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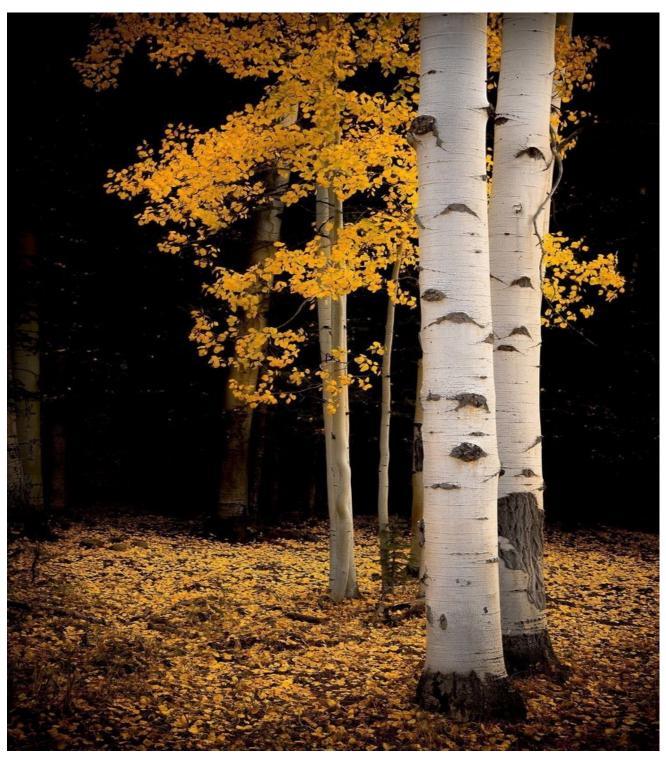


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Sunday, Oct 16th, 2022, 10 AM

Robbie Ferrufino Park 9001 W. 74th Ave, Arvada CO 80005

Lots of change in the field including silver! Plus token Prizes!

Cost: \$20

Contact: Kevyn Llewellyn @ 303-931-9582 Members Only









My Very First Metal Detector by Jan Hallez

My very first metal detector was given to me by my sister Blaine as a Christmas gift one year. It was a Garrett Ace 250. She came out to visit me the following spring to do some metal detecting. Blaine had many years of detecting experience under her belt (she would frown upon me stating that she has many, many years, so we are skipping the extra many), whereas I had none. So, when we first started out, Blaine would come home with a pouch full of coins, but I would only find a few coins. She kept urging me to not give up. I kept at it, and a few years later, I was sometimes getting more than her!

That Garrett Ace 250 was my "go to" machine. This machine is considered to be a "beginner's" detector, and that's OK. The better you know your machine, the more you will find. I like to think I can out-detect some people with fancier, more expensive equipment. The price for the Garrett Ace 250 is quite reasonable compared to many other fancier machines.

Fast forward to present day, and my Garrett Ace 300 is now my favorite. It is basically an Ace 250 that has been modernized to have the digital readout, as well as a better

pinpointing feature. It's light enough to not cause detecting elbow. Yes, it only works on land (at least for the control box), but it has gotten me enough cash to go out and buy

water machines and other detecting accessories. The Garrett Ace 300 does not have issues at all. If I need repairs, the Garrett people will either fix them, or replace them with a quick turnaround.

Right now, I have more detectors than can fit in my trunk. If you were to look in there, you will find 2 Ace 300s, (ya gotta have a spare), a Garrett AT Pro, (my favorite water detector) sand scoops, 2 Garrett Pro Pointers (aka Garrett Carrots), 2 pouches, screwdrivers and extra batteries.

Have Detector Will Travel is my motto.

Jan Hallez



Day of the



NOVEMBER 13, 11:00 AM
MAJESTIC VIEW PARK
8880 W 72nd AVE, ARVADA, CO 80004
\$20 PER PERSON
TEXT: MARCUS LIEBERMAN
720-930-7030 FOR ANY QUESTIONS
MEMBERS ONLY



The Big CoinHuna/Big Kahuna Event A.K.A

The Tortoise and the Hare by Roy Neys

It was a great day for a hunt. I made 40 copies of the rules and passed out 37. There could have been more, I didn't check with Linda K. There were an outright gaggle of people attending. And why not? It was free to all Eureka! Members in good standing. We kicked off the morning with The Big Kahuna event and I was not disappointed. A number of people donned Hawaiian outfits. Joyce K. went all out with the coconut bra and grass skirt winning first place. The skirt and bra were worn over her clothes, of course. I don't think it was much over 60 degrees at 10:30. John H. won second place with an outfit consisting of Sandy's blouse, a wreath from the front door and a sparkly hat. You had to see this to appreciate it. Everett came in a tight third place- it was the



beaded necklace that scored the win. Not every man can wear beads. Everybody that tried the challenge got a Hawaiian lei. No Tiki torches.



We took a short break for contestants to change into more comfortable attire for metal detecting. I passed out copies of the rules. It's a good thing I wrote the rules down; I never would have been able to answer all the questions otherwise. Keep it Simple Stupid came to mind.

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Oh well, we finally got started and 7 lucky contestants lined up quickly each bearing the required Barber Quarter. I put an Indian Cent on top of the Barber Quarter so most of them got an added bonus. That and the 400 Mercury dimes, a couple hundred clad quarters and odds and ends. The second Heat was the Penny Hunt. The object was to find 20 zinc pennies in a field of 1,000 Wheaties, 2- Eagle Cents and

100 copper Lincolns. In retrospect this hunt was too hard. It was starting to warm up and the copper Lincolns messed a lot of people up. Next time we will have to find10 zinc pennies. That should make it easier. A new member, Justin, found one of the Flying Eagle Cents. Even trying to coax people to find the other one, I finally retrieved it and gave it to Kevyn for his October hunt.

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Three contestants, Linda E., Allen J. and Boots L. moved on to the Nickel Hunt. 100 war nickels about 500 everyday nickels and 39- 2005 Jefferson nickels with Buffalo on the reverse. They only had to find 5 of these. Of the three contestants one stood out, another new guy named Allen. I mentioned The Tortoise and the Hare fable in the title: Boots was the hare, Allen was the tortoise. Quick as a bunny, Boots was moving along, picking up coins at a very





rapid pace. Allen just plugged along, slow and methodical like the tortoise. Some of us told him "Allen! We divide fields in quarters and plant the everything evenly! You need to speed up Allen paid us no heed, he stayed with the path that he was on, and covered every square in scrutinizing every signal. Pinpointer in hand, he either retrieved the coin or moved on. What is interesting is that Boots and Allen each found 4 of the 2005 nickels I

had planted, plus they each found a 2005 native nickel, allowing them to reach the next hunt.

For the final, we all moved to the Dime Hunt. This consisted of 1,000 clad dimes and 100 silver Roosevelt Dimes. The new CoinHuna had to find 20 silver dimes before the other guy did. Again, It was apparent from the start that Allen was hunting way too slow to win. But, Allen remained slow and methodical. I would have bet he would have lost. Much to our surprise, Allen has become our new CoinHuna!!

Boy Howdy, go figure.



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Eureka Learns About the 10th Mountain Division by Norm Ruggles





Our club received an outstanding presentation on the 10th Mountain Division at our monthly meeting on Sept. 9. Our speaker was Dr. Chris Juergens, Anschutz Curator of Military History at the History Colorado Museum and Center. Dr. Juergens is an engaging speaker and is an authority on multiple subjects of military history.

The 10th Mountain Division was a unique mountain warfare Army unit that trained in Colorado for service during WWII. Training took place at Camp Hale in the mountains near Leadville. The 10th Mountain Division distinguished itself while serving in Italy and Austria toward the end of the war. Many Coloradans are aware of the unit's close connection to our state.

Along with his presentation Dr. Juergens displayed several interesting historical items that were actually used by soldiers in the unit. Accompanying Dr. Juergens at our meeting were Sydney Mauck from History Colorado, and Austrian researcher/writer Florian Traussnig. Mr. Traussnig spoke about Austrians who served in the 10th Mountain Division despite Austria's alliance with Germany during the war.





After the war several veterans from the 10th Mountain Division were instrumental in developing ski slopes for recreational skiing in Colorado and elsewhere. Although its focus has changed since WWII, the 10th Mountain Division exists today and is a light infantry division based at Fort Drum, New York.

Members of Eureka's Historical Artifact Recovery Team (HART) met with Dr. Juergens at History Colorado back in April to discuss and view military artifacts from the era of the Sand Creek Massacre and the Battle of Julesburg. HART has done an enormous amount of detecting work at the Julesburg site. It was at the April meeting that we discovered Dr. Juergens' expertise in the 10th Mountain Division, and the idea of his speaking to our club on this topic germinated, eventually leading to his presentation at our September club meeting.



Breakfast Club by Chris Davis

The Breakfast Club had a good turnout for our Saturday hunt. It was a nice day to be out. High around 80.

After some vigorous discussion, we decided to hunt the Paco Sanchez Park. The best find was made by Mary S., with a very nice pair of silver/opal earrings. Six rings were recovered by Bob H., Dan P., Kari, Greg L., and Randy S., who got 2. Bob's was a nice silver. Brian H. dug up what I am calling a pendant. It had a red stone and what appears to be silver wiring. Three knives were found by Marianne S., Greg L., and Marcus L. Jeff M. did best in change with \$5.03. Bob H. was close behind with \$4.83. I trailed a distant 3rd with \$3.35.









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Eureka 2022 Calendar



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October

Wednesday Oct 5 - Board Meeting

Friday - Oct 7 - Breakfast Club

- Newsletter Publishing Date

Friday - Oct 14 - Eureka! Club Meeting at the Clements Center, 7:30 pm

Sunday - Oct 16 -Change of the Season Hunt

Saturday - Oct 22 - Breakfast Club

November Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 4 1 2 3 7 8 9 10 11 12 6 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 1: ● 8: ○ 16: ● 23: ● 30: ●

November

Friday, Nov 4 - Breakfast Club Newsletter Publishing Date

Friday, Nov 11- Eureka! Club Meeting at the Clements Center, 7:30 pm

Sunday, Nov 13 - Day of the Old Buzzard Hunt

Saturday, Nov 19 - Breakfast Club

Friday, Nov 25 - Article Deadline for Newsletter

December Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 2 1 3 7 8 9 10 4 5 6 12 13 14 15 16 17 11 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 7:O 16:O 23:● 29:O

December

Friday, Dec 2 - Breakfast Club Newsletter Publishing Date

Friday, Dec 9 - Eureka! Club Meeting at the Clements Center, 7:30 pm

Sunday, Dec 11 - Christmas Party

Saturday, Dec 17 - Breakfast Club

Friday, Dec 30 - Article Deadline for Newsletter

Pull Tab Art By Dan Pierson



On my way home from the Kansas City airshow I passed through a small town, Lucas, Kansas. It has a population of less than 400 people but a thriving art community. Main street is about three blocks long but features several art galleries and outdoor art installations. In one of the galleries I saw something that could strike terror into the heart of any metal detector hobbyist. A full size car and motorcycle made completely of pull tabs. After I recovered from the shock of that many pull tabs, the gallery owner was gracious enough to let me photograph the vehicles. With the number of pull tabs we collect at Breakfast Club we could team up with the artist and make a garage for the car.





Upcoming Events

NEXT EUREKA! MEETING

Friday, Oct 14th, 7:30pm, Clements Center

Guest Speaker: Chip Kirkpatrick via Zoom, "Can I Dig Holes In Your Yard?"

Breakfast Club Dates

Friday, Oct 7th Saturday, Oct 22nd

Contact: **Chris Davis 225.235.2642** for details or to get added to the email list.

Joining Eureka!

Membership Dues
Yearly dues are \$33 per individual or
\$42 for a family membership.
Please go to:

Eurekathc.org
Download and complete the application form under the *About* tab. Membership dues can be paid to the Treasurer at the regular monthly meetings.

LINKED WEB SITES

www.mdhtalk.org Detecting Hobby Talk

www.fmdac.org Federation of Metal Detector & Archaeological Clubs

www.spreaker.com/admrr

Relic Roundup Radio Show (hosted by Jeff Lubbert, 7pm Mondays)

TenaciousTreasureTracker.com

See Brian Henry's website for the TTT Hunt clues, and new merchandise available.

www.Youtube.com/AdventuresInDirt

Compilation of the best weekly metal detecting channels and finds, by Ken King (Eureka! member). See his **Weekly Dirt** show at 3:00 PM on Sundays (and available thereafter)

www.Youtube.com/5280Adventures

A variety channel of metal detecting, coin hunting, and other outdoor activities by Tony Frangella (Eureka! member) with his son, Caden.



Photo courtesy of @detecting.nh (Instagram)

Autumn Treasure Harvest



















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Find of the Month Winners - September

Coin - Chris Davis

Hammered Silver Penny, King Henry III 1216-1272



Found on an England trip in a plowed field using the XP Deus II with an 11" coil

Artifact - Scott Hardin

Token - Randy Sable

Sloan Bottle

\$1 Car Wash Token



Found in Palmer Lake Using a Whites Detector



Breakfast Club Find with the Minelab Equinox 800

Find of the Month Winners - September (cont.)

Gold - Jeff McClendon

10k Gold Wedding Band



Found at Addenbrooke Park, 6" deep. Found with the Nokta Legend

Jewelry - Randy Sable

Silver Ring



Breakfast Club find- Washington Park Found with the Minelab Equinox 800

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GOLD CATEGORY Jeff McClendon10K Gold Ring JEWELRY CATEGORY Randy SableSilver Ring
Marcus LiebermanSilver Motorcycle Ring Marty Stone.....Stainless Steel Ring Dock Hroch Charm Bracelet Greg LewisRing Greg Lewis Ear Ring John LambeRing Everett Johnson......Tungsten Ring COIN CATEGORY Chris DavisHammered Silver Penny Bruce Morton1956 50 Centavos Coin Marcus Lieberman\$1 Coin TOKEN CATEGORY Randy SableToken

ARTIFACT CATEGORY Hardin Scott......Sloan's Liniment Bottle Hardin ScottBottles Marcus LiebermanEarbuds Bruce Morton......Grateful Dead Pin Marcus Lieberman Toy Porsche Car Greg LewisRoman Coin Copy Everett JohnsonLiberty Coin Token

FIND-OF-THE-MONTH CATEGORIES

<u>Gold</u>: natural gold (flakes, nuggets, wire) stamped karat alloy content or obvious custom alloy item, except gold coins which are entered in the Coin Category.

<u>Jewelry</u>: objects of metal often set with gems and worn for personal adornment, except jewelry qualifying for the Gold Category.

Coin: a piece of metal issued by governmental authority as money.

<u>Token</u>: a piece resembling a coin issued by some person or entity, not of a governmental authority (with the exception of tax tokens), that could be redeemed for services or specified items. Advertisement tokens with no redeemable value are entered in the Artifact Category.

<u>Artifact</u>: simple object showing human workmanship or modification, and all other items that do not meet the criteria for other categories.



Secretary's Notes by Nancy Faires

Eureka! THC Club Meeting September 9, 2022

CALL TO ORDER 7:31 PM

The monthly Eureka! THC Club meeting was held Friday September 9, 2022 at the Clements Community Center, Lakewood, CO. There were approximately 60 members and guests present.

Welcome – Roy Neys, President Treasurers Report – Linda Kibler Masks are recommended but not required.

Club member coin buy-back is currently discontinued.

Speaker:

Dr. Chris Juergens, the Anschutz Curator of Military History at the History Colorado Museum. He

earned a Ph.D. in Military History at Florida State University. His topic was the 10th Mountain Division, the

Army unit that trained in Colorado for mountain service during WWII and distinguished itself in combat

in Europe.

HUNTS

August 14 – Dog Days of Summer - Sheri Muehlbauer #22 participants
Karen Freeman found the Spyderco token and received a Spyderco knife
Sept 11 – CoinHuna – Roy Neys O'Kane Park, Lakewood Members only
October 16 – Change of Seasons – Kevyn Llewellyn \$20
November 13 – Day of the Old Buzzard – Marcus Lieberman \$20
Breakfast Club – a handful of members went to Washington Park and several rings were found.

FINDS OF THE MONTH

Gold – Jeff McClendon Coin – Chris Davis Artifact – Scott Hardin Token – Randy Sable Jewelry – Randy Sable











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COIN DRAWINGS

2014 Walking liberty silver bullion – Dan Pierson

1838 Liberty large cent – Justin Hroch

1865 2 cent coin – John Lambe

1835 Capped bust dime – Marcus Lieberman

1858 Three cent trime – Chris Davis

1921 Morgan silver dollar – Glen Thompson

1874 Shield nickel – Justin Hroch

1875 Shield nickel – Justin Hroch

1870 Seated Liberty ½ dime – Justin Hroch

1905 Barber dime – Marcus Lieberman

Second Chance Drawings

Water Bottle Cozy: Justin Hroch, Robert Ahr, Glen Thompson

50/50 – Jeff McClendon

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING – Justin Hroch

HOLIDAY – 1891 Morgan silver dollar – Lane Black

Thank you to everyone who assisted with the meeting.

ADJOURN 9:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Faires Secretary Eureka! THC

6 Time Winner!! Some newbies have ALL the luck!















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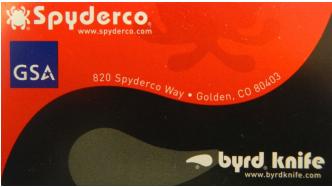
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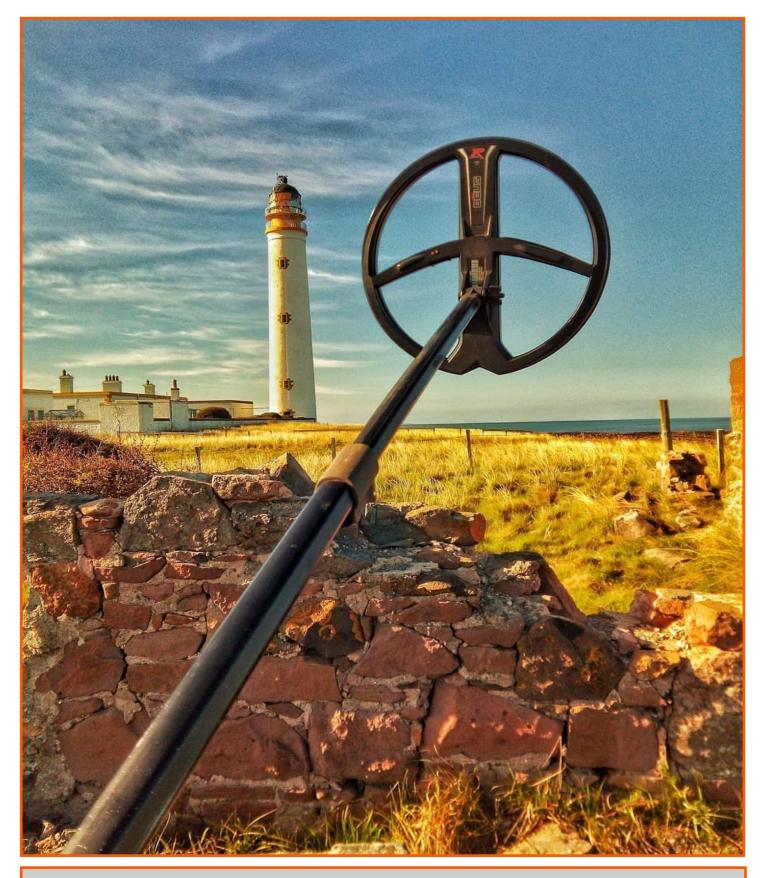
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Next Club Meeting

The October 14th meeting will be held at the Clements Center at 7:30 p.m.

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