



Metal Detecting Club

Since 1963



Meeting Information:

Place: Woodlawn Baptist Church

4600 Menchaca Rd.

Austin, TX

Day: Second Thursday of each month

Time: 7:00 pm

Membership: \$20

September 2025

Club Officers:

President

Jim Lawhon

Vice President

Andrew Phillips

Treasurer

Scott Hegel

Secretary

Charles Goertz

Board Members: Andrew Philips, Charles Goertz, Scott Hegel, Mary and Leon Prause, Daniel and Susie Mireles, Jim Lawhon, Carrie Rogers, Fred and Jeanne Toewe, Larry Vickers, Dennis Gans, Paul Krugler, Ed Newsome

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Ed Newsome and Charles Goertz

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We're Number 2!

If you love geocaching, antiquing, and metal detecting, you'll probably love learning that Texas is one of the best states for partaking in the art of modern treasure hunting. And if this is a brand new idea to you, there's no better day to start than today — except maybe National Scavenger Hunt Day on May 24.

Texas ranked No. 2 in LawnStarter's 2023 "Best States for Urban Treasure Hunting." The Lone Star State has the most metal detecting sites, pawn shops, flea markets, and geocaching locations (a total of 226!) in the nation. Additionally, our state has the second-highest number of treasure hunting groups and geo-tours, and the third-highest number of storage unit auctions.

For those who are new to the hobby and want to find some new gear, we also have the second-highest num-

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August Meeting

Sometimes you just have to stop and smell the roses. This month the Austin Metal Detecting Club did not have a designated program. More on how you can help fix that in a bit. So in lieu of a program we did what we do best, well after metal detecting of course...we chat and snack!

After the pleasantries of the meeting, members took part in a chance to just sit and talk with each other, tell stories and play DINGO. It's like BINGO, but with a D. Folks had fun and prizes were won.

There was still the Finds of the Month prizes given out as well as door prizes. All in all people had fun and it was nice to take a break from a typical meeting and just chat. I did say snack too. People brought in a variety of snacks to keep our mouths busy when we were not chatting.

I said earlier that you can help with programs for our meetings. It's true! We are always looking for interesting programs to be presented and they do not have to be metal detecting related. Perhaps you have an interesting or unusual hobby. Or maybe you invented something, or designed a building. It really can be anything. Just let one of our officers know that you would like to present a program and they can help you pick a date that works for you.

Thanks for being a member of the Austin Metal Detecting Club!





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 de-



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.

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: Patrick - Lost phone in Lake Austin at Walsh's Landing

The Search: Nothing as of yet.



The Story: My brother in-law's ring slipped off his finger when he stuck his hand out the windows down the street where we live, we looked for it but couldn't find it. The ring is a men's 14K yellow gold ring.

The Search: Jose sent in the request, but then later found the ring. A check in the win column!



The Story: Item lost is a small diamond pendant, white gold, smaller than a dime in the owners backyard.

The Search: Debbie took the lead on this one and found the pendant in about 25 minutes!



The Story: We are trying to determine the location of a survey rod in a back corner of a lot. A new neighbor is attempting to claim property that is unlikely

theirs and we are looking for help in locating it. Sally would be happy to make a small donation for your services in helping out as soon as possible.

The Search: Case is closed. Requester had a surveyor re-check and confirmed her fence is on her property.



August Lost & Found Score: 3/4

ber of mining, metal detecting, and hardware supply stores out of all 50 states. Just be aware that you can't metal detect in our state parks without a permit. It's always a good idea to brush up on the rules before you start on your treasure-hunting journey.

The only state to outrank Texas is California, which the report called "a fitting outcome" for the Golden State, considering its history of gold mining in the mid-19th century and popularity in local communities. Washington, also known as "the birthplace of geocaching" ranked No. 4.

The top 10 states for urban treasure hunting include:

No. 1 – California

No. 2 – Texas

No. 3 – Florida

No. 4 – Washington

No. 5 – New York

No. 6 – Pennsylvania

No. 7 – Virginia

No. 8 – Ohio

No. 9 – Missouri

No. 10 – Arizona

At the bottom five of LawnStarter's list are Rhode Island (No. 46), Delaware (No. 47), Montana (No. 48), Wyoming (No. 49), and North Dakota (No. 50).

The full report can be found on lawnstarter.com.





September 11: AMDC Meeting— Scott H. will be presenting a program on Cache Hunting.

September 20: Midwest Silver Shootout 2025 by Indiana Paydirt Co. at Lebanon, IN [FB page](#)

September 27-28: TFTHC 38th National Hunt by Three Forks Treasure Hunters Club at Pryor, OK [Web page](#)

October 4: Bam Bam's Haunted Hunt by multiple sponsors at Bullard, TX [Flyer 1](#) [Flyer 2](#)

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

October 18: 50th Annual Open Hunt by Lone Star Treasure Hunter's Club at Corsicana, TX [Flyer 1](#) [Flyer 2](#)

October 25: Big Silver 2 by Lehigh Valley Treasure Hunters Club at Allentown, PA—Flyer to Come

October 31-November 1: [Birthday Bash](#) by Gypsy Jewels at Edna, TX

November : Veterans Day Open Hunt by Austin Metal Detecting Club at Round Rock, TX [Flyer](#)

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!



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| Display | Andrew Phillips/Terry Sather |
| Foreign Coin | Debbie Young – 10 Cent Malaysia |
| Token | Terry Sather – Civil War – Utica NY 1863 |
| Ring | Fred Toewe – Sterling Silver |
| Jewelry | Paul Krugler – Raymond Weil-Parsifal Watch |
| Button | Terry Sather – Justice Jeans |
| Artifact | Terry Sather – Vernois 1910-1920 Wood Stove Label |
| Wild Card | Terry Sather – |
| Oldest US Coin | Scott Jacobsmeyer – 1890 Indian Head Cent |
| Most Valuable US Coin | Scott J. – 1906 “V” Nickel /Wyatt J. – 1900 “V” Nickel |
| All Categories Filled | Terry Sather, Debbie Young |
| Newsletter Question | Fred Toewe |
| Visitor Drawing | Zachry Lyon |
| Member Drawing | Wyatt Jacobsmeyer |



AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB



Veterans Day Open Hunt



Saturday November 15, 2025

HUNT MASTER: JIM LAWHON – jlawhon@swbell.net

LOCATION: OLD SETTLERS RV PARK

3300 E Palm Valley Blvd, Round Rock, TX 78665

ADVENTURE FILLED ONE DAY HUNT

5 GREAT HUNTS WITH LOTS OF SILVER & PRIZES – A GREAT FUNDRAISER

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| REGISTRATION | 8:00 – 8:45 | LUNCH | 11:30 – 12:30 |
| WARM UP HUNT | 9:00 – 9:30 | *TAMDC HUNT | 12:30 – 1:30 |
| SILVER HUNT | 10:00 – 10:30 | MAIN HUNT | 2:00 – 2:45 |
| KIDS HUNT | 11:00 – 11:30 | | |

Have your registration postmarked by October 25, 2025. There will be a \$15.00 late registration fee after the cut-off date. **Please make checks payable to Scott Hegel** and mail registration form to: **SCOTT HEGEL, 139 FAIRWOOD DR, GEORGETOWN, TX 78628**

Note: On Site Registration cash only: Warmup \$20, Silver \$55, Main \$100

PLEASE "X" the appropriate lines below. (ALL HUNTS OPTIONAL)

WARM UP HUNT \$20.00 _____ SILVER HUNT \$50.00 _____
MAIN HUNT \$90.00 _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Name _____

Please Check if you are a Veteran _____

Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email _____

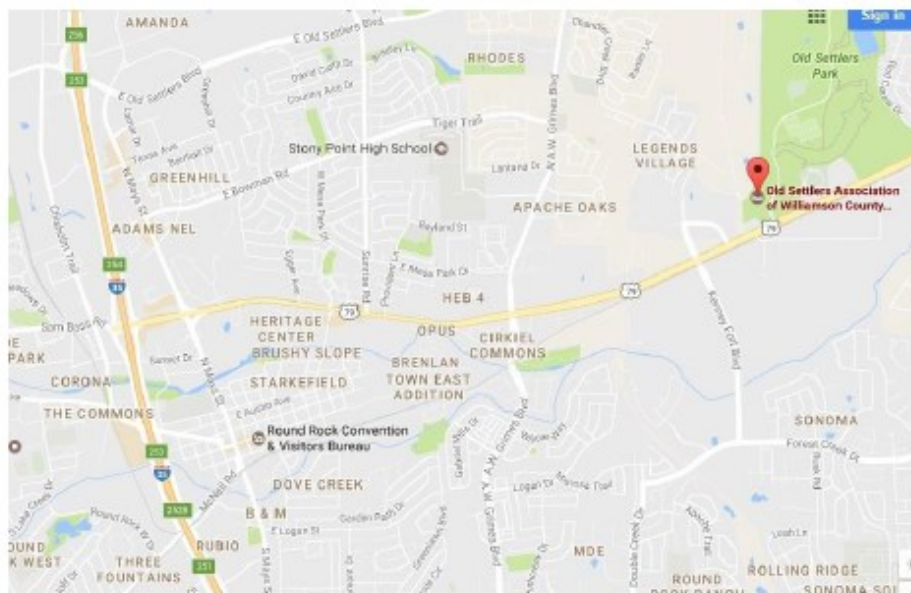
NOTE: Landowners, hunt officials, sponsors, and club members connected with this hunt will not be held responsible for theft, injuries, or damages.

Your signature is required _____

ONE PERSON PER ENTRY FORM PLEASE

Hunt Location: Old Settler's RV Park – 3300 E. Palm Valley Blvd., Round Rock, TX 78665

If you need help locating hunt site call Jim Lawhon 512-632-3139 or Scott Hegel 512-797-6741



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| WARM UP HUNT: | Clad dollars |
| SILVER HUNT: | Tokens for big silver |
| KIDS HUNT: | Free for kids 12 and under |
| *TAMDC HUNT: | Separate entry form available at www.tamdc.org |
| MAIN HUNT | Tokens for silver dimes, silver dollars and prizes |
| PRIZES AWARDED AT 3:00 | |

Headphones are required for all hunts



TAMDC
www.tamdc.org
Memberships Available

TAMDC & Austin MDC Veterans Day Open Hunt Saturday, November 15, 2025



AMDC OPENHUNT
www.amdconline.com

TAMDC will partner with the Austin Metal Detecting Club Open Hunt at
Old Settlers RV Park 3300 E. Palm Valley Blvd, Round Rock, TX 78665
(Check AMDC Schedule for hunt times) TAMDC hunt starts 12:30pm please
arrive early to check in

TAMDC Hunt Entries must be received/post marked 10/31/25
NO late or on-site registration

PLEASE USE THIS FORM TO REGISTER FOR THE TAMDC HUNT. FOR ALL OTHER HUNTS USE THE Austin FLYER

TAMDC Satellite hunt Nov 15th, 2025

Targets will be Clad Dollars & Tokens, Tokens are redeemable for Silver Coins,
Gold, Metal Detectors or Accessories

Fee \$75.00

NAME: _____ Email Address: _____

Address: _____ Phone No.: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Survey: Member of _____ Club Independent Member _____ Non-Member _____

By my signature below, I relieve the Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs, Club Officers and Members, Austin Metal Detecting Club and their Offices & Members, along with the owner &/or management of Old Settlers RV Park, of all claims, accidents, or injuries that may occur while participating in or attending this function. I also agree to abide by the rules and agree that the Hunt Masters decisions are final.

DATE: _____ SIGNATURE _____

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TAMDC member
Please contact any
Officer or visit our
website
www.tamdc.org
or our Facebook page

Make check or money order payable
to: **T.A.M.D.C.**
Mail form & payment to:
TAMDC C/O Scott Hegel
139 Fairwood Dr,
Georgetown, TX 78628

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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 _____