



Threshold

August 14, 2025

Center for the Historical Recovery Association of North Florida
Dedicated to the Hobbies of Metal Detecting and Treasure Hunting



Next Meeting: Thursday, September 11, 2025 Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Holiday Hill Church, 730 Mandalay Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32216

Newsletter Articles

If you have a story or article to share with the club please contact me (Terry Sayre).

Danish Man Buys Metal Detector and Finds 2500-Year-Old-Treasure in First Try December 2024

A rookie metal detectorist recently experienced an enormous amount of beginner's luck when he discovered several 2,500-year-old artifacts in a Danish bog. Claus Falsby of Denmark grabbed a metal detector and went out searching for whatever valuables he could find. On his first shot, he hit the jackpot. And then he did it again the next day.

Falsby found a 2500-year-old late bronze age sword that had been ritualistically bent, along with a rare bronze necklace. His findings were confirmed by archaeologists from a Danish museum. The artifacts he found were part of a sacrificial offering called a "depot," a trove of items usually buried in bogs and that was just on Falsby's first day as a detectorist.

On his second day, just a few days later, only 231 feet away from the place where he made his first discovery, he found a huge bronze necklace. Only one other has ever been found in Denmark, and this guy finds it on his second day as an amateur archaeologist.

The archaeologist did some more digging and found some axes, some rings, and what seemed to be a piece of a clothing pin, along with some other trinkets. The pieces date back

to around 500 BCE, somewhere in the transitory. Which was between the late Bronze Age to the early Iron Age in Northern Europe. Mock metal detectors all you want, those people usually find some good shit out there, including lots of gold.

The artifacts are already providing archaeologists and historians with valuable insight into Danish history. For instance, the sword is made of bronze and has iron rivets. Those rivets indicate some of the earliest known instances of iron being used in Denmark. Falsby's beginner's luck has already contributed to a deeper understanding of his homeland.

August finds of the month table.

Coins

Description	Assigned #	Circle one
105 Year old Wheat Cent 1920	1	Coins
1920 Wheat Penny		Coins
Wisconsin (found in) Nickel	6	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
1912 Buffalo	11	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
1908 Standing Liberty Quarter		Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
1865-1889 US Nickel Three Cent	1st	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Crusty Beach Penny	8	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
My 2 CENTS 1955 BRITISH CARIBBIENS ISLES	2nd	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Tailored S Shad Coir	17	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
ISRAEL 1 SHEQEL	7	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
1935 silver mercury dime	5	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth

Jewelry

Description	Assigned #	Circle one
Clears Ring	10	Jewelry
SS Wedding Band with stones	1	Jewelry
PK 2002 Class Ring (Reminded after 24 yrs)	2nd	Jewelry
18K Necklace	17	Jewelry
14K Gold Ring	3rd	Jewelry
14K Gold + Diamond Pearl Earring	2	Jewelry
10K Gold Shell earring	1st	Jewelry
10K Band (CP)	9	Jewelry
CRASH	3rd	Jewelry

Relics

Description	Assigned #	Circle one
First Flight Golf and Arnold Palmer May 28, 2013 - First Flight was a if golf clubs made up until the early 1970s	1	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Vintage Steam Engine from family	3rd	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Skeleton Key found w/ High Hat Army base	1st	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
1937 Rabies Vaccine tag	2nd	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Sold Metal unknown item looks like a dog tag	2	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
COUSE OFF WW2 - Army Camp	3rd	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Vintage WW2 Wittnauer US Army Military Pocket Compass		Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth

Miscellaneous

Description	Assigned #	Circle one
10K Gold Shell earring	1st	Jewelry
Knife	17	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Key chain	11	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Key with an oval pin	6	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
US 50c SNIPER RIFLE	3rd	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Vintage Dorrer PRC for Counterintelligence Cap. Range Emblems Pouch		Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
White	17	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Knife	17	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
10K Gold Shell earring	8	Jewelry
Key chain	11	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
US 50c SNIPER RIFLE	3rd	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Vintage Dorrer PRC for Counterintelligence Cap. Range Emblems Pouch		Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
White	17	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Knife	17	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth

Tokens/Buttons

Description	Assigned #	Circle one
Lottery	5	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Large token	1st	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Jean Button	6	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Button	10	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
U.S. Rose Co. Dishwashers Jacksonville, FL 1880-1920 close to 1900	3rd	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
Texas Lone Star Button Brass	2nd	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth
SHRINERS CHILDREN HOSPITAL	7	Miscellaneous Tokens & Buttons Youth

August Finds Competition

August	Coins		Jewelry		Relics		Miscellaneous		Tokens/Buttons	
1st	Mule, Philip	5	Jacobs, Ricky	5	Carmody, Carol	5	Terwilliger, Ray	5	Jacobs, Ricky	5
2nd	Moos, Noah	4	Moos, Noah	4	Filippi, James	4	Mule, Philip	4	Mule, Philip	4
3rd	Filippi, James	3	Simmons, Dale	3	Powell, Ray	1	Powell, Ray	4	Filippi, James	3
4th	Carey, Rich	1	Terwilliger, Ray	3	Terwilliger, Ray	1	Filippi, James	3	Combs, "Pete"	1
5th	Carmody, Carol	1	Carey, Rich	1			Simmons, Dale	3	Moos, Noah	1

2025 Finds Competition Standings Category and Overall Best Hunter

Coins		Jewelry		Relics		Misc	
Filippi, James	32	Carmody, Carol	24	Filippi, James	32	Terwilliger, Ray	27
Carmody, Carol	17	Simmons, Dale	24	Terwilliger, Ray	23	Simmons, Dale	22
Combs, "Pete"	15	Combs, "Pete"	21	Simmons, Dale	15	Filippi, James	21
Mule, Philip	15	Terwilliger, Ray	19	Carmody, Carol	14	Combs, "Pete"	17
Simmons, Dale	14	Filippi, James	14	Combs, "Pete"	12	Mule, Philip	12
Tokens		Youth		Overall			
Simmons, Dale	26		0	Filippi, James	123		
Filippi, James	24		0	Terwilliger, Ray	107		
Terwilliger, Ray	24		0	Simmons, Dale	101		
Combs, "Pete"	21		0	Combs, "Pete"	86		
Jacobs, Ricky	11		0	Carmody, Carol	69		
				Mule, Philip	60		
				Sayre, Terry	36		
				Jacobs, Ricky	34		
				Carmody, Mike	19		
				Moos, Noah	16		

HRANF Secretary Report for August 14, 2025

Meeting was held on the above date at Holiday Hill Church, 730 Mandalay Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32216. Meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by President Dianna Watkins who led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Watkins distributed an Agenda. There were two guests, Tyler Lewis and Jamie Herzog.

Monthly Reports:

- (1) Vice President Allen Moore – not present
- (2) Treasurer Kim Moore – present – 50/50 raffle tickets
- (3) Secretary Carol Carmody – present – nothing new
- (4) Newsletter Editor Terry Sayre – present – has been making updates to the website
- (5) Board member Chip Kirkpatrick – present – spoke about events attended since last meeting
- (6) Pete Combs – present – managed the finds table

Next, general business:

- (1) Club public events: Talked about attending the Equestrian Center's Healing Hooves Treasure Hunt, the History Fair, and attempting to find a well head on personal property
- (2) Birthdays and anniversaries recognized
- (3) Returns – Noah Moas found his own class ring lost many years; Carol Carmody returned two rings; Philip Mulé returned a ring; Rich Corey returned a driver's license and student IDs; Rick Jacobs returned a cell phone
- (4) For Sale – Philip Mulé – Garrett Sea Hunt \$300 OBO; Pete Combs – XP MI-6 Pinpointer \$90
- (5) Permissions – Noah Moas is working on a permission; we are allowed to go back to the property where we looked for the well head
- (6) Upcoming seeded hunts: Daytona Dig seeded night hunt; HRANF seeded hunt in November; we need a committee for the November hunt
- (7) Name Badge Drawing – Jack Warnke
- (8) Scavenger Hunt-ongoing – Show Dianna your finds either in person or phone picture
- (9) Monthly contest for earrings: Philip Mulé 1 st place; James Filippe 2 nd place; Ray Terwilliger 3 rd place
- (10) This month's contest will be knives
- (11) James Filippe was the winner of the 50/50/drawing \$84
- (12) Social time, silent auction, and finds table results awarded

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Carol Carmody, Secretary Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm. Kim Moore