

Uncompahgre Treasure Club

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Website: <http://www.UncompahgreTreasureClub.com>

Club Meeting: Lions Park Clubhouse, 7:00 pm, Monday, May 8, 2023

Board Meeting: Time and place will be decided at the club meeting.

President's Message:

Hello members,

Well, 2023 is moving right along and Mother Nature has put her foot right in it, but things are looking up and we're ready to start getting out more often.

It was unfortunate to have postponed the memorial hunt. The field was soaked with mud in the bare areas and the driveway was taped off due to repairs on the asphalt. So, I have talked with City Hall and confirmed a later date mid-May, we will make a decision at the May 8th meeting.

It was very heartbreaking to hear of Vicki Lehmann's passing. It was so sudden and our thoughts and prayers go out to the Lehmann family.

I have some upcoming ideas for the club and will need your opinion to decide, so please try to make the next meeting.

I would like to welcome the new members to the club and have received calls from several more interested in the club.

I hope those looking for the token are still giving it a try; someone will eventually find it.
GOOD LUCK....Don

Secretary's Report:

UTC Minutes

Meeting of April 10, 2023

President Don Rodarte called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance led

by Duane Renfrow, followed with a prayer by Don.

Secretary Sandy Bliss read the Minutes of the March 2023 meeting. The Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Barb Roth read the Treasurer's Report. The Report was approved as read.

Don welcomed visitors J.D. Dyer and his daughter, Ellianna Gerhard of Montrose. The Dyer family are now members.

Don said the March 10th memorial service for Judy Kuntz was attended by a good turnout of Club members. The Club will have a Memorial Hunt to honor Judy and Henry, as well as other members we've lost, on Saturday, April 22 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The Club will provide hot dogs and condiments.

Dave Lehmann will have a "swap meet" on Sunday, April 23rd from 9 am till 4 pm in the parking lot of Mr. Detector in Delta. Club members are invited to bring any items they would like to sell.

Don received clarification from Vincent Bearsford of BLM regarding rules for Casual Use areas and Wilderness areas. If we go rock hounding in Casual Use areas, we are permitted to pick up 25 lbs. of rocks, but no digging. In Wilderness areas everything is off limits.

Important Club business:

1. Please pay annual dues if you have not yet done so.
2. Please be sure you have signed the Release of Liability form for 2023.
3. Claim Permits for 2023 are required by BLM for each member planning to visit the Club's Claim. (A new permit is required each year.)

Don described how successful his recent presentations to youngsters on metal detecting and rock hounding have been. This was the result of requests from a local Boy Scout troop, as well as the Director of children's programs at the Montrose Library. He said the Montrose Farmer's Market folks have also invited us back this year.

Don reminded members that the clues for his current Treasure Hunt are still available. Once you determine the location of where to hunt, you will need only your detector to locate the hidden item. It is not buried deep. Return the object to Don for your reward of a beautiful silver eagle.

Members discussed possible areas for metal detecting and rock hounding. Don has inquired about Fort Crawford as well as the old baseball field located just south of Delta, but has not received replies. He said he's currently working to get more information about Delta's old rodeo

grounds.

Don shared his recent rock hounding experiences in Rattlesnake Gulch where he found two flutes. He said if there is enough interest, he would like to plan a rock hounding trip for our Club.

Topic for May's meeting: Should we have a Club auction at June's meeting? Funds will go to purchase coins and prizes for our next Club hunt.

There was a brief break for voting on the Finds Table, refreshments... and for members to check out a large display of some of Don's rocks and fossils.

Following the break, Duane and Don conducted the Club raffle.

Following the Club raffle, Mike Stansbery announced the winners of the Finds Table. Winner of the Month was Ben Golden with his silver ring.

Many thanks to Deb for our coffee and to all who brought refreshments. It is always much appreciated.

April 2023 Category and Find of the Month Winners:

Category	Winner	Description
A US COINS	Mike Stansbery	1954-S Wheat Cent
B TOKENS & FOREIGN COINS	Ben Golden	Trade Token
C JEWELRY (SILVER & GOLD)	No entry	
D JEWELRY (ALL OTHER)	Ben Golden	Stainless Ring
E TOYS (ALL)	Don Rodarte	Match Box Race Car
F MISCELANEOUS	Eileen Golden	Flaired Tubing
G RELICS	No entry	
H MODERN METALLIC	Don Rodarte	Bike Tag
I MINERAL SPECIMENS	Don Rodarte	Petrified Wood
J DISPLAYS	Ben Golden	Display
FIND OF THE MONTH	Ben Golden	Stainless Ring

2023 Find of the Month Scoreboard:

Numbers in red denote find of the month winners													
NAME	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	TOTAL	
David Cooper	1											1	
Ben Golden	3	12	5	10								30	
Eileen Golden				3								3	
Ron Haglund	2											2	
Sharrol Haglund	4											4	
Jayce Reed			2									2	
Don Rodarte	8	3	9	9								29	
Mike Stansbery				3								3	

Birthdays in May:

Earl Bryan

Tom Davis

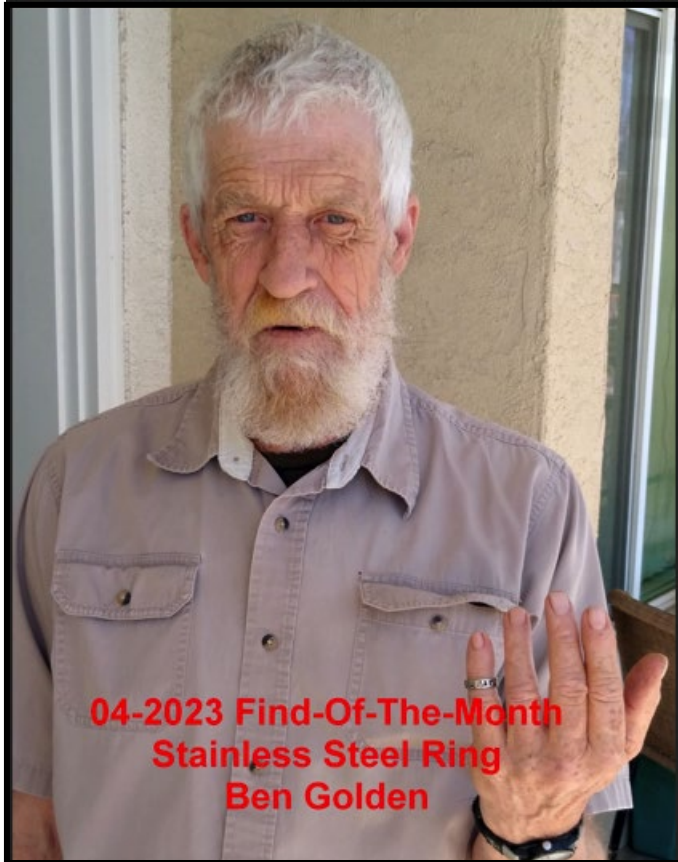
Denise Lindsay

Marlene Mitchell

Duane Renfrow

Karla Waltz

Photo Gallery:



Find of the Month stainless steel ring by Ben Golden

Events Calendar 2023:

May 8th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Clubhouse

June 12th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Clubhouse

July 10th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Clubhouse

August 13th -- Annual summer hunt and picnic/meeting, 3:00 pm, Lions Park

September 11th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Clubhouse

October 9th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Clubhouse

November 13th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Clubhouse

December 11th -- Club meeting & Christmas potluck dinner, 6:00 pm, Lions Clubhouse

Wisdom:

When detecting or prospecting, adopt the pace of nature – patience is the secret.