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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

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November 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 **November 9th** 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 **NOVEMBER** 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.

At the November meeting we will hold elections for 2007 Club Officers and make plans for the Christmas dinner meeting. In lieu of a formal program we plan to have a discussion about hunt sites. Our club would like to develop a list of areas that are open locally for metal detecting, as well as identify those areas which are restricted. **Please come with ideas for hunt sites and your experience at the site(s).** We can start the list and then keep adding and updating as new sites are identified.

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 **December 7** 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.

October Meeting:

Our program for October featured member Ron Edelstein's presentation about coin errors. Ron has done a number of programs for us and each time he comes up with new and interesting information. Through the use of Power Point slides Ron showed us some of the common errors that occur at the mint. Although most errors are caught before coins leave the mint, others are not, such as the corn husk error on the Wisconsin State quarter. Errors include double strikes, filled dies which result in weak or missing design detail, defective "planchets", or blank coins, indented strikes etc. Ron explained that some coin collectors look for error coins. While some are quite valuable, others are more of a novelty item and not particularly valuable.

During break we had the Find of the Month activity and club fund raiser. Jim Lawhon collected donations for the TCTC fundraiser and drawing for prizes. Proceeds will go toward advertising for the upcoming show in Killeen next March.

We had a record number of finds displayed this month – what an interesting mix of items!

October Activities:

Art Tieman arranged for our club to have a booth at the Crow's Nest Octoberfest event on Sat. Oct. 28. This was a family event and four of our members helped with show visitors how to use detectors and show some of the finds members had put together in displays. Art also gained permission for our club to hunt the acreage and we will plan to set up a club hunt out there on an upcoming Sunday.

November Executive Meeting

Club Elections for 2007:

Our election of officers will take place at the December meeting. At this time we have the following members running for office:

President:	Daniel Mireles
Vice Pres:	Dennis Gans and Jim Lawhon
Secretary:	Blaine Nelson
Treasurer:	Scott Hegel

There is still time to submit your name if you would like to be considered for an office or a position on the Board. We are still looking for a volunteer to serve a Program Chairman.

Crows Nest Event:

Art and Daniel talked about the Octoberfest event at the Crow's Nest and said that there was a lot of interest in our metal detecting booth. The Board agreed that we will participate with the Crow's Nest and have a booth at the two events they hold annually – the next event is planned for spring.

Travis Co. Parks:

The metal detecting ban item will be on the Commissioner Court Agenda again on Nov. 14. We discussed our plans for addressing the Court in preparation for this session. Art would like to obtain a set of maps – a detailed map of each Travis County Park to have as a resource. Blaine had an example of the Mansfield Park map and will try and collect more prior to the meeting.

AMDC Forum on Website:

Webmaster Cecil has come up with a metal detecting forum for club members which will be set up on the website. The Board agreed that this is another avenue for members to share tips, show finds, ask questions etc. Look for this addition in the near future on the amdconline.com website.

Club Dues:

We will be collecting dues at the Dec. meeting. Dues are still \$20. per member/household.

It is important that we get our dues in early and submit our portion to TCTC early in order to get TCTC membership cards for paid members to get show discounts.

Texas Council of Treasure Clubs Election:

Just a note – we are proud to announce that two of our Austin Club members have been nominated to hold office for this state wide organization. Scott Hegel is on the ballot for Treasurer, and Blaine Nelson for Secretary. In addition, Larry Vickers has volunteered to take the lead in coordinating the Killeen Show. Way to go guys!

Upcoming Events:

December 14 – Annual Club Christmas Dinner and Meeting at Daniel and Susie’s Clubhouse

March 24 – 25 2007 – Texas Council of Treasure Clubs Annual Show and Hunt - Killeen

Find of the Month - Rank

Rank	Name	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Aug	Sep	Oct
1	Scott Hegel	275	34	24	38	21	35	26	42	30	25
2	Blaine Nelson	271	34	27	23	28	36	38	33	29	23
3	Roy Stahl	214	28	26	19	22	26	28	21	23	21
4	Ray Knowles	161	0	26	23	20	0	25	19	31	17
5	Ed Newsom	118	32	23	14	16	1	7	7	5	13
6	Everett Preslar	118	0	25	10	17	0	9	29	12	16
7	Michele Plieler	109	12	0	7	9	11	15	11	25	19
8	Jim Lawhon	102	0	24	16	19	0	8	11	0	24
9	Larry Vickers	102	25	16	23	19	0	0	19	0	0
10	Randy Connell	52	0	0	0	27	25	0	0	0	0
11	Daniel Mireles	43	8	6	5	4	6	5	4	0	5
12	Dennis Gans	42	0	9	10	0	9	0	0	6	8
13	Frank Vick	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	17
14	Andy Waters	38	0	0	0	0	0	10	15	0	13
15	Jack Ball	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
16	Tim Ball	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
17	Trish Bennett	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
18	Robert Jistel	11	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Art Tiemann	9	3	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Dyana Ploof	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
21	John Chapman	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
22	Nancy Tiemann	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
23	Susie Mireles	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
			176	206	205	208	149	171	211	186	267

Find of the Month

	U.S. Coin		Foreign Coin
1	Michele Pliler - 1980 Dollar	1	Tim Ball - 1985 1 Pound - England
1	Ed Newsom - 1945D Nickel	2	Roy Stahl - 1988 \$1000 - Mexico
2	Scott Hegel - 1948 Cent	3	Jim Lawhon - 1997 Nickel - Canada
2	Frank Vick - 1965 Quarter	3	Daniel Mireles - 1986 Cent - Canada
2	Daniel Mireles - 1953D Cent		Michele Pliler - 1997 \$5 - Mexico
3	Jim Lawhon - 1986D Dime		Blaine Nelson - 1983 Cien Pesatas - Spain
3	Blaine Nelson - 1953S Cent		Frank Vick - 1998 20 Centavos - Mexico
3	Jack Ball - 1957D Cent		Jack Ball - 1985 Cent - Canada
	John Chapman - 1967 Dime		Scott Hegel - 1978 Cent - Canada
	Roy Stahl - 1998 Quarter		Ed Newsom - 2004 Quarter - Canada
	Trish Bennett - 1964D Cent		
	Tim Ball - 1956D Cent		Ring
	Dennis Gans - 1977 Cent	1	Blaine Nelson - 14K Yellow/White Men's Band
		2	Jack Ball - Silver with Turquoise Stone
	Token	3	Scott Hegel - Ladies Gold with 4 Diamonds
1	Scott Hegel - San Antonio Transit Token	3	Jim Lawhon - Gold
2	Everett Preslar - Head I Win/Tails You Lose	3	Roy Stahl - Music Note
2	Tim Ball - No Cash Value - Eagle	3	Everett Preslar - Gold Plated \$ Ring
3	Michele Pliler - H E Buddy		
3	Roy Stahl - Head I Win/Tails You Lose		Artifact
3	Jack Ball - Showplace Lanes	1	Blaine Nelson - Sun Crest Soda Bottle
3	Trish Bennett - Head I Win/Tails You Lose	1	Trish Bennett - Old Stopper Type Bottle
3	Ray Knowles - No Cash Value - Air Serve	1	Ray Knowles - Old Lipstick
	Jim Lawhon - H E Buddy	2	Jim Lawhon - Hair Pin
	Frank Vick - H E Buddy	2	Frank Vick - Thimble
		2	Jack Ball - Unfired 44 Magnum
	Jewelry	3	Scott Hegel - 1953 Zippo Lighter
1	Jack Ball - Silver Dolphin with Stone	3	Michele Pliler - Eye Glass Frames
2	Blaine Nelson - 10K Gold Cross	3	Dennis Gans - Double Shell Fossil
3	Trish Bennett - Gold Earring	3	Andy Waters - Rockdale Bottling Piece of Glass
	Roy Stahl - John Paul Charm		Roy Stahl - #8
	Ray Knowles - Conch		Everett Preslar - Suspender Clasp
	John Chapman - Bracelet		Tim Ball - Key
	Everett Preslar - Chain with Cross		
	Scott Hegel - Silver Cross		Button
	Michele Pliler - Earring	1	Ray Knowles - Republic of Texas (set of 3)
	Jim Lawhon - Kid's Bracelet	2	Michele Pliler - Silver Concho
	Frank Vick - Small Rhinestone	3	Jack Ball - Old Navy Plastic
			Scott Hegel - Great Lakes Snap
	Toy		Roy Stahl - Eagle
1	Roy Stahl - Kid's Car		Tim Ball - Enco Jeans
2	Scott Hegel - Hot Wheel Car with Motorcycle		Jim Lawhon - Flower
2	Blaine Nelson - Copper Whistle		John Chapman - Metal
2	Jack Ball - Clear Marble		Blaine Nelson - Blue/Gold Eagle
2	Andy Waters - Brown Plastic Ant		Frank Vick - God is Our Hope
3	Frank Vick - Peterbilt Truck		Everett Preslar - 2 Hole Metal

3	Trish Bennett - Snake		Trish Bennett - Metal
3	Tim Ball - Car		
	Michele Pliler - Airplane		Non-Metal
	Jim Lawhon - Barbie Heart	1	Andy Waters - Clear Dr Pepper Bottle
		2	Everett Preslar - Axe
	Most Unusual	3	Dennis Gans - Shell Fossil
1	Everett Preslar - Roman Coin Replica Pendant		Jim Lawhon - Coffee Cup
2	Ray Knowles - Van Halen Pin		Michele Pliler - Pacifier
3	Jack Ball - Dog Tag		Roy Stahl - Elvis Magnet
3	Tim Ball - Eyelash Curler		Jack Ball - Marble
	Scott Hegel - Fishing Lure		Trish Bennett - Christmas Tree Cookie Cutter
	Jim Lawhon - Bottom of Plate, State of CA		Tim Ball - Marble
	Blaine Nelson - Old Silver Plated Spoon		Scott Hegel - Mustache Cup
	Roy Stahl - Roller Skate Key		Blaine Nelson - Small Pot
	Trish Bennett - Incense Stand		Frank Vick - Pink Guitar Pick
	Andy Waters - Peter Rabbit Bowl		Ray Knowles - Plastic Coin
	Dennis Gans - Tongs		
	Michele Pliler - Saw Blade		Oldest U.S. Cent
	Frank Vick - Buick Emblem	1	Ed Newsom - 1919
		2	Jim Lawhon - 1920
	Oldest U.S. Coin	3	Andy Waters - 1926
1	Ed Newsom - 1911 Nickel		Ray Knowles - 1934
2	Scott Hegel - 1917S Dime		Everett Preslar - 1939
3	Jim Lawhon - 1939 Nickel		Tim Ball - 1940
	Ray Knowles - 1945 Nickel		Blaine Nelson - 1942D
	Blaine Nelson - 1946 Nickel		Scott Hegel - 1944S
	Roy Stahl - 1963D Dime		Roy Stahl - 1944
	Frank Vick - 1964D Nickel		Jack Ball - 1951D
	Tim Ball - 1965 Quarter		Dennis Gans - 1954D
	Jack Ball - 1966 Quarter		Trish Bennett - 1956D
	Trish Bennett - 1967 Dime		Frank Vick - 1964
	Michele Pliler - 1978 Nickel		Michele Pliler - 1975D
	Most Valuable U.S. Coin		
1	Jim Lawhon - 1943 Quarter		
2	Jack Ball - 2001 Dollar		
3	Scott Hegel - 1938 Dime		
3	Roy Stahl - 1928 Nickel		
	Blaine Nelson - 1995 Quarter		
	Frank Vick - 1982D Quarter		
	Trish Bennett - 1966 Quarter		
	Tim Ball - 1967 Quarter		
	Michele Pliler - 1981D Nickel		
	Andy Waters - 1936D Cent		
	Dennis Gans - 1980D Cent		

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: _____ # _____