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# Albuquerque Metal Detector Association

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## Newsletter

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### **“HOT! HOT! HOT! But Fun!” at Balloon Park**

That’s what Julie King had to say about the July hunt at Balloon Fiesta Park. The weather in the Albuquerque area had been unseasonably cold in May, but when summer struck with a vengeance it carried record high temperatures in June. The



weather stayed hot for the July monthly hunt held on Saturday, July 18th, 2010. Hunters are pictured above less Julie King who took the picture. The hunt turned up typical clad and jewelry and improved the sun tans of some hardy club hunters who braved the heat for the event. Story/ photos inside.

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**AMDA BALOON PARK HUNT**

**JULY 18, 2010**

**There were 9 club members at the hunt**

Dwayne Argaud (hunt master) was unable to make the hunt, so Tom Murray had the honor of hunt master.

The weather was very warm and humid at 9:00 am when the hunt started and was much warmer and more humid at 11:45 am when most members were all sweated-out.

We sat under a metal canopy and talked about our finds and other places to hunt when it gets cooler. What little breeze there was felt wonderful if you were in the sun and excellent if you were in the shade. .... Julie King took multiple photos of the hunters.

Everyone seemed to have a good time.

Tom Murray



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## Members and finds:

Colin Crawford— 2 balloon pins, 3Qtrs.,  
2dimes & 18 pennies.

Cameron Crawford— No recorded finds.

Bob Lipinski—14 Qtrs., 2 nickels, 9  
dimes, 13 pennies & 1- 1954 nickle.

Heath LaMont— 5 Qtrs., 3 dimes, 4  
pennies, 1 token, 1 bobby pin w/blue  
stone, 1 silver ring w/2 stones, 1 silver  
ear ring.

Dick King— No recorded finds.

Julie King— 5 Qtrs., 10 dimes, 55  
pennies, 1 balloon pin, cleat, half gold(?)  
plated bracelet, 1 hair clip.

Richard Ruble— 1 balloon pin, 10 Qtrs.,  
5 nickles, 18 dimes & 24 pennies.

Dick Shaffer— 1 dime, 1 nickel, 1 qtr., 1  
penknife.

Tom Murray— 10 Qtrs., 15 dimes, 10  
pennies & 3 nickels.



*Photos by Julie King*



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# AMDA Meeting Minutes

## June 12, 2010

AMDA Meeting Minutes  
July 12, 2010

The meeting was called to order at: 6:35 pm.

Guests: No Guests

Motion to accept the previous meeting minutes as is by Julie King, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dwayne Argaud.

The Treasure's report was read by Dwayne Argaud and gave an ending balance of \$536.29.  
Motion to accept by Barbara LaMont, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Mead.

### **Old Business**

Plans for the annual hunt (Sept. 18) are on schedule. Sign-up for the pot luck was delayed until the Aug. meeting. Hunt fee should be paid no later than the Sept. meeting.

The gold prospectors club is still selling chances for the "V3" metal detector for \$10. and the drawing is to be held Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> .

Check with Dan Rossbach to insure he has your correct email address, so you will receive the monthly news letter.

### **New Business**

There will be four "special hunts", Aug- Nov. and 5 planted marked half dollars at each hunt. Prizes: First place: 2oz. Silver round. Second place: 1oz. Silver round. Third place: 1/2oz. Silver round.

The "bottle club" is having a show on the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept. and has offered a free table to AMDA for a show & tell about metal detecting and metal detectors. Two volunteers will be needed at the table per shift. Sign-up at the Aug. meeting if you wish to volunteer. It was suggested that AMDA hang a club banner on the table.

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Club T-shirts: Sizes are: S-2X. / Color is: Sand (9 votes). The club logo will be a maroon color (9 votes) on both front (small) and back (large) of the shirts. The shirts are 65/35 Poly-Cotton blend.

Dan Rossbach has donated the cost of the club web site to the annual hunt and Julie and Dick King have donated two \$10. prizes.

The monthly hunt will be at “balloon fiesta park” if permission can be acquired. If permission can not be acquired the hunt will be at the Santa Fe ski area. Hunt will be from 9am- 12pm. Hunt master will Dwayne Argaud. Hunters are to meet at the hunt area. Julie King will email the hunt area to all club members before the hunt.

We took a break at 7:14 pm.

The meeting resumed at 7:26 pm.

**Raffle**

Center Donation Winner: Dwayne Argaud ..... 1974 Eisenhower dollar

Ticket Drawings Winners: Dan Rossbach ..... 1889 Morgan dollar  
Jeff Baptist ..... 1836 Mercury dime  
Jeff Baptist ..... 1910 V nickel  
Dick Shaffer ..... 1914 Barber quarter  
Jeff Baptist ..... 1909 Barber half

The auction brought in about \$101.

Motion to adjourn by Julie King, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Murray.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Murray  
Secretary/2010

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# Treasure's Report

Month of July 2010

*Beginning Balance* \$636.29

## **INCOME**

Membership Dues  
Raffle Ticket Sales \$105.00  
Club Hats/Shirts  
Donations:  
Julie & Dick King—\$20.00 cash for prizes at annual  
hunt (given to Betty)  
Auction \$104.50  
Annual Hunt Fees

Sub-total \$845.79

## **EXPENSES**

Newsletter Printing  
Newsletter/other Mailing  
Raffle Prizes  
Bank Charges

Other:  
Betty Veitch (for annual hunt). Dan Rossback  
paid for web site fees for the last 6 months but.  
wanted his reimbursement donated to the  
annual hunt. \$77.70

*Ending Balance* \$768.09

## **NEW MEMBER LIST**

Total #: 0

## **GUESTS**

Total #: 0

Annual Hunt fees must be paid at the September meeting at the latest. The Annual Hunt Committee needs a final count of hunters for planning.

Tom Arguad



## FOCUS ON THE ANNUAL HUNT

The Annual Hunt is certainly the highlight of the year to most members. This event, held at the Oak Flats Picnic Area will be the focus of planning for the next couple of months. Betty Veitch will be the Huntmaster, assisted by Ray, Jim and others. Mark your calendar for September 18th if you want to win some great prizes. The hunt has been named after Chuck Teyssier shown in the frame below. Those who knew Chuck would attest to his enthusiasm and hunting prowess. He



was a friend to all, and we miss him. I am sure, however, that Chuck will be looking down on the field come the 18th of September cheering us on. For those who haven't experienced an annual hunt, you should remember that the targets are not buried more than 2 inches deep, so you don't want to have your detector set for complicated discrimination. Remember, no picks will be permitted, so bring a normal digging tool. You really won't need much more and would be wasting your effort digging deep. Keep moving... since the more targets you find, the more prizes you win. The event is held in the morning (times to be announced) and after the hunt, we all take part in a pot-luck lunch. Betty and Allen Veitch have volunteered to get the main course, but we still need folks to sign up to bring salads, chips, side dishes and desserts. Everybody brings their own drinks and utensils, and don't forget to put a serving spoon with your pot luck dish if it needs one. There are a few targets that remain in the Oak Flats area from previous hunts, but only targets listed on the huntmaster's master list will be able to be exchanged for a prize. Some silver from years past could be found, as I found a silver dime last year, but it wasn't planted for the 2009 hunt. This is a really good event. Don't miss it! Pay your hunt fee now!

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# RAY ALEXANDER IN WAIKIKI

## FOR WANT OF A WATCH



Ray Alexander was recently vacationing in Hawaii and stayed for a few days in Waikiki. While there he went metal detecting on Waikiki Beach for a few hours in the evening and early morning. While returning from one evenings hunt just after sunset a man came running out of a sidewalk restaurant asking about the operation of the metal detector. He said he had lost his watch on the beach earlier in the day and asked Ray if he could help find it. Ray said of course he would help and plans were made to meet early the next morning at the Waikiki Police Substation on the beach. The next morning Ray along with wife Sharon made their way down to the appointed rendezvous. Sharon went along in case the stranger was a mugger or ax murderer as if she could help in either case. At the appointed hour of 7:00 am the stranger arrived. His name was Paul Burgess a dentist from Nelson a provincial town in the South Island of New Zealand and he was in town for a three week break from the southern winter to referee some international rugby matches being held at Kapiolani Park in Waikiki. Paul's wife Jo also came along in case Ray was a mugger or ax murderer as if she could also help in either case. Paul said his usual routine after a day running around Kapiolani is to have a swim late in the afternoon and that is where he became careless and lost the watch. He and Jo searched the sand for some time then also later in the evening but without success so they set off for a cup of coffee and it was from this cafe that he caught sight of the metal detector slung over Ray's shoulder. Paul and his wife Jo outlined an area on Waikiki Beach where they thought the watch was lost and Ray went right to work with his trusty MXT and located the watch in about a minute. The watch was a German TAG Heuer sports watch which Paul said was a significant part of his gear to which he had become quite attached for twenty years or so. Paul said "You can imagine my relief when the watch and I were reunited, some 15 hours and one high tide later". Ray was handsomely rewarded and Paul was able to go home to New Zealand with his trusty watch.

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## **Treasure Hunter's Code of Ethics**

1. **NEVER TRESPASS.** Always obtain permission prior to entering private property or mineral claims.
2. **FILL ALL HOLES,** regardless how remote the location, and never dig in a way that will damage or be damaging to property.
3. **NEVER DESTROY** priceless historical or archaeological treasures.
4. **DO NOT** build fires, camp or park in non-designated or restricted areas.
5. **LEAVE** all gates and other accesses to land as found.
6. **NEVER LITTER.** Always pack out what you take in, and remove all trash dug in your search.
7. **DO NOT** damage, deface, destroy, or vandalize any property (including ghost towns and deserted structures). Never tamper with any equipment at the site.
8. **RESPECT AND UPHOLD** all finders, search and salvage agreements.
9. **ABIDE** by all laws – national, state, county and local.
10. **ALL METAL-DETECTORISTS AND TREASURE HUNTERS ARE JUDGED BY THE EXAMPLE YOU SET.** Conduct yourself with courtesy and consideration for others.

Can't Mail your Dues In?

The snail mail address for AMDA is:

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# THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR ANNUAL HUNT.

**Site Links (AMDA Website) <http://www.amdaclub.com>**

## **(1) On-line Treasure Magazine:**

American Digger Magazine <http://www.americandigger.com/>

Lost Treasure <http://www.losttreasure.com/>

Western & Eastern Treasures <http://www.treasurenet.com/westeast/>

## **(2) Metal Detector Manufactures:**

Garrett Metal Detectors <http://www.garrett.com/>

Minelab Metal Detectors <http://www.minelabusa.com/>

White's Metal Detectors <http://www.whiteelectronics.com/>

## **(3) Interest Links:**

Mama's Minerals <http://www.mamasminerals.com/>

