



Metal Detecting Hobby Talk

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Legislation News

During the next couple of months legislation that could affect metal detecting, gold prospecting and other related hobbies may be introduced into state legislation bills. Keep checking on the website for the latest information.

Send mdhtalk an email if there is any local or state regulation activity in your area. Below are a couple recent situations.

- Lake Wales, Florida BOCC tightens rules in public parks

In updating the rules of what can be done in public parks the issue of metal detector use highlighted the discussion at the Polk County Board of Commissioners public session.

Though regulations were passed in a 3-2 vote, Parks and Recreation Manger Mike Calendar's comments sparked some discussion.

- California's public release of the Draft SEIR and Suction Dredge Regulations has been delayed and will not be released until February 1st for public review and comment.

WWATS - Texas Treasure Show 2009 Keith Wills

The eight - 10 minute You Tube videos represent Keith Wills presentation on the condition of the Metal Detecting Hobby and what can be done. Links to these videos can be found on the Legislation News page.

*I started out with nothing...
and I still have most of it!*

The following short news article descriptions are just that; more about these article and their web links came be found at mdhtalk.org.

Hobby News (Read more @ <http://mdhtalk.org>)

- Here is a gold prospecting news article: *For Recession Victims, Gold Mining Pans Out*. This short piece highlights the new TV program Gold Rush Alaska.
- Take a look at this news article. *The Hobby that can pay Gold bugs abuzz in quest for treasure*. This speaks to a new gold rush as the price of gold continues to rise.
- This winter on a *Secret Oregon Coast a Shipwreck Shows Up after 35-Year Absence*. The ship wreck took place about a 100 years ago.
- A news article about planning your approach to finding relics. The title is *Determination led to find of Civil War pistol*.
- An interesting news article concerning *Treasure Hunting: Strange Ways to Make Money*.

Ring Return

- A great Ring Return story just came online: *Ring's return seals a love never lost*; very touching story.

Meteorite News



- There are two news articles about Steve Arnold of the New Meteorite TV program; both article are very interesting and worth reading.
- Take a look at this short news article about the *Air Force to Share Its Info on Planet-Flattening Meteorites*.

- *Meteorite Men Clear Up Misconceptions About Meteors*. This is a article about how Hollywood distorts meteorite events and how Meteorite Men bring reality to meteorites.

Archaeology News

- *Local diver eyes old boat remains in Fort Loudoun Lake*. This is short news article about the locating the Star of Knoxville in Kentucky.
- *Find an artifact? Here's what to do with it*. This is short but interesting news article about Native American finds.

U.K. News

- *A 75 year old woman who has been metal detecting for 15 years finds a cache of rare coins in a field near York*.

Website Update

- The Clubs search page has been updated and divided into three sections.

Section One has a link to another website: Bob's Rock Shop is the net's first 'zine for mineral collectors, rock hounds and lapidary hobbyists, now joined online by Rock & Gem magazine. This site has an excellent state's list of Gem and Mineral Clubs.

Section Two is where you will find a list of metal detecting clubs and associated information as to location and contact information.

Section Three is where you will find a list of Gold Prospecting Clubs and associated information.

- The featured article this month on the website Home page is Metal Detectorist Self-Certification Program. There is a three part program (MD101, MD102, MD103) available for viewing or download (No Audio at this time).

January 2011 Events

January 08, 2011

Event: Two Days
El Paso, Texas
2011 Gold & Treasure Show
GPAA
915-534-0600
<http://www.goldprospectors.org>
El Paso Convention Center

January 15, 2011

Event: Two Days
Mesa, Arizona

2011 Gold & Treasure Show
GPAA
480-644-2178
<http://www.goldprospectors.org>
Mesa Convention Center

January 22, 2011

Event: Two Days
Pomona, California
2011 Gold & Treasure Show
GPAA
909-623-3111

<http://www.goldprospectors.org>
Fairplex Pomona

January 29, 2011

Event: Sixteen Days
Tucson, Arizona
Worlds Largest Treasure Hunt -
Tucson Gem, Mineral and Fossil
Showcase
[http://www.visittucson.org/visitor/events/gem show/](http://www.visittucson.org/visitor/events/gem%20show/)