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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](#)

- MDHTALK News Pages
- U.S. & W.W. News
- U.K. News
- U.S. Archaeology
- U.S. Legislation
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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 December 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: Roaming Access to Public Lands has Disappeared for Metal Detectorist and Others [The Ideal Situation](#) is to have complete access to public lands with no restrictions but alas that is far from today's reality.

[Today's Reality](#) is that more and more public lands are being put behind man made barriers. These barriers come in the form of laws, regulations and rules that prohibit or limit many personal outdoor activities on public lands.

This is the biggest single issue facing many out door activities (recreational metal detecting, gold prospecting, fossil and mineral collecting, rock hounding, off road vehicles, etc). Access to public lands is not just a metal detecting issue but is also the single most important major issue for the many outdoor recreational activities.

[Why are more and more public lands being put off limits to metal detectorist?](#) Metal detectorist are being pushed off of public land because the hobby is considered to be destructive by many public land managers, archaeologist and nature preservationists.

Public land managers find that their many parks, school yards and ball fields are being heavily damaged by irresponsible detectorist. Many new detectorist have entered the hobby and have not taken the time to learn how to correctly recovery a target from the turf. The result is that there is a great deal of damage caused to manicured public parks grass, ball fields, etc. All detectorists must afford the same consideration, care and non-destructive behavior toward public lands as he / she would towards their own lawn and property. [Download and Read This Article](#)

General U.S. and World Wide Hobby News

Other News

- Police seize Admiral Kolchak firearms almost century after he tried to halt Bolsheviks. [Article Link](#)
- Ring-A-Ding-Ding. [Article Link](#)
- Ringfinder: Meet Edmonton's metal detector master. [Article Link](#)
- Signet ring of notorious gangster found at Ocklawaha shootout site. [Article Link](#)

- **Gold Prospectors Association of America (GPAA)** - News on legal issues for the gold prospecting community [December 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. [December News](#)
- **Prospecting and Mining Journal (IMCJ)** [December News](#)
- **Public Lands for the People - A 501(c)(3) Non-Profit** [Latest News Press Release](#)

U.K. News

- Metal detectorists find 700-year-old ring in field near Oswestry. [Article Link](#)
- COPPER LOAD OF THAT From ancient coins worth £1m to a giant 10-pound lump of gold: The most incredible metal detector finds ever. [Article Link](#)
- Over 1000 sites given listed protection in 2016. [Article Link](#)
- This Man's Discovery In Sherwood Forest Should Inspire All Of Us

Editor's note: The original communication concerning the failed corporate takeover of PLP was sent on August 17, 2016. It can be accessed here for reference.
On July 14, 2016 Dwayne Platz, Ray Kender, Pat Keene, and Barry Wetherby resigned from the PLP board because they did not agree with the direction the leadership of the corporation was headed. A week later, these same resigned members manufactured a fraudulent "vote" to remove the [current PLP Board](#). Those of you who have served on a club or other volunteer boards know how absurd

To Be Treasure Hunters. [Article Link](#)

- New Treasure Bill to replace law dating back 430 years. [Article Link](#)
- The 10 lucky finds that made people rich – from hidden Roman gold to the £20m Faberge egg The Hoxne Hoard. [Article Link](#)
- Ancient key found by metal detector during search of north-east town. [Article Link](#)
- Uncovering history of the great Roman invasion in Peebles. [Article Link](#)
- The ring to remember found buried in Aldborough Hatch. [Article Link](#)

North America Archaeology News

- Archaeology: How far did the Great Hopewell Road stretch across Ohio?. [Article Link](#)
- State says 2,300-year-old crab pot skull is Native American. [Article Link](#)
- New Evidence Reveals Violent Final Days at Arizona's Montezuma Castle. [Article Link](#)
- Top 5 Archaeology Discoveries in the American West of 2016. [Article Link](#)

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W.W. Meteorite News

- Seven Superb Watches with Meteorite Dials. [Article Link](#)
- The dramatic moment that a giant flaming METEORITE lights up the sky and then hammers into the earth so hard that terrified witnesses in the Costa del Sol felt 'the ground move' . [Article Link](#)
- Space rubble mesmerizes meteorite hunter. [Article Link](#)
- Fripon is French for Meteorite Hunting. [Article Link](#)

Jewelry Returns

- Woman who lost diamond engagement ring gets an unexpected early Christmas present. [Article Link](#)
- Lost Ring Finds Its Way Home. [Article Link](#)
- Woman reunited with class ring lost 35 years ago. [Article Link](#)
- Class ring flung in rage reunited with owner decades later. [Article Link](#)
- Class ring lost for 52 years returned to its owner. [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](#)

- **January 06, 2017** (Three Days)
Tucson, Arizona
Meteorite Hunting Boot Camp
Geoff Notkin

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