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Little Salt Spring: Lower Basin Artifacts from LSS

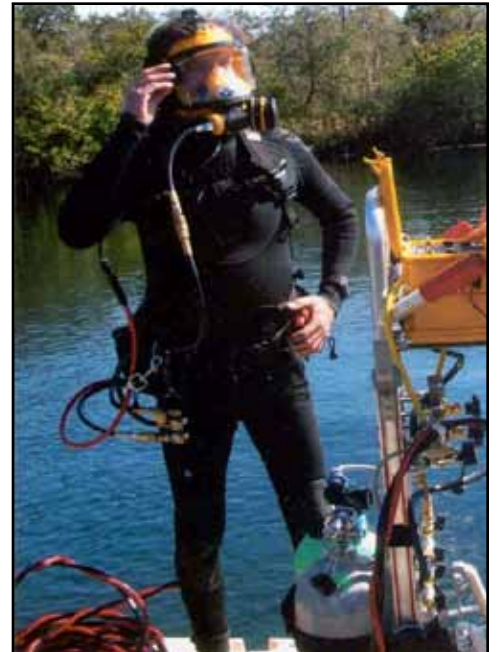
Steve Koski, a long-time friend of SWFAS, returns on June 16 to talk about recent work at Little Salt Spring. Koski, a Research Associate at the University of Miami, is giving a special presentation to SWFAS members of the paper he presented at the May FAS meeting: "Analysis of Two Middle Archaic Compound Artifacts from the Lower Basin of Little Salt Spring."

During 2005 fieldwork on the lower east slope of the basin at Little Salt Spring, eight 4 x 4 meter units were hand-fanned to locate wooden stakes known to be embedded in sandy clay below a thin unconsolidated deposit. Six stakes were identified, two were recovered, and one was radiocarbon dated.

In the process, numerous artifacts of stone, shell, bone, and wood were recovered from the unconsolidated sediment. Two were compound tools: an incised bone "atlatl handle" and limestone "banner stone," each with drilled holes containing wooden shafts. This paper describes the results of the analysis of the dated artifacts and preliminary interpretations.

The paper was authored by Steve, Research Associate at the University of Miami, Lee Newsom of Penn State University and John Gifford, also with RSMAS, University of Miami.

The meeting begins at 7:30 but please join us between 7 and 7:30 for snacks and socializing. The meeting will be in Bonita Springs.



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