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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)

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August 2005

Austin Metal Detecting Club meets at Woodlawn Baptist Church Singles House 4614 Manchaca at **7:00** on the second Thursday of each month. Our meeting this month is **August 11th** 2005. The Singles House is adjacent to the Woodlawn Baptist Church (4600 Manchaca), and is right next to the church parking lot. Below is a link showing a map to the church. Visitors are always welcome.

<http://www.woodlawNBC.org/directions.html>

This month our speaker will be Ronald Edelstein who will present a program on Coins and Coin Cleaning. Please come out and show your support!

At each meeting, finds are displayed by category. Members earn points for entering finds and more points for winning in a category. The rules and entry form are available at each regular meeting. Remember, items found since the last meeting until the upcoming meeting may be entered in the **August** Find of the Month contest. You may still show your finds even if you do not wish to compete in the Find of the Month

Please visit AMDC's web site (<http://www.austinmetaldetectingclub.com>) often. New items are added and changed frequently, so to keep up, visit the web site. The newsletters are posted there.

The executive meeting will be on **Sept. 1st** at Luby's, 1410 E. Anderson Ln. The meeting starts at 6:30 PM. Executive meetings are on the **first Thursday** of each month and all are invited.

July Meeting:

Our guest speaker was Al McGraw, archeologist with TX-DOT. Mr. McGraw brought several maps and pictures of early Texas and spoke about some of the state's early history and battles. He touched upon a number of interesting topics and spoke of key places significant to Texas history.

Mr. McGraw cautioned us that if our club performs metal detecting for a historical society, town etc., to ask whether there is a repository to keep historical items for safe keeping. Otherwise, he stated, you do not know whether they will be kept for public display at some point, or go to a personal collection. Mr. McGraw brought prints of an early Texas map and distributed these to club members. Club members really enjoyed the presentation.

John Sherman brought in some interesting displays of artifacts he'd found, including a number of Civil War items. During the break and Find of the Month contest, members had a chance to visit with one another, ask questions and view the displays.

We had our regular club fund raiser drawing as well as a fund raiser for Texas Council, where the prizes (to be given away at the September meeting) are a gold coin and a nice half cent piece.

August Executive Meeting:

Larry Vickers is going to call Lee Presley to try and set up a hunt for Port Sullivan, in Hearne, Tx. It is one of the farthest inland ports on the Brazos River and is a ghost town. This will be a cool weather hunt.

Another major topic was to rename the club, Austin Metal Detecting Club to something with a more positive connotation such as Texas Society of Research and Historical preservation, as an example. We need everyone to be thinking of possible names. It would be ideal to have the initials of the name mean something significant or spell a word.

Ideas for upcoming hunts were discussed, including going out to Camp Ben McCulloch.

Upcoming Events:

August Club Hunt – Details forthcoming

August 20 – TX Council of Treasure Clubs Quarterly Mtng – 1:00 - Waxahachie Civic Center

October 21-23 – WWATS Rally Weekend, KRiver Camp near Antler, Oklahoma

November 5 – Houston Archeology and Recovery Club Open Beach Hunt

July Rankings

Rank	Name	Total
1	Scott Hegel	204
2	Everett Preslar	200
3	Blaine Nelson	187
4	Ray Knowles	181
5	Larry Vickers	107
6	Art Tiemann	103
7	Jim Lawhon	69
8	Ed Newsom	65
9	Roy Stahl	63
10	Bill Fogelsanger	44
11	Andy Waters	33
12	Randy Connell	17
13	John Rowen	16
14	Daniel Mireles	12
15	Nancy Tiemann	8
16	Tim Israel	7
17	Robert Chapman	4

July - Find of the Month

	U.S. Coin		Foreign Coin
1	Everett Preslar - 1962D Dime	1	Ray Knowles -
2	Scott Hegel - 1943P Nickel	2	Scott Hegel - 1998 \$10 Mexico
2	Blaine Nelson - 1965 Quarter	3	Blaine Nelson - 1992 2 Pfennig Germany
3	Daniel Mireles - 1999 Cent		
3	Art Tiemann - 2004 Quarter		
	Token		Ring
1	Scott Hegel - 6 Flags Tasmanian Devil	1	Scott Hegel - 10K w/Sapphire & Diamonds
2	Roy Stahl - Lone Star	2	Blaine Nelson - Men's Gold Wedding Band

3	Everett Preslar - Freedom	3	Roy Stahl - Silver Toe Ring
3	Ray Knowles - Dozer		Ray Knowles - Mood Ring
	Blaine Nelson - Car Wash		Everett Preslar - Silver JA Cross Ring
	Jewelry		Artifact
1	Scott Hegel - 10K Religious Pendant	1	Art Tiemann - Belt Decoration
2	Everett Preslar - JA Silver Heart w/Chain	1	Everett Preslar - Ceramic Door Knob
3	Art Tiemann - Watch on Bracelet	2	Roy Stahl - Army of Occupation Medal
3	Ray Knowles - Sports Watch	3	Scott Hegel - Confederate Flag Button Down
	Blaine Nelson - Silver "H" Pendant	3	Ray Knowles - Tobhans Wardrobe Tag
	Roy Stahl - Christmas Tree Earring		Blaine Nelson - Nobility Silver Plate Fork
	Toy		Button
1	Everett Preslar - Iron Car 1930's	1	Scott Hegel - Grey Plastic with Metal Trim
2	Scott Hegel - Purple & Yellow Rocket	2	Roy Stahl - Star Button
2	Blaine Nelson - Toy Gun	2	Everett Preslar - 4 Hole Metal w/Stars
		2	Ray Knowles - Cloth Covered
	Most Unusual	3	Blaine Nelson - Round 2 Hole
1	Everett Preslar - Pocket Knife w/Manicure Kit		
2	Ray Knowles - Spark Plug		Non-Metal
3	Scott Hegel - Have a Great Day Pin	1	Art Tiemann - Broken Dish Fragment
3	Roy Stahl - Buckle	1	Ray Knowles - Brown Bottle
3	Art Tiemann - Corbin Lock	2	Blaine Nelson - Pink Water Frog
3	Daniel Mireles - Not Rock (Meteorite?)	2	Roy Stahl - Yellow Hair Clip
3	Blaine Nelson - Snowflake Ornament	3	Scott Hegel - Luminescent Shooting Star
		3	Everett Preslar - Plastic Toy Soldier
	Oldest U.S. Coin		
1	Scott Hegel - 1928 Nickel		Oldest U.S. Cent
2	Everett Preslar - 1941 Nickel	1	Everett Preslar - 1941
3	Ray Knowles - 1948 Nickel	2	Scott Hegel - 1945
	Blaine Nelson - 1963 Nickel	3	Ray Knowles - 1946
			Blaine Nelson - 1958
			Art Tiemann - 1979D
	Most Valuable U.S. Coin		
1	Everett Preslar - 1959D Quarter		
1	Ray Knowles - 1940S Quarter		
2	Scott Hegel - 2000P Dollar		
3	Blaine Nelson - 2004D Quarter		
3	Art Tiemann - 2002 Quarter		

Find of the Month Entry Form

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

RING: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

TOY: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

MOST UNUSUAL: _____ # _____

NON-METAL: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. CENT: _____ # _____

MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN: _____ # _____