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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)

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February 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 **February 10th** 2005. The Singles House is adjacent to the Woodlawn Baptist Church (4600 Manchaca), and is right next to the church parking lot. Here is a link showing a map to the church.

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

If you have any trouble finding us on Thursday, call Larry's cell 497-6669, or Blaine's cell 470-8756. Come and bring a friend. Visitors always welcome!

Membership ID card photos will be taken at the meeting if you missed getting one in January. We are requiring ID badges for many of the club hunts. Badges are \$2.00 per person.

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 **February** 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 **March 3rd** at Tres Amigos on US 183 and US 290 (northeast Austin). Everyone is invited. The meeting starts at 6:30 PM. Note that we will hold executive meetings on the **first Thursday** of each month.

January Meeting:

We started the New Year out with a bang! Our January meeting was held in the new location, and it was very well attended. We had a number of visitors, old and new members, and a very interesting program. Everett Clare did a presentation on "Dowsing" and shared fascinating personal dowsing experiences he's had over the years. Everett gave us a demonstration of dowsing techniques, shared resources and answered the many questions from the audience. Larry took pictures for photo ID's and we discussed plans for the upcoming hunts, including the one in Hutto on Jan. 15.

January Hunt:

In case you haven't heard, our Club Hunt in Hutto on January 15 was a roaring success. 16 hunters came out to hunt the old Farley homestead in town. One of our goals was to locate a wedding band which had been lost on the property 59 years ago. Members found all sorts of targets, including a 1905 centavos, an old 1800's lock set, a 1914 Maltese cross, AND the missing gold wedding ring!

Our club has received a lot of favorable PR because of this find. Thanks to Art for organizing this hunt, and to all the club members who assisted in the search for the lost ring.

February Executive Meeting:

Art discussed upcoming hunt plans and is working to get us permission to hunt a number of new sites. Randy is assisting Art with research and they have been out talking to people and going to scope out possible sites. We discussed the need to obtain new maps and other resource material for the club. Information about the hunt on Saturday, Feb. 19 will be announced at the meeting. Bill Fogelsanger has gained permission for the club to hunt down at Gulf on March 5-6. **All who plan to attend the hunt in Gulf must sign a release at the meeting Thursday.**

A motion was passed to allow members to enter a photograph(s) of a find in lieu of the actual item in the Find of the Month contest in instances where an item is not available; i.e. it has been returned to an owner, turned over to a historical entity etc. The photograph would be given equal weight as the actual find and would only be allowed in special circumstances as indicated above.

Upcoming Events:

February 19 – Special Club Hunt at old site. Hear details at meeting or contact Art for time/place to meet for this hunt

March 5 & 6 – Special Club Hunt in the old ghost town of Gulf, Texas

March 12 & 13 Texas Council Treasure Show in Tyler

April – Special Club Hunt – details forthcoming

Note:

If any of the ladies would like to help with the AMDC scrap book, please let Blaine know asap.

We need the following: Foreign coins for the Kerrville Lions Camp, toy cars etc. to give to kids at the TCTC show, and donations of any items for the Silent Auction at the TCTC show. Please look around and bring items to the meeting.

FOR SALE: Larry Vickers has a couple of Garrett Ace 250 detectors for sale. See Larry at the meeting, or call him at 243-1831 if interested.

End of the Year Rankings

Rank	Name	Total

1	Everett Preslar	31
2	Ed Newsom	29
3	Blaine Nelson	26
4	Ray Knowles	25
5	Scott Hegel	23
6	Art Tiemann	20
7	Larry Vickers	19
8	Jim Lawhon	13
9	Bill Fogelsanger	9
10	Roy Stahl	7
11		0
12		0
13		0
14		0
15		0
16		0
17		0
18		0
19		0

Thought for February – “BONES”

There are four main bones in every organization:

1. The WISH BONES – wish someone would do something,
2. The JAW BONES – do all the talking, but very little else,
3. The KNUCKLE BONES – sit back and knock everything,
4. The BACK BONES – carry the brunt of the load and do most of the work

Which type of Bone are You?

January - Find of the Month

	U.S. Coin		Foreign Coin
1	Ray Knowles - 1945P Nickel	1	Jim Lawhon - 1953 1 Centavo Mexico
1	Everett Preslar - 1940 Dime	2	Ray Knowles - 1963 5 Kurus Turkey
2	Scott Hegel - 1942D Dime	3	Ed Newsom - 1970 5 Centavo Mexico
2	Ed Newsom - 1945S Nickel	3	Blaine Nelson - 1 Pound England
2	Blaine Nelson - 1979P Dollar		Art Tiemann - 1983 20 Colones Costa Rica
3	Art Tiemann - 1983 Quarter		Scott Hegel - 1974 100 Peso Chile
	Larry Vickers - 2004D Quarter		
	Roy Stahl - 1965 Quarter		
			Ring
		1	Everett Preslar - Gold Mens Wedding Band
	Token	2	Scott Hegel - 18K/Platinum Mens Band
1	Larry Vickers - AA VI Year	3	Larry Vickers - 2005 John Connally HS
2	Art Tiemann - 15 cents off 3 bars Lava soap	3	Roy Stahl - Silver
3	Scott Hegel - The Prayer of Jabez		Jim Lawhon - Silver
	Ray Knowles - Celebration Station		Blaine Nelson - Child's CTR with Flowers
	Everett Preslar - Celebration Station		Art Tiemann - Silver with 3 stones
	Blaine Nelson - No Cash Value		Ed Newsom - gold colored
	Jewelry		Artifact
1	Ed Newsom - San Francisco 49ers Medal	1	Ed Newsom - Brass Door Knob
2	Scott Hegel - Bracelet	2	Jim Lawhon - Whistle
3	Everett Preslar - Silver Eagle Necklace	3	Blaine Nelson - Maxwell House Coffee Can
	Ray Knowles - Earring		Scott Hegel - Merry Widow Tin
	Larry Vickers - Gold Earring		Bill Fogelsanger - Horse Buckle
	Art Tiemann - Baddira		Larry Vickers - Cigarette Lighter
	Bill Fogelsanger - Pokemon Necklace		Everett Preslar - Musket ball
	Blaine Nelson - Silver Earring with Red Heart		Ray Knowles - Trails End Pin
	Roy Stahl - Earring		Roy Stahl - Make-up Brush
			Art Tiemann - Plow Points
	Toy		
1	Larry Vickers - Pickup Truck		Button
2	Ray Knowles - Blue Car	1	Art Tiemann - Large Metal 4 Hole
2	Blaine Nelson - John Deere Front-end Loader	2	Everett Preslar - Jesus Lord of Promises
3	Jim Lawhon - Corvette	3	Blaine Nelson - Decorative Metal
3	Everett Preslar - White Van		Scott Hegel - Press Studs
	Scott Hegel - Mattel Jet Threat Car		Larry Vickers - Black Plastic
	Bill Fogelsanger - Hot Wheels Snake Car		Ed Newsom - 4 Hole Plastic
	Ed Newsom - Spider Ring		
	Art Tiemann - Car		
			Non-Metal
		1	Bill Fogelsanger - Glass Bottle
	Most Unusual	2	Ray Knowles - Purple Stone
1	Ray Knowles - Good Luck to Bearer Token	2	Ed Newsom - Scorpion Ring
1	Blaine Nelson - 3 Bronze Monkeys	3	Scott Hegel - Marble
2	Everett Preslar - Knife made of Keys	3	Jim Lawhon - Plastic Car
3	Scott Hegel - Lee Oskar Harmonica	3	Roy Stahl - Skull & Cross Bones
	Larry Vickers - Cross Pen	3	Blaine Nelson - Syrup Bottle
	Bill Fogelsanger - Old Timer Knife		Larry Vickers - Debit Card
	Art Tiemann - AA 24 Month Token		Everett Preslar - Golf Ball
			Art Tiemann - Marble
	Oldest U.S. Coin		
1	Ed Newsom - 1899 Dime		Oldest U.S. Cent

2	Everett Preslar - 1925 Nickel	1	Ed Newsom - 1903
3	Scott Hegel - 1940 Nickel	2	Everett Preslar - 1911
	Art Tiemann - 1948 Dime	3	Art Tiemann - 1917D
	Larry Vickers - 1956 Nickel		Ray Knowles - 1920
	Blaine Nelson - 1957 Nickel		Bill Fogelsanger - 1927
			Scott Hegel - 1934
	Most Valuable U.S. Coin		Jim Lawhon - 1942
1	Ray Knowles - 1943 Quarter		Blaine Nelson - 1945
1	Everett Preslar - 1964 Quarter		Larry Vickers - 1946D
2	Blaine Nelson - 2000P Dollar		
3	Ed Newsom - 1936D Nickel		
	Larry Vickers - 1973 Half		
	Scott Hegel - 2004D Quarter		
	Art Tiemann - 1967 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: _____ # _____