### Support The Hobby

I would like to point out to the News Brief readers that there are a number of organizations taking on the challenge against various types of legislation dealing with metal detecting and gold prospecting. MDHTALK's recommendation is to visit their website and give strong consideration to joining the fight. In some cases your support may be to send emails and / or write a letter to specific legislators or to provide funds to help with the fight. Here are the organizations and a link to their website.

Go to the Join The Fight MDHTALK Webpage to read more about each of these organizations.

### What is a News Brief?

The news brief provides a brief look into any news event. The intent of the news brief is to provide you, the reader, with news clips on what was taking place in the hobby last month. To read the whole story select the Article Link or go to MDHTALK.org. There are more news stories placed on the MDHTALK website for May the news stories listed in the MDHTALK News Brief are just a portion of all the hobby related news reported the past month. The news brief is no longer emailed; it is only available on the MDHTALK website and can be downloaded.

The Website's featured article for this month: **Club Metal Detecting Training Guide** - A metal detecting club's mission is to have elected officers and volunteer staff, grow it membership, hold a monthly meeting, establish an annual event, and create a fun and positive atmosphere for its members.

An additional important responsibility that is often overlooked is the training and education of its membership. This education and training should be directed toward how to practice the hobby legally, in a non-destructive manner and on proper use of metal detectors. This article will high light a few of the training programs that a club should consider and offer to its membership.

A metal detecting training program that is offered by a club in the "Dos and Don'ts" of the hobby displays a strong commitment to the local community. A trained membership knowing the where, how and why attributes of the hobby will keep the hobby in the good graces of the local recreation department and private land owners.

Resources for membership training can usually come from the membership itself. Some club members have been practicing the hobby for sometime and have an extensive knowledge base of information. These members are a good source for the clubs training program and leadership. Every effort should be made to document any training program for future use. One easy way to document any training program is to create a video of the training event and / or document the training event in a power point presentation. Complete Article and Link to Class.

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### General U.S. and World Wide Hobby News

- Civil War battlefield looted, described as 'crime scene'. [Article Link](#)
- Man finds Purple Heart ring with metal detector off Venice Inlet. [Article Link](#)
- The Lowcountry's metal detecting club uncovers mysteries every day. [Article Link](#)
- P.E.I. man uses metal detector to find historic items. [Article Link](#)
- SIR ROBERT MARX LECTURE SERIES ISLANDS OF THE ATLANTIC AZORES, CANARY, MADEIRA, CAPE VERDE, ASCENSION AND SANTA HELENA ISLANDS. [Article Link](#)
- It’s time fossil hunters faced extinction. [Article Link](#)
- Gold Hill boy finds Civil War era bullets in backyard. [Article Link](#)
- The ecstasy of gold: Five treasure finds of recent memory. [Article Link](#)

### U.K. News

- Bridegroom discovers rare coin worth £10,000. [Article Link](#)
- Roman lead pig unearthed on Somerset farm in 'find frenzy'. [Article Link](#)
- Silver ingot thought to be from the Viking era discovered on Abbot’s Ripton farm. [Article Link](#)

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### Other News

- Prospecting and Mining Journal (IMCJ) May News
- Gold Prospectors Association of America (GPAA) - News on legal issues for the gold prospecting community [May News](#)
- Western Mining Alliance is the organization of independent miners across the West. [May Newsletter](#)
- American Mining Rights Association is not a gold club but rather an advocacy group for miners and public land users to preserve and maintain their rights as they pertain to access to their public lands. [May News](#)

### North America Archaeology News

- Shipwreck From 1800s Found Buried Under New Building Site In Seaport District. [Article Link](#)
- Archaeologists reveal probable sites of two missions that predate the Alamo. [Article Link](#)
- Ancient Cosmology Seen at Prehistoric Ohio Site. [Article Link](#)
Soon-to-be bridegroom discovers Anglo-Saxon penny from the reign of Mercian King Offa in fields near Stockbridge. Article Link
Metal detectorist who found biggest treasure find ‘sidelined’. Article Link
National Museum appeals to anonymous donor for help in Irish Viking treasure hunt. Article Link
Bright metal detectorist reveals how he dug up Roman treasure in North Moreton. Article Link
Historic ring is found in a field. Article Link
Increased vandalism to archaeological sites in Southern Utah prompts "Petroglyph patrol". Article Link

Jewelry Returns

- Historic ring is found in a field. Article Link
- Local Hobbyist Finds Lost Ring. Article Link

Metal Detecting & Gold Prospecting Events. Now is the time to start planning and getting your club's 2016 hunt information on the web. The sooner it is out and available to the metal detecting community the greater the chance for people to see it and give your event some consideration. Add Your Event Information Here

- **June 04, 2016** (One Day)
  Fishkill, New York
  XP Deus Boot Camp
  Instructor: Andy Sabisch
- **June 04, 2016** (Two Days)
  Palmer, Alaska
  40th Annual Metal Detecting Hunt
  Alaska Treasure Seekers Society
- **June 04, 2016** (Two Days)
  Hampton, Illinois
  12th Annual Treasure Hunt
  Cedar Valley Research and Recovery
- **June 04, 2016** (One Day)
  Shawsville, Virginia
  25th Annual Open Hunt
  Roanoke Valley Coin & Relic Club
- **June 05, 2016** (One Day)
  Fishkill, New York
  The Minelab FBS Bootcamp - Hosted by Andy Sabisch
  Minelab

- **June 11, 2016** (One Day)
  Newark, Delaware
  XP Deus Boot Camp
  Instructor: Andy Sabisch
- **June 11, 2016** (Two Days)
  Boise, Idaho
  2016 Gold & Treasure Show
  GPAA-Gold Prospectors Assn of America
- **June 12, 2016** (One Day)
  Newark, Delaware
  The Minelab FBS Bootcamp - Hosted by Andy Sabisch
  Minelab
- **June 15, 2016** (Two Days)
  Kerrville, Texas
  Texas Lions Camp for Disabled Children
- **June 15, 2016** (Five days)
  Athens, Michigan
  2016 Athens Outing
  LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn
- **June 17, 2016** (Three Days)
  Breckenridge, Colorado
  2016 Colorado Gold Panning Championships
  Gold Prospectors of Colorado
- **June 18, 2016** (One Day)
  Nevada City, California
  Antiques & Mining Collectibles Swap Meet

- **June 18, 2016** (Two Days)
  Brighton, Colorado
  2016 Gold & Treasure Show
  GPAA-Gold Prospectors Assn of America
- **June 18, 2016** (Two Days)
  Alleghany, California
  7th Annual Gold Show
  Underground Gold Mining Museum
- **June 18, 2016** (Three Days)
  Athol, Idaho
  44th Annual Summer Hunt
  Northwest Treasure Hunters Club
- **June 20, 2016** (Five Days)
  Johannesburg, California
  2016 Duisenburg Outing
  LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn
- **June 22, 2016** (Three Days)
  Athens, Michigan
  2016 Athens Outing
  LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn
- **June 23, 2016** (One Day)
  Chilliwack Heritage Park, Washington
  4th Annual Treasure Chest Hunt
  Fraser Valley Treasure Hunters
- **June 25, 2016** (Two Days)
  Oglesby, Illinois
  First National Treasure Hunt
  Illinois Valley Historical Research & Recovery Associations

Select here to View the Complete Event Details for June

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