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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](#)

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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 July 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 now available in Adobe PDF format, there is a link at the top of this webpage.** 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 is: Thoughts on Responsible Metal Detecting

The term Responsible Metal Detecting can be found in the Code of Practice on Responsible Metal Detecting in England and Wales a May 2006 publication. However, the term Responsible Metal Detecting in the U.S. is rarely used or defined. I have used the term in a number of articles but have never really thought about what this term encompasses. This short article will be an attempt to provide some definition for Responsible Metal Detecting.

Responsible Metal Detecting is to:

- Know and Follow the Law.
- Gain Permission.
- Apply the Metal Detecting Code of Ethics.
- Join a Metal Detecting Club and National Metal Detecting Association.
- Understand the Potential Cultural Value of Your Find.
- Volunteer Your Services to the Hobby.

Know and Follow the Law means that one should read and understand the American Antiquities Act of 1906 and Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979. Archaeological resources are part of our Nation's heritage and these two acts cover archaeological resources and their recovery on public and Indian lands.

The two acts cover all national public / Indian lands and in many cases also have been adopted either wholly or in part by many states to cover state lands. There are also additional regulations that have been developed by the USDA Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the National Parks Service. [Read Complete Article](#)

General U.S. and World Wide Hobby News

- Metal detector treasure hunting: what happens if you find something. [Article Link](#)
- Leeds nostalgia: Rusty dog tag turns out to have top pedigree. [Article Link](#)
- 145-Ounce (132-troy ounce) Gold Nugget found with GPZ 7000. [Article Link](#)
- Owner sought after wedding band found on Brevard beach. [Article Link](#)
- Fire in the hole: Whitby man finds Second World War mortar bomb in lakefront park. [Article Link](#)

Other News

- **Prospecting and Mining Journal (IMCJ)** [August News](#) [CA Supreme Court Rules Against Rinehart – But there is a solution](#)
- **Gold Prospectors Association of America (GPAA)** - News on legal issues for the gold prospecting community [August News](#)
- **Western Mining Alliance** is the organization of independent miners across the West. [July 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. [August News](#)

- Is this the world's largest pearl? It's been under a bed for 10 years. [Article Link](#)
- Kellyco Metal Detectors Announces Giveaway to Local Boy Scout Troop. [Article Link](#)
- Chicago firefighter uses metal detector to rescue lost items. [Article Link](#)

U.K. News

- Searching for history along the Thames. [Article Link](#)
- Treasure hunter accidentally finds one of the largest hauls of Roman coins in the UK after heading back to his van to get a sandwich. [Article Link](#)
- Anglo-Saxon coin find near York is 'jaw dropping'. [Article Link](#)
- War 'treasure' found at Skipton dig. [Article Link](#)
- Bronze-Age treasures are uncovered in Vale. [Article Link](#)
- Medieval silver finger ring found in Gullane. [Article Link](#)
- Danish amateur finds 1000-year-old Viking amulet. [Article Link](#)
- All Aboard the Treasure Train . [Article Link](#)

Jewelry Returns

- Father's class ring, lost for 40 years, returned to Cary woman. [Article Link](#)
- Metal detecting club finds wedding ring Bazetta man lost. [Article Link](#)
- Lost and found, 50 years later. [Article Link](#)
- Metal detector to the rescue after couple lose wedding ring at Sheep Dog Trials. [Article Link](#)

W.W. Meteorite News

- Sensational meteorite fragments unearthed in Bern field. [Article Link](#)
- Stargazer gets a closer look at the Perseid meteor shower than he bargains for when glowing METEORITE lands in his back garden. [Article Link](#)
- What's the difference between a meteor and a meteorite?. [Article Link](#)
- How Often do Meteorites Hit the Earth?. [Article Link](#)

- **Public Lands for the People** [Press Release](#)
(1st) The Board of Directors must inform you of the current situation we are experiencing. We were hoping to have solved this matter sooner. However, it appears this might take longer than we expected so we must inform you now of recent events.

(2nd) PLP President Ron Kliewer, Vice President Jerry Shodall, and Board Member Timothy Eakin represented PLP at the 3rd Annual Delta Gold Diggers Gold & Outdoor Festival August 21-22 in Sonora, CA.

(3rd) RINEHART DECISION

- **To all FMDAC members and follow hobbyists - please forward**
Please take some time and check out this link. Then comment on it. Read it over carefully and make some well thought comments.

This appears to be a major step in the right direction for all. It remains to be seen what will come of it but if they are genuine then it could mean a big step in mutual co-operation. It appears that the academic world may be realizing that we are not going away and the only way they will enlist our aid is by showing some respect in our direction.

Take the time to comment, even if only to say you like the direction it is taking and thank you. Lets show them that we are here, we are watching and are willing to take an active roll. [SAA Task Force on Professional Archaeologists, Avocational Archaeologists, & Artifact Collectors Web Link](#)
Mark Schuessler, FMDAC President

North America Archaeology News

- Humans Have Been Visiting Mount Rainier For More Than 9,000 Years. Why?. [Article Link](#)
- Stash of Obsidian Blades, Hidden for a Thousand Years, Discovered in Oregon. [Article Link](#)
- Dig extended at site of 1750s British, American encampments. [Article Link](#)
- Mono County man pleads guilty to removing thousands of items from public lands. [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](#)

[Select here to View the Complete Event Details for September](#)

- **September 02, 2016** (Three Days)
Foresthill, California
Annual Foresthill Heritage Celebration, Gold Panning Championship
Auburn Goldhound
- **September 09, 2016** (Two Days)
Penticton, British Columbia, Canada
8th Annual Treasures in the Sand Open Hunt
Okanagan Treasure Hunters
- **September 11, 2016** (Eight Days)
Placerville, California
2016 El Dorado Gold World Gold Panning Championships
- **September 16, 2016** (Three Days)
Athens, Michigan
Get A Friend Interested in Prospecting at LDMA Camp Athens
LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn
- **September 17, 2016** (One Day)
Gadsden, Alabama
9th Annual Open Hunt
Southeast Treasure Hunters
- **September 17, 2016** (One day)
Taunton, Massachusetts
New England Treasure Show
Silver City Treasure Seekers
- **September 17, 2016** (One Day)
Lovelock, Nevada
2016 Rye Patch Nugget Shoot
GPAA of Northern Nevada Reno
- **September 18, 2016** (One Day)
Lathrop, Missouri
40th Annual Treasure Hunt
Mo-Kan Search and Recovery Club
- **September 18, 2016** (Seven Days)
Cleveland, Georgia
2016 Loudmine Outing
LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn
- **September 24, 2016** (One Day)
Jones Beach Field 6, New York
Super Fall Hunt
Atlantic Treasure Club
- **September 24, 2016** (One Day)
Grapeview, Washington
2016 MDAW Membership Picnic Hunt
MDAW-Metal Detecting Assn of Washington
- **September 24, 2016** (Two Days)
Java Center, New York
18th Annual International Hunt
Genesee Valley Treasure Seekers
- **September 24, 2016** (One Day)

- **September 10, 2016** (One Day)
Berne, New York
46th Annual Club Hunt and Picnic
Empire State Metal Detector Assn

- **September 17, 2016** (One Day)
Long Branch, New Jersey
25th Annual Open Beach Treasure
Hunt
Deep Search Metal Detecting Club

Las Vegas, Nevada
29th Annual National Mining Hall of Fame
Induction Banquet

- **September 25, 2016** (Seven Days)
Nebo, North Carolina
2016 Vein Mountain Outing
LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn