

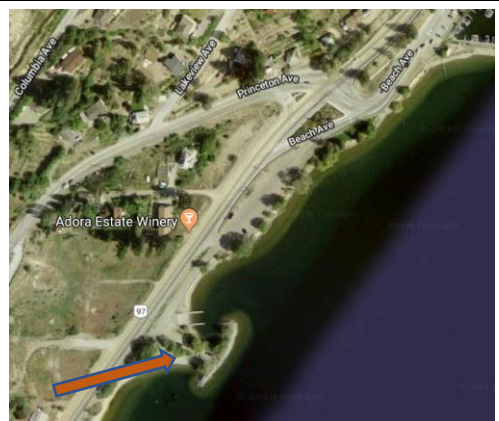
# OKANAGAN TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER



The Okanagan Treasure Hunters Club meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of every month. They are held at Penticton Museum & Archives 785 Main Street, Penticton BC, V2A 5E3 at 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

**Next Meeting: October 16<sup>th</sup> 2018**

The Club Coin hidden by Dianne in August was in Peachland – check out the “T” in the lake. The rest of the clues explained how to find it. Samantha Tarbet found it and has hidden the Club Coin again. See her clues below.



## NEW CLUB COIN HUNT

### Clues

- I’m resting watching the people come and go.
- The kids squeal loudly as the water suddenly erupts
- The dogs run and bark as they happily chase and play with each other.
- I think I’ll have a picnic until someone comes and finds me.

If you find me call Samantha Tarbet from your Member’s Phone List. Then leave something in the hole for the next detectorist.

Note: It was decided at the September meeting by the majority of those present that this would be the last Club Coin Hunt, at least for some time and it will be replaced by a new contest that Syd proposed to the members and was agreed upon.

## Treasures In The Sand 2018

As in the past, it started with the Friday night hunt. Thirty-eight people participated. The weather was just fine when the hunt started but it turned to rain at the end. The main prize, a Minelab pinpointer was won by Kim Leverett. Debbie Smikoski, Minelab's Business Development Director for North America brought shirts, caps and toques for all registered guests. She attended both the Friday night hunt and all of the Saturday events. Debbie also operated a drone over the day's activities. All together a total of 79 people registered for the event. Again this year, a huge thank you to Jo-Anne Birch for not only organizing, but also managing the entire event from Friday to Saturday till the end. Also a super thank you to Dianne McKeown for rounding up over 30 items for the Silent Auction which turned out to be a smashing hit. And a super thank you to Carole Snider and Rob Blackie for operating the Sand Dollar Hunt again this year. For the second year in a row, Chris Bilocerkowec worked like a machine at coordinating and selling the Westjet Tickets for a trip for two anywhere in the world they fly. This year 450 tickets were sold. Karen MacKenzie was the Hunt Marshall and planted all the tokens. And what a wonderful job Darci Ritchey did as the Master of Ceremony. And last but not the least we were treated to a superb singing performance by Darci and Carole in their adapted rendition of "Over the Rainbow": ***Somewhere Under the Rubble***



Jo-Anne, and Chris who sold the winning Wesjet ticket, are presenting the voucher to the winner Rick Ponich of West Kelowna

This year we had an unprecedented five detectors and a pinpointer as our major prizes for the hunts. Names and photos of winners are on the website.



Minelab's Debbie Smikoski is presenting Raylene Bremmer, the winner of the special draw for all Registered contestants, with a GoFind detector.





A very welcome participation by our friends from the Olympic Peninsula Treasure Hunters Club and Northwest Treasure Hunters Club and friends from any other clubs we are missing.

## The Loonie Lotto

### Contest:

Every monthly meeting, members who have found Loonies during that month (from the last meeting to the current meeting) **choose one** of them to enter the contest and that Loonie will go in a pot. One token representing each year a Loonie was minted is put into a jar and one is drawn. The member who has the Loonie of the same year as the Token wins the **Pot**.

### Rules:

- The Loonie entered must have been found while metal detecting.
- Only a Loonie found **after** the previous monthly meeting can be entered.
- Only one Loonie can be entered per game. So if you found several...choose one but the others cannot be entered at the following monthly meeting.
- Each Member places his or her Loonie on the table where the Hunt Master can see it.
- Hunt Master draws one Token from the Token Jar
- The Member with the corresponding year wins all the entered Loonies.
- If more than one winner, the Pot is divided accordingly.
- If no one has the winning Loonie, all Loonies go into the **Pot** and the **Pot** is carried to the next Monthly Meeting.

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- The Token that was drawn is retired from future draws. So pay attention not to enter a year already called. Check the monthly newsletter!
- A Member who joins the game after having missed one or more meetings must equalize their entries into the game by contributing as many Loonies as meetings missed.

Tip #1: If you find more than one Loonie during the month, remember that the mintage of loonies varies widely from year to year. If you can, it would be a smart play to enter a year with the lowest mintage. Then hope that most of the other players enter a loonie from one of the higher mintage years. When your year is drawn, you may not have to split the pot. Mintage years and production can be viewed at the following link:

<https://www.mint.ca/store/mint/about-the-mint/1-dollar-5300014#.W7xFMmhKg2w>

## October Club Hunt

This month, the hunt was at Sun-Oka beach in Summerland. Seventeen members participated in a seeded sand hunt. Barbecued burgers and hotdogs were served. After lunch a few of us hung around a wood fire and exchanged stories of past hunts and Treasures in the Sand events and generally enjoyed a beautiful fall afternoon.







FINDS OF THE MONTH – SEPT 2018

MISC.

			
1 <sup>st</sup> : Chris Bilocerkowec Gramophone Needle Box	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Samantha Tarbet Toy Car	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Jacques St-H. Dom Perignon Menu Holder	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Syd Birch \$20 Bill in Water






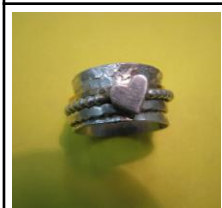



JEWELRY


		
1 <sup>st</sup> : Brett Johnson 14 Kt Gold Ring	2 <sup>ND</sup> : Paul Snider Returned 10k Diamond Ring	3 <sup>RD</sup> : Rob Blackie Asian Ring

COINS


		
1 <sup>ST</sup> : Rob Blackie 2002 Estonian 10 cent	2 <sup>ND</sup> : Brett Johnson Chinese Coin	3 <sup>RD</sup> : Paul Snider 1943 Canadian Penny

# OTHER GREAT FINDS

	<p><b>Winner of the “Non-Winner’s draw”</b> (for entering an item in the Finds of the Month, but did not win 1st, 2nd or 3rd)</p> <p><b>Cheryl Harris</b> <b>Rusty Quarter</b></p>
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## Finds of the Month Standings as of September 18<sup>th</sup> , 2018

<p>Brett Johnson – 54 Paul Snider – 39 Syd Birch – 36 Chris Bilocerkowec – 35 Samantha Tarbet – 25 Rob Blackie - 25 Dianne McKeown – 18 Maggie St-Hilaire – 17 Hank Vodarek – 10 Cheryl Harris – 13</p>	<p>Jacques St-Hilaire – 9 Ralph Hodge – 8 Michael MacKenzie - 7 Karen MacKenzie – 5 Carole Snider – 4 Robert Ames - 4 Keith Nixon - 3 Annette Estey – 3 Lwilai Bosowan – 3 Carolynn Tennant – 2 Jim Tennant - 1</p>																
	<p><u>SILVER HALVES WINNERS</u></p> <table><tr><td>Michael</td><td>Syd</td><td>Marv</td><td>Marv</td></tr><tr><td>Jacques</td><td>Ralph</td><td>Jacques</td><td>Maggie</td></tr><tr><td>Dianne</td><td>Michael</td><td>Marv</td><td>Paul</td></tr><tr><td>Marv</td><td>Michael</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	Michael	Syd	Marv	Marv	Jacques	Ralph	Jacques	Maggie	Dianne	Michael	Marv	Paul	Marv	Michael		
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## OTHC SCAVENGER HUNT 2 – 2018

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| 1. Metal Washer      | 8. Silver Coin          | 15. Jewelry, Not a Ring |
| 2. Bear Bottle Cap   | 9. Loonie               | 16. House or Car Key    |
| 3. Gatorade Foil Cap | 10. Toy Car or Truck    | 17. Bobby Pin           |
| 4. Metal Screw       | 11. Foreign Coin not US | 18. Silver Ring         |
| 5. U.S. Nickel       | 12. Toonie              | 19. Gold Ring           |
| 6. U.S. Dime         | 13. Token               | 20. Dog Tag             |
| 7. Quarter           | 14. Canadian Penny      |                         |

### RULES:

1. The hunt began at the August meeting and **ends at the October meeting.**
2. All items must be found while metal detecting.
3. Rings returned to their owner will qualify.
4. Any item may also be entered in find of the month.

### PRIZES:

1. The person who finds all twenty items will win a silver half.
2. The person who finds eighteen of the twenty items will win a silver quarter.
3. The person who finds fifteen of the twenty items will win a silver dime.
4. In case of a tie, or multiple winners, all winners will receive a prize.

## World of Detectors – What's New

### XP Metal Detectors:

**Deus:** Last update Version 5.2 on Sept 13, 2018

**ORX:** Medium-end detector announced on Sept 14, 2018. Two gold modes, two coin & relic modes and two user modes. Freq range 13 to 81 kHz; One HF coil (22 cm round or 24/13 cm elliptical); X35 coils optional. 5 year warranty. Price: Approx. C\$1200.

Availability: Soon!!!

Note: The XP ORX appears to be an updated version of the XP – DPR600 released in 2016 to Africa only. This model does not have the Oscilloscope.

### Nokta/Makro:

After merging of the two companies Nokta and Makro 4 years ago, they finally decided to stop producing 2 lines of metal detectors in 2018. Coming up is the **Anfibio** which besides some cosmetic upgrades appears to be a rebranding of the *Multi-Kruzer*. Expected Release date: October 2018. Price US\$900. Next, the **Simplex**, an entry level detector waterproof and wireless; expected release early 2019. Price US\$250-400 depending on model. Lastly, an all new **Simultaneous Multi-Frequency (SMF)** detector still in development and no name yet. The company has set up a contest for input from users for what they want to see in a detector as well as a **Name** for it. They claim to have the SMF worked out but they want to have users tell them what features they want in a detector. No release date and no price.

### Tesoro:

“Unconfirmed” by the company, news from various blogs on the web reporting that Tesoro had laid off all their factory floor staff.

# ANNUAL ELECTIONS

Our club President, Brett Johnson, is reminding all of us that we will be having our annual elections for **Executives** and **Volunteers** at the November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Monthly Meeting. The best way to have a vibrant club is to have candidates challenging for every positions.

## Executive Positions:

- President:

Presides over all club meetings, prepares agenda  
Official spokesperson for the club  
Signing Officer
- Vice-President:

Carry on duties of President in his/her absence  
Signing Officer
- Treasurer:

Keeps financial and membership records of the club  
Prepares reports for members  
Conducts all financial transactions and banking  
Signing Officer
- Secretary:

Keeps minutes and attendance sheets of meetings  
Prepares and retains club correspondence

## Volunteers Positions:

- Find of the Month:

Usually two people  
Maintain records of all members points  
Conduct voting procedures at club meetings
- Newsletter Editor:

Prepares and distributes monthly letter to members
- Hunt Chairperson:

Organizes all aspects of the “Treasures in the Sand”
- Webmaster:

Populates and maintains the club’s website
- Hunt Master:

Organizes official monthly hunts events
- Archivist:

Catalogues magazines and literatures about metal detecting
- Raffle Coordinator:

Conducts raffles at monthly meetings and functions
- Refreshments:

Coordinates pop and water at meetings and events
- Facebook:

Maintains the club’s Facebook Page.