



**Metal Detecting Club**

Since 1963



### Meeting Information:

Place: Woodlawn Baptist Church

4600 Manchaca Blvd.

Austin, TX

Day: Second Thursday of each month

Time: 7:00 pm

Membership: \$20.00



## February 2024

### Club Officers:

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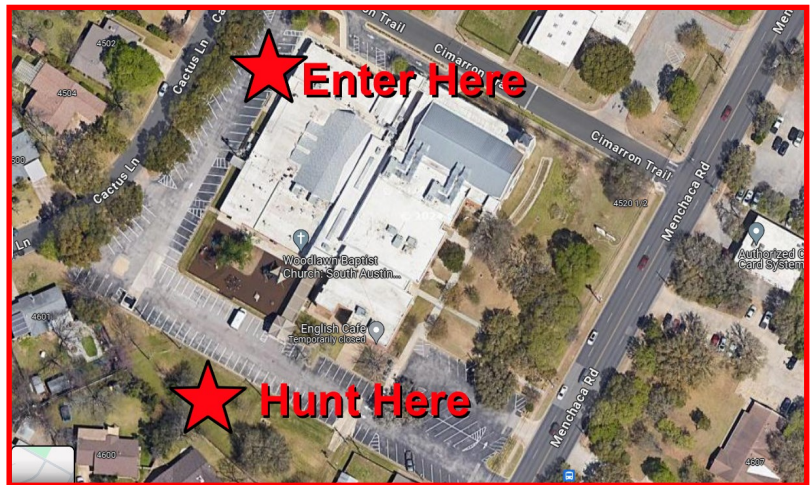
### \*\*Meeting Location\*\*

Some important changes to this month's meeting due to our normal room being used for another event.

We will first need to enter the building at a different location, see map below.

Secondly we are meeting in Room A100 (look for signs inside).

Our night hunt will be in the normal place. No Digging!



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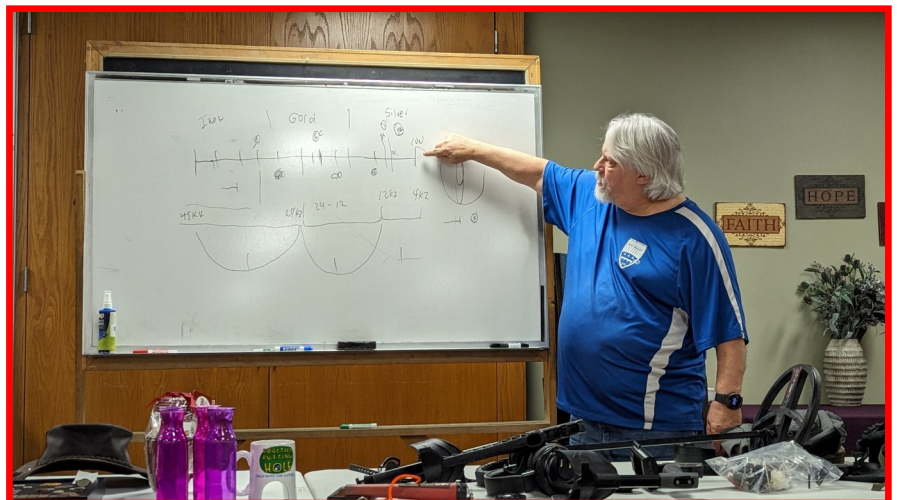
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# January Meeting Program

The new year is upon us, and with it bring many new things. New members, new opportunities to hunt new places, and of course the new detectors we might all consider purchasing. AMDC was fortunate to have Tom Ashworth on hand to talk about one of his favorite detectors, the XP Deus II.



Tom showed how this detector is similar and vastly different than most detectors we know about. Firstly is the weight, the detector's weight can start at just 1.5 pounds, similar detectors are double that. Another thing that makes this detector unique is the 'brains' of the detector are in the coil housing rather than a control box. That alone makes this next feature really fascinating. You can forego the control box altogether and have it wirelessly transmit the signals and data to a wristwatch like device! Like most detectors, you can accessorize to your hearts content with headsets, pinpointers and such and what's neat about that is you can have them all link together. No more taking the headphones off to listen to the pinpointer, it transmits right to it!



Tom also uses his detector underwater, a lot! It is rated down to 66 feet, more than adequate for most lost treasures near shorelines. The whole thing can break down in moments to fit neatly

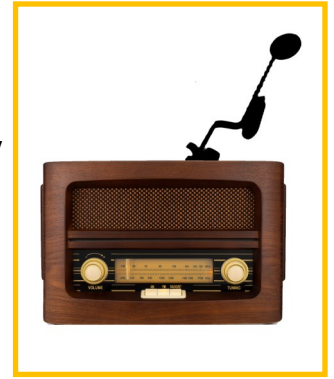
inside a backpack for easy carrying to where you want to hunt. So you want to buy one or two? Go for it, just know these are not your hardware store cheap-o detectors. These things are made in France and cost quite a pretty franc. You can easily drop \$1500 for a set up, but Tom says, not to worry, this is a detector you will keep for a long time! Head to [Tom's Website](#) for info and videos.

## February Meeting

**February 8th:**Lights On/Lights Off. You will need your detectors and pinpointers for this hands on program as well as a flashlight or headlamp. Our hunt masters will give the details before the hunt. Diggers will **NOT** be needed. **NOTE:** Our building entrance and meeting room has changed!

## Metal Detecting Podcasts

Metal detecting is a hobby that has made leaps and bounds when it comes to the technology of how they detect and differentiate between metals. The beat frequency oscillator (BFO) was a huge step in advancing the technology. But there have also been advances in how you learn about metal detecting. Sure, there are books and operational DVD's about detecting but with the advent of the internet, technology has evolved in ways that allow us watch instructional videos as well as listen to podcasts.



Below I have listed a few of the many podcasts and videos that I have found. So feel free to while away the hours as you watch other people find treasures. Perhaps it will inspire you to try a new technique or refine the way you search for a location and ask for permissions to search an area.

### The Shows (Just click the show)

A variety of videos and or podcasts about metal detecting.

[Garrett Metal Detectors Tailgate Talk](#)-From Garrett Detectors

[Relics Radio Show](#)-Adventures discussing various types of Treasure Hunting

[American Digger Magazine—Relic Roundup Radio and Podcast](#)

[One More Dig: Metal Detecting Stories](#)

[The Archeology and Metal Detecting Magazine: The BIG Detecting Show](#)

Videos of people searching and finding treasures!

[The Hoover Boys](#) Metal detecting and magnet fishing

[Nugget Noggin](#)- Lots of videos and even training

[Aquachigger](#) -Both on land and underwater finds

[The Fisher](#)- All kinds of magnet fishing going on

And if you did not need anything else to help waste your time...Gold Prospecting!

[Tassie Boys Prospecting](#)—Tasmania, Australia

[Outback Gold Fever](#)- Prospecting the Outback of Australia

[Pioneer Pauly](#)- Wide variety of topics

# AMDC Search Team Results

The Austin Metal Detecting Club has a team of searchers that go out and attempt to find lost items. These are the results of our recent searches.



**The Story:** My father recently passed away and I'm preparing his home for sale. My sister just told me that, apparently, my mother buried some things in metal Folgers cans in the yard. I was considering renting a metal detector when I found your website of experienced users of detector equipment. If this sounds interesting, let me know.

**The Search:** Originally plans were to wait until the new year so that the siblings could try their hand at metal detecting alongside the search team. As the end of the year approached, plans were updated and a date was set for an initial hunt. Mitch was able to go out on Saturday the 23rd of December at 9 am.



Upon arrival, Mitch saw that he had some others that were already looking in the yard, but not in the right place. They gave up their search pretty quick and moved to greener grasses while Mitch geared up and headed to the back yard. He and the home owner searched for a couple of hours, in the garden, around the trees, even under some of the buried ashes of the late mother who was the one said to have buried the can. Was she guarding it? Unfortunately we would not know the answer as Mitch had to leave which left this one unsolved until someone else can try before the house goes up for sale in February.

**Result:**



**The Story:** My name is Carter. The other day my daughter and I were having a sword fight in our back yard and I think my wedding ring fell off my finger. A friend of mine had the same thing happen a couple years ago and said one of y'all came out and found his ring in 10 minutes. I was wondering if anyone would be able to come try to find my ring.

**The Search:** Jim Lawhon went out on his own on this one and ended up finding the lost ring. Another happy customer!

**Result:**



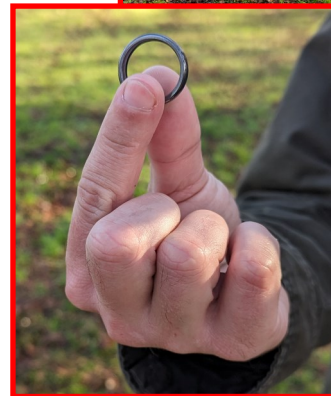
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**The Story:** Hi there. I was at a group function today at Festival Beach, and my titanium wedding band fell off my finger. I know a small area in which it happened, and we made a group effort to find it, with no luck. If titanium rings are able to be found with detectors I would greatly appreciate the help.

**The Search:** Mitch and Scott were dispatched to the scene. The standard protocol for searching at a city park in Austin is to have the person who lost the item contact the city to ask for a permit to search. Once the item is found any and all searching must cease. So we told Eric to apply for the permit. We then met up with him at the location and we went through the pleasant-ries and he told us the city told him that a permit was not needed so long as the person who lost the item is on site while the search is happening (See below). Whether this gave our searchers a little extra spring in their step, they set to searching with a couple of detectors plus one more for Eric. About 30 minutes or so, Scott picked up a signal. The ring was found flattened in the ground among leaves of a very similar color making finding it by just looking very improbable.



**Result:**



Item	More information
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• With a permit, they must occur in designated areas such as picnic rental sites, or event buildings.</li></ul>
Metal Detecting	Permitted in the specific case where the OWNER of an object is attempting to recover a lost item of value. General interest metal detecting is NOT permitted. See the technical topics section of this page.
Mosswalks/ Bounce Houses	NOT allowed for day to day uses rentals, picnic sites or similar. Water attractions are prohibited. Permitted ONLY at large festivals with an approved site rental where conditions/space can accommodate the device, and required insurance is provided.

# AMDC WORD FIND!

A	Q	E	R	B	Y	U	L	C	S	W	E	E	V	C	D	Z	A	X	R
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GARRETT  
METAL  
DETECTOR  
RESONANCE  
GOLD  
DIG  
COINS

RELICS  
SILVER  
HUNTING  
AUSTIN  
CLUB  
KNEEPAD  
SHOVEL

PINPOINTER  
COILS  
FREQUENCY  
DISCRIMINATION  
BOTTLECAP  
CACHE  
ALUMINUM



# Getting to Know: Jeanne Toewe

## ***When did you first get interested in metal detecting and why?***

After Fred got his detector, I would occasionally go out with him but had no interest in detecting. I know Fred enjoyed having company to share the excitement of his finds. I first got interested at a Garrett Hunt. He had only found one token and was a bit disappointed as many of the club members had found multiple tokens. I carefully looked at his token and the numbered prizes on the table. I felt pretty sure he was going to win a tee shirt so I bravely said that if he won a detector, I would go out with him all year. Sue enough, he won a detector and I fulfilled my promise.

## ***What was your first detector and what did you find with it?***

My first and only detector is an AT Pro so everything I have found has been with that.

## ***What are some of your favorite places to detect? Why?***

My favorite places are wherever Fred wants to go. He loves water detecting so I usually do the beaches and areas around the water.

## ***If you could go anywhere and detect, where would you go?***

I would like to go to some foreign country and find so old, unique finds.

## ***What was your favorite place that you were able to detect? What did you find?***

I don't have a favorite place but I like to go to peaceful environments where I can enjoy the scenery along with the detecting.

## ***What is the best thing you have found while detecting and where did you find it?***

Probably my best find was when I went with Fred on a Club Lost and Found request when I found three sterling silver rings, but not the one the owner had lost.

## ***What was the hardest thing you have had to detect and was the result worth it?***

Fred was again on a Club request and the woman had lost an earring 5 years earlier in her yard. She had a manicured yard with lots of metal edging. Fred detected and I went around on my hand and knees with a pin pointer. The earring was not found and my back and knees hurt for days.

## ***What advice would you give to someone new in the hobby?***

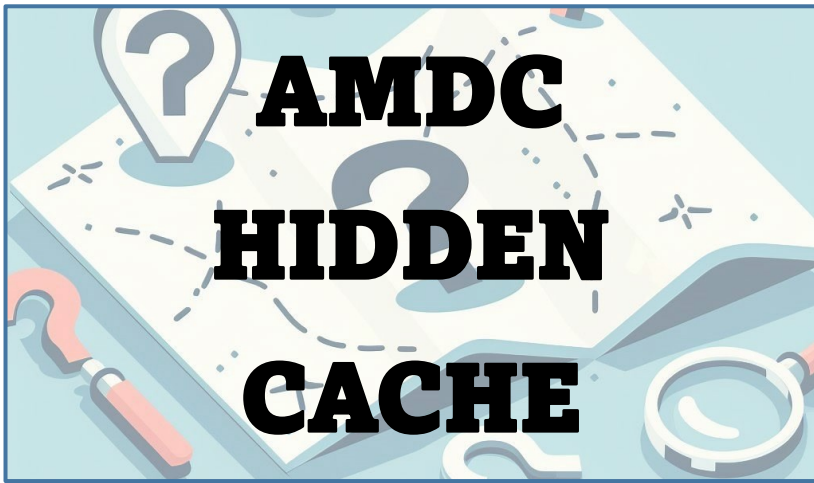
I would suggest joining AMDC and make friends with our awesome members. Find a hunting buddy, learn the do's and don't of the sport and ENJOY!

## ***How many detectors have you owned over your time in this hobby, are there any favorites?***

One.

## ***What is your favorite aspect of metal detecting that keeps you going?***

My husband.



The AMDC has a hidden treasure! Well, sort of. Each month a clue is brought to a meeting that gives a clue to the location of this hidden cache. Each month the clues get more specific. Once the cache is found, a new one is hidden and it starts over. The cache that is found is brought to the meeting and exchanged for a prize! Can you find the cache???

## *Detecting Love*

*Amidst the clutter of forgotten things,  
A treasure hunter's heart takes wing.  
With metal detector's gentle hum,  
Love's lost tokens start to drum.*

*In rusted coins and faded bands,  
Romance whispers, hand in hand.  
A locket lost beneath the leaves,  
Reveals a love that time believes.*



*A broken ring, a cherished token,  
Of vows once spoken, hearts unbroken.  
Metal whispers tales untold,  
Of valentines of days of old.*

*In every beep, a memory lies,  
Of love's embrace, beneath the skies.  
With every find, a heart takes flight,  
In echoes of a love so bright.*

*So let the metal detector sing,  
As love's lost treasures brightly swing.  
For Valentine's Day, a treasure trove,  
Of love's sweet memories, forever wove.*





## AMDC Fun Hunt-January

On occasion, the club meets up at a location and will either search that area for any treasures waiting to be found, or we will bring our own treasures (coins) and have a seeded hunt for members.

The AMDC met in Dripping Springs at Camp Ben McCullouch, and members look for seeded coins. 40 tokens were hidden. 37 were claimed. Ryan Askew found the most with 10 tokens.



Photos by: Fred Toewe  
and Ed Newsome



<b>Display</b>	Wyatt Jacobsmeyer
<b>Foreign Coin</b>	Scott Jacobsmeyer – 1944 20 Centavos – Mexico
<b>Token</b>	Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – OK Vendor (1930s)
<b>Ring</b>	Fred Toewe – Sterling Silver Z-Shape
<b>Jewelry</b>	Andrew Phillips – 14K Texaco 20 Years Service Charm
<b>Button</b>	Scott Jacobsmeyer – Aluminum
<b>Artifact</b>	Scott Jacobsmeyer – 1913 Army of the Republic
<b>Wild Card</b>	Debbie Young – Southwest 737 Model
<b>Oldest US Coin</b>	Scott/Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – 1902 “V” Nickel
<b>Most Valuable US Coin</b>	Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – 1926S Merc Dime
<b>All Categories Filled</b>	Sandip, Scott J, Wyatt, Andrew
<b>Newsletter Question</b>	Fred Toewe
<b>Visitor Drawing</b>	Randy Connell, Pete Gonzalez, Javier Martinez
<b>Member Drawing</b>	Andrew Phillips



# Upcoming Events



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February 8- **AMDC Meeting**- Lights On/Lights Off Hunt! Bring your detectors!

February 23-25, [Florida Hunt 10](#) Metal Detecting Fundraiser

February 24, 2024: HARC 42nd Annual Galveston Open Beach Hunt by [Houston Archeology and Recovery Club](#) at R.A. Apffel East Beach Park, Galveston

March 14- **AMDC Meeting**- Mitch presents a program on the earliest coins.

March 22-24, 2024: First-ever [Greatest little Treasure Show](#) in Texas by Larry Vickers at Llano, TX

April 5-7, First Annual Show-Me Pro/AM, Treasure Hunt, Missouri

April 11- **AMDC Meeting**- Underwater Hunting with Tom. How long can you hold your breath?

April 27-28, East Coast Research and Discovery 41st Anniversary Open Hunt, New Jersey

May 3-4, 2024: Nugget Noggin Live by Nugget Noggin at Rock Hill, SC

May 9- **AMDC Meeting**- 3D Printing...can it help metal detecting? Come find out!

June 13- **AMDC Meeting**- Paul presents his target ID game. Bring your detectors!

July 11- **AMDC Meeting**- TBD

August 8- **AMDC Meeting**- TBD

September 12- **AMDC Meeting**- TBD

October 10- **AMDC Meeting**- TBD

November 14- **AMDC Meeting**- Elections

December 12- **AMDC- Holiday Party**

\*\*\*Meeting Topics Subject to Change\*\*\*

## BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are open to all Club Members. If you are interested in attending a Board meeting, please contact an Officer, Board Member, or the Webmaster for details. These are held via Zoom on the first Thursday of each month at 6:15 p.m.



# AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

## FIND OF THE MONTH

DISPLAY \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

FOREIGN COIN: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

WILD CARD: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

OLDEST U.S. COIN: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

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