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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)
111 Live Oak Drive, Wimberley, TX 78676
Membership: \$20.00
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February 2016

Meeting Information:

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church
4600 Manchaca
Date – **February 11th** 2016
2nd Thursday of each month
Time - **7:00 pm**
Room - M – 103/104

Officers:

President – Dennis Gans 512-944-8929
Vice Pres – Josh Graham
Treasurer – Larry Vickers 512-243-1831
Secretary – Mary Prause
Newsletter – Blaine Nelson 512-722-3148 punkin4048@aol.com

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 TAMDC, as we do not have a DBA.)
John Chapman
Art Tiemann – 272-8902

NEW FEATURE in Newsletter!
“Sharing Treasure Tales”
See inside for details

A Word from our President:

It's February and the weather couldn't be nicer. So get out there and detect...

It is time to plan to attend the upcoming TAMDC Treasure Show in Longview. Setup will be on April 8th with the show on April 9th and 10th. Be sure to check out the TAMDC website for entry forms and show information. We always need help with our club booth; and besides, you will get a chance to meet metal detectorist enthusiasts from around the country. Let a Board member know if you are planning to attend the show.

Contact Larry Vickers if you have not paid your 2016 dues. All current club members receive a TAMDC membership card if dues are paid by the February club meeting. This card will allow you an entry discount at the upcoming treasure show.

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

Dennis Gans

February Meeting

Our program for this month will feature two of our members. Scott Hegel will discuss target cleaning methods and Ed Newsom will talk about detecting etiquette.

We will have our Find of the Month competition featuring items found since the January 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.

January Club Hunt

We had a great turn-out at the club hunt at Camp Ben McCulloch on January 23! It was a gorgeous day, and about 14 members detected, visited and shared stories at this historic site. Just some of the finds included a Mercury Dime, a silver quarter, buffalo nickel and several Wheaties. Mary won a silver dime for finding the most coins. Thanks to Josh and Ed, for volunteering to be our new Hunt Masters!



Lost and Found Efforts

Since the last report we have not had any new requests come in to AMDC to search for lost items. We will continue to follow-up on the two pending searches that involve rings that were flung into water.

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.

Sharing Treasure Tales

Let's get the conversation going! There will be a topics of interest published in the Newsletter, and AMDC members are asked to share their personal experiences about the topics. We will include your tales in upcoming newsletters.

So to get us started the first topic IS: **“Have You Ever Found and Detected a Site that Knocks Your Socks Off?”** Send your stories to Blaine at Punkin4048@aol.com

In my own detecting experience, I found a beach in New Hampshire in 2002 that I swear had never been detected! It was a private beach, but we were staying at a cabin in the subdivision, so I was able to detect. The large sandy area revealed so many coins that I had to run back the car to put my stash away before continuing. Out in the water I found some silver, a buffalo nickel, and several rings. I actually got tired before I was able to finish. Unfortunately, I am not able to return to this same beach, as they watch it pretty carefully and you have to have a pass. I was just glad that I had the opportunity to detect that one wonderful day – it did “knock my socks off!”

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:

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: What is the new feature in the newsletter called?

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 – January Entries

place	Display	place	Foreign Coin
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer	1	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1909 French 5 Cents
2	Pat Dawson	2	Josh Graham 1 Krone
3	Blaine Nelson	3	Pat Dawson One Cent Euro Espana
	Scott Wilkins	3	Scott Hegel 1979 5 Baht Thailand
	Josh Graham		Blaine Nelson Canadian Quarter
	Ali Vassef		Jan Hallez Canadian Penny
	Larry Vickers		Scott Wilkins 1979 Canadian Cent
	Jan Hallez		Bob Fernandez China/Japan
	Dennis Gans		
	Ed Newsom		Jewelry
	Vicki Landrum	1	Pat Dawson Silver Ring from Thailand
	Scott Hegel	2	Dennis Gans Spiral Loop Earring
	Bob Fernandez	2	Blaine Nelson Geneva Watch
		2	Vicki Landrum Womans Bracelet with Stones
	Token	3	Josh Graham Sterling Saddle
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer Meeks & Ford Coupland TX	3	Ralph Dawson Loop Earring
2	Pat Dawson Brazos Rock Energy Services	3	Scott Jacobsmeyer Sterling Ring with Hat
3	Blaine Nelson Keep it Simple	3	Scott Wilkins Rosary
3	Scott Wilkins Oklahoma Consumers Tax Check 5		Ali Vassef Small .925 Ring
	Ali Vassef No Cash Value Eagle w/stars		Larry Vickers Toe Ring
	Jan Hallez RTD		Jan Hallez Copper Colored Heart Ring
	Josh Graham PinBallz		Ollie Ponce Earring
	Bob Fernandez Old San Francisco Steakhouse		Ed Newsom Bling Ring
			Scott Hegel Small Gold Tone Ring
	Artifact		
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer 193 Chicago Worlds Fair Ring		Button
2	Ed Newsom Brass Bell	1	Scott Jacobsmeyer Modern Woodsmen of American
3	Blaine Nelson Frostie Root Beer Bottle 1940's	2	Josh Graham Replica Civil War Navy Button
3	Vicki Landrum Toy Car (racer)	3	Ali Vassef Texas bankers Assn Dallas 1923
	Josh Graham Oranate Large Pin		Blaine Nelson 4 Hole
	Scott Wilkins 3 Merry Widows Tin		Vicki Landrum Silver Star Button
	Scott Hegel Ceramic Door Knob		Jan Hallez American Hawk
	Debra Tompkins Round Ring Thing		Pat Dawson "M" Button
	Owen Lucente Metal Clasp Piece		Scott Wilkins Rusted Steel with 4 Holes
	Ali Vassef Hat Pin with Castle		Scott Hegel 4 Hole
	Larry Vickers Bolt and Nut		

	Dennis Gans Nut		Oldest US Coin
	Pat Dawson Tuner Knob from Guitar	1	Scott Wilkins 1853 Dime
	Ralph Dawson Childs Fishing Shrimp	2	Ali Vassef 1854o Quarter
		3	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1882 Cent
	Most Unusual		Josh Graham 1887 Dime
1	Josh Graham Trap		Ed Newsom 1916d Cent
2	Scott Hegel Lugar Cap Gun		Larry Vickers Buffalo Nickel
3	Ed Newsom Square Thing		Bob Fernandez 1943 Nickel
3	Scott Jacobsmeyer Ornate Letter Opener		Blaine Nelson 1945 Cent
	Ali Vassef Wolfs Premium Flour		Jan Hallez 1957 Cent
	Vicki Landrum Lock Mechanism		Scott Hegel 1960d Nickel
	Ralph Dawson Motorcycle Rider		Vicki Landrum 1961d Cent
	Scott Wilkins Dart		Dennis Gans 1965 Quarter
	Larry Vickers Louisiana Purchase Nickel		Debra Tompkins 1969 Quarter
	Jan Hallez 99 Bananas Liquor Bottle		Pat Dawson 1176-1976 \$1 coin
	Blaine Nelson Wooden Plug with chain		
	Pat Dawson Louisville Slugger Zipper Pull		Most Valuable US Coin
	Debra Tompkins Silver Thing	1	Ali Vassef \$1 Gold
	Owen Lucente Small Piece of Harp	2	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1926s Nickel
		3	Scott Wilkins 1900s Quarter
			Josh Graham 1912d Cent
			Blaine Nelson 1942 Quarter
			Larry Vickers 1967 1/2 Dollar
			Jan Hallez 1967 1/2 Dollar
			Bob Fernandez 1937 Nickel

Rankings

1	Scott Jacobsmeyer
2	Pat Dawson
3	Josh Graham
4	Blaine Nelson
5	Scott Wilkins
6	Ali Vassef
7	Scott Hegel
8	Vicki Landrum
9	Jan Hallez
10	Ed Newsom
11	Larry Vickers
12	Dennis Gans
13	Bob Fernandez
14	Ralph Dawson
15	Debra Tompkins
16	Owen Lucente
17	Ollie Ponce

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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 _____

