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Upcoming Meetings

September 27, 2021
October 25, 2021
November 29, 2021
January 31, 2022

Find of the Month

September-Coin
October-Misc.
November- Relic

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Topic of the Month

September 2021 –

**Discussion about the
Club Hunt**

October 2021-

**Detecting in England
Presentation by
John Kowtas**

Presidents Message

We had another great Annual Hunt & Picnic last Saturday. Numerous people approached me saying what a good event it was. It was all because of the continued efforts of the board members and volunteers.

So first, I want to sincerely thank the Board Members Marie, Lisa and Gino for putting in the extra time it takes to plan, organize and execute this year's event and for putting up with me. The time and efforts of the volunteers made the day run smoother.

Jan Satterlee, Dan Casey & Terry Baldwin planted the flags, moved the stage, rearranged all the picnic tables and restacked the bales of hay on Friday night. On Saturday, Jan, Dan and Angelo Primo helped even more in the morning, throughout the day and stayed to tear down and pack up. Mary Jane Zanelli and Margaret Simonds were at the registration booth and continued to help throughout the day. Mrs. Waterhouse, who comes in from New Hampshire with her husband, once again took pictures of us hunting and she will send them to us for our website. Thank you to Dan Fancher who donated a very nice token prize for the hunt!

Volunteers also planted coins, stocked coolers, brought extra tables, cooked the dogs and burgers, and brought several delicious salads and food for breakfast and lunch. I am sorry if I missed naming anyone else who helped. All of the prizes for our first ever kids hunt were donated by our club members Gino DiCarlo, Nicholas August, Dean Johnson, and Lisa Stanco.

Our sponsors need credit too. We received special pricing from both Garrett Metal Detectors and Minelab for metal detector hunt packages. Bob Lavoy donated a Simplex metal detector and there was another Simplex detector donated by the Diggers Den who also sent Stef Tanguay as a representative to our event. Last, but not least I would like to thank Collar City Mushrooms in Troy NY who donated \$250 worth of juice, soda, water, coffee and various supplies and paper goods for the hunt.

Again, I want to thank you all for contributing to making this a wonderful event.

Bob Francis, President ESMDA

August Find of the Month Winner- Leo White



Minutes: August 2021 Meeting

Treasurer's Report: Balance \$5,374.49 the motion passed to accept the minutes and the treasurer's report.

Old Business:

- **51st Annual Club Hunt:** Saturday, September 25, 2021 at Berne Town Park. 60 hunters in attendance

New Business:

- The Multi Prize Silver Raffle was drawn at the August Meeting.
First Prize- 5oz Silver Bar: James Scaccia
Second Prize- Two 1oz Silver Bars: Robert Francis
Third Prize- 1oz Silver Bar: Mike Jackson
(Robert Francis donated one of his 1oz silver bar prizes back to the club and a 4th ticket was pulled.)
4th Ticket Pulled Winner- Margaret Simmonds

Finds of the Month:

Category: Toy	Votes
Toy Cannon: Leo White	15
Trolley Car Toy: MaryJane Zanelli	4
Cap Cast Iron Gun: Mike Holt	3
Toy Lead Figure: Robert Hill	2
Handcuffs: Roland Ozols	1
Toy Car: Bill Lawton	1
Matchbox Cars: Jim Scaccia	0

Coin Raffle

1849 Seated Liberty Half Dime: Marie Fryc
1864 Two Cent Piece: Mike Holt
1942 S Walking Liberty Half Dollar: Leo White
1946 S Washington Quarter: Jason Harbeck

50/50 Drawing: Cheryl Huxhold

Door Prize: 1904 Liberty Head Nickel
(Donated by Gino DiCarlo): Marie Fryc

Presentation Topic: The Wydah Pirate Ship
Presentation Given by Mike Holt

The ship sank off the coast of Wellfeed on April 26, 1717. The ship was built as a slave ship in 1715. The pirate Samuel "Black Sam" Belamy hijacked it during its maiden voyage. Only two of the 146 men on board survived the wreck. For 7 days, the Wydah was above the waves before sinking 30 feet deep. Barry Clifford found the ship's remains in 1984. Clifford and his team have recovered more than 200,000 artifacts from the ship, including gold and silver coins, jewelry, canons, handmade weapons, and even a leg bone.