

# Metal Detecting Hobby Talk

# Serving The Metal Detecting Community

## MDHTALK News Brief



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### 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](#)

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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 January 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: I am new to the hobby. What Metal Detector should I purchase?

This is a question that most of us have asked ourselves and continue to be asked by others interested in joining the hobby. I like many of you have been metal detecting for a while but still find it hard to come up with the best detector for certain types of detecting (coins, jewelry, relics, beach, prospecting) in part because new detectors are constantly becoming available from manufactures.

So again, why is it so hard to answer this question? The detector companies have not made this question easily answered. Take a look at **TABLE ONE** on the next page. In table one there are 88 detectors from seven detector manufacturers. On the left side of the table a range of detector pricing in \$100 increments is shown for the three groups of detectors: Multi-Function, Water and Prospecting. Placed in each column next to a price range is a detector model (number or name). Also on the left side of the table next to the price range is a RED ARROW pointing downward with the words **PRICE, FEATURES, and TECHNOLOGY**. Keep in mind: **FEATURES** plus **TECHNOLOGY** equal **PRICE**. This is not a complete list of detectors in the market place but a good representation of what's available.

**Why it is so hard to answer the question: "What metal detector should I purchase?"** [Read Complete Article](#)

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

### Other News

- Stewart discovers find of a lifetime. [Article Link](#)
- Everyday Cheapskate: Places to look for free money. [Article Link](#)
- Man arrested after \$20M cash found under mattress. [Article Link](#)
- One man's junk is this man's treasure. [Article Link](#)
- Gold still in them there rivers. [Article Link](#)
- Man and his metal detector finds unique piece of history. [Article Link](#)
- Treasure seekers. [Article Link](#)
- Beachcomber in Galveston finds foreign coins believed stolen. [Article Link](#)

- **Gold Prospectors Association of America (GPAA)** - News on legal issues for the gold prospecting community [January News](#)
- **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. [January News](#)
- **Prospecting and Mining Journal (IMCJ)** [January News](#)
- **Mill Creek enforcing metal detecting ban**  
YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - A hobby that some consider their exercise is no longer allowed in Mill Creek Metro Parks. A metal detecting ban is now being enforced, but the executive director says this is nothing new. The rule just hasn't been followed in the past.

The Tri-County Metal Detecting Club is used to searching for answers underground, but now these more than 150 members are wondering why all of a sudden they can no longer enjoy their hobby in Mill Creek Metro Parks. [Article Link](#)

- **The Ultimate Throwback Thursday Discover Magazine**  
Some of you might remember a publication called "Discover" that White's Electronics used to publish. It featured customer finds, treasure stories, and all-around good info on metal detecting. Back in the 90's we stopped

### U.K. News

- Metal detector cop cheats farmer after finding £15,000 gold coins in field. [Article Link](#)
- Final coin removed from Jersey's huge Celtic hoard. [Article Link](#)

- Bronze Age weapons are discovered in field. [Article Link](#)
- The best places in England for unearthing lost treasure. [Article Link](#)
- Diss metal detectorist unearths Bronze Age weaponry in field near town. [Article Link](#)
- Call for cash donations to save Ashmolean Museum's 'Watlington hoard' of Saxon coins. [Article Link](#)
- Top five amazing treasure finds by amateur UK archaeologists. [Article Link](#)
- The triumph and tragedy of the VC in the Thames: Medal awarded to a Crimean war soldier ended up lost in the mud for 160 years after his catastrophic mental breakdown. [Article Link](#)

#### North America Archaeology News

- Archaeologists and Metal Detectorists Find Common Ground. [Article Link](#)
- Revolutionary War artifacts crop up in Gloucester Point dig. [Article Link](#)
- Wreck of 16th-Century Spanish Ship Found Off Florida Coast. [Article Link](#)
- Bones in Yukon Cave Show Humans in North America 24,000 Years Ago, Study Says. [Article Link](#)
- Archaeological Find Puts Humans in North America 10,000 Years Earlier Than Thought. [Article Link](#)

making it, much to the disappointment of some of our long-time customers.

Well... we realized missed it too! So we're proud to announce the re-introduction of Discover magazine. As a part of our mailing list you have exclusive access to a free digital copy, which you can read online, print out, and share as you see fit. Get your January/February copy here. We'll try and send one out every 2 months. [Article Link](#)

#### W.W. Meteorite News

- Tunguska Event: Russian Scientists Debunk Meteorite Theory. [Article Link](#)
- Weird Mars Rock Spied by Curiosity Rover Is Probably a Meteorite. [Article Link](#)
- These guys hunt for space rocks, and sell them for enormous profit to collectors. [Article Link](#)

#### Jewelry Returns

- Man finds, returns class ring. [Article Link](#)
- Bride-to-be throws engagement ring in the Irish sea but metal detector hero digs it up again. [Article Link](#)
- Forget a needle...husband finds his wedding ring in a haystack after two week hunt. [Article Link](#)
- Wife who lost her wedding ring in a flowerbed 20 YEARS ago while she was doing the gardening finally gets it back after her husband spots it in the snowdrops. [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](#)

- **February 10, 2017** (Three Days)

Quartzsite, Arizona  
Quartzsite Gold Show

- **February 11, 2017** (One Day)

Galveston, Texas  
All Token Hunt  
TEXAS ASSN OF METAL DETECTING CLUBS

- **February 11, 2017** (One Day)

Galveston, Texas  
35th Annual Open Beach Hunt  
Houston Archeology Recovery Clubs (HARC)

- **February 11, 2017** (Two Days)

Pleasanton, California  
2017 NorCal Gold & Treasure Show  
GPAA

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