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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)

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September 2006

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 **September 14th** 2006. The Singles House is adjacent to the Woodlawn Baptist Church (4600 Manchaca), and is right next to the church parking lot. Below is a link showing a map to the church. Visitors are always welcome.

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

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 **SEPTEMBER** 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.

Our program this month will be devoted to learning more about detectors. Three of our Board members have volunteered to bring their machines and talk about the use and features of each detector. This will be an excellent time to see and compare the different types of machines and ask questions.

Please visit AMDC's web site (<http://www.amdconline.com>) often. New items are added and changed frequently, so to keep up, visit the web site. The newsletters are posted there.

Our executive meeting will be on **October 5** at Luby's, 1410 E. Anderson Ln. The meeting starts at 6:30. Executive meetings are held on the **first Thursday** of each month and all are invited.

August Meeting:

Our guest speaker was Mike Koenig from the Lone Star Club. Mike presented an interesting program on the hobby of Geo-caching. Geo-caching is an outdoor treasure hunting game in which the participants use a Global Positioning System (GPS) to hide and seek containers, or caches. This hobby is really growing in popularity and has expanded to every state as well as most other countries. Mike referred us to the website – www.geocaching.com and through a visual display showed us how to navigate around the site. We looked at a sample cache and its contents. When one finds a cache, they sign the log book inside, remove one item from the cache, and replace it with another. Mike said that he really enjoys this hobby when he is not detecting, and that it is the most fun to hike and look for a cache with a buddy or two.

During break we had the Find of the Month activity and club fund raiser. There were a number of interesting finds displayed this month – keep 'em coming!

September Executive Meeting:

Travis Co. Parks:

We discussed ideas for how the club could best support the Travis Co. Commissioner's reconsideration of the metal detecting ban in the parks. We believe that we are making headway, but as yet a decision has not been reached.

Lost Item Search and Recovery:

We continue to get requests for member assistance to locate lost items – usually jewelry items. So far the club has been able to accommodate or provide assistance in some way to each request. Thanks to those who have participated with this public service effort.

Programs and Hunts:

For the Sept. meeting Scott, Jim and Randy will bring their various detectors to demonstrate. Now that it is getting cooler we hope to schedule some club hunts. The Hutto United Methodist Church is being moved (physically) from the original property, and we may have an opportunity to hunt the property. Blaine will call the pastor to check on the progress of the move and a hunt date.

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 23 – Texas Council of Treasure Clubs Quarterly meeting – Mesquite

October 14 – Lone Star Club Competition Hunt - Dallas

Oct. 20-22 – WWATS Rally - Antlers, Oklahoma

October 29 – HARC Competition Hunt - Houston

Find of the Month - Rank

Rank	Name	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
1	Scott Hegel	220	34	24	38	21	35	26		42
2	Blaine Nelson	219	34	27	23	28	36	38		33
3	Roy Stahl	170	28	26	19	22	26	28		21
4	Ray Knowles	113	0	26	23	20	0	25		19
5	Larry Vickers	102	25	16	23	19	0	0		19
6	Ed Newsom	100	32	23	14	16	1	7		7
7	Everett Preslar	90	0	25	10	17	0	9		29
8	Jim Lawhon	78	0	24	16	19	0	8		11
9	Michele Plier	65	12	0	7	9	11	15		11
10	Randy Connell	52	0	0	0	27	25	0		0
11	Daniel Mireles	38	8	6	5	4	6	5		4
12	Dennis Gans	28	0	9	10	0	9	0		0
13	Andy Waters	25	0	0	0	0	0	10		15
14	Robert Jistel	11	0	0	11	0	0	0		0
15	Art Tiemann	9	3	0	6	0	0	0		0
16	Dyana Ploof	4	0	0	0	4	0	0		0
17	Nancy Tiemann	1	0	0	0	1	0	0		0
18	Susie Mireles	1	0	0	0	1	0	0		0
			176	206	205	208	149	171	0	211

Find of the Month

	U.S. Coin		Foreign Coin
1	Blaine Nelson - 1900 Cent	1	Scott Hegel - 1987 50 Yen - Japan
1	Everett Preslar - 1957D Quarter	2	Larry Vickers - Asian
2	Scott Hegel - 1979 Dollar	3	Roy Stahl - 1970 - Panama
3	Ed Newsom - 1964D Quarter	3	Everett Preslar - 2002 100 Won - South Korea
	Roy Stahl - 1958D Cent		Michele Pliier - 1979 Quarter - Canada
	Michele Pliier - 2002D Dime		Jim Lawhon - 1984 Dime - Canada
	Jim Lawhon - 1964D Nickel		Blaine Nelson - 2000 Peso Dominican Republic
	Ray Knowles - 1967 Quarter		Ed Newsom - 1974 Quarter - Canada
	Daniel Mireles - 1967 Dime		
	Larry Vickers - 1969 Quarter		
			Ring
		1	Blaine Nelson - 14K with CZ Solitare
	Token	2	Scott Hegel - Tri-Gold Ring
1	Everett Preslar - The Passion Pocket Token	3	Larry Vickers - 10K with CZs
2	Scott Hegel - 8 Ball - Striker		Andy Waters - 10K Child's with Red Stone
3	Blaine Nelson - New Hampshire DOT		Roy Stahl - \$ Ring
	Roy Stahl - Rockfish		Michele Pliier - Bead Ring
	Michele Pliier - Pleasant Valley Sportplex		Jim Lawhon - Gold/Platinum Wedding Band
	Jim Lawhon - Chick-Fil-A		Everett Preslar - Silver
	Ray Knowles - Fun & Games		Ray Knowles - Silver Cross
	Andy Waters - 1 Merit Camp Longhorn		
	Larry Vickers - Freedom		Artifact
		1	Ray Knowles - Interesting Shaped Rock
	Jewelry	2	Everett Preslar - Pocket Compass
1	Scott Hegel - Gold Chain with Mask Charm	3	Scott Hegel - Old Buckle
1	Roy Stahl - Gold Earring	3	Roy Stahl - Hair Pin
2	Blaine Nelson - Silver Crucifix & Chain		Michele Pliier - Metal Wheel
2	Larry Vickers - Gold Bracelet		Jim Lawhon - Spoon
3	Ed Newsom - Painted Cowboy Boot		Blaine Nelson - Camay Token
	Jim Lawhon - Budwiser Necklace		Andy Waters - Gold Colored Key
	Everett Preslar - Honey Bear Charm		Ed Newsom - Key
	Ray Knowles - Large Earring		
	Andy Waters - Silver Colored Earring		Button
	Daniel Mireles - Earring	1	Scott Hegel - Goodyear Rubber 1855-1870
		2	Andy Waters - Rockies
	Toy	3	Everett Preslar - Green Plastic
1	Blaine Nelson - Toy Gun		Roy Stahl - Steel
2	Scott Hegel - Merlin Figurine		Jim Lawhon - Overall
3	Everett Preslar - Head of an Action Figure		Blaine Nelson - Metal Nautical
3	Larry Vickers - Green Frog		Ray Knowles - Suspender
	Roy Stahl - Yellow Car		Ed Newsom - Tan Plastic
	Michele Pliier - Green Car		Larry Vickers - Metal
	Jim Lawhon - Silver Car		
	Ray Knowles - Dart		Non-Metal
	Andy Waters - 2 Face Hologram	1	Scott Hegel - Corked Medicine Bottle
	Daniel Mireles - Rubber Ball	2	Roy Stahl - Dog Picture
		3	Blaine Nelson - \$5 Bill
	Most Unusual		Michele Pliier - Pink Elephant

1	Blaine Nelson - Metal Die w/Crystals		Jim Lawhon - Lone Star Credit Card
2	Scott Hegel - Vegas Bottle Opener with Dice		Everett Preslar - Marble
3	Ray Knowles - Silver Plated Lock		Ray Knowles - Marble
3	Andy Waters - Dynamat Tag		Andy Waters - Tiger Head
	Roy Stahl - Magnet		Daniel Mireles - Coin Wrapper
	Michele Pliler - Push Pin		Larry Vickers - Marble
	Jim Lawhon - Alien Charm		
	Everett Preslar - Sun Dancer Pin		Oldest U.S. Cent
	Larry Vickers - Bell Bracelet	1	Scott Hegel - 1886
		2	Blaine Nelson - 1919
		3	Ray Knowles - 1936
	Oldest U.S. Coin		Everett Preslar - 1939S
1	Andy Waters - 1887 Dime		Roy Stahl - 1941
2	Everett Preslar - 1926 Dime		Michele Pliler - 1944
3	Blaine Nelson - 1939 Nickel		Jim Lawhon - 1950D
	Scott Hegel - 1943P Nickel		Larry Vickers - 1959D
	Roy Stahl - 1944S Dime		
	Ray Knowles - 1944D Dime		Most Valuable U.S. Coin
	Larry Vickers - 1964 Nickel	1	Scott Hegel - 1960D Quarter
	Michele Pliler - 1967 Dime	1	Everett Preslar - 1964D Quarter
		2	Ray Knowles - 1952D Dime
		3	Roy Stahl - 1989 Quarter
		3	Blaine Nelson - 2005 Quarter
		3	Larry Vickers - 1997 Quarter
			Michele Pliler - 2001D Nickel

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: _____ # _____