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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

January 2006

Austin Metal Detecting Club meets at Woodlawn Baptist Church Singles House 4614 Manchaca at **7:00** on the second Thursday of each month. Our meeting this month is **January 12th** 2005. The Singles House is adjacent to the Woodlawn Baptist Church (4600 Manchaca), and is right next to the church parking lot. Below is a link showing a map to the church. Visitors are always welcome.
<http://www.woodlawNBC.org/directions.html>

Randy has arranged for an interesting program this month. Bob Wishoff will speak about archeology. The club will also have a silent auction for a number of metal detecting related items i.e. coils, digging tools etc. donated by a former member.

At each meeting, finds are displayed by category. Members earn points for entering finds and more points for winning in a category. The rules and entry form are available at each regular meeting. Remember, items found since the last meeting until the upcoming meeting may be entered in the **January** Find of the Month contest. You may still show your finds even if you do not wish to compete in the Find of the Month.

Please visit AMDC's web site (<http://www.amdconline.com>) often. New items are added and changed frequently, so to keep up, visit the web site. The newsletters are posted there.

Our executive meeting will be on **Feb 2** at Luby's, 1410 E. Anderson Ln. The meeting starts at 6:30. Executive meetings are held on the **first Thursday** of each month and all are invited.

December Meeting:

The December meeting was devoted to the holiday dinner where members had time to socialize and enjoy the good food and festivities. Special thanks to Daniel and Susie Mireles's for hosting this event at their community club house.

Scott Hegel presented the 2005 Treasure Hunter awards. Blaine Nelson was named the Treasure Hunter of the Year and received a plaque and a gold peso. Everett Preslar was awarded a silver dollar for second place, and Scott Hegel received a silver round for third place. Other members were awarded silver quarters for their entries and participation in the "Find of the Month" activity.

Six members entered items in the "Find of the Year" contest. Larry Vickers was voted the winner with his lovely ring. He received free club membership for '06. Way to go Larry!

We had a successful club fund raiser thanks to members who brought donated items for this activity.

January Executive Meeting:

Web Site:

Cecil Herrin has done an awesome job creating and maintaining our new web site. Larry Vickers will cancel our old web host. **It is important for all members to register on the web site to access the Member's Only section!** If you have not yet registered, do so asap or you will miss important information.

Texas Council Treasure Show:

The big TCTC show will be held in Fort Worth at the end of April. The Board discussed plans for our Austin Club booths and displays. We decided to get three booths, and to make up a special back drop using antique metal detectors that are being donated by Ruth (Truman) Smith. Jim Lawhon is donating a base ball signed by Nolan Ryan to use for a fund raiser. Thanks Jim!! All club members are encouraged to come up to the show, contribute display items and help with our booths.

Political Action Committee:

The committee will meet Saturday - Jan. 7 to continue work on this important cause. Members are Scott Hegel, Randy Connell, Ed Newsom and Blaine Nelson.

Club Dues:

2006 Club Dues are now due! If you have not yet paid, please see Scott at the meeting. Dues are \$20.00 a year. If you joined late in '05 and paid full dues, your '06 dues will be pro-rated. You may also mail your dues to Scott if you cannot make the meeting. Folks who do not pay by March 1 will be dropped from the club rolls.

FMDAC: Anyone wishing to join this national group needs to bring the \$5.00 dues by the January meeting.

Upcoming Events:

January 15 (Sunday) – Club Hunt at Krause Springs. Meet at 11:00. There is a \$4.00 entrance fee. The springs are located out Hwy 71 in Spicewood. More detail forthcoming.

April 29 & 30, 2006 – Texas Council of Treasure Clubs Annual Show – Fort Worth

Find of the Month Rank – 2005

Rank	Name	Total
1	Blaine Nelson	322
2	Everett Preslar	319
3	Scott Hegel	311
4	Ray Knowles	272
5	Roy Stahl	164
6	Art Tiemann	144
7	Ed Newsom	108
8	Larry Vickers	107
9	Jim Lawhon	69
10	Andy Waters	54
11	Bill Fogelsanger	44
12	Daniel Mireles	26
13	Randy Connell	17
14	John Rowen	16
15	Gil Ash	13
16	Nancy Tiemann	8
17	Tim Israel	7
18	Robert Chapman	4

New Year's Resolutions?

You can help our club in a number of ways. Here are just a few:

- Attend club meetings
- Offer to help with a program or locate a speaker
- Participate in activities – Find of the month, club hunts etc.
- Invite a friend to a meeting
- Support the club fund raisers
- Be a good example to others, both within and outside the club
- Help with committees and special projects
- Share your ideas and expertise

Finds Entered - November 2005

	U.S. Coin		Foreign Coin
1	Ed Newsom - 1898 Nickel	1	Scott Hegel - 1954 5 Centavos - Mexico
2	Everett Preslar - 1919S Dime	2	Blaine Nelson - 1991 10 Groschen - Austria
3	Roy Stahl - 1956D Cent		
	Ray Knowles - 1945S Nickel		Ring
	Daniel Mireles - 1964D Dime	1	Blaine Nelson - 14K White Gold Men's Band
	Blaine Nelson - 1961 Dime	2	Roy Stahl - Silver Star
	Scott Hegel - 2004D Quarter	2	Everett Preslar - Silver with Amethyst
		3	Ray Knowles - Silver JA Cross
	Token		Scott Hegel - 14K Ladies Filigree
1	Blaine Nelson - Manitoba 1870 - Prairie Crocus		Ed Newsom - Aluminum
2	Scott Hegel - Austin Zoo		
2	Roy Stahl - No Cash Value - Clown		Artifact
3	Everett Preslar - No Cash Value - Tilt	1	Everett Preslar - Single Edge Safety Razor
3	Ed Newsom - No Cash Value - Eagle	2	Roy Stahl - 1950 Ford Key
		3	Daniel Mireles - Rock
	Jewelry	3	Ed Newsom - Old Fishing Lure
1	Scott Hegel - 10K Religious Pendant		Scott Hegel - Buckle
2	Ray Knowles - Pair Silver Earrings with Onyx		Blaine Nelson - 1951D Cent
3	Blaine Nelson - Silver Pendant with Stone		
3	Ed Newsom - Butterfly Pin		Button
	Roy Stahl - Gold Plated Earring	1	Ray Knowles - Star of Texas
	Everett Preslar - Silver Earring with Turquoise	2	Everett Preslar - Pearl Snap
		3	Ed Newsom - Rusty Iron
	Toy		Scott Hegel - Star Snap
1	Blaine Nelson - Motorcycle		Blaine Nelson - Metal Flower
2	Roy Stahl - Orange Marble		
3	Scott Hegel - Maze		Non-Metal
3	Everett Preslar - Dirt Bike	1	Everett Preslar - Tiny Perfume Bottle
	Ed Newsom - Ball	2	Scott Hegel - \$5.00 Bill
		3	Ray Knowles - Marble
	Most Unusual		Roy Stahl - Plastic Nickel
1	Scott Hegel - Happy Washer		Daniel Mireles - Pen
1	Blaine Nelson - .50 Caliber Bullet		Blaine Nelson - Toy Pet Carrier
1	Everett Preslar - Half Ball of Lead		
2	Ray Knowles - Fingernail Clipper		Oldest U.S. Cent
3	Roy Stahl - Gold Plated Dress Pin	1	Ed Newsom - 1918
	Daniel Mireles - Washer	2	Ray Knowles - 1940
		3	Everett Preslar - 1945D
	Oldest U.S. Coin		Blaine Nelson - 1946D
1	Everett Preslar - 1917S Dime		Roy Stahl - 1953
2	Ray Knowles - 1946 Dime		Scott Hegel - 1977D
3	Blaine Nelson - 1958D Nickel		
	Scott Hegel - 1960D Nickel		Most Valuable U.S. Coin
	Roy Stahl - 1961D Dime	1	Blaine Nelson - 1947 Quarter

		1	Everett Preslar - 1940 Quarter
		1	Ray Knowles - 1935 Quarter
		2	Scott Hegel - 1965 Quarter
		3	Roy Stahl - 1944D Cent

Find of the Month Entry Form

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

RING: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

TOY: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

MOST UNUSUAL: _____ # _____

NON-METAL: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. CENT: _____ # _____

MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN: _____ # _____