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# Next meeting June 10, 7:00pm

Our guest speaker will be Tom Warnke.

Tom grew up in the Boynton Beach area, and is an expert on predicting local ocean conditions, among other things.

His presentation will outline the best ways to predict when waves will cut into our local beach dunes, along with timing and locations.

His full bio is in this issue. It is very impressive. Be sure to check it out.

# **Upcoming Club Hunt**

Our next club hunt will be June 19. This will be an evening hunt, starting before sunset, and finishing a couple of hours later. Just a reminder, the use of flashlights and cell phones on the beach at night is discouraged because they can interfere with turtle nesting. Headlights or flashlights equipped with a red lens is recommended. This is less likely to disturb nesting turtles, and preserves your night vision.

The time, location, and other details will be shared at the meeting. The hunt is open to members in good standing. If you can't make the meeting, you can call Laurie Haire at 954-593-4800 for the details.

## Happy Birthday!

The true treasure of our club is its membership.
Thank you for being a part of the Gold Coast Treasure
Club.

Eric Figuoroa 6/1 Edward Sullivan 6/5 Les Perkins 6/8 Margaret Weller 6/16 John DeCarion 6/24

### May 2021 Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance, led by President Laurie Haire started the meeting at 7:00pm.

28 members, 2 visitors present.

Visitors were Sam Libman, Kevin McNees. Vice President Randy Selnick shared his tips for the month.

Members were encouraged to bring in any glasses they find. Member Linda Bennet will collect them and donate them.

Club patches were discussed. Laurie Haire will research further.

Featured speaker was Mark Duclos from Rechart Coins & Precious Metals. He discussed rare coins, and ways to search for them. Recommended the Red Book as the best for pricing coins.

He also tested some jewelry and coins for members during the break.

The details of the upcoming club hunt were announced. The hunt was scheduled for Saturday, May 15th at Stuart Beach.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.

## **Donate Your Foreign Coins**

Each year, the Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs, along with Garrett Metal Detectors, organizes a special hunt for handicapped kids, called the Texas Lions Camp. They collect foreign coins to use in the hunts. If you have any foreign coins that you would like to donate to this cause, please bring them to the meeting. Linda Bennett will collect the coins and send them to the camp organizers. If you would like to learn more about the hunt, their website is <a href="https://www.tamdc.org/">https://www.tamdc.org/</a>

### The club has a For Sale table

available for anything metal detecting related. So, if you have some gear sitting around not being used, bring it to the next meeting and sell it. There is no charge for selling items on the For Sale table.

## Don't Make a Spectacle of Yourself

What do you do when you find prescription eyeglasses during your hunt? If you wear glasses, and you're really, really lucky, you could wear them. But chances are, they won't work for you. Bring them to the next meeting, and give them to Linda Bennet. She will collect them and pass them on to an organization that can reuse them.



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# Our Featured Speaker, Tom Warnke

Tom is the son of Jim Warnke who was a Florida historian, author and founder of the Gold Coast Treasure Club. In the 1960's Jim invented one of the first ferrous-non-ferrous metal detectors. He then adapted it for underwater use and sold one to Mel Fisher and another to the Mexican Director of Antiquities. Jim moved the Warnke family from Milwaukee Wisconsin to Boynton Beach in 1956 and he became a scuba instructor shortly thereafter. So Tom and his five siblings were introduced to the warm ocean as youngsters and Tom has been in the ocean ever since.

As an avid surfer beginning in 1964, Tom studied oceanography and meteorology and became a self-taught sea state forecaster so he could catch more clean waves. Palm Beach County is one of the most difficult locations in the world to predict wave size. For more than 40 years Tom was responsible for predicting local ocean conditions in Palm Beach County as the volunteer director of the Eastern Surfing Association, the East Coast National Governing Body for amateur surfing competition. As founder of the first Surfrider Foundation Chapter in Florida 24 years ago, Tom became an expert consultant on coastal erosion and sediment transport.



He has consulted with many government bodies in Palm Beach County on coastal construction and erosion control issues in order to help preserve our native sand beaches.

Today Tom lives in Lake Worth with his wife Mary. He is retired from a career in sales and marketing and is the Archive Coordinator at the Delray Beach Historical Society. He is a founder and Executive Director of the Surfing Florida Museum and still surfs whenever possible.

Tom's presentation will outline the best ways to predict when waves will cut into our local beach dunes, along with timing and locations.

The non-profit Surfing Florida Museum was founded in 2008 and is the largest museum of its kind on the United States East Coast. The mission of the Museum is to preserve and display a complete history of surfing in Florida. The website is surfingfloridamuseum.org and memberships are available to help keep the Museum's doors open.

# Stuart Beach Hunt



Our latest club hunt was on May 15th, at Stuart Beach.





A token was planted, which was found by member Sam Liebman, pictured here.

He was awarded a silver dollar coin.

## Be Prepared!

More club hunts are being planned, and as the daytime temperatures soar in the summer, some of our hunts will be at night to escape the heat. Turtle nesting season runs from May 1 through October 31, so we have to be careful not to disturb them. You should avoid using flashlights, lanterns, or flash photography on the beach at night.

The best way to avoid disturbing turtles is by using a red light to illuminate your path. The red light preserves your night vision, and doesn't startle the turtles. Headlamps can be purchased that have an optional red light. They cost around \$30.00, and can be purchased in sporting goods stores or online.

We have a hunt coming up soon that will take place at night, so make sure you are prepared with the proper lighting.

# **May Best Finds**



Best Gold
Bracelet
Marco Tinajero



Best Gold w/Stone Opal Ring Kevin Bean



Best Silver Necklace Cheryl Petenbrink



Best Coin 1845 Six Pence James Perkins III



Most Unusual Perfume Necklace Charm Cheryl Petenbrink

# 2021 Best Finds Points Standings

	First Place	Second Place	Total Points
Eric Figueroa	8	4	20
James Perkins III	9	2	20
Cheryl Petenbrink	4	3	11
Alfredo Herrera	2	1	5
Kevin Bean	2	1	5
Jason Petenbrink	1	1	3
Marco Tinajero	1	1	3
Jim Perkins	1	0	2
John DeCarion	1	0	2
Austen Poropat	0	1	1



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