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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)
111 Live Oak Drive, Wimberley, TX 78676
Membership: \$20.00

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January 2016

Meeting Information:

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church
4600 Manchaca
Date – **January 14th** 2016
2nd Thursday of each month
Time - **7:00 pm**
Room - M – 103/104

Officers:

President – Dennis Gans 512-944-8929
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Executive Committee:

Mike Stafford, Leon Prause
Daniel and Susie Mireles, Ed Newsom

2016 Dues are due! \$20. If you write a check, make it to Larry Vickers (not AMDC, as we do not have a DBA.)

A Word from our President:

Happy New Year!

Thanks again for giving me the honor to serve as President of the AMDC; I hope we all have a happy, healthy, and safe year.

In January we begin the 2016 'Find of the Month' competition. We will include items found after our meeting in November through the January meeting, so bring all of your 'finds' during that time. Remember that the rules have changed and that several categories have been combined.

The Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs (T.A.M.D.C.) annual Treasure Show will be held in April. If you have never been to one of these gatherings, I do urge you to attend. It really is a memorable experience. We are currently looking for volunteers to help plan and prepare our club's show booth.

I look forward to seeing y'all at the meeting!

Dennis Gans

January Meeting

Our program for this month will be presented by McCartney Taylor on “Research 101 – The Basics”. *How to think when researching and where to go for good stuff.* McCartney has shared other informative programs for us in past years, and he is always a hit. This should be a topic we can all learn more about.

The winners of the 2015 Find of the Month Competition will be recognized at the meeting.

We will have our Find of the Month competition featuring items found since the November meeting. The new FOM form is the last page of this newsletter, and Daniel and Susie will have copies at the meeting.

Reminder – Josh Graham will be collecting recyclables as noted in our last meeting, so bring any you have been saving.



AMDC is on Face Book! Be sure and check out and “Like” the Group

Executive Meeting

Our meetings are the first Thursdays of most months, at 6:00. We will meet at the Bill Miller’s at 709 E. Ben White (right at I-35). All are welcome at any Board meetings. We usually come early to visit and grab a bite; the meeting begins at 6:00.

Thoughts for the New Year

As we kick off a New Year in our hobby, please consider these Questions: Why did I join the Austin Metal Detecting Club? The answer is different for each of us, but might include things such as “to find out where to go detecting”, or “to get help selecting a detector” or “to meet others who like to detect”.

Please also ask yourself, “What can I contribute to the club? What are my special interests, talents and skills that I can offer to help make the club even better?” Perhaps you have a long detecting history with knowledge to share. Perhaps you are good at finding and getting permission to detect sites. Perhaps you are good at welcoming newcomers, or working on making interesting displays. The list is unlimited.

Together we can make the Austin Metal Detecting Club a model club - one that people talk about and are proud to be a member of. As we begin this New Year, let’s answer these questions for ourselves and make a vow to step up. We can make a difference!

Lost and Found Efforts

Since the last report we have three requests to search for lost items. The first request was to search for a family heirloom ring that was lost on the grounds at Laguna Gloria. Mary went out to search, but did not locate the ring. As it turns out, a grounds keeper saw a glimmer in the mud a week or two later when the ground began to dry, and found the ring.

A second request was a ring that flew off the owner’s finger as she was throwing food out to ducks in a

pond in Leander. Jim Lawhon investigated, and the depth of the pond is too deep to do a water search at this time. We will follow up when the water recedes and it is a bit warmer.

The final request was to search for another ring that was lost in the water near Town Lake (Zilker) when the owner was throwing food to ducks. Paul has worked with the owner and will follow-up.

Many thanks to those who serve on these searches. It takes a lot of time and effort to go out, but it is always appreciated – even if the item(s) are not located.

AMDC Website

Remember to check our web site often to see what's there! Our web site is:
<http://www.amdconline.com>

Newsletter Contest!

We continue our drawing for a prize at the meetings. If you can answer the mystery question correctly taken from information in the newsletter, your name may be drawn.
Good luck!

Upcoming Events:

January 16 – AMDC Club Hunt – Hunt Masters will provide details

Feb. 27 - The Prospectors Conference & Swap Meet Old Llano Community Center, Llano

February 28 - Houston Archeology & Recovery Club 34th Annual Open Beach Hunt
Galveston

March 12 - 5th Annual Piney Woods Relic Hunt - (Lake O'Pines near Longview)

April 8-10 - 2016 TAMDC Convention & Show, Longview

May 26-29, 2016 WWATS Rendezvous 4-Day Open Hunt
Mancos, Colorado,

Mid-June - Lions Camp (service project with kids) Kerrville, Texas

Question: *Two of the three rings lost in the report were due to the owners doing what activity?*

REMINDER:

At the end of the meeting, be sure and pick up the FINDS you entered in Find of the Month. Also, make sure you are picking up your item and not someone else's.

Find of the Month – November Entries

Display		U.S. Coin		
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer	1	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1951s Franklin Half	
2	Bob Fernandez	2	Bob Fernandez 1943 Half Dollar	
3	Mary Prause	3	Josh Graham 1900 Indian Head Penny	
3	Ali Vassef		Ali Vassef Standing Liberty Quarter	
	Josh Graham		Scott Wilkins 1897 Nickel	
	Scott Wilkins		Paul Krugler 1957d Penny	
	Blaine Nelson		Leon Prause 1964 Nickel	
			Scott Hegel 2009 Dollar	
Foreign Coin			Blaine Nelson Kennedy Half	
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1826 1/6 Thaler Prussia		Jan Hallez 2015 State Quarter	
2	Bob Fernandez Mexico Cincuenta centavos 1956		Owen Lucente 1955d Penny	
3	Blaine Nelson Canadian Dollar			
	Ali Vassef 1986 Great Britain Dollar		Token	
	Leon Prause 1989 Canada Cent	1	Scott Wilkins Oklahoma Consumers Tax Check	
	Josh Graham 5 Pence	2	Pat Dawson Stanley Bailey Plane	
	Scott Wilkins 1981 Canadian Cent	2	Scott Jacobsmeyer Orsak & Sarraz Groceries	
	Jan Hallez 20 cen Euro	3	Bob Fernandez Old San Francisco Steak House	
			Blaine Nelson Ville de Sherbrooke Quebec	
Ring			Jan Hallez Chuckee Cheese	
1	Vicki Landrum Rose gold Coach Heart Ring		Josh Graham Ryko Car Wash Token	
2	Josh Graham Silver Ring with Heart Charm		Ali Vassef 6 months Sober token	
2	Jan Hallez Band with Diamonds		Deborah Tompkins Rusty Round	
3	Scott Hegel Costume			
3	Blaine Nelson Triton TC850 men's bank		Jewelry	
3	Scott Jacobsmeyer Sterling With Weaving Pattern	1	Scott Jacobsmeyer Holed Engraved Dog Tag Pendant	
	Mary Prause Copper Looking Broken Ring	2	Mary Prause 14k Tellow and Rose Gold Madonna	
	Scott Wilkins Sterling Silver Braided Design	2	Leon Prause Faux Diamond Bobby Pin	
	Ali Vassef Copper/Brass Rink	3	Deborah Tompkins Brooch	
			Scott Hegel Plated Bracelet	
Artifact			Josh Graham Vintage Butterfly with Stone	
1	Josh Graham Tootsie Toy Battleship		Scott Wilkins Cuff Link/Shirt stud missing stone	
2	Mary Prause Barbara Gould Compact Lid		Jan Hallez NY Pendant	
3	Leon Prause Bullet		Pat Dawson Earring	
3	Scott Hegel Roller Skate Wheel		Ralph Dawson Childs Heart Bracelet	
3	Blaine Nelson Horse Shoe 1850's Farm		Blaine Nelson Rose Charm	
3	Vicki Landrum 10 g wheel (can't read rest of descrp)		Vicki Landrum Bangle Bracelet	
3	Pat Dawson Hotel Key Ring Room 304		Ali Vassef Bar Pin	
3	Ralph Dawson Drawer Pull			
3	Ali Vassef Cuff Link		Toy	
3	Scott Jacobsmeyer Pop John Paul II Commem	1	Bob Fernandez 1979Holwheels Rocket Jet	

	Medallion		
3	Deborah Tompkins Bale Seal	2	Scott Jacobsmeyer Cowtyke Cap Gun Circa 1960
3	Bob Fernandez 1955-1965 Colgate Ribbon Denture Cream	3	Scott Hegel 1950's Lead Soldier
	Paul Krugler Sharp Square Nail		Pat Dawson Yellow Car
	Scott Wilkins Packwatch back with dog face		Vicki Landrum Red wooden car w/magnet wheels
	Jan Hallez Bull Nose Ring		Ali Vassef Green Truck
			Mary Prause #34 Europaz Asia
	Button		Josh Graham Ted Tootsie Toy Car
1	Blaine Nelson Old Flat 1850's farm		Scott Wilkins Toy Rifle Trigger
2	Ralph Dawson Ariya Jeans Button		Blaine Nelson orange El Camino
3	Scott Jacobsmeyer Antique Black		
3	Bob Fernandez 2.8cm Round Color inscribed		Most Unusual
	Mary Prause Gold Button	1	Bob Fernandez Panama Canal opening Medal
	Scott Hegel 4 hole Sonoma	2	Blaine Nelson Brass Letter Opener
	Josh Graham Crusty Loop Back Button	3	Josh Graham Dart
	Scott Wilkins Small round metal cap	3	Pat Dawson Emergency placque from car
	Pat Dawson Levi's button		Scott Hegel Rock
	Ali Vassef Loop Back button		Ali Vassef Game Piece
			Scott Jacobsmeyer Racing Pigeon Leg Band
	Non-Metal		Paul Krugler Spray Nozzle
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer Toy Soldier Green		Scott Wilkins Old fired 3 ring bullet
2	Ralph Dawson Gear Shift Knob		Vicki Landrum US Army Pin
3	Vicki Landrum Plastic Cockroach		Jan Hallez Silver piece of Hardware
	Blaine Nelson Purple Glass		Ralph Dawson Old Steak Knife
	Josh Graham Piece of blue pottery		Deborah Tompkins Door Jam
	Jan Hallez Hello Kitty		
	Deborah Tompkins Golf Ball		Oldest U.S. Coin
	Bob Fernandez Small basketball	1	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1892
	Mary Prause Plastic Spider Ring	2	Bob Fernandez 1893
	Paul Krugler Gas Can Spout	3	Josh Graham 1903
	Scott Hegel Checker		Pat Dawson 1910
	Scott Wilkins Tennis ball		Ali Vassef 1915
	Pat Dawson Toy Soldier		Scott Wilkins 1916s
	Ali Vassef Golf Ball		Paul Krugler 1941
			Jan Hallez 1946
	Oldest U.S. Cent		Owen Lucente 1946
1	Josh Graham 1874 Nickel		Blaine Nelson 1951
2	Scott Wilkins 1883 Nickel		Mary Prause 1958
3	Ali Vassef 1897 Nickel		Vicki Landrum 1969
	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1901 Nickel		Leon Prause 1979
	Bob Fernandez 1944 Dime		
	Owen Lucente 1948 Nickel		Most Valuable U.S. Coin
	Blaine Nelson 1948 Nickel	1	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1918d Nickel
	Leon Prause 1961d Nickel	2	Josh Graham 1883 Nickel
	Jan Hallez 1962 Nickel	3	Ali Vassef 1945 Quarter
	Vicki Landrum 1964 Nickel		Paul Krugler 1964 Dime
	Paul Krugler 1967 Quarter		Scott Wilkins 1928d Penny
			Blaine Nelson 1937 Penny

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FIND OF THE MONTH

DISPLAY _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

MOST UNUSUAL: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

Name _____

Month _____

