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May Meeting Minutes In-Person Meeting

COVID-19 Screening/Temperature monitoring was conducted in the lobby prior to entering the meeting room. No food or drinks were permitted. All members wore face masks and respected social distancing.

New rules for our June meeting:

1. Capacity limitation for auditorium is lifted.
2. Masks are not required for those vaccinated but are recommended for those who are not.
3. Covid waiver is still required.
4. Hydration is allowed but central hydration is not recommended. We will stick with individual bottles and cans.

Mini Hunt was conducted at 6:30, no masks were required. Coins and tokens were seeded in the rear picnic area.

The in Person meeting was called to order at 7:25 PM by President, Mike McCullough. Mike introduced the club officers: Gary Pennington, Vice President, Steve Cunningham – Treasurer and Web Master, Chris Wisnom, Secretary and News Letter. Mike acknowledged all of the volunteers and thanked them for their service. Ron Riggs was not present to give legal report. Due to health reasons, Ron will be unable to continue in this capacity. Anyone who wishes to volunteering for this, and any position, should contact an officer.

Special Announcement: In person meetings will be conducted on the last Thursday of each Month at 7:00 PM at Victory Villa. Proceeded by the mini

hunt. Until further notice the same schedule and polices will be in place. You will be informed by email of any changes and updates.

Volunteer Recognition: Mike McCullough recognized all club volunteers, and awarded them a silver round for their service. The club also recognized the hard work and great job being done by Mike McCullough as President, and he was also awarded a silver round.

New Members: John Webb from Middle River hunts with a White Metal Detector; and Ed Stratten from A.A. Co., hunts with a Garrett. AT Pro. Welcome to our new members.

Treasurers Report: Steve Cunningham reported an account balance of \$ 2,667.65.

Attendance: 30 members attended

Leg of Gold: Monthly Winner: Dwayne Meanor.

April Club Outing: Sunday, April 11, 2021 returned to the Kirwan Museum on Kent Island at 9:00am, 641 Dominion Road, Chester, MD. Several relics were discovered.

Many club members participated as volunteers in a 2-day dig at the Billingsley Plantation. Dr Matt McKnight from the Maryland Archeology Society extended an invitation for members to join for the first historical outing. Many finds were discovered and presented to the Archeology Society. Future opportunities may follow.

Club Outing planned for June 19, 2021. Everyone who signed up will be notified by email. The location is to be announced.

Upcoming Hunts:

1. June 5-6th in New Concord, OH; early bird deadline of May 22nd. \$180 for both days.

1 Year Metal Detecting Permits for Baltimore County are now available on-line and will be sent to members by Steve Cunningham for completion and return via email.

Metal Detecting Permits for Baltimore City are done online. At the Baltimore City Rec and Parks website. Your user name is your email address. You are assigned a temporary password. You select the permit renewal and then pay for that item in your cart. For information contact the permit office

by email at Park.Permits@baltimorecity.gov to Shawnte. She will help you navigate the process.

Members Finds for April: Amy Taylor, civil war buttons, bullets, wagon and horse relics from Digging in Virginia.

New Business: please see club updates on our webpage outlined the Minutes.

Background Checks: Thank you to our officers and volunteers who have submitted their information for background checks through the BCRP website. Only one person has not completed the background check.

Board Winners: **Coins**, first place Mike McCullough, Second Gary Pennington, third Andy Cooper. **Relics:** Gary Pennington, second Andy Cooper, third Mick McCullough. **Club Favorite:** Kevin Weiss.

Next Club Meetings: June 24, 2021.

Adjourned: The virtual meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.