

ALABAMA HUNT RESULTS

The Warrior Basin Treasure Hunters Association Annual Treasure Hunt was held at Brookside, Alabama on September 22, 1979. The Southern Treasure News was there along with George Fletcher, Sandy Cline and my son Tim. Competition winners were as follows: Men- Ken Canoy first place, Jim Austin-second place, Frank Ogle-third place. Ladies winners were; 1st place-Ray Murphy, Janet Akin was second and Jean Esco was third. In the Junior hunt Frank Canoy was first, Jason Proctor was second and David Lowry was third. A special fun Ring hunt was held for all participants with "cheapie" rings on top of the ground. Winners in this hunt were Jesse McGee, Jason Carigues and Roger Dick. Detector winners were; Evelyn Bobyarchick- a Daytona, Kirk Chandler-Daytona, Ken Canoy-Fisher, Tom Cadille-Gold Mountain, Robert Martin Sr.-Gold Mountain, Louis Hase-Compass, Ray Murphy-Garrett, John Faust-Garrett, Melvin Brunner-Bounty Hunter, George Morris-Bounty Hunter, David Gentry-Bounty Hunter, Kirk Chandler-Cardiner, Hank Barwood- A Titan Mineral Rod. The Southern Treasure News donated two subscriptions won by Bill Cannaday and Robert Martin Sr.

Doug Young, Factory Rep. for Daytona Metal Detectors was on hand and I enjoyed seeing him and chatting with him again. I got a note from Andy Bobyarchick after the hunt telling me that the club took a few members on a hunt the next week end and Otis Murphy found a \$2.50 Gold coin dated 1906 valued at about \$250 with, hold on..... A DAYTONA DETECTOR. For the next 45 minutes, Otis did not find a single coin. I would not care if I were him. The find got him a \$25 dollar prize and a years free membersgip in the club. Watch Doug Young's head swell now! HA!

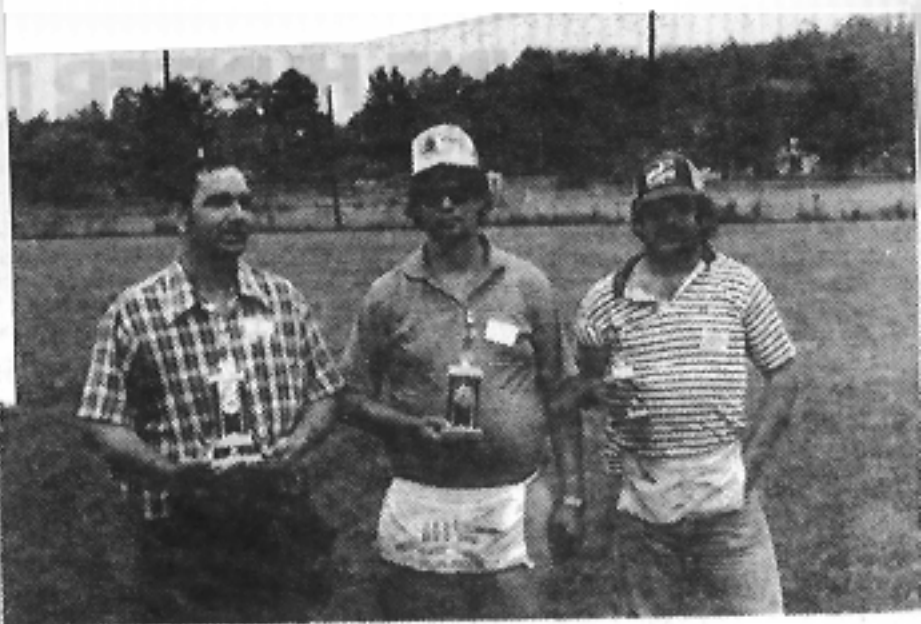
I just wish there was some way we could convince the Warrior Basin Treasure Hunters to have a two day hunt. It is just about impossible to have all the needed activities and hunts in one day. I have tried to convince Andy for the last three visits to Ala. to have a two day hunt and on this trip he told me that possibly in 1981, they would have a two day hunt. Let's all get together and get them to have a two day hunt!

The hunt was the largest ever with 106 entries and 111 prizes and two gold coins. Andy said he would advertise that there would be an auction next year. I introduced the "Kenny Wray" auction idea to Doug Young in Georgia and he said he had introduced it at other hunts and everyone liked it but it needed to be advertised in advance so more items would be brought for auction. It does add a lot to a hunt and I think most people enjoy it.

See photos of Alabama hunt winners on next page. Photos by Ernie Curlee, screening by Phillips Offset Service.



Winners in the Ladie's Division from left to right; Ray Murphy, Janet Akin , Jean Esco



Winners in the Men's Division from left to right; Ken Canoy, Jim Austin, Frank Ogle