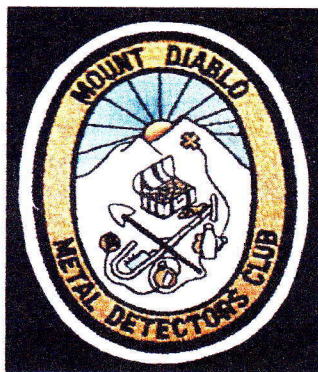
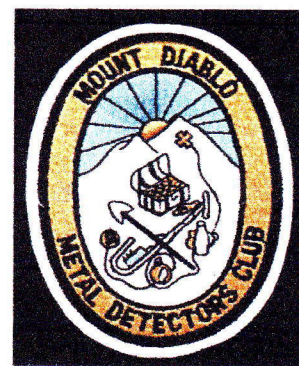


# Mount Diablo Metal Detecting Club



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## BY - LAWS OF THE MOUNT DIABLO METAL DETECTING CLUB

LATEST REVISION (10) June, 2003

The name of this organization is the Mount Diablo Metal Detecting Club.

### ARTICLE I

#### Meetings

Sec. 1 Meetings will be held on a day, at a time and place which will be determined by a majority vote of the membership. The time, place, and date of all meetings will be published in a monthly " Newsletter " and will be mailed to all members prior to the regularly scheduled meetings.

Sec. 2 When a special meeting is called, all members shall be notified at least 48 hours before the meeting is called to order. the notice shall clearly state for what purpose the meeting is called.

Sec. 3 Three officers and 15 members shall constitute a quorum and are qualified to transact any business brought before the Club.

Sec. 4 Special meetings may be called by the President with the approval of at least three additional officers. (7)

### ARTICLE II

#### Preamble

Sec. 1 The purpose of M.D.M.D.C. is to dedicate ourselves to all forms of treasure hunting. enjoy the treat of outdoors for health and recreation and to promote interest in local and state history.

Sec. 2 To offer free advice to members on problems of the treasure hunter and to promote those characteristic of honesty, good sportsmanship and love of country.

## ARTICLE III

### Membership

- Sec. 1 Anyone 18 years or older, or anyone 18 years or under with a parent or guardians consent, that is interested in the great outdoors and the lure of treasure is eligible for membership.
- Sec. 2 It shall be the duty of all members to sign in at all meetings and keep their dues to date.
- Sec. 3 No member will be allowed to pre - search a spot picked for a special outing.
- Sec. 4 It shall be the duty of each member to restore to the original condition, or better, any area that might be dug, probed, removed or distorted.
- Sec. 5 Any club member who violates any of the Club rules shall go before a committee of five members appointed by the President and may have his membership withdrawn.

## ARTICLE IV

### Dues

Sec. 1 \$ 12.00 a year for associate member. (receives newsletter only and resides over 60 miles away.

\$ 24.00 a year per family with one voting member. ( 1 card, newsletter, 1 vote).

\$ 30.00 a year per family with one voting member. (1 vote, one newsletter and up to 6 cards for the immediate family).

\$ 300.00 to obtain a **PAID-UP LIFE MEMBERSHIP**. ( see attachment). (9) Revised 6/01

\$ **HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP**. ( see attachment). (9) Revised 6/01

REVISION 6/13/03 (THREE LINES PERTAINING TO FMDAC DUES) DELETED.(10)

Sec. 2 Any member that falls more than 90 days in arrears will be declared delinquent. (which includes all members of a family) is ineligible to participate in any Club outing, activity, meeting or any other Club sponsored function. Furthermore, any member who is considered delinquent is ineligible to hold any club office. In the event an officer is removed from office for non-payment of dues, the office will be filled by appointment of the President of the Club for the remainder of the year.



Sec. 3 All dues are due and collected on January 1 each year. New memberships after January 31 will be prorated one-twelfth less per month. This proration does not apply to the applicant who has been a previous member. (6)

## ARTICLE V

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### Officers

Sec. 1 The officers of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Outing & Hunt Officer.

Sec. 2 President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor and Outing & Hunt Officer shall be elected by a majority vote by secret ballot of the voting members in good standing, present at the annual meeting. No officer may hold more than one office at a time. No officer may succeed himself or herself in the same office. (3)

(3) Revised 1982

(6) Revised 12/92

(7) Revised 1/96

Sec. 3 At each January meeting, there will be appointed a nomination committee of three members who will present a slate of nominations at the February meeting at which time nominations may also be made from the floor. Elections will be held at the March meeting. Voting will be by secret ballot.

Sec. 5 Installation of officers shall be made at the April meeting. The term of office will one year.

Sec. 6 The Board of Trustees shall consist of outgoing officers and the preceding President, who shall be the Chairman of the Board. (2)

Sec. 7 Upon the vacancy of the office of President, the Vice President will take over the chair. Upon the vacancy of other officers, the President shall at his discretion appoint a member in good standing to assume said office for the balance of the term.

Sec. 8 Should an officer fail to attend three successive meetings, the Officers will have the option of removing this officer if they have reasonable evidence that the absence was due to lack of interest. (7)

## ARTICLE VI

### **Duties of Officers**

**Sec. 1** The President shall preside and preserve order at all meetings, appoint all committees and perform all duties required of him by the by - laws of the Club.

**Sec. 2** The Vice President will assist the President when needed and assume all regular duties of the President in his absence. He will be the point of contact for all matters involving the National Federation or affiliates thereto. The coordination and scheduling of all speakers will be made through the Vice President. (5) & (6)

**Sec. 3** The Secretary will maintain records of all meetings and conduct correspondence in relation to the Club activities. Maintain an up-to-date mailing list of all members.

(2) Revised 5/83

(5) Revised 3/89

(6) Revised 12/92

(7) Revised 1/96

**Sec. 4** The treasurer will receive all funds, will maintain true records of all receipts and disbursements, will deposit the funds in a bank in the name of the Club. Report condition of the treasury at regular meetings, submit the records of audit on demand by the Board of Trustees.

**Sec. 5** The Board of Trustees will have custody of all Club Properties, see that all books are properly maintained and will audit the Secretary and Treasurer's records when deemed necessary. When the financial office is vacated, the trustees will obtain the records and funds, audit and maintain them until a successor is appointed or elected..

**Sec. 6** The Newsletter Officer shall keep the membership and public, if necessary, informed about the Club goals, accomplishments, personalities and activities of the Club or anything of interest to it's membership or the public.

**Sec. 7** The Outing & Hunt Officer shall research any place of interest of the Club to hunt or have an outing and obtain any necessary permission to use the site. He shall work in conjunction with the President and must be able to rely on the membership for help if necessary. (6)



## ARTICLE VII

### Committees

Sec. 1 All committees will be appointed by the President.

Sec. 2 All committees so selected will serve to the best of their ability, and if unable to do so, will notify the committee chairman ~~of the President~~.

## ARTICLE VIII

### Order of Business

- Sec. 1
1. Roll call - by sign in sheet.
  2. Statement of Club purpose and goals.
  3. Introduction of visiting or new members.
  4. Reports of club Officers.
  5. Attendance drawings. (if applicable)
  6. Old business.
  7. New Business
  8. Show & Tell
  9. Guest speaker/ special reports.
  10. Main raffle.

(6) Revised 12/92

## ARTICLE IX

### General Rules

Sec. 1 Permission to dig or search any public land or parks received by the Club will be made common knowledge to members.

Sec. 2 Any proposed amendments to these by-laws may be introduced by any member of the Club at any regular meeting or special meeting called for this purpose. They must be acted upon by the Club membership, providing a copy of the proposed amendments have been sent to each member. A two-thirds vote of those attending will be necessary to pass it.

(5)

Sec. 3 The term of office for Club Officers shall run from 1 April to 31 March. (6)

Sec. 4 M.D.M.D.C. or it's officers shall not be held liable for injury or personal losses to members or their guests while at Club functions or traveling to and from thereto. (6)

**Sec. 5 10% of the Club proceeds from the main raffle will go to the Club's general fund to help pay for regular Club expenses. (4)**

**Sec. 6 Two Officer's signatures are required on any check written on the Club's checking account. Any funds withdrawn from the Club's savings account must be deposited in the Club's checking account. (4)**

**Sec. 7 An attendance drawing will be held at the beginning of each meeting. to participate you must be at least 10 years of age. Guests are eligible to participate only on their first visit to the Club. (7( (8)**

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**ARTICLE X**

**Show and Tell**

**Sec. 1 Show and Tell is for members in good standing only. (5)**

**Sec. 2 Monthly Show and Tell participants will be eligible for prizes determined by a special drawing. The number and types of prizes will be determined each year by the Officers of the Club. (5)**

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**ARTICLE XI**

**Disbandment**

**Sec. 1 In case of disbandment of this non-profit organization and after all legal debts have been paid, the remaining funds shall be donated to the local Cancer Society.**

**(4) Revised 2/85**

**(5) Revised 3/89**

**(6) Revised 12/92**

**(7) Revised 1/96**

**(8) Revised 2/96**

**(9) Revised 6/01**

ARTICLE IV

Dues

Sec. 1

This motion is to add to the M.D.M.D.C. BYLAWS, provisions and criteria  
for establishment of  
PAID-UP LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Any member in good standing as determined by the M.D.M.D.C. Board of Directors,  
may purchase a PAID-UP LIFE MEMBERSHIP for the sum of \$300.00.

This PAID-UP LIFE MEMBERSHIP entitles the holder to:

1. MEMBERSHIP AUTOMATICALLY RE-INSTATED EACH YEAR.
2. NEWS LETTER TO BE DELIVERED, AT NO CHARGE FOR LIFE.
3. AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL MONTHLY MINI HUNTS AT  
1/2 PRICE. (NOT TO INCLUDE MAXI HUNTS OR OTHER SPECIALTY  
HUNTS).
4. ENTRANCE TO CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY AT 1/2 PRICE.
5. ONE FREE TICKET TO THE MAIN RAFFLE EACH MONTH.  
(MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE)
6. PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP MAY BE TERMINATED AT THE DISCRETION  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS BY SHOWING CAUSE. CONDUCT,  
LAWBREAKING, ASSAULT AND OTHER DISRUPTIONS MAY BE  
CONSIDERED. TERMINATED MEMBER WILL BE REIMBURSED FROM  
THE CLUB TREASURY FOR ANY PORTIONS OF THE \$300.00 FEE  
UNSUED AND PRORATED AT THE RATE OF MEMBERSHIP AT THE  
TIME OF TERMINATION. ALL PRORATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED  
ON A FIVE YEAR PERIOD. IF MEMBER HAS RECEIVED PAID-UP  
CONSIDERATIONS FOR 5 YEARS, IT SHALL BE DEEMED THAT NO  
REIMBURSEMENT WILL BE CONSIDERED.



## ARTICLE IV

### Dues

#### Sec. 1

This motion is to add to the bylaws of the M.D.M.D.C. bylaws, criteria for a member in good standing to become a HONORARY LIFE MEMBER

### M.D.M.D.C. HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA.

Any member in good standing may present to the Board of Directors, the name of another member that he or she feels has represented the club and contributed to the club in an exemplary fashion.

The member must give a formal presentation to the Board explaining the extraordinary qualifications that make this person a candidate i.e.: offices held special achievements etc.

A qualified candidate must have a minimum of 5 years as a M.D.M.D.C. member.

The Board of Directors will vote in/or out. This vote to approve must be unanimous. A presentation will then be made to the Club, by the Board of directors. This will be done at the Oct. or Nov. meeting each year.

The membership will vote, by secret ballot, at the Dec. meeting each year. To become a Life Member you MUST survive the membership vote by a two thirds margin.

The club will accept no more than one qualified member for the position each year. A vote count of the members will determine the winner in case of a tie.

1. THE LIFE MEMBER WILL RECEIVE CLUB MEMBERSHIP INCLUDING FM-DAC DUES FOR LIFE.
2. RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER FOR LIFE.
3. WILL BE PRESENTED A LIFE MEMBERSHIP PLAQUE.
4. NAME WILL BE ADDED TO A PERMANENT PLAQUE CONTAINING THE NAMES OF ALL LIFE MEMBERS.
5. MAY ENTER ALL CLUB FUNCTIONS AT NOT CHARGE. (SUCH AS MINI HUNTS, MAXI HUNTS, CHRISTMAS PARTIES ETC.
6. WILL RECEIVE ONE FREE RAFFLE TICKET TO THE MAIN RAFFLE AT EACH CLUB MEETING. (MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE)