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<p><u>Upcoming Zoom Meetings</u></p> <p>February 22, 2021</p>	<p>Presidents Message</p> <p>Hello everyone, it looks like we are in for some more nasty weather before we get into spring this year.</p>	<p><u>Minutes: January 2021 Zoom Meeting</u></p> <p>Treasurer's Report: Balance \$6,301.34 on 2/15/2021</p>
<p><u>Find of the Month</u></p> <p>Suspended until further notice</p>	<p>I haven't been out detecting since early winter 2020 and with the constant snow cover it probably won't be until the middle or end of March before I'll be out again.</p> <p>Even during the pandemic, I am contacting friends and family by phone and email looking to confirm permissions from last year. I am pretty much telling everyone I know and meet that I plan to be out metal detecting this spring more than ever before.</p>	<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10 Oz Silver Bar Raffle: The drawing occurred at our January Zoom meeting, on January 27, 2021. Michael Genier won the raffle.• Nominations for club officers will occur at the February Zoom meeting. Only dues paid members are eligible to vote in April Election. An email reminder will be sent out to those members who owe dues.• The club is looking in to purchasing an annual insurance policy by this summer.
<p><u>President</u> Robert Francis 5 Meadowbrook Dr. Slingerlands, NY 12159 (518)434-0163 roberfranci@hotmail.com</p> <p><u>Vice President</u> Marie Fryc 146 Marie Drive Fonda, NY 12068 518-441-8677 Marie23129@hotmail.com</p> <p><u>Secretary</u> Lisa Stanco Schenectady, NY lisastanco810@gmail.com</p> <p><u>Treasurer</u> Lisa Conrad 41 Magee Dr Glenmont NY 12077 rlaconrad@aol.com</p>	<p>I was inspired by one of the members that talked during our January Zoom meeting and have been looking online for YouTube videos to learn more about two of the machines I own. Being stuck inside with this weather has given me the opportunity and time to get better at what I love. It never hurts to expand your knowledge to see if it can make your hunting experience better.</p> <p>The board members have been talking with several individuals to conduct presentations at our Zoom meetings. We have to conquer a few hurdles but we hope to be able to start soon. If you have some ideas, please feel free to contact any of the board members by phone or email.</p>	<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lisa Conrad is resigning from her position as Club Treasurer.• A weekly blog has been added to the clubs website. The intended purpose of this blog is to promote the club and club events. It will also serve as a tool to share our club members' finds and information related to all things metal detecting.
<p><u>Topic of the Month</u></p> <p>February 2021 –</p> <p>Nominations for Club Officers</p>	<p>The nominations are going to take place during this month's meeting so be prepared to participate. Nominations are taken from members and you have to be a paid member to vote at the April meeting.</p> <p>Happy Hunting!</p> <p>Robert Francis ESMDA Club President</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There was a tie for first place in the 2020 Scavenger Hunt. The winners were Lisa Stanco and Patrick Whitton.• 2021 Scavenger Hunt: Ed Rifenberg volunteered to create the scavenger list. Members were invited to make suggestions. Club members will receive the form by email. The form will also be posted on the club's website.