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Meeting Information:

Place: Woodlawn Baptist Church

4600 Menchaca Blvd.

Austin, TX

Day: Second Thursday of each month

Time: 7:00 pm

Membership: \$20

June 2025

Club Officers:

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Jim Lawhon

Vice President

Andrew Phillips

Treasurer

Scott Hegel

Secretary

Charles Goertz

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TAMDC Treasure Show and Hunt

The Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs held its annual show in May. This year was in Brenham, Texas just a short drive East of Austin. A number of club members made it to the show, not only to hunt, but also to help run the booths.

Our club had a couple tables there that showcased a number of finds its members had made this past year. There were also some dealers on hand to help you settle into a new detector or to help you accessorize your current one.

Mitch and Alan had set up a few booths at the

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Have you ever been told by someone, “take a hike!”? Well, some people accept that challenge, such as Scott Jacobsmeyer when a few years ago he quit his job, bought some hiking shoes and set off on a 2600 mile journey!

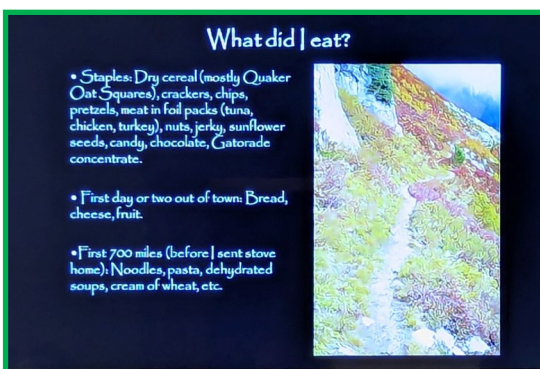
Ok, it was not as simple as that. He did quit his job, but not until months of planning and researching had been done about the Pacific Crest Trail that runs 2,650 miles from Mexico all the way up the western side of the United States until it hits Canada.

As you may have guessed this is not a hike for the faint of heart as it is a four to six month commitment. You have to plan on when, where and how you are going to sleep, eat and also where you are going to have provisions sent ahead at designated places along the hike to re-supply yourself.

Scott said he went through three pairs of shoes on this hike. Every now and then he left the path to hit civilization, whether for medical needs or just the allure of a hot shower.



He talked about the various wildlife he would encounter, everything from birds to rattlesnakes. He also talked about the food he would eat and how several days of the



same thing also warranted a trip into a town for a good meal. He also took along his camera to record some of the beauty of the ever changing scenery and he even took time to record some video which he shared with club members after his talk. If you want to read more about this trail, visit...

<https://www.pcta.org/discover-the-trail/>

show where they showed their woodworking prowess with a plethora of hand turned items from keychains to ice cream scoops, which was apropos as they were Blue Bell Ice Cream Country. They also ran a booth for the Capital City Coin Club where they had their clubs U.S. Type Set that had an example of all U.S. coinage going back to the late 1700's.

They also brought a special webcam that could get extremely close up video of coins and paper money and they had a TV that they were able to display some of the fine microprinting on U.S. currency which make up a number of the anti-counterfeiting features. Most of the people that stopped by the booth were amazed to find all the names of the states on the building on the back of the \$5 bill.

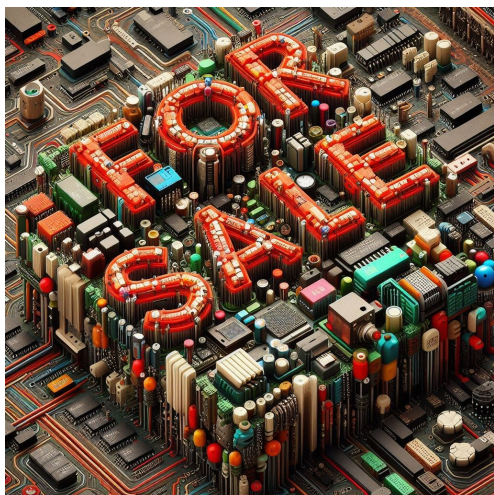


There were also many other clubs represented at the show from around the area. Each one had a drawing or door prizes to award. Garrett was there raffling off one of their newer detectors. There was even someone there that had a piece of specialized equipment that could tell you the composition of metal in a matter of seconds.



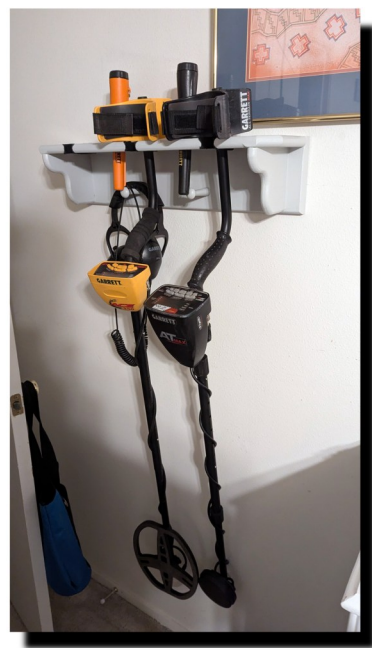
That was just Saturday! On Sunday the big hunt was on at a field just a short drive away where people searched for coins and tokens in exchange for prizes from bags to detectors. The kids hunt was a success as about a dozen youngsters tried their skills at metal detecting. With the show winding down, the final prizes were awarded and people made their way home.

If you get the chance, you should come and attend the next show wherever it is as it changes location each time, so it may be right near you!



Mitch is selling wall mount metal detector holders. These hold three detectors, two pinpointers and two headphones.

They are made of plywood, and are painted. They have hardware on the back for wall mounting. Asking price is \$50. Only two left! If interested you can email Mitch at newsletter@amdconline.com



If you have something you would like to sell, you can write up a description of what you have to offer and a picture or two and send it to Mitch at newsletter@amdconline.com

Larry is selling a metal detector bag. In new condition. Has carrying handles, a zipper and side pocket.

Larrys is asking just \$20.

If you are interested please contact Larry 512-243-1831.



At the recent TAMDC Hunt, Mitch and Alan had a booth where they sold a variety of woodworking items including some unique desktop pen holders. They are shaped in the design of metal detecting coils. One large and one small. There are only 5 of each left and just \$25 a piece! Please contact Mitch if you want one of these or if you need a nice pen to go in it! It would make a great gift set for any metal detectorist!



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.



Texas Lions Camp June 11-12

Every year members from the Austin Metal Detecting Club as well as those from other detecting clubs in the region come down to Kerrville, Texas for the Annual Texas Lions Camp.

At Texas Lions Camp, we view camp as a time for campers to explore, exercise curiosity, and discover new interests and abilities. We want campers to attempt things that would normally be out of their reach, such as riding a horse, or rock climbing on our ropes course, or just being part of a team.

Almost every activity at TLC requires more than one person to accomplish - the premise being that we are not meant to be alone in life and can accomplish great things when we work together.

Not only is participation in the context of a team an important life skill, but it is a pathway to the self-esteem, boosting multiplier of helping others accomplish their goals. Almost seven decades of experience has taught that children who invest in the success of others experience a heightened sense of self-worth and a renewed sense of purpose.

Our campers graduate week after week, having been introduced to actively pursuing friendships, goals, teamwork and a passion we have found translates to life-long lessons for leading successful and purposeful lives.



AMDC is looking for volunteers to help out with this weekend of caring, and giving to kids who just want to be a kid. Members help kids operate metal detectors and or pinpointers to find a multitude of foreign coins and toys hidden in the grass. If you are interested in helping out, contact Larry Vickers or an AMDC board member. You will not only be helping the kids, you will be helping yourself.

AMDC Search Team Results: May

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: Stephanie lost her gold with diamonds earring (a recent anniversary gift) on a paved parking lot. She was told that an eyeball search might be better than a metal detector search.

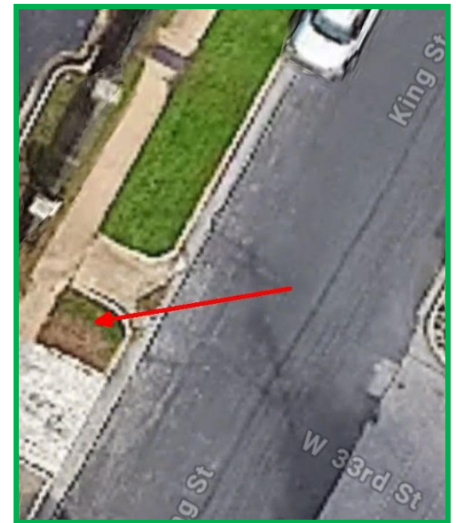
She went back at 5:30am and the lot was still crowded.

The Search: Scott did a cursory search when he went by but the lot was very crowded, and by now the item may have been picked up, or wedged in a car tire.

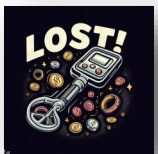


The Story: There are 2 lost rings, 1 white gold the other silver in front of my house.

The Search: We searched for 1 1/2 hours with no luck. It's a small area but it was pretty trashy. We got out a bunch of bottle caps, bolts and nuts but no rings. **(Attempt #2)** Met about noon and searched the suggested area for about an hour. Found more pull tabs, bottle tops, a four key spill, and a few coins. Then searched the adjacent even smaller patch of grass (see the arrow in the image.) Found two rings almost immediately within 2 inches of each other. Texted Aide that I'd found them. She and her husband came out and told me that the wedding band was still missing. So I went back to searching and found the third of two rings just a few feet away. Case solved.



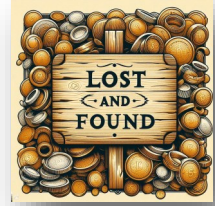
The Story: I make bronze rings as a hobby and when using my belt sander I absolutely launched two of these bad boys to somewhere in my side yard. Would really appreciate help locating them!



The Search: I searched for almost two hours with no luck. I plan to go back and cover an area further away from where he was working when his electric sander "launched" the bronze ring he had been working on. He makes rings as a hobby. This

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work is done on the side of his house, so it's a long and fairly narrow search area. Actually, this has happened three times over the past year or two. So there are multiple targets out there somewhere. His yard had been xeriscaped with rocks by the previous owner, but he is letting vegetation take back over. So these rings should be on the surface.

The Story: Hi, I lost my engagement ring in my yard. I've been looking and can't find it. It would really mean a lot to me if someone was willing to come take a look. Thank you!



The Search: Attempts have been made to contact and set up time for search, no response back as of yet.

May Lost & Found Score: 2/4

Other Metal Detecting Videos

You have likely heard of Nugget Noggin, Gypsy Jewels or any one of a number of internet detectorists. But I have found some fun links to videos you may not have seen with equally famous characters.

[Curious George](#)

[Peppa Pig](#)

[Mr. Bean](#)

[Morphle & Gecko's Garage](#)

[Komodo and Rex](#)

So it seems even the kids cartoon are extolling the fun of metal detecting! Happy Hunting!



June 7: Annual Rick Radke Memorial Hunt by the Headwaters Chapter of GPAA at Radersburge, MT [Flyer](#) [Registration Form](#)

June 11-12: Texas Lions Camp Annual Hunts, details to follow, but please save the dates.

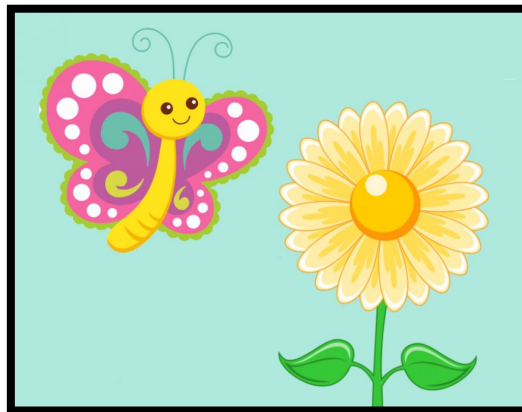
June 12-15: [Lost Treasure Weekend 2025](#) by the Blackthorne Resort at East Durham, NY Web page

June 28-29: [Indiana Open Memorial Treasure Hunt](#) by Ken Wray at Seymour, IN

July 12-19: [2025 Treasure Week](#) by various sponsors at New Stanton, PA Flyer

August 16-17: [46th Annual Buckeye Championship Treasure Hunt](#) by Don & Bill Hayes at New Concord, OH

October 11: [Central Texas Treasure Club Hunt](#) by CTTC at Brownwood, TX



AMDC Monthly Programs Wanted for 2025!

AMDC thrives on its members and there is nothing we like more than to have someone give a program during the meeting. We would love you to be the program for an upcoming meeting! The topic can be anything you like, it does not have to be metal detecting related. It could be about your aspect of the hobby, a place you have hunted and found interesting treasures or a variety of tips you know about selecting a hunt site. Just get in contact with our Vice President to pick a month you can present a program!



Display	Terry Sather
Foreign Coin	Terry Sather – England Half Penny
Token	Scott Jacobsmeyer – Falstaff Golden Anniversary
Ring	Terry Sather – Crown
Jewelry	Andrew Phillips-Fake Silver Bracelet/Frank Vick-.925
Button	Debbie Young – Plain Metal
Artifact	Terry Sather – Military Medallion
Wild Card	Terry Sather – Star
Oldest US Coin	Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – 1919 Cent
Most Valuable US Coin	Frank Vick – 1928D Cent
All Categories Filled	Frank Vick
Newsletter Question	Jim Lawhon
Visitor Drawing	Harris Harrell
Member Drawing	Carrie Rogers





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FIND OF THE MONTH

DISPLAY _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

RING: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

WILD CARD: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

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

Name _____ Month _____