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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

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

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July 2017

Meeting Information:

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church
4600 Manchaca
Date – **July 13th** 2017
2nd Thursday of each month
Time - **7:00 pm**
Room - M – 103/104

Officers:

President – Jim Lawhon
Vice Pres – Josh Graham
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Executive Committee:

Dennis Gans, Leon Prause
Daniel and Susie Mireles, Ed Newsom, Larry Vickers

A Word from our President:

It has rolled around to another membership meeting Thursday, July 13th. I would like to start off by Thanking all the Austin Metal Detecting club members who volunteered their time to assist Keith Wills at the Kerrville Lions Camp on June 14 - 15th. The kids and the counselors really seem to enjoy the metal detecting activities.

I would also like to thank Josh Graham for setting up the clean-up hunt at Old Settlers RV park, nice job Josh! Also thanks to all the other club members that showed up and helped. This is the location for our Nov. 11th Open Hunt. It is a very trashy field and will require additional hunts for clean-up. So if you missed this one try and make the next hunt. Currently there is not date or time set. We will let you know as soon as something is set...Thanks and HAPPY HUNTING !!!!!.

Jim Lawhon

July Meeting

The presentation at this meeting will actually be an activity. Paul Krugler and Fred Toewe will prepare a target course outside for us to try our hands at. You will have the option to do it blind, do it with a multiple choice answer list, or do it with the completed answer list. So this can be a competitive thing or just a chance to refine your skills. **BRING YOUR DETECTOR to the meeting!**

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

June Meeting

Thanks to Josh, Ali, Scott W. and Scott J. for sharing their adventures of the metal detecting tour they had in England in May. It was a FASCINATING video, and we were amazed at the very neat items that were found. As was explained, we have to wait to actually see the items until they are returned from the Brits, as per their procedure for handling metal detecting finds.

Kerrville Lions Camp

Our annual project with the kids at the Texas Lions Camp was another fun and successful event. We had a respectable turnout from the Austin Metal Detecting Club – and want to thank those members who came out to support this very worthwhile project: Daniel and Susie Mireles, Larry Vickers, Fred and Jean Toewe, Scott Hegel, Jim Lawhon. Additionally, members from other clubs including Cow Town, San Antonio, Lone Star etc. came out to help. Below is a pic taken the second day – Daniel, Susie and Fred are not pictured, but were there!



Reminder – Josh Graham will be collecting recyclables, so bring any you have been saving.

AMDC Clean-up Hunt

Josh headed up a club hunt with the goal being to clean up the area we will be using for our Open Competition Hunt in November. There was a good turnout of 12-15 folks to help remove trash from the site. A few clad coins were located in the process, but nothing much else. Many thanks to Josh for heading this up, and to all who came out to help. We need another clean-up session or two to better prepare the hunt field. Stay tuned!



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.

Lost and Found Efforts

Since the last report we have had three requests to search for lost items. The first was for a ladies wedding ring lost off their beached boat on Lake Austin. Scott Hegel accompanied the husband to the site via his watercraft. They were able to locate the ring!

The second request was for a small stud diamond earring that came off when the requestor was in her yard throwing netting over a fig tree. Fred headed up this search and was joined by Paul, Dennis and Scott H. The lady had the matching earring, but it barely registered on even the gold machines. After 2 hours, the earring could not be located. These stud earrings are a challenge to find.

The third was a request for an Aggie ring lost in the Pedernales River in Spicewood. Turns out the requestor (Steve) is a friend of Jim's. The ring was lost near a boat launch when Steve was retrieving his boat. Blaine joined Jim for this search. The river has gone down some, and we were able to find the ring in a short time, not far from the launch.



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 Veteran's Day Open Hunt!

Our club will host an "Open" Competition Hunt on Veteran's Day – Saturday, **November 11th**!

Jim has secured a great location for us to hold the hunt at Old Settler's RV Park in Round Rock.

We continue to work on plans and the hunt flyer is being distributed to our club members, other clubs, the Treasure Magazines etc. In addition, TAMDC is partnering with us, and will hold a hunt in the afternoon. Thus we have a total of 4 hunts in the works for that day.

A copy of the flyer is being sent electronically to AMDC Club members, and will also be available at the meeting.

Note for Club Members regarding hunt fees: The price to enter all three of our hunts is \$130. During the **JUNE and JULY** Club meetings, Club members (only) may pay for all three hunts with silver dimes. We are asking that you pay with 130 dimes dated 1964 or earlier, and you must enter all three hunts to use this option. You also need to have a completed registration form to accompany your payment. Of course, you may pay with cash or by check as well.

Please note that the silver dime payment option is only good through the July meeting!

For Sale

If you have items for sale related to metal detecting, let Blaine know, and your item(s) can be included here in the newsletter.

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:

October 7 – Cow Town Treasure Hunters Club Competition Hunt

October 28 – Lone Star Treasure Hunters Club Competition Hunt

November 11 – AMDC Veterans Day Competition Hunt – Old Settler's RV Park, Round Rock

Question: *How many searches did the Search Team conduct since the last report?*

June FOM Winners

Display	Blaine Nelson - Rings
Foreign Coin	Ali Vassef – 1941 German coin
Token	Ali Vassef – Good for 5c trade “The Brunswick Balke Collender” and Scott Jacobsmeyer – Oklahoma Consumer Tax Check
Ring	Blaine Nelson – Texas State class ring
Jewelry	Blaine Nelson –Silver cross
Button	Ali Vassef – General Service button
Artifact	Josh Graham – Butter Knife Barrett
Wild Card	Scott Jacobsmeyer – Skeleton key
Oldest US Coin	Scott Wilkins – 1861 Quarter
Most Valuable US Coin	Scott Wilkins – 1896 Nickel
All Categories Filled	Josh Graham, Ali Vassef



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FIND OF THE MONTH 2017

DISPLAY _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

RING: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

WILD CARD: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN: _____ \$ _____ # _____

Name _____ Month _____