



**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.

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**The Website's featured article for this month is: Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979**

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AN ACT To protect archaeological resources on public lands and Indian lands, and for other purposes.  
Be it enacted of the Senate and the house of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SHORT TITLE

Section 1. This Act may be cited as the "Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979".

FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

SEC. 2. (a) The Congress finds that-

(1) archaeological resources on public lands and Indian lands are an accessible and irreplaceable part of the Nation's heritage;

(2) these resources are increasingly endangered because of their commercial attractiveness;

(3) existing Federal laws do not provide adequate protection to prevent the loss and destruction of these archaeological resources and sites resulting from uncontrolled excavations and pillage; and

(4) there is a wealth of archaeological information which has been legally obtained by private individuals for noncommercial purposes and which could voluntarily be made available to professional archaeologists and institutions.

(b) The purpose of this Act is to secure, for the present and future benefit of the American people, the protection of archaeological resources and sites which are on public lands and Indian lands, and to foster increased cooperation and exchange of information between governmental authorities, the professional archaeological community, and private individuals having collections of archaeological resources and data which were obtained before the date of the enactment of this Act.

**Hobby Related News**

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

**Other News Sources**

- Trove of 1,000-year-old gold coins unearthed in Israel. [Article Link](#)
- Garrett Announces Shipping of New ACE Apex Multi-Frequency Metal Detector. [Article Link](#)
- 'Remarkable' 442-carat diamond found in Africa, could be worth \$18M. [Article Link](#)
- Massive gold nuggets found by diggers on Australian TV. [Article Link](#)
- One Man's New Hobby is Helping the Community in Unexpected Ways. [Article Link](#)
- The Blackbeard Treasure Launches \$10 Million Treasure Hunt Across 10 States. [Article Link](#)

- **American Digger Relic Roundup.** For diggers and collectors of history. An hour long program every Monday Night at 9:00 PM eastern standard time. Join your hosts Butch Holcombe, Jeff Lubbert and Heath Jones as they explore the past. Learn more about Metal Detecting, Treasure hunting in all it's forms, and the preservation of history. [August Pod Cast Link](#)
- **Archaeology and Metal Detecting Magazine** present the BIG metal detecting podcast. A weekly show bringing all areas of history together with our guests, news and much more. [August Pod Cast Link](#)

- An old VFW medal recalls an industrial tragedy. [Article Link](#)
- Tauranga metal detector strikes gold stumbling across \$46k Aussie coin. [Article Link](#)
- Shawnee Mission Faces: Kevin Roepe, metal detectorist and treasure hunter. [Article Link](#)
- Treasure off coast: Missing wing of gold pelican statue from 1715 shipwreck is recovered. [Article Link](#)
- Grand Rapids man finds buried 'treasure' in backyard. [Article Link](#)
- Metal detecting a growing hobby. [Article Link](#)
- Beach Erosion, Turtle Eggs Discovered as Brevard Locals Survey Isaias Damage. [Article Link](#)
- Old bracelet found on Ma Barker House property in Marion County. [Article Link](#)
- Gold 1909 half sovereign coin found in Busselton with new metal detect. [Article Link](#)
- Spanish police recover ancient treasure from alleged looter. [Article Link](#)
- Sault man finds a piece of area's ancient past, gives it proper home at Sault Museum. [Article Link](#)

## U.K. News

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- Hampshire revealed as top hunting spot in the country for aspiring treasure hunters. [Article Link](#)
- 'Unlawful' treasure hunters causing damage to land in Malvern. [Article Link](#)
- Thought It Was Scrap Metal': Norwegian Man Stumbles Upon 'Unique' Early Viking Sword. [Article Link](#)
- Somerset one of the best county's for finding treasure. [Article Link](#)
- Machetes, guns, knuckle dusters and a phone disguised as a Taser were pulled from Fenland rivers by a man who took up magnet fishing as a lockdown hobby. [Article Link](#)
- Amateur metal detectorist finds astonishing Bronze Age haul in Scotland. [Article Link](#)
- Metal detecting duo find rich pickings at Gordonstoun. [Article Link](#)
- Archaeology map pinpoints the BEST places in the UK to find buried treasure. [Article Link](#)
- Unique Bronze Age hoard found near Peebles by metal detector enthusiast. [Article Link](#)
- Beginner's luck for 10-year-old metal detectorist. [Article Link](#)
- Dalton man Graeme Rushton's wonderful find could bag £10k at auction next month. [Article Link](#)
- Metal detectorist guards £100k hoard of silver for two sleepless nights over 'nighthawk' fears. [Article Link](#)
- 'East Anglia is one of the best places to metal detect in the world'. [Article Link](#)
- First World War badge of hero found in field near Canterbury. [Article Link](#)
- Norfolk treasure hunters discover more than 6,500 items in just one year. [Article Link](#)
- New organisation to support and train metal detectorists. [Article Link](#)
- Relic hunter unearths Civil War-era coins. [Article Link](#)
- The weird, wonderful and rare buried treasure found beneath the ground across Greater Manchester. [Article Link](#)

## North America Archaeology News

- Virtual tours of Jamestown, including archaeological sites, are on the way. [Article Link](#)
- Long-Awaited Update Arrives for Radiocarbon Dating. [Article Link](#)
- Archaeology | 1940s excavation of mound offers clues to Adena, Hopewell cultures. [Article Link](#)
- Archaeological dig in Southport unearths relics of the past. [Article Link](#)
- Archaeologists Locate Earliest Known North American Settlement. [Article Link](#)

- **Coin World** - Numismatic and Coin Collecting [August News](#)
- **Garrett Searcher** [August Issue](#)
- **Gold Prospectors Assn of America (GPAA)** - News on legal issues for the gold prospecting community [August News](#)
- **Minelab** [August Newsletter](#), 2nd [Newsletter](#)
- **PLP - Public Lands for the People.** [August Press Release](#)
- **Prospecting and Mining Journal (IMCJ)** [August News](#)
- **The Archaeology and Metal Detecting Magazine** The Archaeology and Metal detecting magazine are one of the lead online sites in their genre. Offering multiple platforms for Archaeological, Historical and metal detecting news, articles, research areas and much more. [August News](#)
- **1715 Fleet Society** [September Newsletter](#)

## Jewelry Returns

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- Century-old pocket watch finds its way home thanks to prospector Giac Asco. [Article Link](#)
- Deputy returns lost ring to Marine after accident. [Article Link](#)
- Metal detector miracle as wedding and engagement rings are found on Cornwall beach. [Article Link](#)
- Metal-detecting pensioner finds missing wedding rings buried deep in sand at north-east beach. [Article Link](#)
- Tampa Bay couple reunited with wedding ring after losing it during a day at the beach. [Article Link](#)
- Good News: S.I. woman finds lost family heirloom wedding ring. [Article Link](#)
- Search and rescue volunteers find Utah woman's lost diamond ring in reservoir. [Article Link](#)
- Metal detector rings true for Cranbrook couple. [Article Link](#)
- Auckland surfer's lost wedding ring found by local after washing up on Orewa Beach. [NZ Herald.co.nz](#)
- Amazing find as metal detectorist reunites heartbroken widow with wedding ring lost on Cleethorpes beach. [Article Link](#)
- Ohio man drives to Virginia to return lost ring of 60 years. [Article Link](#)

## W.W. Meteorite News

- Meteor 'as bright as the full moon' sighted in night sky across eastern Japan. [Article Link](#)
- A car-size asteroid flew within 1,830 miles of Earth over the weekend — the closest pass ever — and we didn't see it coming. [Article Link](#)
- Where do meteorites come from and what can we learn from them? [Article Link](#)
- The sky is not falling, but a crazy meteor did explode over Colorado Tuesday night. [Article Link](#)

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### Metal Detecting & Gold Prospecting Events.

Now is the time to start planning and getting your club's 2020/21 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.

**Check out your event before going it may have been postponed or canceled.**

- **September 05, 2019** (Two Days)  
Berea, Kentucky  
2nd Annual Moonshine Treasure Hunt  
Terry and Brenda Causey
- **September 08, 2020** (Five Days)  
Burnt River, Oregon  
2020 Burnt River Outing  
LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn
- **September 22, 2020** (Five Days)  
Nebo, North Carolina  
2020 Digger's Dirt Party: Common Dig Outing at Vein Mountain  
LDMA-Lost Dutchman Mining Assn
- **September 26, 2020** (Two Day) W. Stanley  
ConOver Beach Pavilion, Deal, New Jersey 29th Annual Open Beach Treasure Hunt Deep Search Metal Detecting Club

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