

# OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE EMPIRE STATE METAL DETECTOR ASSOCIATION

Volume 20, Issue 10

www.esmdaclub.com

October 2020

## Upcoming Meetings

**OCTOBER  
MEETING**

None

## Find of the Month

Suspended until  
further notice

### President

Robert Francis  
5 Meadowbrook Dr.  
Slingerlands, NY 12159  
(518)434-0163  
[roberfranci@hotmail.com](mailto:roberfranci@hotmail.com)

### Vice President

Marie Fryc  
146 Marie Drive  
Fonda, NY 12068  
518-441-8677  
[Marie23129@hotmail.com](mailto:Marie23129@hotmail.com)

### Secretary

Lisa Stanco  
Schenectady, NY  
[lisastanco810@gmail.com](mailto:lisastanco810@gmail.com)

### Treasurer

Lisa Conrad  
41 Magee Dr  
Glenmont NY 12077  
[rlaconrad@aol.com](mailto:rlaconrad@aol.com)

## Topic of the Month

October 2020 - N/A



## **Presidents Message**

This fall weather has been a little fickle with the very warm weather hanging on and a few breaks of the cool fall days that we recognize sneaking in occasionally.

Opportunities to get out there and hunt keep presenting itself every week. As always please be very careful and take the usual precautions during hunting season. In both fields and forest, be sure to wear high visibility clothing, be courteous of hunters. Most hunters like to get out early morning before dawn and hunt into mid-morning. So, if you can at all avoid that time slot you will be better off.

The Latham Fire Department has said they are still closed until at least January when they will re-evaluate the State and CDC recommendations and make another decision to open or stay closed at that time. They also said that they are holding our slotted time open for us, so if things go back to "semi-normal" we will be able to use that facility again. If there looks like a possibility that they will open for a limited capacity, I will ask for the bigger room so we could fit more people and stay space apart appropriately.

A board meeting will be held in early November to discuss various ways to get members involved over the fall and winter going into next year.

A friend's son, a Weekend Camporee Chairman for the Boy Scout, organized an event at a local Boy Scout reservation. He asked if we could provide a metal detecting talk and demonstration. Ed Rifenberg and Bill Lawton joined me for the event. Three different groups of Scouts listened to a history talk, conversed about finds that we displayed, were shown the different types of detectors, how to use the pin pointers and diggers, then they went out and detected an open lawn area near the pavilion where we were set up. Ed Rifenberg brought a roll of quarters and dimes and tossed some out for the Scouts to find.

## Minutes: September 2020

Treasurer's Report – Balance on 10/25/20  
\$ 5,608.14

### President's message continued:

Soon they were all digging quarters, dimes and pennies 4 to 6 inches deep. They found several dollars in quarters that Ed didn't toss, three kerchief clips, a pocketknife, a Canadian 1867-1987 commemorative dime and various other items. They had a lot of fun and kept Ed, Bill and I running around from one Scout find to another for over three hours.

It was well organized on their part with a Scout Leader assigned to us for the whole day, different Scout Leaders stopped by to see how we were doing and Logan a Life Scout was assigned to us for the event to assist us and clean all the detectors, pin pointers and equipment after each group left.

It was fun seeing their curiosity and enthusiasm. The experience was good for the Scouts, for Ed, Bill and I and for ESM DA.

As always, Happy Hunting  
Bob Francis, ESM DA President

Just a reminder, Empire State Metal Detector Association has no official FaceBook page. There are several sites out there that promote metal detecting as a hobby and provide helpful information to enhance the hobby we love.

## **All meetings have been temporarily suspended!**

As soon as we believe we can hold a meeting again at an indoor location, we will contact both the firehouse and the Gateway diner to check on availability.