

Cabin Wreck Project

The cabin wreck project was started by the Gold Hound team in 2003 and will continue for many more years. After surveying hundreds of linear miles back and forth across the wreck site the Gold Hound team was able to create a very detailed chart showing the location of thousands of iron objects lying on the seabed. When this new information was overlaid onto the existing chart showing the excavation positions for the past 25 years, a very detailed picture of the debris scatter of a 1715 Spanish galleon appeared. Although there have been several attempts in the past by other treasure salvors too conduct magnetometer surveys on 1715 fleet ships such as the cabin wreck the technology that was used in the past was very limited. Today with the advent of DGPS positioning, laptop computer technology, software and cesium magnetometer technology we are able to map the wrecks in ways that were never possible before. Our mission on the cabin wreck is to conduct magnetometer surveys for several miles north and south around the wreck site to try and identify new areas and new debris trails that had been overlooked in the past. These trails could lead us to the still unaccounted for 100 missing chests of coins. So far to date we have located five anchors never before discovered on the cabin wreck site and we have located debris fields and debris trails heading off in directions that are in totally virgin territory. It's only a matter of time until we excavate on one of our magnetometer targets and there's going to be a pile of treasure there, this is how it's found. It's all just a process of elimination and when you have a picture of where the debris is it's just a matter of eliminating one target at a time until you narrow it down to the mother load.

