as much information as possible and send it to me. The ONSD Executive Committee Members will work to contact the owner and request permission to search the site. Keep the treasure hunting spirit. - William Purkey - ONSD President

From Dick Stout, who can be found at: www.stoutstandards.com

Where are OUR three or four so called national organizations, and what are they up to these days, if anything? The FMDAC, the Task Force for Metal Detecting Rights, the The American Metal Detecting Association, and The World Wide Association of Treasure Hunters?

Haven't heard a peep from any of these groups lately? Keep checking their sites and nada! I click on the "What's New" link on the FMDAC site, and keep getting the "stay tuned" response. The Task Force information hasn't changed at all over the past month, and I would still like to see the officers post their email addresses.

Apparently the AMDA has gone by the wayside. Last entry was three years ago? The WWATS site is still listing the flyer for this years hunt which was the end of May, but you can view the photos from their hunts in 2008 and 2009.

Come on guys...how about just an update here and there, a word or two, a short note to say you are still alive and kicking. Is that asking too much? Hell, While I don't always succeed, I at least bust my ass trying to keep this site updated, and to let people know I haven't kicked the bucket.

As far as I know detectorists are still paying dues to belong to your organizations or are donating, either independently or via hunt fees. They deserve to hear "something" from you? Is that too much to ask?

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MAYODAN, NC LIBRARY DISPLAY - SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER, 2012

During the past two months, Robert Underwood has displayed some historical and relic items at the Mayodan Public Library. The name of the exhibit is "Artifacts of Western Rockingham County, NC Area Homesites" (18th-19th Century).



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Hello, ONSD Members,

This note is to remind you about our club hunt at the gold mining site at 9:00 am on **Saturday, October 27, 2012** and to make an exciting announcement for **Saturday, November 3, 2012**

Saturday, October 27, 2012

Members will gather at the entrance to the gold mining site at 9:00 am. Webmaster Randy Woolbright will email directions to the site by Wednesday of next week. Executive Committee members are asked to arrive at 8:30 am, with a short business meeting commencing at 9:00 am before the hunt begins. Warm clothing and boots are recommended. The going is rough for the first 100 yards, then it breaks into a clearing suitable for detectors. In case of rain, the club will meet at the Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library in Greensboro.

Saturday, November 3, 2012

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: Thanks to Gail Sheffield, our loyal member, the club has permission to search an 11-acre lot on the southern outskirts of Greensboro. The site contains the ruins of a large home built around 1915. The area is a large grassy area perfect for metal detecting. It also offers excellent parking and is a good location for our ONSD Tent and Banner. I'm asking Jim Spivey and Mac McAtee to bring the tent and banner. The site is soon to be bulldozed, so the use of shovels is acceptable as long as all holes are filled in. Executive Committee members are asked to arrive at 8:30 am, and members at 9:00 am. **The hunt will take place, rain or shine.** Details will be given at the October 27th meeting.

Saturday, November 17, 2012

The club will have its monthly meeting for November on a special day at the Jordan Cabin site in Madison, NC. The cabin may be the oldest building in the area. Robert Underwood is Huntmaster and will provide directions to the site at a later date. His email address is: robertunderwood32@yahoo.com

December 15, 2012

The club will hold its December meeting on a special day in the Community Room of the Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library located at 1420 Price Park Road in Greensboro. The club will enjoy a very special guest, Mr. Graham Strickland, local author of the book, *"The Last To Die: A Story of War in the Carolinas and Virginia"*.



January 26, 2013

Remember - \$20.00 membership dues and election of ONSD officers for the 2013 year will be held.

Keep the treasure hunting spirit.

William Purkey

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President

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Here's some information from Thom Metz:

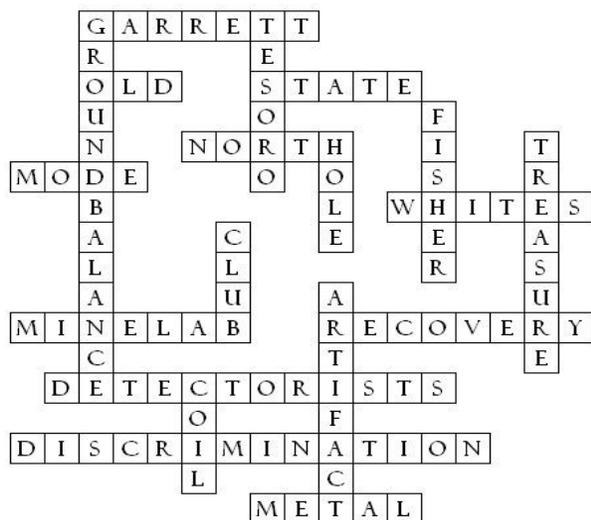
2nd Annual Gold Festival
Sponsored by the Matthews NC Chapter GPAA
Nov 3 & 4 2012 - Kannapolis, NC
Sat -10 AM to 5 PM Sun 10 AM to 4 PM
Meeting place: "Coleman's Grove"
2554 Centergrove Road, Kannapolis, NC 28083
Admission - Free
Contact Glenn Coleman 704 299 2808
gpaamattews.com

This is the first that I have heard of THIS Gold Festival. I am familiar with the festival in early June out in western NC, but again, this is the first time that I have heard of this Gold Festival.

I am contemplating going down to take a "look see". If there is any interest on the part of other club members, we might "Caravan" down as a group. If anyone is interested they can contact me at: temetz@yahoo.com

Thanks I look forward to seeing Ya'll soon. >>> T Metz <<<

Remember, The treasure is in the Journey



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news and events info?

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👏 **NOTICE** 👏

The next club meeting will be a special event held at the hunt site on Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 9 am. A short business meeting will be held before the hunt.

Be advised to wear appropriate clothing for the weather as the dig area is a ways off from the parking area. Directions to the meeting site have been emailed to members.

If you did not receive your email instructions, send a note to randwool@hotmail.com or call my cellphone at 312-7232.

In case of rain, the event will be postponed. A meeting will instead be held at 9:00 am in the Community Room at the Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library at 1420 Price Park Road in Greensboro.

Monthly Meeting Time & Location

The Old North State Detectorists meet at 9:00 am on the last Saturday of each month at the Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library Community Room located at 1420 Price Park Road in Greensboro, NC. Occasionally, a club meeting may be held at the hunt site. Check the ONSD website [Calendar of Events](#) page for the latest information.

The club membership fee is \$20.00 per year for individuals and \$30.00 for families which includes an embroidered hat and iron-on patch. Guests are welcome.

ONSD Club Officers

President - William Purkey
Vice-President - Becky Craddock
Secretary - Robert Underwood
Treasurer - Ron Washburn
Sergeant at Arms - Thom Metz
Special Projects Liaison - Mac McAtee
Editor/Webmaster - Randy Woolbright

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