

The Loop

May

HAPPY
MOTHERS
DAY

Lancaster, California

May, 2024

Antelope Valley Treasure Hunter's Society

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From the Editor...

Due to increased costs of coins, the club is going to have to make some changes in the near future. The club's newsletter is a huge expense that at this time costs about \$120 per month (copies and postage) to send out to each member. This expense costs the club more over the year than what the club takes in through dues. So, for the club to continue to provide fun things like quarterly hunts and lunches, silver dimes and quarters for finds of the month, and attendance drawings, we need to cut costs. In this electronic age, the best way to cut costs is to deliver the newsletter electronically instead of printing and mailing it. Although we know that people like to get the newsletter in the mail, in order to continue to do so will result in either higher dues or cutting the above prizes and activities. The good news is that electronically we will not be restricted to a certain number of pages, which will allow more content and pictures, possibly even video, to be delivered to your email each month.

This month you will receive the newsletter in both formats, ***Steve Howard*** but next month it will be electronic. Your receipt and membership card will be included in this newsletter unless they were given to you at the last meeting.

Some more items of information:

* We need volunteers to help Wes W. with taking items to the recycling center.

* If you have any mining items that you would like to donate for future raffles, please contact Ron R. or Christie S.

* If you have silver coins that you could sell to the club, please contact Henry K. or Ron R.

AVTHS

April Outing at McAdam Park **Reported by Bruce Barron**

The April 8th outing at McAdam Park was moved to Monday after a vote at the meeting on April first. The outing started at 8:00 am. Cindy and I arrived just before 8:00 am and drove through the parking lot until we saw Dennis getting his metal detector out of his pickup. After about 15 minutes, other members started showing up. Ron, Dan, and Wes arrived with some donuts. Thanks Ron. Other members that also arrived were Scott, Linda, Mike, Sue, and Mary. After eating a donut and a few donut holes that Cindy and I brought, everyone fired up their detectors and started hunting.

I cannot say that the park was giving up much treasure on Monday, but there were a few notable finds. The first target I dug was a Crucifix, sadly it is made of pot metal and Jesus lost his head during my retrieval. Other than that, all Cindy and I found were pennies, dimes and nickels along with the usual park trash. Ron made the most exciting finds! He found two Indian head pennies, 1895 and 1897. Scott mentioned he found a couple items that are in the scavenger hunt.

Around 10:45 am most of us met in the parking lot and looked at the eclipse through various forms of eye protection. It is always cool to see an eclipse even if it is just a partial. From there we went our own ways, some stayed at the park, some went to George Lane park and Cindy and I went home. The weather was great, the temperature was perfect and there was not much wind. All in all, a good day to be out hunting in a park.

Hope to see you at the May 11, outing at Ventura Harbor! Details will be given at the May 6th club meeting.

April Outing

April 8, at McAdam Park



Club Meeting

April 1, 2024



AV Historian, Bob Alvis, gave a talk to the club.



OFFICERS: 2024

President: Ron Renter.....661-450-7821
 Vice President: Dennis Miller.....661-917-7256
 Treasurer: Henry Konik.....661-609-4892
 Secretary: Cindy Barron.....661-816-0878

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Bruce Barron661-816-0879
 Jerry Paland.....661-992-9174
 Dan Petrozzi661-948-7895
 Rick Wyatt.....661-943-1124

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

RecyclingWes Weathers
 Welcome.....Don Duncan
 Opportunity Drawing.....Christie Stoneback
 50/50..... Christie Stoneback
 Club PhotographerAnyone with a camera
 Finds of the MonthScott Sandahl
 Mining ClaimsRick Guethlein
 Metal DetectingScott Sandahl
 RefreshmentsVolunteer for each meeting
 Club ApparelMike & Colleen Johnson
 Club Public WebRick Wyatt
 Newsletter.....Cindy Barron
 MembershipVicki Wyatt

April Meeting Finds of the Month

(Member must be present to display finds)

Most Unique

Dan Petrozzi

Best Silver Item

Jason DeBerge

Best Natural Gold

Scotty Engle

Best U.S. Coin

Dan Petrozzi—1896 V Nickel

Best Foreign Coin

Rick Guethlein—Chinese Coin

Best Gold

Jason DeBerge

Best Overall

Jason DeBerge

Also Displayed: Dennis Miller, Scott Sandahl

2024 Monthly Outing Schedule

	MONTH	MTG DATE	OUTING DATE	Location	Notes
1st Qtr	JAN	1/8/2024	1/13/2024	Santa Monica	BYOF
	FEB	2/5/2024	2/10/2024	Zuma Beach	Planted Hunt Club provides food
	MAR	3/4/2024	3/9/2024	AVT Claim	Claim Clean-up/Prospecting Pot Luck
2nd Qtr	APRIL	4/1/2024	4/6/2024 (tentative)	McAdams Park	BYOF
	MAY	5/6/2024	5/11/2024	Ventura Harbor/Harbor Cove Park	Planted Hunt Club Provides Food
	JUNE	6/3/2024	6/8/2024	Special TBA Hunt!	BYOF
3rd Qtr	JULY	7/1/2024	7/8/2024	Silverwood Lake Special Monday Outing	BYOF
	AUG	8/5/2024	8/10/2024	Castaic Beach	BYOF
	SEPT	9/9/2024	9/14/2024	Lake Hughes Community Center	Planted Hunt Club Provides Food
4th Qtr	OCT	10/7/2024	10/12/2024 (tentative)	Rocky Road Claim Chili Cook Off Weekend	Treasure Hunt/Planted
	NOV	11/4/2024	11/9/2024 (tentative)	Rocky Road Claim	BYOF
	DEC	12/2/2024	12/6/2024 (tentative)	Christmas Party	Leisure Lakes Community Center

Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics

I will always check federal, state, county and local laws before searching; it is my responsibility to know the law.
 I will respect private property and will not enter private property without the owner's permission. Where possible, such permission will be in writing.
 I will take care to refill any holes and try not to leave any damage.
 I will remove and dispose of any and all trash and litter that I find.
 I will appreciate and protect our inheritance of natural resources, wildlife, and private property.
 I will, as an ambassador for the hobby, use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.
 I will work to help bring unity to our hobby by working with any organization of any geographic area that may have problems that will limit their ability to peacefully pursue the hobby.
 I will build fires in designated or safe places only.
 I will report to the proper authorities any individuals who enter and/or remove artifacts from federal parks or state preserves.

REFRESHMENT VOLUNTEERS

The board voted to limit the refreshment reimbursement to \$25 per month. While we have had some delicious monthly refreshments, we want to remind those providing them that they are just snacks, not meals! So anything over \$25 is at the generosity of the members bringing them.

January	Don Duncan
February.....	Pie Month
March	Jason DeBerge
April.....	Mike/Colleen Johnson
May.....	Bruce Barron
June	Carol Fuller
July	Scott Sandhal
August	Dennis Miller
September	Ron Renter
October	Pie Month
November	Linda Reitz
December	TBA



May Birthdays

Linda Reitz 12th

Cindy Barron 18th



AVTHS Club Merchandise Orders Taken at Meetings

Club Apparel:

- Short Sleeve T-Shirt
- Long Sleeve T-Shirt
- Polo Shirts
- Pull-Over Sweat Shirt
- Hoodies
- Hats
- Club Logo Patch



Please place orders with Mike and Colleen Johnson. Proceeds from sales are used to support prizes and food at our outings.

April 50/50 Meeting Winner:

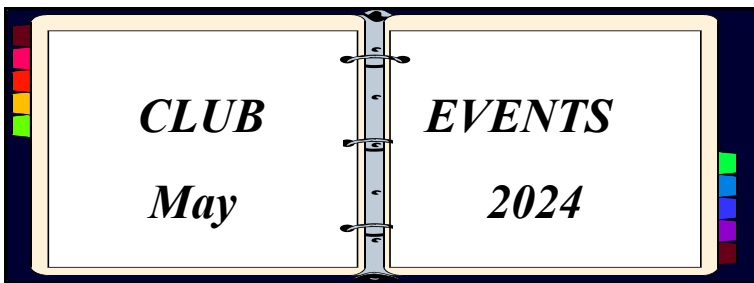
Ron Renter

Attendance Drawing-April

Member not present

Do you have something to post or want an Email copy of The Loop? Members can send their request to Rick at:
avthsnews@gmail.com

We would be happy to send it as a .pdf file. It is generally about 2mb for the issue.



**May Board Meeting -
May 6, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

**May 6, 2024
General Meeting - 7:00 pm
Leisure Lake Mobile Home Estates**

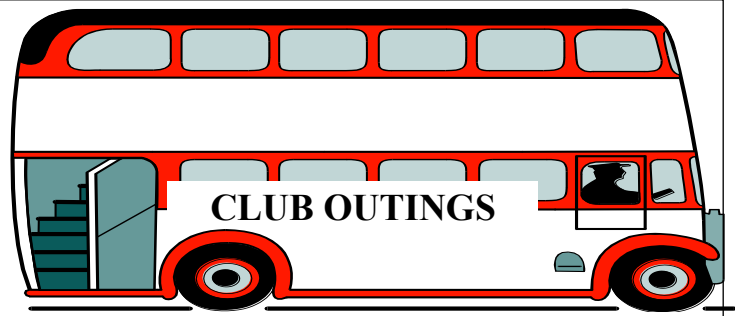
2nd Qtr. 2024 Scavenger Hunt

Quarterly Scavenger Hunts: 1st Quarter
January 1 to March 31; **2nd Quarter April 1 to**
June 30; 3rd Quarter July 1 to September 30;
4th Quarter October 1 to December 31.

No early turn-ins! All must be brought to the first General Meeting following the closing of the Quarter. Display owner must be present to win. Member that finds all 15 items will win 1st Prize—Silver half dollar. If there is a tie, the winner will be decided by a cut of the cards, high card takes 1st Place. The runner up will receive a Silver quarter. Members finding at least 10 items will receive a Silver Quarter. Member finding and bringing 9 or less items will get a Silver Dime.

- 1. Tire rim lug**
- 2. Military insignia—any**
- 3. 1960's "Clad" Roosevelt Dime**
- 4. Pendant**
- 5. Horse Shoe—whole or part**
- 6. Buckle**
- 7. Vape Thing**
- 8. Horse Shoe Nail**
- 9. Westward Journey Nickel (2004-2005)**
- 10. Tent Stake**
- 11. Metal Button**
- 12. Mexican Coin—any**
- 13. 1950's Wheat Penny**
- 14. Bolt**
- 15. Fishing Weight**

"Bonus" Item-Suspender Clasp/Clip/Snap:



May 11, 2024

***Ventura Harbor: Harbor Cove Beach
1583 Spinnaker Drive Ventura, CA
93001***

The club will provide the main dish. Club members are asked to bring sides & desserts.

Planted Hunt!

***Details will be given at the May 6th
Club Meeting.***

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE 2024 SCAVENGER HUNT

The main scavenger hunt will remain the same as in previous years, possibly a little more challenging, but the rewards are the same. However, the fining of a "bonus item" has been added with the following rules:

Every quarter a new bonus item will be named. If, during that quarter, the item is found, the finder(s) will receive a small "floating" display case and a ticket that will be entered into a drawing to be held during the January General Meeting. Winners must be present.

Each bonus item found will receive the same prizes and a chance to win the following prize:

1. A free membership to the club for the following year **OR**
2. Silver Round **OR**
3. An apparel item from the club's store.

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**Bonus Item for the 2nd Quarter
Suspender Clasp/Clip/Snap**

More Club Information

FOR SALE

Club Website Live Link: Click Below

<http://www.avtreasurehunters.com>

For Sale

**Beck Dry Washer:
\$250
Spiral Wheel:
\$100
(Or Best Offer)**

**Contact: Don Reed
661-526-3861**



Do you have some metal detecting or prospecting items cluttering up your garage or storage that aren't needed or used any longer?

Sell them in our classifieds!

To do so, please write a description of the items with the price you wish to ask to Cindy Barron at brbarron@msn.com or call at 661-816-0878 and we will include them in the club newsletter. Please let Cindy know by the 15th of

May 2024

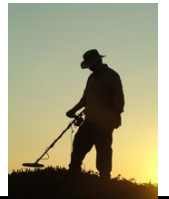
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Tid Bits

From Dennis Miller

The sidewalk strip is a Treasure Trove!

An often overlooked Treasure Trove is the grassy strip between the sidewalk and the street. Often, these areas have never been hunted, and have been walked past for many years. Veteran hunters know that sidewalk strips can be very rewarding hunting!



What is the best or most interesting thing you have ever found? Send a picture and a short explanation and we will include it in the Electronic Loop!

"THE END OF THE LOOP"

Scavenger Hunt Information Continued:

The History of Suspenders and Metal Clasps "Bonus Item"

The origin of suspenders can be traced back to France in the 18th century. Back then, they were strips of ribbon attached to the buttonholes of trousers. Benjamin Franklin is said to have worn leg braces, so it seems, worrying about his trousers slipping down was the last thing on his mind.

Back then, it was not acceptable to have the undergarment showing and was still risqué in 1938 when a town in Long Island, New York, tried to ban men from wearing them without a coat covering them up.

In the 1820's, it was the fashion to wear high waisted trousers that were so high, a belt couldn't be used to hold them up. That is when British designer Albert Thurston designed and manufactured the first known modern suspenders.

One of the first U.S. patents for suspenders was issued in 1871 by Mark Twain, who happens to be one of the most famous writers of all time. When metal clasps were invented in 1894, suspenders were manufactured to be clipped onto the trousers instead of being buttoned—which was far more comfortable!

Examples of some suspender clasps and accessories!



FREE RAFFLE TICKET

If you find your name in the newsletter and it looks like this: ***Your Name***, you get a free raffle ticket at the next general meeting. Bring it to the attention of the ticket seller.

Is there something you're not sure is gold or silver? Or even possibly a gemstone?

Jerry Paland.

Contact him at 661-992-9174

He will be happy to test any items.



The Outpost

(661) 944-1200

More Than Just a Gift Shop

(661) 944-1548

Rugs & Blankets - Amer. Indian Arts & Crafts

Fine Art Gallery - Coins, Gold & Collectibles

Gold Panning Ins. & Classes - Rocks & Gems

34141 116th St E Pearblossom, CA

SCOTT SANDAHL

Proprietor

Silver Needed



Anyone that has silver coins to sell to the club, please contact Henry Konik or Ron Renter.



Remember to talk to Wes Weathers about recyclable items. The money raised will be given back to the club to fund prizes and food at the outings.

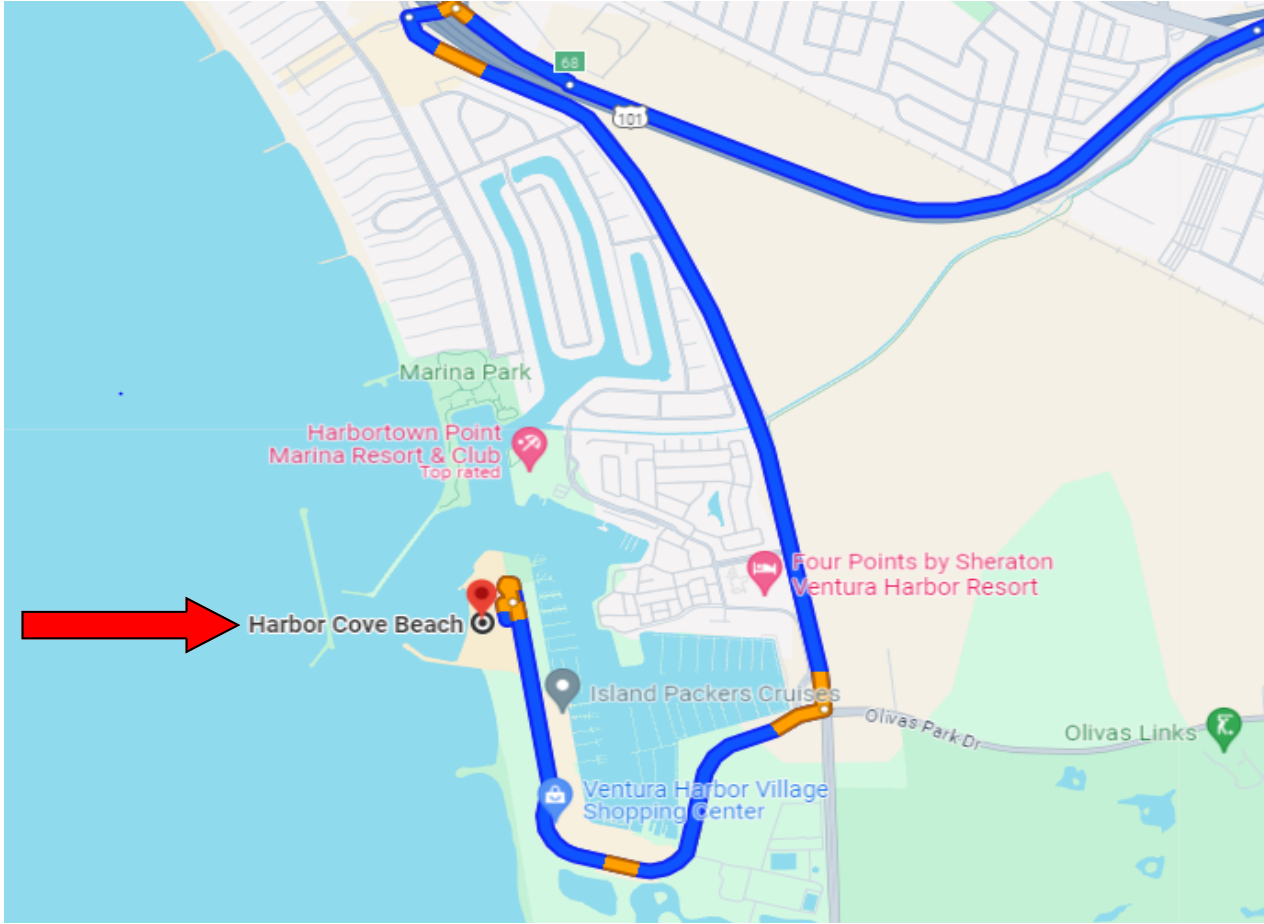
Ventura Harbor

1583 Spinnaker Drive Ventura, CA 93001

Details about the outing will be given at the May 6th meeting.



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Directions:
From the 101 freeway—
Continue on US-101 N to S Seaward Ave.
Take exit 68 from freeway 101.
Turn left onto E Harbor Blvd.
Turn right onto Spinnaker Drive. Continue to Harbor Cove Beach (at the end of the street).

Antelope Valley Treasure Hunter's Society
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ANTELOPE VALLEY



TREASURE HUNTER'S SOCIETY

This Month's Club Outing:

Ventura Harbor—Harbor Cove Beach



May 6, Club Meeting
7:00 P.M.
Leisure Lakes Mobile Estates
Recreation Room
48303 20th St. West,
Lancaster, CA 93534

