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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 2019

Meeting Information:

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church
4600 Manchaca

Date - **May 9**, 2019

2nd Thursday of each month

Time - **7:00 pm**

Room - M - 103/104

Officers:

President - Larry Vickers

Vice Pres - Jim Clary

Treasurer - Scott Hegel

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Executive Committee:

Mary and Leon Prause, Dennis Gans,
Daniel and Susie Mireles, Jim
Lawhon, Carrie Rogers

A Word from our President:

It's time to get out and swing detectors - especially before the heat sets in. And we have a perfect opportunity at the upcoming Club Hunt on Saturday, May 18th. Details about the hunt are in the newsletter.

Participating in active club events is such a great way to get to know the others and have fun.

Larry Vickers.

Prez

May Meeting

Our guest for our May program will be Trish Wilson, Marketing Director at Texas Lions Camp come talk about the camp. The camp is an amazing place, and our Club will again participate in the metal detecting activity with the kids in June.

We will have our Find of the Month, for items found since the April meeting.

Next month's (June) program will feature Mike Cox, Texas historian and author. His topic will be about his book "Gunfights and Sites in Texas Ranger History." He will bring copies of his book for sale and signing. Let us know if you have any topics for programs, or would be willing to present a program.

Upcoming programs in the works include a Target ID session, Texana author, "Valuing Your Finds".

Executive Meeting

Our meetings are the first Thursdays of most months, at 6:00. We 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.

TAMDC Treasure Show!

Another great Treasure Show this year over the weekend of April 26-28! The show was held at the convention center in Carthage, and was attended by metal detector enthusiasts from all over the state and elsewhere. Most of the Texas clubs set up booths. In addition, many of the metal detector manufacturers and vendors were on site, there were workshops, a banquet and fun all around. Of course the hunt on Sunday morning is always a hit, searching for silver coins and tokens for prizes. Some of our members won good prizes – pictured below.

Our AMDC booth was amazing. Special thanks to Susie for coming up with the idea to have an aquarium filled with water to drop coins into, as a fundraiser for Texas Lions Camp. Thanks also to the members who helped set up, man, and take down the booth. This is an important part of what we are as a club, and we will encourage more participation next year.

Special thanks to Larry Vickers, who was able to get us 3 detectors for our club fundraiser in the booth. We had and Garrett AT-Pro, a Garrett 300 and a Garrett 200. We raised \$471. Winners were: AT-Pro – Rod Johnson, Flint, TX; Garrett 300 – Darrin Cooper, Palestine, and our own member, Paul Krugler – the Garrett 200. Congrats to all and thanks to all those who bought tickets! Pictured is Rod Johnson.





Family Trying Coin Drop



Some of the Club Volunteers – hard to get everyone together!



Fred won an AT-Pro at the Hunt!



Scott won a silver bar



Larry, our Prez at the booth.

Club Hunts!



May 18

There will be a closed Competition Hunt - for members only, with a minimal fee of (\$10). Jim Lawhon will be the Hunt Master, and it will be held at Tumlinson Fort Park in Blockhouse Creek, 405 Tumilson Dr., Leander, from 10:00 a.m. until noon. This will be a pot luck, and folks are asked to bring a dish to share, chairs, and your own drinks.

Veteran's Day Memorial Hunt

Mark your calendars for our (3rd) Veteran's Day Hunt in November. It will be on November 9th, and Jim Lawhon will be our hunt master again. Plans will be in the works for this hunt, so stay tuned.



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

Garrett AT Pro detector. Brand new and in the box, never registered. Standard Garrett AT Pro with 11" double D coil and headphones. For sale at \$450, which is more than \$100 less than the manufacturer's minimum advertised price. Recently won at the TAMDC show.

Garrett Pro-Pointer AT (the "orange carrot"). Brand new and in the box, never registered. Comes with belt attachable carrying sheath and battery. For sale at \$99. Recently won at the TAMDC show.

Contact Fred Toewe at (512)310-2462 or ftoewe@austin.rr.com

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

Lost and Found Efforts

Since the last period we have had two requests to search for lost items:

A request came in while we were at the Show, to search for a ladies lost wedding band. Scott was able to make contact, and went to the home to search. He found the ring (gold) within 5 minutes!

A second request came in that was ambiguous, about a lost ring. We asked for more details (area, how long ago lost, etc.) but did not hear back.

Update on past search for diamond engagement ring in a large playground near two restaurants. As you may recall from the last newsletter – the lady lost both her engagement and wedding ring after eating a birthday dinner at a restaurant. The wedding ring was found by some kids when the requestor went back, but she could not locate the engagement ring. Fred and wife Jean got on it right away, but after almost 3 hours, did not find the engagement ring. Jim Lawhon went back to follow-up, but came up empty handed. We received a nice thank you from the requestor. Paul also searched, but to no avail. But the requestor did not give up. She requested surveillance footage from the restaurants and sure enough, it captured a picture of a woman picking up the ring. It was posted on Face Book, and someone was able to identify the lady. A detective went to the home and was able to get the ring and return it to the owner!

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.

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. This month we will verbally give the question.

Good luck!

Upcoming Events – Metal Detecting:

May 18 - AMDC Competition Hunt for Members – Leander

June 5-6 – Volunteer project at Texas Lions Camp, Kerrville

November 9 – AMDC Veteran’s Day Memorial Hunt – Round Rock

Other Events of Interest

Capitol City Coin Club – meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:15 P.M. at the Old Quarry Library. Club member Alan Russell is currently serving as President, and Mitch London as Secretary. The club has interesting programs about coins, grading, shows etc.

Alan wants us to note: As part of their 50th Anniversary celebrations, the Capital City Coin Club is having a raffle for a half oz. gold coin (dated 2019) that they purchased from the US Mint. They are selling only 250 tickets. The tickets are \$5 each. They will draw the winner in December; however, if they sell out of tickets early enough, they will do the drawing early and possibly try doing a second coin. So, bring some extra money if you want in on this opportunity to win some gold.

Texas State Historical Association – Most of us love history! Google TSHA and see all the items of interest. They have a daily newsletter you can subscribe to, and many interesting links on the website.

Question: We will continue to ask the question at the meeting, to keep you on your toes.

April FOM Winners

Display	Jeremy Scroggins
Foreign Coin	Scott Jacobsmeyer – Germany 1906 1 pfennig
Token	Scott Wilkins – Burger Chef
Ring	Blaine Nelson – Costume with Pearl
Jewelry	Blaine Nelson – Sterling Heart Pendant
Button	Scott Wilkins – Civil War Union Soldier
Artifact	Scott Wilkins – Civil War 3 Ring Bullet
Wild Card	Paul Krugler – U.S 21 Military Lapel Pin
Oldest US Coin	Josh Graham – 1841-O Dime
Most Valuable US Coin	Josh Graham – 1858 Flying Eagle Cent
All Categories Filled	Paul Krugler, Blaine Nelson



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FIND OF THE MONTH 2019

DISPLAY _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

RING: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

WILD CARD: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

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

Name _____ Month _____

