

The logo is circular with a blue border. Inside the border, the words "MARYLAND FREE-STATE" are written in a semi-circle at the top, and "TREASURE CLUB" is written in a semi-circle at the bottom. In the center of the logo is a red and white cross with a yellow and black checkered pattern in the quadrants.

# Maryland Free-State Treasure Club

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## June Meeting Minutes

**The meeting was called to order** at 7:20 PM by President, Gary Pennington. Gary introduced the club officers: Howard Shettle - Vice President, absent, Steve Cunningham – Treasurer and Web Master, Chris Wisnom, Secretary and News Letter.

**A special thanks** to the Stinemire family who always provide a wide range of delicious food and snacks for our meetings.

**Attendance:** 36 members were in attendance.

**Guest:** Mr. Tim Mozz. A new hunter, was interested in tips for purchasing equipment, identifying locations and various techniques.

**New Members:** Welcome Mr. Kenny Regiec and Mr. Karl Konstantin. We hope you both will enjoy membership for many years.

**Treasurers Report:** by Steve Cunningham: \$4,571.31

**Mini Hunt:** The mini-hunt was conducted at 6:30. Several silver coins were included as prizes for members. The club provides approximately \$91 in coins monthly for the hunt. Every hunter is a winner and takes home some coins. One of the many perks of being a member. Mini hunts will be conducted monthly beginning at 6:30, weather permitting, on the lawn at Victory Villa Community Center. Steve Cunningham will provide email reminders to members.

**Legal Beagle report: Ron Riggs** – No hunting in July and August in city parks due to the hot, dry conditions.

**June Club Outing:** Coins and miscellaneous items were found at Herring Run Park, Eastern Side. The weather was great, and a good time was had by all.

**Monthly Club Hunts:** No monthly club hunts will be conducted in July and August, due to the heat and dry conditions. The dry conditions make it difficult to repair holes and often leave a bleached, dead area in the grass when repaired.

**New monthly hunt master:** The club would like to thank Mr. Steve Cunningham, Treasurer, for organizing, conducting and reporting on, our monthly club hunts for several years. Steve's positive attitude has motivated and educated us on our hunts, and we have many great memories and treasures as the result of his skillful guidance. Graciously stepping into his position is Mr. Dwayne Meanor.

**Members Only Hunt-** to be held at Victory Villa, Sunday October 6th, from 1 – 5 PM with hunt starting at 2 PM; fee to members \$30.

**Our New Metal Detecting Dealer-** is Joe DeMarco. Joe is graciously granting all club members a 10% discount on purchases, 15% to veterans. Shipping is also provided free, as is sales tax. Please consider purchasing your equipment and supplies from Joe. We are fortunate he is supporting our club, and we look forward to working with him for many years.

**Hunting in England-** Mike McCollough reported on a family metal detecting trip to an historic site in England. Preparation and packaging of his equipment including wrapping the detector in bubble wrap and solid containers. He was invited to hunt with a local hunt club, who facilitated many aspects of his visit. But Mike found most antique coins scouting out locations on his own. A great trip overall.

**Monthly Board Contest:** Dwayne Meanor ran the Competition Board. Results are as follow: Coin contest (including jewelry items): 1st place– Mike McCullough, 2<sup>nd</sup> place Scott Horst and 3<sup>rd</sup> place- Andy Cooper. Relic contest (bullets and buttons): 1st place tie– Mike McCullough. Second place Scott Horst and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Kris Neeley.

Thanks to Dwayne Meanor for running our raffles.

**Next Club Meeting:** Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 7:00 PM, at Victory Villa Community Center, Middle River, 404 Compass Rd, Essex, MD. 21220, 410-887-0258.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.