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Annual Hunt is September 18th

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“Where’s Waldo?” AMDA Knows Where.



AMDA WALDO, NEW MEXICO HUNT

AUGUST 14, 2010

There were 9 club members at the hunt

The monthly hunt for August was to be held at the Madrid baseball field. Eight members and one guest showed up at 9:00 AM. Members included Tom, Dick, Julie, Allen, Betty, John, Ray and Richard. Mary Jo (MJ) was our guest this month. As it turned out, workers were working on the field to repair the field and the bleachers. Apparently, the field also went into private hands. So hunting the ball field was out. At about 9:15 we all headed to Waldo, just west of Cerillos. Dick and Julie brought a portable shelter so after that was set up, we were ready to start our hunt. Richard brought an older White's Coimaster for Mary Jo to use. I think most of us had ideas to pass along to her to get her feet wet. Hopefully, she picked up some good tips.

The day turned out to be a hot one, not in finds but in temperature. We were to hunt until 1:00 but everyone moseyed back around noon. The hot sun, tall weeds and the lack of shade took its toll on all of us.



I don't know who mentioned it, but thankfully someone said let's go to the Mineshaft back in Madrid. We packed up and all headed back to Madrid. As it turned out, everyone was relieved to sit in a cool restaurant with a cold drink and a warm burger. That was the highlight of the hunt because the best find, found by Tom, was a corroded penny. Everyone found plenty of trash with a few spent shells and bullets thrown in.

I guess that saying about when dealt lemons, make lemonade held true with our small troupe of treasure hunters this month.

Submitted by Richard

Editor's Note:[The hunt was scheduled for Madrid, but recent events precluded hunting on the planned property, so the hunt was shifted to the ghost town remains of Waldo. Tom's penny was not a wheat penny, which helped explain why it was so corroded.]



Julie King said, “ As far as I know, Tom found a penny - the rest of us found mostly cartridges, bullets and the normal junk. Oh, there were 8 members and 1 guest (Mary Jo?) hunting. From the photos you can see how much the bushes have grown because of the rains we have been having. It was hot but with the canopy for shade it was fine for a break. If it had not been so hot we would have hunted longer and maybe some gems would have popped up. I remember Chuck finding a nice RR baggage tag (metal) there.



AMDA Meeting Minutes

August 9, 2010

The meeting was called to order at: 6:30 PM

Guests: Mary Jo Sigman

Motion to accept the previous meeting minutes as is by John Mead, 2nd by Albert Lopez.

The Treasure's report was read by Dwayne Argaud and gave an ending balance of \$ 768.09.
Motion to accept by Julie King, 2nd by John Mead.

Old Business

T-shirts: this was the last chance to order.

There will be four special hunts starting this month, Richard Ruble will be hunt master for all special hunts. Club members will receive an e-mail Friday night, the 27th, before the hunt, to let members know where the hunt will be.

The annual hunt is on track. There will be lots of coins, tokens and donated prizes from metal detector manufactures. There will be close to 200 prizes. The annual hunt is to be Sat. the 18th of September. **THE ANNUAL HUNT FEE (\$25.) NEEDS TO BE PAYED AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.** **Bring** a side dish for the pot-luck lunch and your **OWN DRINKS.**

The "bottle show"- set-up will be on Sept. 24th and the show is the 25th. Two volunteers per shift, are needed to "man" the table, for a several hour shift each.

Tickets are still being sold for "V3" metal detector that the "gold club" is going to raffle off on Sept. 25th.

New Business

Don't post any location of a lost item on the club web-site.

There is no new news about the air plane hunt in the Santa Fe area.

We took a break at 7:11 PM.

The meeting resumed at 7:30 PM.

The monthly hunt will be at the Madrid, N.M. ballpark on Saturday the 14th from 9a.m. to 1p.m. Hunters will meet at the ballpark. The hunt master will be Richard Ruble.

Raffle

Center Donation Winner: Julie King 1971 Eisenhower Dollar

Ticket Drawings Winners: Ray Alexander 1904 Indian Head Penny
Cameron Crawford 1940 Plated Penny
Marty Hrivnak 1928 "D" Buffalo Nickel
Marty Hrivnak 1944 Dime
Mary Jo Sigmon 1982 "S" Quarter
Jeff Baptist 1983 "S" Kennedy Half
Tom Murray50 anniversary token

An auction was held from 7:40 PM to 8:20 PM to raise money (\$70.50) for the Christmas Party.

Motion to adjourn by Julie King, 2nd by Dwayne Argaud .

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Murray
Secretary/2010

Treasure's Report

Month of AUGUST 2010

<i>Beginning Balance</i>		\$768.09
INCOME		
Membership Dues		
Raffle Ticket Sales		\$96.00
Club Hats/Shirts		\$8.00
Donations:		
Auction		\$70.50
Annual Hunt Fees		
	Sub-total	\$942.59
EXPENSES		
Newsletter Printing		
Newsletter/other Mailing		
Raffle Prizes		
Bank Charges		
Other:		
RJ Apparel - T-Shirts		\$262.36
Garrett Metal Detector Co. - Annual Hunt		\$60.00
<i>Ending Balance</i>		\$620.23

NEW MEMBER LIST

Total #: 0

GUESTS

Total #: 0

Sept. Meeting:

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Last chance to pay for annual hunt

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Last chance to buy tickets for Gold Club metal detector raffle——\$10.00 each

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Dwayne Argaud

ALS — see attached renewal forms Total#: 0



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 has been the focus of planning for the last 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. As noted last month, 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 freind 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!

[modified from last month's newsletter]

SPECIAL HUNTS - PARK HUNT

PARK NEAR UNIVERSITY

The 2010 Special Hunt for Halves started with the August Hunt for Halves in a small park just west of the University of New Mexico. In addition to the 5 halves planted, Rich Ruble planted some tokens shown being recovered in the photo to the right.

Although halves are usually found on Saturday, this time a few went missing through Saturday and into Sunday as noted by Rich Ruble's email clues sent on August 29th.

Watch the Special Hunt area of the website for information on the next Hunt for Halves!



Tally for Special half hunt for August

Albert - 2
Colin - 2
Julie - 1

Overall Tally

Albert - 2
Colin - 2
Julie - 1



Not all of the halves were found the first day as evidenced by the Aug 29 email clue from Rich Ruble:

There are 2 halves left, 2 tokens and a key

clue #1: How much is that house

clue#2: nothing like a red basketball court

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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90205
Albuquerque, NM 87199

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/>

