



Metal Detecting Hobby Talk

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MDHTALK News Brief

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The website featured article for this month may be some what controversial. There will be many different opinions on the subject content some positive and some negative. The article is the opinion of the MDHTALK website author and is based on a subjective analysis of variables that effect the hobby.

The title of the article is:

Is Recreational Metal Detecting on the Endangered List?

The content of the article revolves around:

- **the law: federal, state, counties, cities**
- **governmental staffing**
- **national detecting associations**
- **state detecting associations**
- **detecting clubs**
- **the hobby**
- **detectorist responsibilities**
- **detector technology**
- **night hawking**
- **environment**
- **conclusion and summary**

Your will need to read the article to get the answer to the title question.

Included in the summary is a graphic that tries to represent the impact of regulations on the hobby up to today's time period and on into the future. The graphic is not based on absolute data but represent the articles descriptive content.

Next month (June) the feature article will be about what needs to take place to change the situation. If you have a position on the article email mdhtalk with your opinion.

The monthly news brief only provides a brief look into any news event. The intent of the news brief is to provide you with news topics as to what is taking place in the hobby. To get the whole story you should go to the <http://www.mdhtalk.org> website. Once on the site you will find six separate news pages. On these news pages you will find links to the listed stories.

Hobby News. (Added: 20 News Story Links)

A shipwreck has been located off the coast of the Dominican Republic where divers of Utah based Deep Blue Marine uncovered gold coins, jade statues, and ancient Mayan jewelry.

A Federal Appeals Court ruling has allowed a English research to claim sunken treasures worth \$500 million in silver and gold coins believed to be from the wreck of the Nuestra Senora de las Mercedes. This litigation has the potential to rewrite maritime law for salvaging in international waters.

Jewelry Returns (Added: 9 News Story Links)

A 1934 class ring was found and returned to the owner's family.

A 1928 class ring was found and returned to the owner's grand-daughter. This ring return required a bit of research by the finder but turned out just great.

Europe. A major treasure find was reported this month, it was found without a metal detector in Austria. A man digging in his backyard uncovered 200 rings, brooches, ornate belt buckles, gold-plated silver plates, many encrusted with pearls. The find is believed to be 650 years old.

UK & Scotland News (Added: 18 Story Links)

Gold coins to be returned to Jewish family. A Jars containing gold coins belonging to Jews who fled Nazi Germany were uncovered in a London backyard and will be returned to the family's descendents after 70 years.

A Novice metal detector enthusiast said he nearly fainted when he unearthed a medieval gold ring near Lakenheath. He has\d only been detecting for two years when he stumbled across the 15th century piece of jewelry.

Archaeology News (Added: 19 Story Links)

Archaeologist thinks he might have found nails from Jesus' cross. In 1990, Israeli archaeologists excavating a 2,000-year-old burial cave found two nails crafted by Romans but kept the discovery quiet.

Meteoritic News (Added: 10 Story Links)

Meteorite black market frustrates scientific. EBay and other websites offer hundreds of meteorites that have fallen from the sky and are as prized by collectors and scientists.

Website. There are new selection of menu buttons on the HOME page about mid-way down. These menu buttons allow the viewer to select any one of the past weekly metal detecting tips. Each week a new tip is added to the database. This month the content for two metal tips was provided by Jerry Eckhart, author of five books and 200+ articles.

Three additional websites linked to MDHTALK.org this month. They are:

- Great Lakes Metal Detecting
- Gold Searches of Southern Nevada
- New Mexico Treasure Hunters Assn

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May - Metal Detecting Events

(List Your Event with [MDHTALK.org](http://www.mdhtalk.org))

There are many events this month therefore a second news brief page has been added to handle the event over flow.

May 06, 2011 (Three Days)

Richland, Washington
23rd Anniversary Treasure Hunt
Southeast WA Association of Treasure Hunters (SWATH)
509-582-3895
treasjoe@aol.com
<http://www.swathclub.org/>

May 08, 2011 (One Day)

Milton, Massachusetts
2011 MTHA John Govoni Memorial Open Hunt
(MTHA) Massachusetts Treasure Hunting Association
617-893-1937
<http://www.masstreasure.com/>

May 14, 2011 (One Day)

Onset, Massachusetts
19th Annual Open Treasure Hunt

Gateway Treasure Hunters Club
508-759-9779
phyroy@verizon.net
<http://gthclub.org/>

May 14, 2011 (One Day)

Virginia Beach, Virginia
24th Annual Spring Hunt
Tidewater Coin and Relic Club
757-679-0467
sanddigger@charter.net
<http://www.tc-rc.com/>



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May 21, 2011 (Two Days)

Lisbon, North Dakota
12th Annual Spring Treasure Hunt
Minnkota Artifact Recovery Group
320-845-7814
jkehl1963@yahoo.com

2nd Annual Beach Blast
East Coast Research & Discovery Association
973-728-3234
artmds@verizon.net

Beach Hunt
905-979-1233
scziraki@hotmail.ca
<http://www.metaldetectinghunt.com/>

May 22, 2011 (One day)

Riverside, California
2011 Annual RTHC Picnic & Treasure Hunts
Riverside Treasure Hunters Club
<http://www.riversidetreasurehunters.com/home/>

May 27, 2011 (Three Days)

Stanwood, Washington
29th Annual Hunt, May Fest
Pilchuck Treasure Hunting Club
425-308-2255
pilchucktreasurehunts@yahoo.com
<http://www.pilchucktreasurehunts.org>

May 28, 2011 (Two Days)

Antlers, Texas
2011 WWATS Open All day Hunt
WWATS - World Wide Association of Treasure Seekers
903-734-7773
kwills@etex.net
<http://www.wwats.org/>

May 22, 2011 (One Day)

Ocean City, New Jersey

May 28, 2011 (Two Days)

Stoney Creek, Ontario, Canada
2011 Southern Ontario Metal Detecting

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PUBLIC LANDS FOR THE PEOPLE - PLP Legal Fund Raffle June 16, 2011 <http://www.plp1.org>

Drawing held at Keene Engineering Chatsworth, CA. Winners will be notified by phone. You do not need be present to win.
For every ten dollars (\$10.00) you receive 12 entry tickets.
Prize List:

1. RP - 4 Concentrating Table \$2200 Donated by: Global Mining Solutions
2. Keene 151 Vibrostatic Drywasher \$1500 Donated by: Keene Engineering
3. 1 Oz. Placer Gold \$1400 Donated by: Roger Plata
4. Fisher Metal Detector \$800 Donated by: Fisher Labs
5. 20 - 1 oz Englehardt silver rounds \$600 Donated by: AAA Precious Metals, Portland Or.
6. Keene Super Concentrator \$400 Donated by: Keene Engineering
7. 14 K Lapis Lazuli Pendant \$400 Donated by: Steve Wandt, Naturalgoldjewelry.com
8. Diamond Ring \$250 Donated by: Anonymous
9. 1 Year Membership Golden Caribou Mining \$250 Donated by: Gordon and Barry Burton
10. 1 Year Membership Golden Caribou Mining \$250 Donated by: Gordon and Barry Burton
11. DELUXE Blue Bowl Kit - with pump, screens, tub, etc \$ 215 Donated by Pioneer-Motherlode Mining Supply
12. Sunray XL-1 Detector Probe \$190 Donated by: Armadillo Mining Shop
13. Keene A-51(a) Sluice Box \$100 Donated by: Phil Berkardt
14. Copper Ore Book Ends \$100

Four ways to order tickets;

1. <http://plp1.org/raffleticketsandprizes.html> enter the dollar amount for raffle ticket donations and fill in description field (i.e. raffle tickets).
2. Order by Email, jerhobbs2@verizon.net
3. Order by Telephone Message 909-889-3039, leave call back number, address, and how many tickets wanted.
4. Order By Mail - Fill out the ticket form below and mail it to Public Lands for the People c/o Jerry Hobbs 7184 Conejo Dr. San Bernardino, Ca. 92404