

# OKANAGAN TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB NEWSLETTER-SEPTEMBER 2017

Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. Club House at Pines Mobile Home Park 98 Okanagan Ave. East, Penticton, BC



### **TREASURES IN THE SAND - SEPTEMBER 2017**

This year's hunt started in the dark with a night hunt on Friday - lots of fun. Saturday, as you can see by the picture above, was a little windy but warm & the sun did finally break through. After morning coffee and treats, there were 2-30 minute hunts with lots of clad coin & tokens for Metal Detectors. Silver & other prizes, followed by a scrumptious catered lunch. The afternoon hunt was the "Sharon Vodarek Memorial Treasure Hunt". This year entrants were also given the opportunity by the Vernon Placer Miners Club, to try their hand at gold panning. The new Sand Dollar Hunt ran all day and the sand dollars you collected could be used to purchase prizes and other goodies.

Once again the Silent Auction had some fantastic treasures, the ever popular "Treasures in the Sand Chest" & special prizes. Everyone really enjoyed the Raffle for Silver Coins & Silver Bars. The final highlight was the draw for 2 fully paid, round trip air flights, to wherever *WESTJET* Travels, with 100% the net proceeds donated to the Penticton Regional Hospital.

### Clues to find the well travelled club coin

Hidden in a place with a view North of L. du Chien is a clue and South of the silva & concrete letters Travel an avenue with the name of a silver mining ghost town ... away from downtown And when you pass MDCLX11 ... You are getting closer to turning things over The bottom of the "V" should point you in the right direction - To the section.. for your hunt to begin Past the yellow hearts and past the "high pressure" Be careful, no climbing required

> Enjoy the view and Happy Searching Dianne McKeown 250-490-4885

Gradon Marv Hank Ken Jim Marv Kon Brett Marv	SILVER HALVES WINNERS!				
Syd Karen Marv	CAT U A C	Ken Ken	Jim Brett	Marv Marv	

### ICE - In Case of Emergency

Member from Kelowna, Ken Dewerson, sent this along hoping that all members take the time to read it and adopt this practice. It certainly makes sense & is apparently standard procedure all paramedics follow at the scene of an accident when they come across your cell phone.



We all carry our mobile phones with names & numbers stored in its memory, but nobody other than ourselves, knows which of these numbers belong to our closest family or friends. If we

were to be involved in an accident or were taken ill, the people attending would have our cell phone but wouldn't know who to call. Yes, there are hundreds of numbers stored but which one is the contact person in case of an emergency? Hence this ICE (In Case of Emergency) Campaign.

The concept of 'ICE' is catching on quickly. It is a method of contact during emergency situations. As cells are carried by the majority of the population, all you need to do is store the number of a contact person or persons who should be contacted during an emergency under the name " ICE ".

The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that when he went to the scenes of accidents, there were always cell phones with patients, but they didn't know which number to call. He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name for this purpose. Emergency Service personnel & Hospital Staff would be able to quickly contact the right person by simply dialing the number you have stored as "ICE". For more than one contact name, simply enter ICE1, ICE2, ICE3 etc. *THIS IS A GREAT IDEA THAT WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE, ESPECIALLY IF YOUR LOVED ONES ARE TO BE CONTACTED IMMEDIATELY. PULL OUT YOUR CELL PHONE & DO IT NOW!* 

## Finds of the Month - September 2017 Meeting



1913 Dime Paul Snider



Australian 50 Cent Chris Bilocerowec



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1957 Italian Coin Karen MacKenzie



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10K Diamond Ring Brett Johnson



14K Gold Ring Syd Birch



1948 Signet Ring Paul Snider





Asian Figurine Syd Birch



Love Token Brett Johnson



WW2 Medal

**Rob Blackie** 

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Diver's Token Samantha Tarbet

### Find of the Month Standings as of Sept. 22nd, 2017

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Paul Snider59Brett Johnson53Syd Birch33Samantha Tarbet27Chris Beilocerkowec21Carole Snider20Rob Blackie19Ken Dewerson16

59 Christian Noel
53 Henk Vodarek
33 Robert Ames
27 Lek Bosuwan
21 Annette Estey
20 Ray Matzick
19 Dianne McKeown
16 Jim Tennant

Michael MacKenzie Karen MacKenzie Maggie St-Hilaire Maretta Saulnier Gordon Schneider Don Collins Kevin Felts Nick Carter

Phil Williams1Bob Hollingsworth1Fran Pattison1Jacques St-Hilaire1

## Getting More From Your Metal Detector

This list is a no-nonsense down to earth article that beginners, and those who are not having too much success, may find well worth reading. The suggestions will help you start finding more gold rings, older coins, and better targets.

It never fails. There's always someone who is able to find more & better things with a metal detector than other people who are using the same make and model. Why does this person almost always do better than the rest of us?

In theory, it shouldn't matter who is running the machine. But put any metal detector in the hands of a pro, and they will turn up deeper, older coins than when that same detector is used by a novice. What's the secret?

There are several simple things anyone can do to increase the depth of their metal detecting finds. The following tips will help you get the maximum depth, and therefore the maximum pleasure and value from your metal detector. In no time at all, you will be finding the older coins and gold rings your treasure hunting buddies are passing right over.

#### Suggestion #1 - Always use headphones

The best headphones to use are the larger ones with cups that surround your ears. They enable you to hear those weaker and deeper signals that you miss when you use a "Walkman-type" set. A coiled headphone cord is much better than a limp, straight one, because like a telephone it doesn't get in your way while you are moving around.

#### Suggestion #2 - Slow down

Most beginners swing the detecting coil much too fast. Slower detecting means you'll pick up deeper signals. Prove this to yourself by putting a coin on the ground. Then swing your coil over the coin at different speeds and also raise & lower the coil to see which speed and height gives you the best signal.

#### Suggestion # 3 - Keep your coil close to the ground

If you swing the coil anymore than approximately one inch above the ground, you are costing yourself an inch of depth & may possibly miss an interesting find. Try & keep the coil parallel with the ground for the entire length of your swing. It helps to move you whole arm without bending your wrist.

#### Suggestion #4 - Keep your swinging distance short

The longer the length of your swing, the more you tend to lift the coil. Long swings can also increase the coils's angle with the ground which robs you of depth. If you do not have a coil cover, you will benefit greatly by investing in one.

