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## AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)  
5007 Timothy Circle Austin, TX 78734  
Membership: \$20.00  
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October 2009

### **Meeting Information:**

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church  
4600 Manchaca  
Date – **October 8<sup>th</sup>** 2009  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month  
Time - **7:00 pm**  
Room M 103/104

### **Officers:**

President – Jim Lawhon 259 -1036  
Vice President – Susie Mireles  
Treasurer – Scott Hegel 331-1131  
Secretary/Newsletter – Blaine Nelson  
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### **Executive Committee:**

Betty Vickers, Art Tiemann 272-8902  
Daniel and Susie Mireles, John  
Chapman, Leon and Mary Prause  
Cecil Herrin

### **President's Corner:**

Finally a break from the 100 degree weather, and I hope as many of you as possible are getting out to do some detecting.

The past weekend AMDC had a booth at the Llano Gold Prospecting and Gem Show. Thanks to all of you who attended and helped man our booth.

Our club put on a \$5 Fun Hunt on Saturday and had good participation according to the number of people who attended the show. All participants who registered in the Fun Hunt received a prize along with a Grab Bag donated by Garrett. Congrats to Don Walk who was the winner of the Garrett Ace 150 and John Chapman who won a Garrett Pro Pointer.

Hope to see you at the Membership meeting on Thursday 8 Oct..

*Jim Lawhon*

## **October Meeting**

The program for October will be on Beach Hunting. There is something magical that attracts treasure hunters to beaches - coast to coast. Beaches present their own challenges to the metal detectorist. The officers will share tips and information based upon their own experience and highlight ideas on beach hunting from treasure hunting resources.

We will have our Find of the Month competition, so bring you FINDS – anything you have found since the SEPTEMBER meeting. Even if you are a new member or have never participated, please bring your items to show and enter. It is fun, and the more we have – the more interesting it is!

Dennis Gans will bring refreshments for this meeting.

## **Executive Meetings**

The November Board meeting will be at **Bill Miller's Bar-B-Q – 8700 E. Hwy 290** on Thursday, Nov. 5th. All are welcome to come join us, eat and participate. Come early to eat, the meeting starts at 6:00.

**October Board Meeting** - Items discussed included ideas for upcoming programs and club hunts, plans for our booth at the Texas Council Show in Longview and the club's participation in the Llano weekend and future like events.

## **Club Activities**

### **Llano Gold and Gem Fest:**

On Sept. 26 and 27<sup>th</sup> AMDC participated in the Gold and Gem festival sponsored by the Llano Chamber of Commerce. Our club had a booth next to the Texas Council and Premium Metal Detectors. AMDC members put on a metal detecting demonstration, sponsored a "Fun Hunt" for the public and had a fund raiser for our club. Everyone had a great time and the weather was nice both days.

On Sunday there was a competition hunt sponsored by the Texas Council of Treasure Clubs, which attracted a number of detectorists from other clubs i.e. Dallas, San Antonio, Houston and Ft. Worth.

Many thanks to the many members who provided displays and/or came out to support the club:

Jim Lawhon, Scott Hegel, Larry Vickers, Daniel and Susie Mireles, John Chapman, Mike and Annette Stafford, Art and Nancy Tiemann, Carrie Rogers, Richard Wright, Andy Waters, Dennis Gans, Blaine Nelson, Lee and Sue Presley.

On Saturday evening Susie Mireles prepared a pot of chile for the group, and soon became known as the "Chile Queen". Be sure and ask her about this.

### **Christmas Dinner**

Our Annual Meeting and Dinner is set for Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at Daniel and Susie's Club House.

Please begin collecting items you would like to contribute to the Fund Raiser! Bring your offerings to a meeting and Jim will take them off your hands. Every year we have a lot of fun with this activity, and it is our best fund raiser of the year. You can donate a variety of items – new or slightly used – it does not have to be related to metal detecting. Popular items include house wares, decorations, tools, batteries, coins, etc.

### **Upcoming Events:**

**Oct. 11** – AMDC Social Hunt – details at the meeting and in email.

**Oct. 17** – Lone Star Competition Hunt – Dallas – see details at [www.texasCouncil.net](http://www.texasCouncil.net)

**October 25<sup>th</sup>** – HARC (Houston Club) Competition Hunt – Galveston – details at [www.texasCouncil.net](http://www.texasCouncil.net)

**Note:** A number of club members plan to go to Galveston for the weekend, however nothing is officially organized. Contact Jim or Susie if you would like to go and meet up.

**March 12-14, 2010 – 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Treasure Show – Longview. Mark your calendars now!**

### **FOR SALE**

Fisher F-5. See Larry Vickers at the meeting for good price on this and other items/detectors. Larry also has a couple of Garrett pro-pointers for sale.

[Note – if you have any metal detecting related items to sell, we can list your items here.](#)

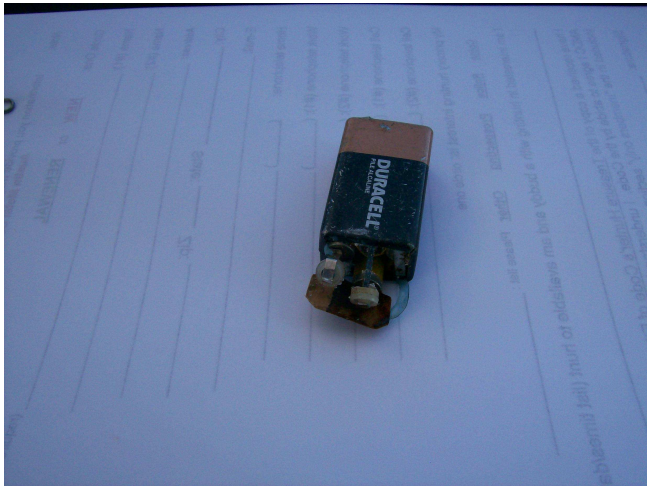
## Member Tips for November

### Going Green Tips:

- **Don't get bottled water** - Instead of **bottled water** get a **reusable container** to carry water. Also you can get a filter to make your home tap taste more like bottled water. It is definitely more cost efficient.
- **Get rid of junk mail** - There are many services that can help you get rid of junk mail. That will lead to a lot less trees being cut down to take up room in your mailbox
- **Pay your Bills Online** - If every house in the US did this then we would save 18 million trees every year.
- **Wrap Presents Creatively** - Without going out to get wrapping paper you can use newspaper, an old map, or anything else. It would look a whole lot more creative.
- **Buy Rechargeable Batteries** - Even though it will take a good investment to buy these you will find yourself gaining it back in no time.

### Battery Note:

Art Tiemann called something to our attention. According to Art, there is concern about Duracell batteries – that they are now made in China and have a thin cover which is more susceptible to exploding.



- Batteries – Bring you spent batteries and batteries you find detecting to the AMDC meeting. We will have a box to collect them and we will bring them to an appropriate recycling site. Please pick up all batteries you see when you are out detecting. They are a definite hazard

## September Finds

<b>U.S. Coin</b>	<b>Foreign Coin</b>
Scott Hegel - 1961D Cent	Blaine Nelson - 1993 20 KC Ceska Republic
Larry Vickers - 1949 Cent	Larry Vickers - 1941 3 Pence - England
Blaine Nelson - 1940 Nickel	Jan Hallez - 1970 50 Centavos - Mexico
Dennis Gans - 1967 Quarter	Daniel Mireles - 1989 25 Centavos - Dominican Rep
Daniel Mireles - 1981 Quarter	
Jan Hallez - 1976 Quarter	
	<b>Ring</b>
	Blaine Nelson - 14K White Gold with 3 Diamonds
<b>Token</b>	Jan Hallez - Silver with Mother of Pearl
Scott Hegel - Mass. Bay Trans. Authority	Scott Hegel - Kid's Heart Ring
Larry Vickers - Canada Armistice 1918 - 2008	Larry Vickers - Mood Ring
Blaine Nelson - Spirit Mountain Casino	Scott Matthews - Silver with Jewels
<b>Jewelry</b>	<b>Artifact</b>
Blaine Nelson - 14K Cross on 10K Chain	Scott Hegel - Jack Daniel's Pin
Larry Vickers - Silver Cross	Dennis Gans - Sunglasses
Jan Hallez - Silver Cross	Larry Vickers - Brad
Scott Hegel - Silver Earring with Turquoise	Jan Hallez - Round Pull Tab
Scott Matthews - Cross	
	<b>Button</b>
<b>Toy</b>	Jan Hallez - Heart with Clear Stones
Scott Hegel - Hot wheels Dragster	Blaine Nelson - Mossimo Premium
Blaine Nelson - Reese's Puffs Car	Larry Vickers - Copper with Half a Star
Jan Hallez - Yellow Rack	
Larry Vickers - Lock	
	<b>Non-Metal</b>
	Dennis Gans - Tile
<b>Most Unusual</b>	Larry Vickers - Horse
Dennis Gans - Girls Swimsuit	Scott Matthews - Plastic Monkey
Blaine Nelson - Hedge Hog Pendant	Jan Hallez - Storage Sign
Scott Matthews - Furniture Leg	Scott Hegel - Grey Button
Larry Vickers - 2 Way Switch	Blaine Nelson - Lego Man
Jan Hallez - Drama Pin	
Scott Hegel - Metal Flower	
	<b>Oldest U.S. Cent</b>
	Larry Vickers - 1944
<b>Oldest U.S. Coin</b>	Blaine Nelson - 1952D
Blaine Nelson - 1940 Nickel	Daniel Mireles - 1957D
Scott Hegel - 1941D Nickel	Scott Hegel - 1960D
Scott Matthews - 1964 Nickel	Jan Hallez - 1961
Dennis Gans - 1965 Dime	Dennis Gans - 1966
Larry Vickers - 1967 Dime	Scott Matthews - 1966
<b>Most Valuable U.S. Coin</b>	
Larry Vickers - 1917 Cent	

## Rank after September Meeting

Blaine Nelson  
Scott Hegel  
Jan Hallez  
Frank Vick  
Larry Vickers  
Daniel Mireles  
Dennis Gans  
Ed Newsom  
Rudy  
Nordmeyer  
Susie Mireles  
Jim Lawhon  
John Walton  
Mary Prause  
Scott  
Matthews  
Leon Prause  
Dick Nelson  
John  
Chapman  
Dwane Ideker  
Lee Presley  
Roy Stahl

Don't see your name on the list? Bring your Finds. Every entry is worth at least one point!

Find of the Month

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: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_