

# Metal Detective Monthly

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Newsletter May 2007 Albuquerque Metal Detector Association

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## Different Type of Newsletter

Newsletters in the future – beginning with this one will be much different (and considerably shorter) than what you've all seen in the past. Some of the routine information will be moved from the newsletter to the Members Only area of our club's website ([www.amdaclub.com](http://www.amdaclub.com)). This will include items such as the Treasury Report, list of officers and hunt dates. This month, it will also include the minutes for the last meeting – since I got the minutes in PDF format and don't know how to move it into a Word document.

Bragging rights and monthly hunt info will remain in the newsletter.

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## Saturday Hunts Only???

I wasn't at the May meeting, but I understand there was a vote on whether or not to go to Saturday only hunts. Thus far this year, we have had much better attendance at Saturday hunts. We will discuss it at the June meeting and then have another vote. If the vote carries for Saturday only hunts, all remaining hunts for this calendar year will be on Saturdays.

If you have strong feelings about this issue, please be prepared to state your arguments at our June meeting.

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## Special Hunt

Wow! A couple of interesting events in this month's special hunt. Just before writing this newsletter, I learned from the website that we have a new entry in the race. Bob found the only half found thus far in the Special Hunt park.

Another interesting thing is that I went to the park to make sure the halves were still there to be found. Lo and behold, the forked tree where I had hidden one of the halves was gone! Apparently, the city had ripped it smooth out of the ground. I'm guessing some city worker found himself 50 cents richer, because I found no trace of the missing half in the place where the half had been.

So, now, the finders list is as follows: Bob, Terry, Dan and Mike K. each have one. Julie is still out ahead with 3. Let me remind everyone that I'm doing what I can to make this challenging, so don't expect easy finds.

Don't forget, the winner of this 'competition' will become the owner of a **4-ounce silver bar** in addition to the other goodies they find while searching!

In order to provide some concession to the working class people (non-retirees), I'm going to provide the names of the Special Hunt park and the clues (if needed) on Friday afternoons.

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## Who Am I?

I really enjoyed the visual clue for the Who Am I. I'm hoping others will submit photos for this. Unfortunately, I have to dethrone the 'winners' for the May meeting. This picture was NOT Mike Reddy, but rather, Jim Rainey, with his mother and sister.

## May Hunt Record

Hi Phillip. Time is sure flying by so here is another AMDA hunt report May 2007. It seems I just sent you April's report - we must be having fun - smile.

Our May monthly hunt on 12 May 07 was as follows: Hunt site: Sandia Peak Ski Area. Attendees:

Members: 8 (Terry & Lucille Ellis, Cole Smith, Gary & Cherie Tom, Mike Kinsky, Dick & Julie King). Guests: 3 (Kathy Hamilton, Megan Pritchard and Glen Parkison). The weather was perfect and the grass was not too high which made for easy swinging. Finds as follows:

Terry Ellis: \$7.33, radio (which he turned over to the Ski Patrol), zipper pulls and a button

Dick King: \$4.09, Rocky Mountain Professional Ski Instructor of America Pin, large 4-hole button

Julie King: \$2.73, glass nugget

Lucille Ellis: \$2.13 and junk

Cole Smith: \$1.83, set of keys w/large heart fob and junk

Cherie Tom: \$1.22, two-way radio, sunglasses, wire w/clip, watch face

Mike Kinsky: \$1.19, ring-nickel- band w/blue & red stones (triangle design), earring dangle (flower

design), Sandia Peak name tag "Lucky" and junk

Megan Pritchard & Glen Parkison: eyeballing .61 cents

Kathy Hamilton: .17 cents, lighter and wire

Gary Tom: no finds

Total Coin Value take: \$21.30

Everyone enjoyed the day.

===End Report=== Julie, FOTMJ

## Annual Hunt

As hard as it is to believe, the club's Annual Hunt is only two short months away. I will be looking for a volunteer to 'run' the annual hunt this year. I've got some ideas for whoever steps up to the plate, but I'd rather not run it myself. Please help with this – our biggest event of the year.

I would also appreciate anyone willing to approach metal detecting vendors for donations. While it looks like we may be able to

afford to purchase a good bit of the prizes, donations would certainly be welcome.

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## June Monthly Hunt

Make plans now to participate in the June hunt. It's going to be a goody! There will be prizes and it will be a short drive! I will announce the location and the rules for receiving the prizes at the meeting.

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## June Programs

We're actually going to have two programs at the June meeting. One is the one expected at the May meeting. The second is a Mike Reddy production and is a doozy! You won't want to miss these

### **Reminders:**

Aluminum: Allan Veitch collects aluminum from club members to benefit the Annual Hunt. Please bring your cans and other aluminum scraps in bags to each meeting for Allan (or Betty) to pick up.

Center use: Please remember to bring non-perishable food items to donate to the center in exchange for our use of the facility.

### Purpose of our club:

Maintain and support a club to further the interests of its members in historic artifacts. Compile, record and preserve historic data. Recover lost or hidden relics and artifacts. Provide recreational activity and the companionship of its members. Provide a service to the community in finding lost items of value and importance.

### Meetings:

AMDA meets at 6:30 pm the second Tuesday of each month at Los Griegos Center, 1231 Candelaria NW. For more information, call Phillip Chappell at (505)363-4694.

## Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics

1. Never Trespass. Always obtain permission prior to entering private property or mineral claims.
2. Fill all holes. Regardless of location and never dig in a way that will or may damage 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.

ALL METAL DETECTORISTS AND TREASURE HUNTERS ARE JUDGED BY YOUR EXAMPLE. Conduct yourself with courtesy and consideration for others.