

Hampton Roads Recovery Society Finds of the Month & Hunter of the Year Rules

The following are a list of general rules that have been established for the voting on Finds of the Month and determining the Hunter of the Year Awards.

- 1. Contest is open to all HRRS members in good standings with club membership (yearly dues paid in full).
 - a. Contest is for individual members (no teams please). Each member should participate as an individual using finds that they themselves found through the course of each month while metal detecting as described below.
- 2. Monthly Finds Contest runs from January to November.
- 3. All items must be on voting tables prior to start of any voting. (Late entries will not be accepted)
- 4. You must fill out back of card, in appropriate month slot, with your Full Name to get proper credit for find.
- 5. Items submitted for voting must have been found while metal detecting and found between meetings the member attended.
 - a. Example If individual attended February meeting but unable to attend March meeting but is able to attend April meeting, all items from February meeting till April meeting can be accepted on Finds tables for voting.
- 6. Only one item, per category, per member, will be accepted.
- 7. Find Categories are: Coin/Token, Relic, Jewelry, Other and Table.
- 8. Find of the Month Winners (1st place only) in each Category will receive a Silver Dime as their prize.
- 9. Awards for Hunter of the Year will be in January of the following year.
- 10. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place Hunter of the Year Awards will be determined by club majority vote.
- 11. Voting will be by HRRS members only that are present at the meeting.
- 12. Voting is done by writing the number on the voting slip of the HRRS Find Card (1-12) attached to the item. Do not turn over card and write the name. Voting is done as a blind ballot. Vote for the item you deem as an exceptional, rare, or as an interesting find <u>in your opinion</u>.
- 13. Votes will be used to determine Find of the Month in each category and overall Hunter of the Year.
- 14. The club president is not eligible to vote for the Finds of the Month.
- 15. The club president will tally the votes according to the cards numbers. At the end of the meeting, the club president will reveal to the members present, the names on the back of the cards in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place scorings.
- 16. Points will be awarded each month for participation. These points will be used to determine the Hunter of the Year.
- 17. The point values are as follows: 1st Place 5 points, 2nd Place 3 points, 3rd Place 2 points, & Participation 1 point
- 18. In the event of a tie, both/all receiving the same amount of votes will earn the appropriate amount of points for the place earned. (Example There is a tie for 1st place by two people. Both individuals will earn 5 points each.)
- 19. Points are accumulated each month for each category the HRRS member chooses to participate in.
- 20. At the end of the year the points are totaled and the member with the most accumulated points earns the 1st Place Hunter of the Year Award. The member with the second highest amount of points earns the 2nd Place Hunter of the Year Award. The member with the 3rd highest amount of points earns the 3rd Place Hunter of the Year Award.
- 21. In the event of a tie, the member scoring the highest amount of 1st place awards during the monthly Finds of the Month Contests will be awarded the appropriate award. The runner-up will get the next level award.
- 22. Certificates will be presented for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place Hunter of the Year Awards.
- 23. Certificates will be presented for all who participate (bring in items) in the Monthly Contest throughout the past year.
- 24. These rules can only be changed by club majority vote and can only be changed once a year (January).
- 25. A copy of these rules will be available at each meeting for all members to see.

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Addendum 1- Theme of the Month items are now marked by a separate Monthly Theme Participation Card. Addendum 2 – Theme of the Month participation will now award 1 Point for the month for that person participating. Addendum 3 – Please reference the addition of Rule 1a limiting contest to individual members. Addendum 4 - Category Name Change from "Coin" to "Coin/Token" with the following definition: A Flat/Typically round object that at one time had a monetary value that is or was used to redeem for goods and/or services. This includes commemorative and challenge coins.