

# Metal Detecting Hobby Talk

# Serving The Metal Detecting Community

## MDHTALK News Brief



World Wide Hobby News



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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 October 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: 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:

- **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.**

[Read the Complete Article](#)

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

- Treasures from Palm Beach County shipwrecks on view at history museum. [Article Link](#)
- The buried treasure that's tearing Alaska apart. [Article Link](#)
- With Metal Detector, 'Every Day's a Treasure Hunt' for New Harbor Couple. [Article Link](#)
- On the trail of Forrest Fenn's hidden treasure. [Article Link](#)
- This grandfather found his \$24 million lottery ticket just before it expired. [Article Link](#)
- Treasure hunter coining it in from school playgrounds. [Article Link](#)
- Metal detector gives Fitchburg man a link to the past, a view of history. [Article Link](#)
- Letter written on Hitler stationery presented to visiting scholar in Livonia. [Article Link](#)
- How much treasure can you find on a Japanese beach with a metal detector? [Article Link](#)

### Other News

- **Gold Prospectors Association of America (GPAA)** - News on legal issues for the gold prospecting community [October 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. [October News](#)
- **Prospecting and Mining Journal (IMCJ)** [October News](#)
- **JW Fisher Detectors** ROVs Used for Tank Inspection Services [Press Release](#)
- **White's Discover** November [Magazine](#)
- **Western Mining Alliance** [Newsletter](#)

### Jewelry Returns

- Fate returns lost 1977 JHS class ring to owner. [Article Link](#)

### U.K. News

- Amateur treasure hunters 'find £225m Amber Room buried under booby-trapped German mountains' after it was looted by Nazis. [Article Link](#)
- Where's the best place to look for buried treasure? [Article Link](#)
- Treasure hunter finds 600-year-old gold rings. [Article Link](#)
- Bronze Age Axe Head Unearthed on Harden Moor. [Article Link](#)
- Man Finds 600 Silver Denarii In England. [Article Link](#)
- Treasure hunter Dave finds unexploded bomb. [Article Link](#)
- Princes Risborough silver hawk treasure has royal link. [Article Link](#)
- Pensioner unearths £1,700 of pupils' cash and gives it schools. [Article Link](#)

#### W.W. Meteorite News

- Meteorite slams into Cape businessman's roof. [Article Link](#)
- Meteor Crater: Arizona's other huge hole in the ground. [Article Link](#)
- Asteroid to just miss Earth. [Article Link](#)
- Couple's home hit by meteorite, Clemson astrophysicists confirm. [Article Link](#)

- 45 years in the dirt: a wedding ring finds its way home. [Article Link](#)
- 1968 Riverview High class ring found by treasure hunter. [Article Link](#)
- After 50 years, a class ring reunion. [Article Link](#)

#### North America Archaeology News

- Experts have uncovered remains at the first permanent English colony. But whose bones are they? [Article Link](#)
- Hurricane Irma might have unearthed Calusa artifacts in Marco Island preserve. [Article Link](#)
- Blank cartridges, metal ammunition belt links found at Fort McCoy. [Article Link](#)
- Cocoa canoe washed up by Hurricane Irma may date to 1600s. [Article Link](#)

#### PLP News Release

##### PLP Press Release

Hello PLP Members & Supporters.

We are happy to announce that PLP's lawsuit against the resigned board members has concluded. PLP has possession of all bank accounts with original balances and has also recovered all property belonging to the corporation. In addition, financial records have been returned to the board by PLP's former bookkeeper, who was fired as a result of this incident. Patrick Keene, Barry Wetherby, Dwayne Platz, Ray Kender, and Mitch Noble are no longer affiliated with PLP.

Your Public Lands for the People Board of Directors are President Ron Kliewer, Secretary-Treasurer Walt Wegner, Raffle Chairman Timothy Eakin, and Special Projects Bill Samarin.

Other key positions: Communications Director Jerry Shodall and Legal Research Lead Clark Pearson.

We have continued to do the work of PLP throughout this ordeal, and we sincerely appreciate all of you who have stood with us. We have put this incident behind us and are moving forward, working towards the goals and values we all share.

Get ready, the 2018 Grand Raffle is leaving the starting gate! Watch your email, the Mining Journal ([www.icmj.com](http://www.icmj.com)), Facebook and [www.publiclandsforthepeople.org](http://www.publiclandsforthepeople.org) for prize list and how to purchase tickets. New this year will be a large ad in the Mining Journal highlighting our major prize donors, each month will highlight a different donor, talking about their businesses, products, history, etc.

We were in court in San Bernardino on Oct. 17th once again for the consolidated dredge cases. You can read a detailed synopsis by our attorney, James Buchal, by clicking [here](#). We will be talking to you soon concerning Judge Ochoa's tentative ruling and how we might respond.

Moving forward, PLP will be accelerating its commitment and relationship with MMAC and will be articulating the importance of MMAC and how its success benefits everyone in the mining community.

Thank you again on behalf of your Board of Directors,

Ron Kliewer, President

#### Metal Detecting & Gold Prospecting Events.

Now is the time to start planning and getting your club's 2018/19 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.

- **November 01, 2017** (Seven Days)  
Stanton, Arizona  
2017 Cmp Stanton Outing  
LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn

[Add Your Event Information Here](#)

- **November 07, 2017** (One Day)  
Stanton, Arizona  
Metal Detecting 101 / Renegade  
Treasure Hunts  
Gold Prospectors Assn of America & the  
Lost Dutchmans Mining Assn
- **November 11, 2017** (One Day)  
Round Rock, Texas  
Veterans Day Open Hunt  
Texas Aaan Of Metal Detecting Clubs
- **November 11, 2017** (One Day)  
Round Rock, Texas  
Veterans Day Open Hunt  
Austin Metal Detecing Club

- **November 12, 2017** (Five Days)  
Montpelier Station, Virginia  
Metal Detecting Expedition  
Montpelier
- **November 17, 2017** (Three Days)  
Jackass Flats - near Morristown,  
California  
Nugget Shooter Outing

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