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Silver City Treasure Seekers Club Newsletter

Where the Adventure Begins ..."

SCTSC News

July/August 2021

Summer is Waning

We've as yet had no communication regarding the next in-person meeting.

We're hoping to hear from Bristol Plymouth about a Fall meeting at the school

Alas, this Damn Bug lingers yet



It's still lurking ... be vigilant

Treasure Seekers Club Newsletter

"Where the Adventure Begins ..."

Hello SC Treasure Seekers I hope you All 'weathered' Henri recently ... (!) Inputs for this months edition of the NewsLetter have again been pretty sparse ... Thank you to those who did share some photos/descriptions

This is the next installment of our **SCTSC** NewsLetter. So,

here is the July/August NewsLetter ... We would all enjoy seeing your photos & descriptions of your Finds in the following NewsLetters.

C'Mon! Help us out!

'Every Tone's a Treasure' ... share yours with us They're all a piece of History.



The Q brother's --- Cheers!

The President's Corner:

This is the clubs 20th anniversary year!
Bill say's Hello to everyone ... and,

... it was great seeing everybody at our last meeting.
I'm waiting any day now to hear if we're approved for the school
for the first Fri of every month, including September, so please keep eye on
our Facebook site and pass news onto others that are not on the web.

l also wanted to welcome the Madden family ... Mark, Erica and Devon as new members.

They own and run the Star Drive In that let us have our meeting there.

Also - We are asking everyone to please consider running for an officer position, as we need new blood to run the club.

It's been a great 20 yrs !!
But I'm getting tired an looking for help.
We'll have a ballot count in January 2022.
Hope to see everyone soon

Your 2021 Officers

President - Bill Henderson

1st Vice President - open 2nd Vice President - Kent Blethen Secretary - Steve Petrelli Treasurer - John Oliveira

Bill is looking to step down as President ... that will be a topic of conversation at our next meeting

Kudo's!

"Here's a less common mode of Metal Detecting ...! Way to Go Joe Baker!

"Up in Maine with the family......

Did a solo dive in a "very hard to access" swimming hole.

NO easy way to get down....had to lower the gear with ropes and then climb down to
the only flat area near the outflow...

Not a bad day.....!

Three Apple watches....Two cell phones....one is an I-phone 12 "Pro," (my kids tell me that's a \$1,000 phone)

Breaking news...ALL the Apple watches work.....

A nice working Seiko Divers watch (200 m water proof)

One .925 sterling earring, 3 sets of swim Goggles, two face masks, One VISA debit card, one snorkel, two hair scrunchies, .26 cents (!), a neoprene water shoe and two bottle caps. (LOL)

Dive time was 1 hour and 10 minutes.

Max depth 20' and visibility about 15-20' and water temp (guess) around 65.

One fat lady jumped in off the cliff while I was down there (my kids said she was "huge") and it sounded like a concussion grenade went off...!!!

Cool dive overall. I have "Go Pro" video of the entire dive...!!!





The Dive!

"here's an addendum to 'the Dive' !
" Already contacted an owner of one of the Apple watches....

It was a guy from Pennsylvania who now lives in Washington DC and was up here a few weeks ago for a bachelor party.

He said that after he lost it...he and his buddies actually got some masks and snorkeling gear and were able to get down in the hole and recover THREE other Apple watches but NOT his.

He was SO excited to hear that I have his watch.....

We called his brother first in Pennsylvania and he gave me the owners cell phone # Told him I would send it to him as soon as we got back to Mass.

Also looked up the name on the VISA Debit card and it's a Doctor from Waterville, Maine.....Will call him tomorrow...!!!!

And,

So far only one of the three Apple watches had medical ID info... the others powered up but are locked. The I-phone 12 is sitting in a bag of rice and will likely power up. We will take the Apple watches to the Apple store after we get back and see if they can track the owners.

Check this picture out below.....

All the Apple watches and I-phones aside....

the Seiko watch alone retails for almost \$600 bucks.....That's a KEEPER...!!!

My wife said "All totaled I recovered almost \$3,000 worth of stuff today

Holy crap I guess it was a great day...!!!





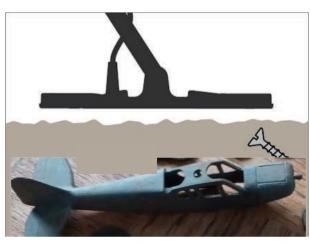
Swingin with the Boys

Hi quack
Found these with my grandson ages 7 & 4.
A blast for them.
Nothing fancy but huge to them.
My A T Pro





Steve Petrelli & Grandsons !!!



A bit of 'Hunting History' with Denise ... sometimes the Finds are 'Closer to Home' ...

Hey Quack:

While attempting to plant lillies and other plants in my 1700s home yard, I decided to dig up an old clothes line pole with a huge cement base (see pics)

It was near the original well and within a large island of very old lilacs about 50' from my back door.

As I was digging and planting I was Compelled to stop and detect the area

The project should have taken an hour or so... but doubled the time in order to detect.



Talk about your Plugs ... !!!





A Very Determined Gal ... LOL



A bit of 'Hunting History' with Denise ...

Hey Quack:

I was Compelled to stop and detect the area

and these are some of my finds. All were in between much iron and old nails.

One piece button, strange copper piece with "Lowney" in reverse embossed on it, and a really cool complete buckle with lots of fancy.

Also nails, wheaties, pottery and glass.

Other finds in my yard so far have been: 1818 and 1824 large cents, 1853 seated dime,

and a sterling silver spoon or fork handle with hallmarks dating back to and initials of home owners from mid 1700s.

I've lived here for 30 yrs and have yet to detect this place completely.

It's fun knowing that I can walk out into my yard and possibly find something really good.

I've got all the time in the world. Lol.

The owner fought in the French and Indian War and the revolutionary war.

He was a contemporary of George Washington. Born in 1732 and died in 1804. His family owned the house from 1758-1870s.

Love it here!

Denise



It's All Old Dirt ...!!!



History -Beneath your Feet





'Hunting History' ... Wicked Digger

Hello! Sorry I haven't had much time to send stuff.

Been digging too much, lol, just simply busy with life, but that's always good!

I did get a recent new permission on 2 acres of land in East Taunton and managed to get some goodies!

I have been there 2 times, my second I invited Carol Rio and Ken Hurst.

They also got some great finds!

(see following page)

I got 10 Wheaties, 2 silvers and a US large cent for coins my first day. The Barber dime was my 5th hole at about 4 inches down.

No date/id on the copper but still wicked fun to save history!







'Hunting History' ... Wicked Digger

Ken got the sailboat item, not sure what it is besides amazing! I believe it's pewter.

Carol got the good luck token and a really cool button!

Together we all saved history and had a wicked great day!Thanks so much!

Here are some of Carol and Ken's finds from our hunt!









'Notes from the Field ... UHhhh Beach!

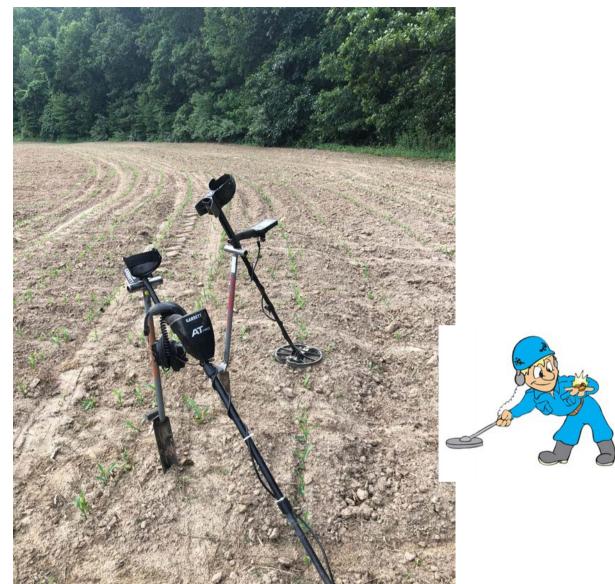
So - pretty much hitting the local beaches when I can. Woods are overgrown, full of ticks and mosquitoes during the day. I would love to dig on some farm fields.

Been trying out the CTX 3030 and have found clad and this ring. Sterling 925. Barely fits on my pinky. Glenn Bourdon





Try a new spot ...







Lucas on the Hunt!

So ... one of our past clients, who are 'Family', had never been MD'ing.
Where to go for a 'First time experience' during the summer
when fields are thick?

AHhhh ... I know just the park!













I think they're Hooked! and Lucas is Rockin those Shades! LOL



First time out ... Liberty Nickel! No Date visible Still Awesome!

It was two hours a Lot of Fun with Lucas & Stephen!

Liberty Nickel ...

The Liberty Head nickel, sometimes referred to as the V nickel because of its reverse (or tails) design, is an American five-cent piece.

It was struck for circulation from 1883 until 1912, with at least five pieces being surreptitiously struck dated 1913. The obverse features a left-facing image of the goddess of Liberty.

The original copper–nickel five-cent piece, the Shield nickel, had longstanding production problems, and in the early 1880s, the United States Mint was looking to replace it. Mint Chief Engraver Charles Barber was instructed to prepare designs for proposed one-, three-, and five-cent pieces, which were to bear similar designs.

Only the new five-cent piece was approved, and went into production in 1883.

Although no 1913 Liberty head nickels were officially struck, five are known to exist. While it is uncertain how these pieces originated, they have come to be among the most expensive coins in the world, with one selling in 2018 for \$4.5 million







Lucas & Stephen - Totally Hooked!

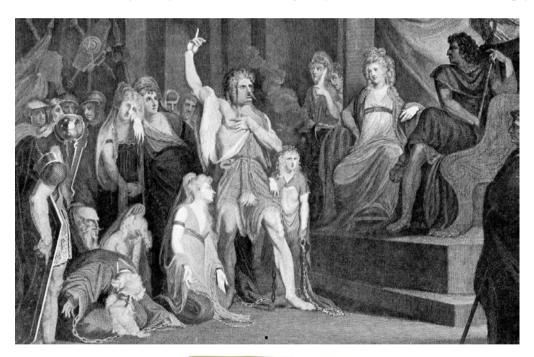
Iron Age Caratacus coin: \$94,000

A metal detectorist in Newbury, England discovered what has been described as the "most important single Iron Age coin ever found in this country" in November 2019.

The coin depicts Caratacus (pictured center), a chieftain who resisted the Roman conquest of Britain in 43AD – approximately 2,000 years ago. The coin shows Caratacus as a naked horseman, wielding a shield and javelin, and is the first to have been found bearing the inscription 'CARAT', an indisputable abbreviation of 'Caratacus',

which makes it the first coin linked to the leader ever found.

It went to auction at Chris Rudd Auctions on 15 November 2020, and sold for an impressive \$94,000 plus premium, nearly triple the \$31,000 starting price.





Silver coins in a pub garden: \$130,000

As the owner of a metal detector shop, Luke Mahoney had dedicated more of his time to treasure hunting than most.

After a decade of searching for long-lost valuables, Mahoney finally stumbled across something spectacular

in the garden of his local pub, The Lindsey Rose, in Suffolk, England.

Beneath the ground lay a hoard of 1,061 individual 15th-century silver coins,

believed to have been stashed away by a wealthy landowner called up to fight during the English Civil War.

The collection is expected to be worth at least \$130,000.



"I AM A GREAT BELIEVER IN LUCK, AND I FIND THE HARDER I WORK THE MORE I HAVE OF IT."

Ringlemere Cup: \$383,900

In November 2001, metal detectorist Cliff Bradshaw stumbled upon this crushed gold cup in a field near Sandwich, England,

which turned out to be a Bronze Age chalice dating from 1700-1500 BC. In 2002, the artifact was snapped up by the British Museum for \$383,900. The cash was split between Bradshaw and the landowner.





Shapwick hoard: \$418,000

In September 1998, amateur treasure hunter Martin Elliot was trying to teach his cousin to use a metal detector when

he came across a Roman coin not far below the surface of the ground.

Digging deeper, the pair discovered

a massive hoard of more than 9,000 silver denarii coins from between the 1st century BC and 3rd century AD.

The hoard, named after Shapwick in Somerset, England, where they were found, were valued at \$418,000 in 2000.

> They were sold to Somerset County Museum at this price. Even more surprisingly, the hoard was reportedly found using a \$2.60 metal detector.





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A reminder that Alan Chambers is our Civil War fellow!

Alan has had some seriously Warm (!) weather in his Southern clime!

A long time Detectorist for all things Civil War,

Alan has shared photos, in previous NewsLetters, of some of his finds.

He's a genuinely nice guy and is hoping members from our club may be interested in trading colonial era stuff (buckles, Large Cents, perhaps Coppers) for Civil War era finds from his personal collection.

He has over 8500 Civil War bullets... !!! Many different types.

If anyone has an interest, I have his contact info. ...

refer to his pictures in previous NewsLetters. We'll see Alan up here again soon.



Without the Cannon! LOL

Always a good reminder

A reminder for all diggers out there ...

fill in your holes.

"I have been to many sites where holes are not filled. If holes do not get filled and towns see this, they will start banning us from locations.

Land to detect will be harder to come by.

Please be respectful and fill in those holes.

If you see holes that aren't filled in and they aren't yours ..

well ... fill them in the best you can.

Do what's right.











All SCTSC members ... I'm taking a Roll Call each month ...

Please e-mail or text me what are your favorite machine(s) you use ...

This is the Members Model page favorite machines ...

Equinox 600
Equinox 800
Fisher
Garrett AT Pro
Garrett Ace 400 detector
Minelab CTX3030
Nokta Macro Simplex
What others?

Thank you to those who shared what machine(s) they use ...

I'd like to add a page of reasons **why** you Favor your machine and any Tips you would share to get best results with it ... please e-mail me with those

SCTSC members -**Items for Sale or Trade page**

any errors on this page are O's

If you have items to Sell or Trade, contact Quack with the photos & Details and

I'll include it in the Next NewsLetter.

Hey -You need a new machine!





An Invitation ...

Our President Bill has proposed that Members who have a Business, or engage in Business ... and who wish to, are Invited to place an 'Ad' in the Newsletter each month.

Those who may be interested in doing so should **e-mail Quack**

with whatever verbiage and Photo(s) they wish to include ...

Compose your 'Ad' and send it along.

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I will include them in the Next newsletter

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AKA Wicked Digger





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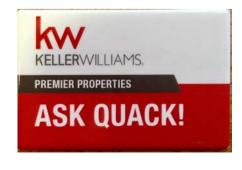
A special offer to 'First Responders' & since March 2020 extended that to all 'Essential Workers'

We are **now offering it to All SCTSC members whether Sellers & Buyers Keller Williams** is the largest Realty organization in the nation and # 1 in North America













About Our Club:

The Silver City Treasure Seekers Club of Taunton, Massachusetts started back in 2001 by **Bill Henderson**, and is dedicated to the promotion of metal detecting as a hobby.

Membership is open to the public, with the only requirement being that all members follow the Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics.

The Club's yearly dues are \$35 per (household) Family or \$25 single.

Dues will be announced at a future meeting.

We *Used* to meet at 6:30 p.m. on the first Friday of every month at the Bristol-Plymouth Technical High School, 940 County st. (Rte 140),

Taunton, Massachusetts. **CoVid prevented that** ...

We are **Hoping to resume there in the Fall ...tbd.**

There are currently over 90+ members that had participated in various club meetings, club hunts, and Coin contests ... e.g. Find of the Month and Find of the Year, with prizes

NOTE-

an In-Person meeting was held on 13 July @ Star Drive In ... another to be announced for the Fall.

Read more about Our Club by visiting the Club's Web site at:

www.silvercitytreasureseekers.net ... or ... on FB www.facebook.com/groups/1385827428366555



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Your Club Officers - 2021

President - Bill Henderson

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Metal Detecting Tips you may not have Considered

It's still Tick season! Bug Spray ... and DEET perhaps Don't forget to stay hydrated!!

Hey ... Bring Water ... or, a Cold drink will be welcomed ... Walking woods / margins? Watch for vestiges of domesticated plants - e.g. certain flowers, grasses ... from long ago habitation



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PaleoQuack Archae sessions ... 30+ years ... All venues ... Libraries, Sr. Ctrs., Grade, H.S & Home schoolers, Museums, Scouts beginning again this Fall ... it's not all metal!























It's ALL Old Dirt!