

# MARCH 2022 RAMROD

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## **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

I am pleased to have such a find group of club officers working with me this year. With their help, we have the potential to have another great year. Also, we need your involvement as club members. Let us know what you want. We welcome suggestions and ideas.

For upcoming meetings, we will still have speakers, but you will also see some different agendas such as a club buy-sell-trade-and swap meeting. Let us know if you have any other items that you would like us to look into for a club activity.

## **NEW CLUB MEMBERS**

Please welcome the following new club members, who joined the club in February

- Fred Piasecki

## **CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Here are the dates for our upcoming club events. A reminder note will be posted to club members before each event, or you may go to our club website or Facebook page for additional information.

- March 1<sup>st</sup> – business meeting
  - Guest Speaker – Steve Strickland on Civil War buttons
- March 15<sup>th</sup> – business meeting
  - Find of the Month (March Finds)
- April 5<sup>th</sup> - March 1<sup>st</sup> – business meeting
  - Guest Speaker – Jim Hammonds on Items (badges, letters, document) identified to individual Civil War Soldiers
- April 15<sup>th</sup> – business meeting
  - Find of the Month (April Finds)
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> – business meeting
  - Guest Speaker – Ed Travis on Pin-pointers and Metal Detectors demonstration
- May 17<sup>th</sup> – business meeting
  - Find of the Month (May Finds)

## **IMPORTANT MEETING INFORMATION**

It should be noted that currently, our area is seeing an increase in COVID cases, so we ask members coming to the meeting to please follow standard COVID instructions. Additionally, we ask if anyone who is running a temperature or not feeling well to please refrain from coming to

the meeting so as to not possibly affect others (remember – we have many seniors in our club who are most at risk to the virus).

### **CLUB DUES REMINDER FOR 2022**

Club dues for 2022 will continue to be \$10 per person – those 75 and older will continue to receive free membership.

Please see the club treasurer to pay your dues, or mail them to:

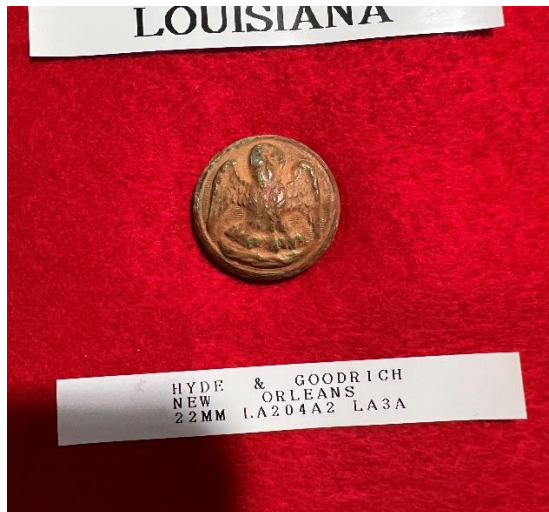
NGRHA  
P/O Box 503  
Marietta, Ga. 30061

### **2021 FIND OF THE YEAR MONTHLY WINNERS**

At our February 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, we held our 2021 Find of the Year meeting. To be eligible to win, you had to be present at this meeting and still in possession of the item that won for single coin or single relic so it could be displayed and voted on by club members present at this meeting.

At the meeting, when the votes were counted:

- Ed Travis won for Single Relic of the Year with a Louisiana Coat Button
- Ed Travis won the 2021 Single Coin of the Year award with a 1923 Peace Dollar



## **JANUARY RAFFLE PRICE WINNERS**

**Raffle Prize** - At each meeting, we will have a raffle (\$0.50 per ticket) with two or three choices for the winner of the raffle to select. These items may include (but not limited too) Civil War Breastplates, Box plates, Bayonets, Union and Confederate buttons, artillery shells, Civil War reference books, silver coins, and more. All attending the meeting may purchase raffle tickets.

- At our February 1st meeting, Bob Ficquette won a Block “I” button which had a shank and a Richmond Back-mark.
- At our February 15th meeting, Roy Thompson won a Block “I” Tinback with a shank.

## **FEBRUARY FIND OF THE MONTH WINNERS**

here are the rules (as a reminder) for entries being made into the find of the month.

- you must be a dues-paying member to enter an item into the find of the month - you cannot join the club and enter an item at the same time.
- you must be present with the item for it to be entered into the find of the month
- you can only enter 1 item per category
- the winner of each category will be selected by a voice vote.
- coins must be dated before 1964 - unless of significant historical content
- the club's board will have the final determination on what category an item can be entered into (in case there is a question about its entry)

For the month of February, here are the winners for the find of the month.

- Single Relic – Carl Sitherwood won with a 20lb Parrott Bolt
- Multiple Relics – Carl Sitherwood won with 2/3 of a 12lb Solid Shot and bullets
- Single Coin – no entries
- Multiple Coins – Carl Sitherwood won with several Wheat Pennies



Federal  
Parrott

DIAMETER: 3.63 inches  
GUN: 20-pounder Parrott  
rifle, 3.67-inch caliber  
LENGTH: 8 7/8 inches  
WEIGHT: 19 pounds 14  
ounces  
CONSTRUCTION: Solid  
shot  
SIGHT: Brass ring  
FINISH: None



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ile is commonly referred to as a Parrott  
ation of the manufacturing process for this  
in the chilled-iron definition in our  
signed primarily for destroying  
nt-personnel projectile. It is also  
iber) size. Note the expanded brass  
ows the impressions of the five  
(3.67-inch caliber) Parrott



12 Bunder Solid Shot  
Hit rock and sheared  
off side.













## ATLANTA CIVIL WAR PICTURES



Atlanta, Ga. Federal soldiers by gun in captured fort]



## **Atlanta, Ga. Ruins of depot, blown up on Sherman's departure]**

### **COIN CORNER**

Before the first official United States Mint was established at Philadelphia in 1792, a number of state and private mints produced coins for circulation in Colonial America. Most of these coins were made of copper, some were silver, and a select few were gold.

The first mint to be established in the British-American Colonies was at Boston in 1652. This was an illegal mint that was created from economic necessity because the government in London refused to allow the American colonist to import coins from England.

The mint was established by the Massachusetts General Court which appointed John Hull as “Master of the Mint” and ordered him to make shillings, 6 pence, and a 3 penny pieces from silver. Hull held his contract for making coins for 30 years; but all of his coins (except for the Oak Tree 2 pence – 1662) were dated “1652”.

Eight specimens of John Hull’s New England 6 pence are known to exist, the most recent found example having been discovered in 1990 in East Hampton, N.Y.

### **CIVIL WAR SOLDIER RESEARCH**

If you have a Civil War ancestor that you wish to have more information about (ie; personal information relating to the soldier), then bring your request to the club’s board. The club has access to some Civil War databases (which the club has paid for with a yearly subscription) and one of the benefits of being a club member is that we can do research to find information on Civil War soldiers (Union and Confederate).

### **CLUB WEB SITE**

The club web site can be viewed at the following address:

***WWW.NGRHA.COM***

This site is continually updated with club-related information, so we encourage you to visit the site to learn about the latest club activities and events.

## CLUB FACEBOOK PAGE

More club information can be found on the club's Facebook site. This site not only includes information on club activities, but also a variety of information regarding the Civil War and articles of interest relating to history and our hobby.

You can subscribe to our site on Facebook by going to our page at:



You can also make posts to this page with anything that you think will be of interest to other club members – including online articles and information from other Facebook sites.

## CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF COBB COUNTY

Another organization that you may be interested in joining is the Civil War Round Table of Cobb County. This organization meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month (except for July and August) at the Marietta Hilton Hotel.

As stated in the organization's bylaws, the purpose of this organization is:

- TO cultivate and preserve Civil War heritage of Georgia and to broaden the understanding of the Civil War era and its impact on our nation.

- TO explore the many facets of the Civil War from the battlefield to first-person narratives, including lectures by writers and historians and to encourage travel to locations linked to the Civil War.
- TO support historical projects and activities aimed at increasing awareness and appreciation of our Civil War history through sponsorship of various educational programs.

You can learn more about this organization by visiting the Facebook group page.

# Happy Hunting !!!