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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

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

Meeting Information:

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church
4600 Manchaca
Date – **May 12**, 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
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Executive Committee:

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

~~John Chapman~~
2016 Dues are \$20. If you write a check make it to Larry Vickers, as we do not have a DBA.
Art Tiemann – 272-8902

A Word from our President:

It's May and a great time to enjoy the weather before the summer heat. Remember to protect yourself from the sun, wear a hat, and use sunscreen.

Don't forget to bring your "finds" to the meeting for our Find of the Month contest. If you are inexperienced, join us on our next club hunt for a chance to pick up some tips from other hunters and see different detectors in action.

Many areas are holding elections this month. Let your voice be heard – Please Vote.

Your President,
Dennis Gans

May Meeting

Our program for this month will be “Ask Larry”, a Question and Answer session on metal detectors and metal detecting equipment facilitated by Larry Vickers. Come with your questions – if you have them, likely someone else does too!

We will have our Find of the Month competition featuring items found since the April meeting. The 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.

April Club Hunt

We had a great turnout of members who came out for the club hunt in Lockhart. The park we hunted is old and large, and everyone found a number of targets. Mostly newer coins, but there was no shortage of good targets. Blaine won the “oldest coin” contest with a 1959 cent, and received a 1966 Kennedy half. Many thanks to Josh and Ed for yet another great club hunt!



Lost and Found Efforts

Since the last report we have had a number of new requests come in to AMDC to search for lost items.

One search was to look for a lost heirloom ring that was thought to have been carried out to the yard by either the toddler or the dog at the home. Ed, Fred and Mary went out for this search. Ed found the ring in a pile of dog poop.

Another request was to look for a lost hearing aide. Ed went and tried this one, but was unsuccessful. When testing the matching hearing aid, the signal was very faint due to the small amount of metal it contained. The area was trashy, the grass was tall, and Ed gave it a good hour with no luck.

Carrie referred a search to us – one of the pastor's at Woodlawn Baptist Church (where we meet) lost his wedding ring in the back yard. Ed and Blaine went out on this one, and Ed found it right away, before Blaine even took a swing.



There is a pending request to search for a watch that was lost in a large retention pond 2 years ago. Paul went out to look at the pond, took pictures and noted the conditions. The requester checked the depth and bottom of the pond in his kayak, and it is mushy and gets to 4-5'. Jim Lawhon went out and tried searching, with no luck. This watch is very important to the owner, so we may try again.

We will continue to follow-up on the two former 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

There has been little response to this feature, but we are always eager to have members share their experiences in the form of a short story. Feel free to submit one any time to Blaine at Punkin4048@aol.com

AMDC Website

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

AMDC Presentation to Coin Club

On Thursday May 5, Larry, Blaine and Scott J. did the presentation for Capitol Area Coin Club. There were over 20 of their members in attendance. Larry talked about detectors and shared stories. Blaine talked about the Search Team and some humorous searches, and Scott talked about detecting old properties and showed some of his many finds.

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:

Club Hunts – Information will be provided

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

June 15-16 Lions Camp (service project with kids) Kerrville, Texas

July 10 - Club Social at Blaine and Frank's home in Wimberley 3:00-6:00 - ish)

Question: *What was the oldest coin found at the Club Hunt in Lockhart - that won the contest?*

REMINDER:

At the end of the meeting, be sure and pick up the FINDS you entered in Find of the Month. **Leave your sheet with Susie, or you will not get points!** Also, make sure you are picking up your item and not someone else's.

Find of the Month – April Entries

place	Display	place	Foreign Coin
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer	1	Paul Krugler 1957 Cinquenta Centavos
2	Pat Dawson	2	Blaine Nelson \$5 Jamaica
2	Scott Wilkins	3	Pat Dawson 1962 Canadian
3	Josh Graham	3	Daniel Mireles 1983 Dime Italy
3	Paul Krugler		Josh Graham 1937 One Centavos
3	Blaine Nelson		Scott Jacobsmeyer 1951 Cinco Centavos
	Dennis Gans		Scott Wilkins 1981 Canadian Cent
	Mary Prause		
			Jewelry
	Token	1	Scott Hegel JA Silver Ring w/14k Cross
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer 50 Cents Ballerstedt Grocer Taylor	2	Josh Graham Silver Ring
2	Pat Dawson Texas Lottery	2	Mary Prause "Gold" Madonaa Pendant
2	Scott Wilkins Sears New Century	3	Pat Dawson Silver Ring
2	Paul Krugler Jimmy Carter Presidential Token	3	Jim Robinson Cufflink
3	Jan Hallez Pachilso Game		Scott Jacobsmeyer Sterling Bracelet
	Josh Graham Automatic Kiddie Ride		Scott Wilkins "I am Blessed" Pendant
	Blaine Nelson Pachinko		Dennis Gans Sequin Stud
			Ralph Dawson Twisted Wire Ring
	Artifact		Paul Krugler Pair of Butterfly Earrings
1	Josh Graham Miraculous Medal w/Lock		Blaine Nelson Silver Ring w/Black Onyx Strip
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer Grover Cleveland 1888 token		Jan Hallez Small Silver Ring w/Blue Stone
2	Ralph Dawson Bone Dog Toy		Daniel Mireles Diamond Studs
2	Paul Krugler Fireplace Valve Key		
3	Dennis Gans 2 Ring Bullet		Button
3	Scott Wilkins Vintage Furniture Caster	1	Josh Graham Civil War US Navy Button
3	Jan Hallez Thompson Manuf Sprinker Head	2	Scott Jacobsmeyer Large Antique w/Copper Trim
	Leon Prause Rust Buckle	3	Pat Dawson Turquoise w/Brass Edge
	Pat Dawson Dog Tag from Ballinger		Dennis Gans Red Cloth
	Blaine Nelson Dora Explorer Bicycle Bell		Mary Prause Small Button w/3 Stars
	Daniel Mireles 1971 Red Quarter		Scott Wilkins Plain Metal 4 Hole
			Paul Krugler Ship's Wheel Design
	Most Unusual		Blaine Nelson Metal w/Diagonal Pattern
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer Brass Elephant		Jan Hallez 4 hole Gray and Silver
2	Scott Wilkins Vintage Copper Book Binding		
3	Mary Prause Clock Face		Oldest US Coin
3	Pat Dawson Homie Figure	1	Scott Wilkins 1860 Dime
	Leon Prause Electrical Outlet Cover	2	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1965 Cent
	Ralph Dawson Magnitized Screwdriver	3	Josh Graham 1900 V Nickel
	Blaine Nelson Brass Fineal		Jim Robinson 1941 Nickel
	Daniel Mireles Snake Skin		Daniel Mireles 1942d Cent
	Dennis Gans Gear		Paul Krugler 1948 Dime
	Josh Graham Crest Button		Blaine Nelson 1948 Cent
	Paul Krugler Rubber Thimble		Jan Hallez 1953 Cent

	Jan Hallez Purple & Green Bean Toy		Mary Prause 1959d Cent
			Leon Prause 1961 Nickel
			Dennis Gans 1966 Dime
			Most Valuable US Coin
1			Scott Jacobsmeyer 1876cc Dime
2			Scott Wilkins 1915d Nickel
3			Josh Graham 1902 Dime
			Paul Krugler 1934 Quarter
			Jan Hallez 1934 Quarter

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Rank

Name

1	Scott Jacobsmeyer
2	Scott Wilkins
3	Josh Graham
4	Blaine Nelson
5	Ali Vassef
6	Pat Dawson
7	Paul Krugler
8	Jan Hallez
9	Dennis Gans
10	Scott Hegel
11	Mary Prause
12	Vicki Landrum
13	Leon Prause
14	Larry Vickers
15	Ralph Dawson
16	Daniel Mireles
17	Ed Newsom
18	Bob Fernandez
19	John Nelson
20	Ollie Ponce
21	Debra Tompkins
22	Owen Lucente
23	Jim Robinson

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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 _____

