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RUSH TO THE ROCKIES 2023 The Stampede

NATIONAL OPEN METAL DETECTING EVENT

NEWTON-STROMBERG PARK 11612 S. FOXTON ROAD, CONIFER, CO 80433

July 7-9, 2023

TWO DAYS, FIVE HUNTS - \$290

Rush to the Rockies will be in Conifer, Colorado, in the foothills of the Colorado Rockies, 15 miles southwest of Denver. The Conifer area was settled in the 1860s but was first occupied by the Arapaho, Ute, and Cheyenne tribes, who used the area as a hunting ground.

GOLD PANNING!

Gold panning will be set up on Saturday.

OTHER

As with all our past events, you can expect a fun weekend full of exceptional hunts, fantastic prizes, and the great company of friends. **New this year**, we have decided to modify the hunt fields to minimize the elevation change after listening to comments left after last year's event.



Visit us on Facebook at Eureka Treasure Hunters Club - Rush To The Rockies
Questions? Visit EurekaTHC.org, email: <u>EurekaRush2023@gmail.com</u>, or contact Win at (720) 233-0758

Some of the coins that will be in the seeded hunts on Saturday and Sunday for Rush to the Rockies









The Great Pirate Treasure Hunt Date: Sunday, July 23rd Time: 10:30 Am Place: Majestic View Park 8870 W. 72nd Ave Arvada, CO 80003 Contact: Marty Stone @ 720-312-3106 Lots of Booty! Bling! Buried Treasure! \$25 per Person Members Only

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DOUBLE BINGO HUNT SUNDAY, August 13 10:00 AM

Questions: Dan Pierson 303-909-0071

ENTRY FEE \$25 MEMBERS ONLY 100% OF FEES WILL BE PLANTED ROBBY FERRUFINO PARK 9001 WEST 74TH AVE ARVADA, CO







The Prez Sez

by Jeff Lubbert



Recently, I spent a week fishing with my family in west-central Minnesota. During that week I spent most days fishing with my father from sunrise to sunset with a couple hours off during mid-day for lunch. Yes, it was a great trip with a multitude of fish being boated each day. But, me being me, I of course managed to smuggle a couple of detectors on this trip. My 6 year old great-niece heard that I had brought a couple of detectors with me and asked that I teach her how to detect. She made a "deal" with my father that if she found treasure he would owe her ice cream (yep, there is no doubt she is related to me). Well, of course, to a 6 year old anything found was deemed treasure so within a couple of minutes of starting we had found a pull-tab so she was owed ice cream. After 15 minutes of swinging a coil she had run her course of metal detecting and it was time to swim in the lake.

This brings me to my point for this article, any chance you get to share our wonderful hobby with someone, please do so. Yes, it is even better if that person is a young relative. But, it doesn't matter if that person is a relative or not. Spread the hobby and be a good ambassador for the hobby. The future of the hobby is dependent on getting new people to swing a coil and enjoy the great outdoors with us.

Thanks,

Jeff



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WTF! It's About the Coins Hunt Report by Greg Lewis

The WTF Hunt went well for my first time! Lots of coins in the ground, and lots of people went home with very full pockets and sore muscles. I also heard that it was good preparation for the Rush to the Rockies Hunt.



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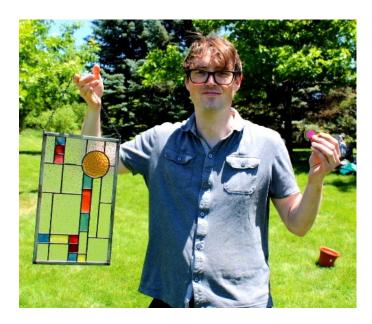












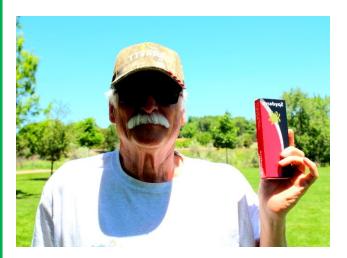


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I also want to thank everyone who helped with the planting as well as those who donated prizes and their efforts to make this hunt a success.

The prize winners of the hunt are:

Brice Y - Coors stein mug and Oak Brewing gift card

Joyce K - Eureka stein mug

Brian H - silver ore

Raffi S - crystal and tourmaline minerals

John L - 2 t-shirts

Marcus L - yellow shirt

Win F - Coors stein mug and SpyderCo knife

Mark - silver round

Shellie A - silver round

Marty S - Coors stein mug

Allen J - stained glass

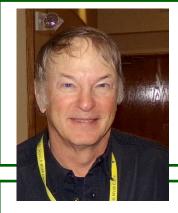
Everett J - black t-shirt

Maryann M - British Columbia commemorative dollar





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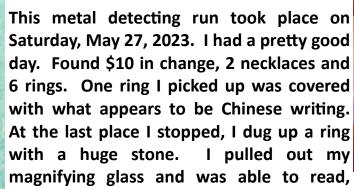


Gold Rings #87 and #88

This was my first run with the new XP Deus 2 V 1.1. I worked through the various programs over the 3 hours I actively searched. I was not overly impressed. My custom Nero Program did not work very well. For most of the programs, I am having to constantly raise the volume to hear the targets. The sounds are different. I could not get any emphasis on the signals. They all seemed rather bland. With V 0.7 good targets (and some trash) jumped out at you. The only program which worked well with the new version was my custom GM

Power Program, on single frequency. The

General Program worked fairly well.



"Tiffany & Co., 14K D2.00ct.". My, that sounded encouraging. A 2 carat diamond from Tiffany & Co. might even pay for the day's

gas. So, I decided to stop by the jewelry store on the way home. I walked into the store





and asked the fellow if he knew anything about jewelry. I said he knew a little bit, so I hit him 3 questions: 1) Does Tiffany make costume jewelry? He said no. 2) Is Tiffany jewelry counterfeited? Answer: Yes. 3) Is the stone in my ring a diamond? He looked at it with a glass, tested it and went into the back room (and I think he

looked it up on the Tiffany website). Unfortunately, the verdict, it was a Cubic Zirconia (CZ),

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not a diamond. My, what a letdown, which ruined my plan to finance my next several trips to England. Oh well.

It was a silly plan to start with, as if I really expected I would be able to get the ring away from my wife.

I went home and got on the internet. I discovered Tiffany does indeed produce jewelry



with CZs. After a bit more searching, I was able to identify the ring I found, for sale on eBay, for only \$950, used.

I suppose, if a ring costs \$950, used, it does not fall into the "costume jewelry" category.



The ring is 14K white gold. Still, you can understand my disappointment at it not having a 2 carat diamond.

I suppose using CZs is a shrewd marketing decision by Tiffany. There is nothing on the ring which destroys the illusion it is a diamond. The unsuspecting wife or fiancée will never know the difference unless she goes to a jeweler.

I went out again on Sunday. It was a slow day. Only found 4 rings. How disappointing. The one gold had a light green stone and was very pretty. I actually like it better than the Tiffany ring, but at only 10K, you can understand how I would be embarrassed to put it out on the Finds Table. Besides, the Tiffany ring has a much better story. I should point out, those little old ladies can be awful tough. It is much easier to trade 2 candy bars to the kids on the playground for their rings.

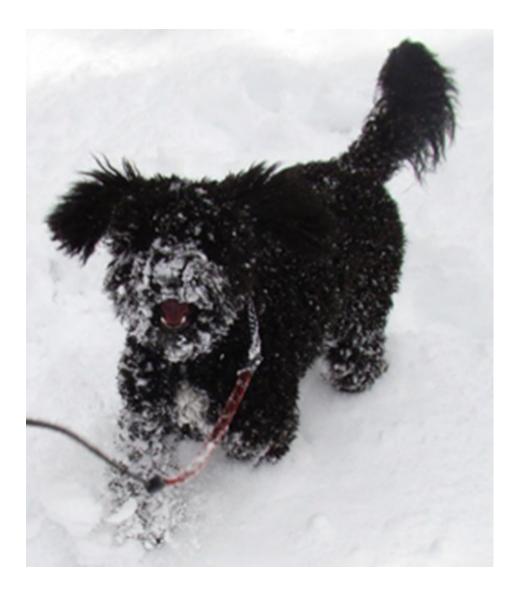
These two rings bring my total Career Gold Ring number to 88. Only 12 more, and I can quit metal detecting. That should not take more than 15 or 16 years.

Oh yes, detecting in the Denver area can be a real adventure. Of course, I cannot leave the house without Katie, unless I want to get bit. So, she goes on most of my metal detecting adventures with me. Unfortunately, with her black coat, she gets awfully warm, so once it gets hot, I tie her to a tree in the shade while I conduct my search. On this occasion, I was detecting on a school tot lot. The side gate was locked, so I tied her to the gate in the shade inside the enclosure. Halfway thru the hunt I looked up to see 2 homeless individuals trying to steal her. They had her squeezed thru the gate, but she was still tied

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to the leash. It is illegal to carry firearms on school property, so I carry pepper spray when hunting schools. I charged over, and the individuals backed off in a hurry. Unless they wanted her for dinner, I have no idea what was going on in their collective minds, if anything. The moral to this sad tale, keep your eyes open and be aware of what is going on around you.





Breakfast Club 6/2 by Chris Davis



The Eureka! Breakfast Club made an excursion on Friday June 1, 2023. After the usual excellent meal at the Lookin' Good Restaurant, we ambled over to Stenger Soccer Complex for our hunt. Hunting conditions were excellent. Plenty of moisture in the soil from recent rains, and it was not too warm.

As anticipated, not many coins were found (by most of us), but the soccer complex had been

receiving large numbers of ball players, so the chances to find jewelry was good. Six rings were recovered (Shelly, Greg, Chris, Bruce, Yam and Marianne), but none were precious metal. However, "a ring is a ring is a ring". The best two rings were a large, gaudy soccer ring (Greg) and a very nice Sasquatch ring (Marianne). Bruce picked up a Soccer Toss Coin.

Jeff got a silver (vermeil) earring. I dug up a silver

pendant.

Jeff did best on change with \$4.02, followed by Bob with \$3.21.

We done worse.



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Breakfast Club 6/17 by Chris Davis



On June 17, 2023 the Eureka! Breakfast Club made its hunt at City Park. With daily rains for the previous 2 or 3 weeks, there was plenty of moisture in the soil. It appears, everyone in Denver also thought it would be an excellent day to visit the park. The park was jammed, and parking locations were at a premium. But, most of us managed to squeeze in. City Park is an excellent place to detect. It receives a large number of visitors each day, and with all kinds of physical activities, all have the potential to lose stuff. The flip side of large numbers of people, they also have the tendency to lose large amounts of garbage. So, it is rather like detecting in a minefield. The potential for good finds is there, but you dig thru enough garbage.





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As expected, everyone found coins. Mary S. go a very nice wheat-ear penny. I thought I was way out in front of the change category with \$4.71, until I spoke to Jeff M. He had his usual slow day and only came up with \$11.11. What a slug. Mark C. probably made the best find with a very nice silver spoon. We found 3 rings. Mary dug up 1 and I picked up 2. The "gold" one I found looks very good in the photograph, but is stamped "925" indicating it is vermeil (gold plated silver). Yeah, I threw it back. Jeff M. also picked up a vermeil earring.







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Eureka 2023 Calendar



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<u>July</u>

Wednesday, Jul 5 - Board Meeting

Weekend of Jul 7, 8 & 9 -**Rush to the Rockies**

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

Saturday, Jul 22 – Breakfast Club

Sunday, Jul 23 - The Great Pirate
Treasure Hunt

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August

Wednesday, Aug 2 - Board Meeting

Friday, Aug 4 - Breakfast Club

- Newsletter Publishing Date

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

Saturday, Aug 19 - Breakfast Club

August Hunt - Double Bingo Hunt

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

September

Friday, Sep 1 - Breakfast Club - Newsletter Publishing Date

Friday, Sep 8 - Eureka! Club Meeting at the Clements Center, 7:30 pm

Saturday, Sep 16 - Breakfast Club

Upcoming Events

Breakfast Club Dates

Saturday, July 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.



The Finds of Summer



















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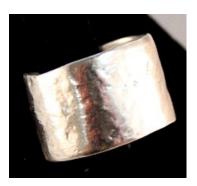




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Find of the Month Winners - June

Coin - Jeff McClendon

1891 Seated Liberty Dime



Found in a foundation full of square nails 5" deep using the Nokta Legend

Token - Cindy Bockenstedt

Artifact - Steve Erickson

CO Tax Token

1916 Panama-Cal. Expo watch fob



Found in a bed of square nails in the mtns 3" deep w/ Nokta Legend



Found a place behind the Littleton Municpal Bldg- Not a park

Find of the Month Winners - June (cont.)

Gold - Chris Davis

Tiffany White Gold Ring w/ CZ stone



Found in a tot lot. Inscribed "14k D2.00ct" Found ring on Ebay, used for \$950

Jewelry - Mary Sable

Silver ring with fire opal



Found in grass at a park

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Chris Davis	10k Gold Medallion
Blane Pierce	
Jeff McClendon	14k Gold Ring
Bob Holmberg	
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Mary Sable	Silver Onal Ring
Chris Davis	
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Marcus Lieberman	
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Bruce Morton	
Roy Neys	
Chris Davis	
Jeff McClendon	
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Shellie Zornus	Copper Ring
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Everett Johnston	Two Rings
Cindy Bockenstedt	Power Mind Soul Ring
Blaine Pierce	Silver Ring
Kevyn Llewellyn	
Bob Tucker	Silver/Gold Ring
Robert Ahr	Silver Ring/Rose Gold
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Secretary's Notes by Nancy Faires

Eureka! THC Club Meeting June 9, 2023

CALL TO ORDER 7:34 PM

The monthly Eureka! THC Club meeting was held Friday June 9, 2023 at the Clements Community Center, Lakewood, CO. **Welcome** – Jeff Lubbert, President

The ticket table and FOM table will close once the Club meeting is called to order. Each will re-open at the break.

Treasurers Report – Nancy

Thank you to everyone who sold silver through the coin buy-back for Eureka and RUSH 2023.

SPEAKERS

May - Gypsy Jewels

June – Mark Duncan

Mark is a metal Detectorist and History Hunter from Arkansas. He is also a digital creator and very active on social media. He runs RAM Detecting on YouTube, TikTok, and elsewhere. He is also a sponsored representative with Bounty Hunter and First Texas Products.

July - "Post RTTR 2023"

HUNTS

May 13 - Let's Make A Deal - Joyce Keith

June 24 – WTF (fun) – Greg Lewis \$25 Majestic View Park

RUSH to the Rockies July 7 – 9, 2023 Newton Stromberg Park,

Conifer, CO – Ron and Jeff provided an update

FINDS OF THE MONTH

Gold – Chris Davis Coin – Jeff McClendon Artifact – Steve Erickson Token – Cindy Bockenstedt Jewelry – Mary Sable



1856 Half dime – Rick Rochanbeau Roman Bronze – Marcus Lieberman 1866 2 cent – Bob Tucker 1907 V nickel – Marcus Lieberman 1876 Seated half – Bill Manning 1940 Wheat cent BU – Burt Downing 1866 3 cent nickel – Jeff McClendon 1916 D Barber quarter – Bob Tucker 1848 Large cent – John Olson 1968 S Proof Set – Burt Downie

Second Chance Drawing

Nokta hat – Mark Cochran Nokta hat – Brice Young







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50/50 – Bobby Manning
HOLIDAY – Treasure Hunter Silver Round – Connie Cantrell
MEMBERSHIP – Bruce Morton

ADJOURN 9:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Faires Secretary Eureka! THC



































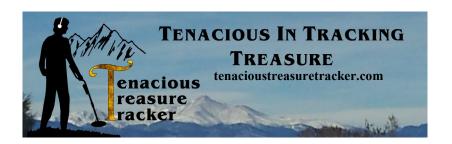
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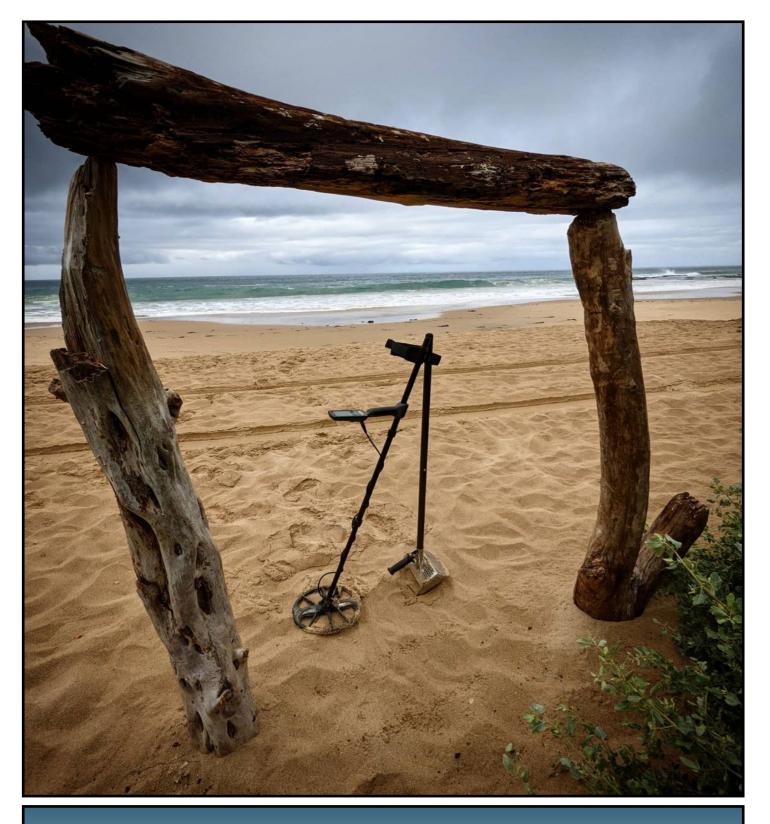
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Eureka! is a Denver-based, Colorado nonprofit organization established in 1973 for the enjoyment of metal detecting, electronic prospecting and treasure hunting. Its purpose is to provide an educational and social forum of mutual benefit for members. Eureka! holds a monthly meeting and conducts various special presentations, hunts and seminars. Members have voting privileges. Membership includes access to all general meetings, selected seminars and outings. Annual dues run April to March and are \$33 for single adult membership, \$42 for a family membership and \$15 for Junior membership. Pro-rating of dues are done for new members joining the club after the April 1 dues date. Club meetings are held on the second Friday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Clement Community Center, 1580 Yarrow St., Lakewood, Colorado. Come early to socialize.

Next Club Meeting

The July 14th meeting will be held at the Clements Center at 7:30 p.m. www.eurekathc.org





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- Ancient Indian Proverb

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