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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)

111 Live Oak Drive, Wimberley, TX 78676

Membership: \$20.00

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September 2020

Meeting Information:

AMDC will not be meeting physically in September, but **we will have a Zoom Meeting!** Details below!

Officers:

President – Jim Clary

Vice Pres – Jeremy Scroggins

Treasurer – Scott Hegel

Secretary – Blaine Nelson

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Executive Committee:

Mary and Leon Prause, Dennis Gans, Daniel and Susie Mireles, Jim Lawhon, Carrie Rogers, Fred Toewe, Charlene Smith, Larry Vickers

A Word from our President:

Some things move so slowly that their movements cannot be seen, leaving only evidence of their movements. Glaciers are an example. We can't see them moving, minute by minute, but we see evidence of their movement in the striations and gouges their movements leave in the rocks. And some things move so fast, we may only be lucky to see their movement. The earth spins on its axis at a speed of about 1,000 miles/hour. We don't feel this speed nor do we see it, but we observe the other celestial bodies as they seemingly march across our sky from east to west. Hopefully, coronavirus will move on soon and be out of our lives. With everyone's diligence, it will come to pass. In the meantime, stay safe and healthy!

Jim Clary

AMDC ZOOM Meeting!

Thursday September 10th (our regular meeting night), we will host a Zoom meeting at 6:30 p.m. for all current paid club members. Members will receive an email with the link to click on sometime prior to the meeting. If you have never used Zoom, it is easy and a great way to connect.

We will have a short business meeting, a program of interest by Jeremy, and then we will all have a chance to show/tell FINDS. It will be great to "see" everyone again, and to share some of the treasures we have found since our last in person meeting.

If you are not a current member and would like to re-join, please fill out an application which is on our website at amdconline.com, and send dues to Scott Hegel, 139 Fairwood Dr., Georgetown, TX 78628. Your dues will be good for the rest of this year and for 2021.

Board Meeting Summary

The Board met via Zoom on Thursday, September 3rd. Highlights include:

Recent board decisions

- voted on 8/10/20 to cancel Veterans Day Hunt
- 2020 paid membership dues will be credited to 2021 dues
- Zoom membership meetings at 6:30 pm on 2nd Thursday of the month for 2020 paid members
- Woodlawn Baptist Church will credit our 2020 payments to 2021 for use of our meeting room -

Carrie

- TAMDC Hunt - Saturday, 11/14/20 at Lodwick, TX - Jim L, Scott

All day hunt on Ghost Town acreage, \$60 for Saturday. Clad 1/2 Dollars and tokens planted. Natural finds expected.

- AMDC Officers Elections for 2021

It will soon be time to elect new Officers and get members to volunteer to be on the Board. We hope to get some new Board members to serve.

- Christmas Party

Carrie will be talking to Lane at church to see if we will be able to do a party at the church. We might need to be flexible, if we can't do a Christmas party, maybe the first regular meeting could be a pot luck and social.

- Other Topics

Board meetings October forward to be at 6 pm instead of 5:30. It was suggested that all Board Meetings be held by Zoom, even after we get to meet for the regular meetings in person. Scott will make sure Mitch and Allen aren't planning on buying food for our now canceled Veterans Day hunt.

A member's only hunt was discussed. Jim L say his park still isn't allowing groups. It was decided that we will see if there is any interest at the membership meeting next week.

Lost and Found Efforts

Search Team - Results for August = Scott

#1 Lost earring, found by owner before we could go out.

#2 Lost ring in Lake Travis, too deep to retrieve

#3 Contacted by gentleman who found several rings, wanted to know if we knew how to locate owners. Scott told him no.

#4, Lady in Hyde Park had an add on and shed that was torn down, wanted to know if we could help clean up nails. Scott ended up selling them detectors and pinpointed. Evidently, they were excited about doing it themselves.

#5 Lady off 290, Mitch found her mail box key (and several others!)



#6 Mitch and Fred searched for a man's wedding ring in Buda in his back yard. Mitch quickly found it.

#7 Blaine found Hoop Earring in NH for lady who lost it in the water and saw Blaine detecting.
(August)



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

Be sure and check the Face Book page often, as we put pictures and news of club goings on.

AMDC Website

Remember to check our web site often to see what's there!

<http://www.amdconline.com>

Our web site is:

For SALE

You may list items for sale in the Newsletter – let Blaine know what you have.

THE LURE OF OLD COINS!

It is so exciting to find old coins! Today we will focus on the War Nickels. War Nickels minted in the United States between 1942 and 1945 are made of 35% silver. These are commonly known as "silver war nickels." **War Nickel Reverse**. Normally all other **nickels** are composed of 75% copper and 25% **nickel**.



As **nickel** was a strategic **war** material during World **War II**, **nickels** coined from 1942 to 1945 were struck in a copper-silver-manganese alloy which would not require adjustment to vending machines. They bear a large mint mark above the depiction of Monticello on the reverse. Notice the mint mark on the reverse, S, P or D, as circled above. It pays to check your change, as War nickels are still circulating and are often not noted as anything unusual to the casual observer.

Upcoming Events – Metal Detecting:

October 10 – Central Texas Treasure Hunters, Brownwood – hunt (Flyer attached to email).

November 14 – TAMDC Hunt in Lodwick (Ghost Town). Check TAMDC website (TAMDC.org) for info.

April 16-18, 2021 – Temple, TAMDC (Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs) Treasure Show – Mayborn Civic and Convention Center



"I wish they could make one that would find things in your purse."



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FIND OF THE MONTH 2020

DISPLAY _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

RING: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

WILD CARD: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

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

Name _____ Month _____

