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Meeting Information:

Place: Woodlawn Baptist Church

4600 Manchaca Blvd.

Austin, TX

Day: Second Thursday of each month

Time: 7:00 pm

Membership: \$20

May 2024

Club Officers:

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Andrew Phillips

Treasurer

Scott Hegel

Secretary

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First Time Lucky?

A 10-year old metal detectorist has found a rare piece of history while attending his first metal detecting event in Gloucestershire.

Brodie was out with Gloucestershire Metal Detecting Club when he found a rare 14th Century seal just metres from the family car and an inch underground. Brodie said in the future he hoped to find something "really big", like a Roman sword.



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April Meeting Program

Tom Ashworth came to the meeting with a wide variety of gear aimed at detecting in the water. Whether it is 2 feet or 20 feet, he has the gear to search for all kinds of lost items in the shallows. Being a diver for several years he could go down much further but he said that most of the treasures we look for are usually found in depths around 10 feet or less.

Underwater detecting is another aspect of our hobby that can allow you to participate with out doling out buckets of cash...unless you want to. You could start with a simple handheld underwater detector like the Nokta Dive Pulse seen here. That will only set you back somewhere around \$200.





Now if you want to get serious about looking

for underwater goodies, then you can take the real plunge and get the amazing Minelab Excalibur. But Tom uses the XP Deus 2 as his new favorite and touts the many advantages he looks for in an underwater setup. Be prepared to shell out some buck though as it clocks in around \$1400. You get what you pay for. He also used a dive suit to help keep the cold at bay along with lead weights to keep him under water. But hey, you still need to breath, right? Tom has that covered with the Blu3 Nemo dive system which is a battery

powered air compressor that floats on the surface and when you breath in it pumps air to you. A slick little setup with a price tag of \$1000 or so dollars.

This all may sound expensive, and it can be, but Tom says you can find enough rings and such with the right equipment to cover the cost. Happy Hunting!



AMDC Monthly Programs Wanted!

AMDC thrives on its members and there is nothing we like more than to have someone give a program during the meeting. We would love you to be the program for an upcoming meeting! The topic can be anything you like, it does not have to be metal detecting related, but it does help. It could b about your aspect of the hobby, a place you have hunted and found interesting treasures or a variety of tips you know about selecting a hunt site. Just get in contact with our Vice President to pick a month you can present a program!

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Gloucestershire and Avon Finds Liaison Officer Kurt Adams said it was probably an ecclesiastical seal, with the lamb of God pictured on the front and a banner behind that read: "Roger of Tetbury". "It's a lovely find, and a really good quality one as well," he added.

The seal would have been used about 700 years ago, probably with wax to sign or stamp important documents.

Brodie's father Chris was among 80 members out that day and said Brodie had a beep on his metal detector within fives minutes of getting out of the car.

He said: "We didn't know what to expect or even if we would find anything."

Brodie's mother said: "It's really inspired Brodie to keep doing it with his dad, getting out in the fresh air, away from the tablet."

Because the seal was not classed as treasure, Brodie is able to keep it and has already set his sights on something bigger.

"I always dream of finding something really big, like a horse and carriage or something, like gold jewellery or Roman swords and hats", Brodie said.

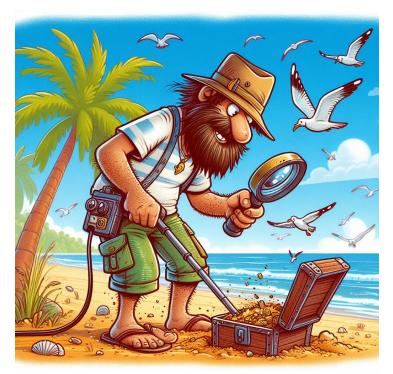
There are still many unanswered questions - most importantly, who was Roger of Tetbury?

If any members of the public have any ideas, do get in touch.

Story Courtesy: BBC.com

Cartoon Caption Contest!

I will have AI generate a cartoon but I need you to come up with the caption! Each month will be a new cartoon and opportunity to win a prize! Below is the first cartoon, come up with a short caption for the cartoon and send it too newsletter@amdconline.com. The winner will be announced in the next months issue of the newsletter!



AMDC Search Team Results

The Austin Metal Detecting Club has a team of searchers that go out and attempt to find lost items. These are the results of our recent searches.

FOUND! The Story: The ring fell off while playing with our dog in the backyard. I watched it fly off and looked in the area where I believe it fell off in the moment and could not find it. I have bought my own metal detector to search the yard and still

can't find it. It's a family ring with a lot of meaning.

The Search: Mitch and Alan went out and searched for a good hour or so with no luck. Time ran out on them and they had to stop short. Scott was able to go back out and he had better luck. "Ring found about 5 feet from electrical box on back fence. Took about 1 hour and still many signals that were close to a gold ring signal."



The Story/Search: Irina lost stud diamond earring in back-

yard, Andrew tried but no good signal on mate, searched area without detector. No Luck

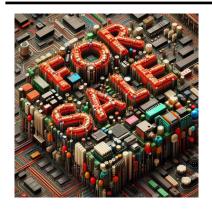


FOUND! The Story: Jose's glasses have plastic frames, not sure about metal in ear pieces. His toddler through them in the bushes on a walk and he did not look for them immediately. He and a brother have searched without a metal detector and he is trying again today. If anyone is interested in the search, please reply-all. Park is in Cedar Park.

The Search: Fred and Jeannie helped Jose search. Jose ended up being the one to find the glasses.

The Story: I seem to recall from years back that y'all would help locate iron rods at property corners. I'd like to have 2 corners located. I know the general location of the rods.

The Search: Mitch contacted him, but a date has not yet been settled on. The rain knocked out the first attempt. A new day will be picked and we will try again.



Have an item for sale?

Perhaps a no longer needed pinpointer. Last years model top-ofthe-line detector. Maybe you upgraded and no longer need the older version. Whatever the case may be, you can offer it up to club members right herein the newsletter for the low low price of absolutely nothing! Just send the detail and if possible include a picture or two and send it to newsletter@amdconline.com.

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Display Debbie Young

Foreign Coin Debbie Young—Russian Coin

Token Leroy Stevenson—Chuck E Cheese

Ring Ruby O'Neil—Gold & Platinum Wedding Band

Jewelry Ed Newsome- Stering Silver Buckle

Button Leroy Stevenson—Civil War Eagle

Artifact Leroy Stevenson—>57 Cal Cleaner Bullet

Wild Card Debbie Young—Men's Michael Kors Watch

Oldest US Coin Darrell Jarrett—1893 Cent

Most Valuable US Coin None

All Categories Filled None

Newsletter Question Denis Gans

Visitor Drawing Leroy Stevenson

Member Drawing Fred Toewe



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Upcoming Events



May 3-4, 2024: Nugget Noggin Live by Nugget Noggin at Rock Hill, SC Flyer

May 9- AMDC Meeting- 3D Printing...can it help metal detecting? Come find out with John Lawhon

May 11, 2024: AMDC Members-only Hunt at Veterans Memorial Park in Elgin, TX Park history page

May 11, 2024: Spring Silver Hunt by Ozarks Metal Detecting Club at Atkins, AR Flyer

May 18-19, 2024: **2024 Civil War Relic Treasure Hunt** by Matt Catoe at Jefferson, SC Flyer

May 25-26, 2024: 51st Indian Territory Treasure Hunt by the ITTHC near Sapulpa, OK Flyer

June 1-2, 2024: 10th Annual Hunt by Dirt Digging PA at Emporium, PA Flyer

June 5-6, 2024: Texas Lions Camp kid's hunt days. Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Kerrville, TX. . Website

June 13- AMDC Meeting- Paul presents his target ID game. Bring your detectors!

June 14-16, 2024: **52nd Northwest Annual Treasure Hunt** by Northwest Treasure Hunters Spokane Club at Athol, ID Flyer

June 22-23, 2024: Indiana Open Treasure Hunt by Wrays Treasure Shop Flyer

June 28-30, 2024: **TAMDC Treasure Show** at Temple, TX with silver & gold hunt. Flyer

July 11- AMDC Meeting- TBD

August 8- AMDC Meeting- TBD

September 12- AMDC Meeting- TBD

October 10- AMDC Meeting- TBD

November 14- AMDC Meeting- Elections

December 12- AMDC- Holiday Party

Meeting Topics Subject to Change

BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are open to all Club Members. If you are interested in attending a Board meeting, please contact an Officer, Board Member, or the Webmaster for details. These are held via Zoom on the first Thursday of each month at 6:15 p.m.

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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

FIND OF THE MONTH

DISPLAY		#
FOREIGN COIN:		#
TOKEN:		#
RING:		#
JEWELRY:		#
BUTTON:		#
ARTIFACT:		_ #
WILD CARD:		#
OLDEST U.S. COIN:		#
MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN:	\$	#
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