

# Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada



# Highgrader

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**OUTINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Outing at Taylor Mine**  
 Over 60 people attended the outing at Taylor Mine. Once again the owners, Bob Taylor and family were wonderful hosts, and everyone enjoyed the tour and working equipment show and tell. A special thanks to The Taylor Family who opened their mine and home to the Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada. Also a special thank you to Dennis Johnson who put together the outing for everyone to enjoy.

**GSSN NOTICE**

Next Meeting  
 February 6, 2013  
**6:30 PM**  
 425 East Van Wagenen  
 Henderson NV 89002  
 Bill Durbin/Presentation  
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## Minutes for November 7 2012

GSSN

November 7, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Ian Thaler, President, who led in the pledging allegiance to the flag. After the pledge Ian asked for new members and guests to be welcomed. 13 new people attended the meeting.

Dara Thaler gave the treasurer's report. Fred Zajac made a motion to accept the report as read and Morris Seguin seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Ian then asked the membership for a motion to approve the minutes as read in the Highgrader. Fred Zajac made the motion to accept the minutes as read. Pam Goulder 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

Discussion began on the last outing to the 20 acre. Several people found gold. It was a great time and the weather was perfect.

Two accidents occurred on the claim, a member broke her ankle and had to go to Kingman hospital, and another member broke his window on his truck.

Ian mentioned it was a good time to be reminded of the buddy system, in case of a physical accident, someone should always know your whereabouts.

The next outing will be at the Lost Change (28) for a hole filling/adventure. Lunch on Saturday and brunch on Sunday will be provided by the club.

Fred Zajac was then called as Election Chairman to conduct the annual election of officers. Elected officers are as follows:

Ian Thaler, President

John Roberts, Vice President

Dolores Gee, Secretary

Dara Thaler, Treasurer

Steve Christenson Membership

Unanimous votes were cast for all.

Discussed next was the Christmas Party. Motion was made by Morris Seguin to spend \$500.00 maximum for a special Christmas raffle. Fred Zajac made the 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor and the motion carried. Suggestions were made from the floor to perhaps have 5 \$100.00 gifts instead of one \$500.00 gift.

Jake Jakl made a special announcement about the McCaw School of Mines. They are having an Open House on the 17<sup>th</sup> of November from 9AM to 3PM. They will be serving hot dogs and welcome everyone to come and participate. Anyone interested please call Jake @326-9043.

John Bronstein gave a brief talk on the BLM and the new challenge with them. They are now talking about closing road access to the BLM property.

John would like to see some volunteers to watch what is transpiring with them and encourages everyone to send comments to the BLM. Suggestions were made that the PLP perhaps could help us in voicing our concern. BLM voiced opposition to the Johnnie Claim, when they were trying to turn the area into a protected area for the burros and wild ponies. Enough people voiced their concerns about it and the BLM abandoned the idea. Any volunteers to be on the Watch Committee PLEASE contact John Bronstein.

Ian brought in a chunk of rock with a quartz vein running through it. Many suggestions came from the floor to split it open to see if there was gold inside.

Break of the meeting @ 7:10.

Meeting resumed and a huge thank you went to Chris Marshall for bringing in cupcakes to the meeting. A big thank you also to Rick from Desert Outfitters and Roy Michaels for bringing gifts for the raffle table.

Taylor was brought up for re-discussion and the general consensus was to go back out to the mine sometime in January for another outing. Dennis Johnson will make arrangements to have another outing at the Taylor Mine. The members then participated in show and tell of the different types of equipment. After show and tell, Ian asked for any new business. Discussion again came up on the Christmas party and arrangements were made for the party and the meal. Dennis Johnson talked about some equipment that he had for sale.

Raffle was then held.

Prizes are as follows:

50/50 for \$46.00 James Carney

Quarters- \$20.75 Steve Christenson

1. Shovel, Carl Seastrand

2. Walking stick, Rudy Lehr

3. Pole Magnet, Charles Stegner

4. Knee Pads, James Carney

5. Safari Hat, John Anderson

6. Canvas Bag, Gary Toll

7. Pick Axe, Chris Marshall

8. Hand Magnet, Rick Borders

9. Yellow, black bag, Ed Dominguez

10. Flash Lights, Kailey Fuller

11. Dust Pan, John Toll

12. Green Shovel/Clothes, John Bronstein

13. Map container, Kit Dominguez

14. Blue Pan/Vials, John Anderson

15. Green Classifier Vials, Kit Dominguez

16. Black Tub, Walter Dempsey

17. Loop, Kit Dominguez

18. Shovel, Fred Zajac

19. Hand Magnet, Guy Sears

20. Vials, Pam Goulder

21. Magnifier/Vials, John Roberts

22. Flashlight, Chris Marshall

Motion to adjourn at 8:45 PM Minutes taken and written by Dara Thaler for Dolores Gee

See attached note from Dolores

## January Minutes 2013

The GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2013. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM & led in pledging allegiance to the flag. He welcomed all -- there were 11 visitors and 60 signed in. He commented on the great Christmas party held on Dec. 5, 2013, and thanked all who helped make it successful. Next year's Christmas Party was be along the same lines. Ian then gave a brief treasurer's report (Dara was absent due to illness). There were no minutes for last month's meeting due to the Christmas Party. Ian spoke briefly about the Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> outing to Taylor Mtn. and invited members and guests who wished to attend to sign up on the sheet provided. The group will meet between 8AM - 9AM (NV time) at the old Ace Hardware in Dolan Springs and will then proceed to the site. Lunch will be provided. Ian asked for volunteers to help with outings and encouraged those interested to contact him. Next Ian announced that Desert Outfitters had dirt bags for sale; and an RV was for sale. A camp stove is available for donation to whomever needs one. Kingman Turquoise was discussed; and Ian said that next month Bill Durbin from NV's Commission on Mineral Resources will make his annual presentation. Terry McConnell passed around an exhibit case containing gold he found, which was very impressive. After a short break, we watched and enjoyed "How Earth was Made" America's Gold" -- Ian provided this video which was very interesting and information. Then the raffles were held. (See below.)

At 8:25 PM Fred Zajac made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Pam Goulder. The meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee

Secretary

Jan. 5, 2013

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The 50/50 (\$45) was won by Kit Dominguez. The door prize of \$16.50 was won by Bob Bair.

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| 1. Black tub...Bob Bair                | 11. Blue pan/vial/snifter/stackables...     |
| 2. Bucket & organizer...Carla Stone    | John Roberts                                |
| 3. Multi-tool kit...Chuck Prohaska     | 12. Head lamp/clay-be-gone...Chris Marshall |
| 4. Chizle/vial...Vada Price            | 13. Leather bag/shovel...John Bronstein     |
| 5. Hat...Carla Stone                   | 14. Flag...Morris Seguin                    |
| 6. Gold magnet...John Roberts          | 15. GSSN blanket...Melissa Sandulak         |
| 7. Extending magnet...Richard Gonzalez | 16. Walking stick...David Axtell            |
| 8. Teaser bag/snifter...Mark Gerecke   | 17. Vest...Ed Dominguez                     |
| 9. Hammer-Pick...Vada Price            | 18. Dirt bag...Chuck Wherry                 |
| 10. Folding shovel...Charles Prohaska  | 19. Bucket Rocker...John Anderson           |

Note: Ian thanked those donating to raffle (George N., R. Michaels, & Desert Outfitters.)

## NOTICE

The club would like to thank Al Kraus for all his hard work as merchandise chairman. Al has resigned from the position in January. Thank you so much Al and best of luck to you.

Mark Hedges has accepted the responsibility of merchandise chairman and is now in charge of merchandise. Welcome Mark and thank you.

## FINANCIALS

GOLD SEARCHERS OF SOUTHERN  
NEVADA  
Financial Statement **October 2012**

Balance forwarded & Interest	\$ 17,825.88
Income:	
Membership	\$ 1215.00
Raffle	\$ 224.00
Merchandise	\$ 33.00
Total Income	<u>\$ 1439.00</u>
Balance	\$ 19,264.88
Expenses:	
Rent	\$ 125.00
Outings	\$ 163.57
Raffle	\$ 364.76
Claim Expense	\$ 1026.50
Office/Membership	\$ 43.22
Total Expenses	\$ 1723.05
Balance: Income less Expense	\$ 17,541.83

GOLD SEARCHERS OF SOUTHERN  
NEVADA

Financial statement **November 2012**

Balance Forwarded & Interest	\$17,541.83
Income:	
Membership	\$ 1,155.00
Raffle	\$ 295.00
Merchandise	0
Total Income	<u>\$ 1,450.00</u>
Balance	\$18,991.83
Expenses:	
Rent	\$ 125.00
Outings	0
Raffle	377.96
Legal filing of offices	\$ 25.00
Donation PLP	\$ 100.00
Office/Membership	\$ 244.70
Total Expense	\$ 872.66
Balance: Income Less Expense	\$ 18,119.17

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Vehicle \_\_\_\_\_ Lic# \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that as a member of the Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada Inc., I can run for office and Participate in the voting on all major policies and officer elections. I will also be able to attend all meetings and use the club claims, subject to the club By-laws. I can also use club equipment by appointment and check out books and video’s from out extensive library.

**HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

I / we, the undersigned, ( hereafter referred to as participant ) assume all risk and/or hazards associated with participant’s involvement in the Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada Inc., a prospecting club. Participants agree to indemnify and **HOLD HARMLESS** all club officers, sponsors, and/or other third, fourth, etc., parties involved in club activities. Participants realize that metal detecting, gold prospecting, and associated activities can be dangerous. The terrain can be hazardous and there may be wild or domesticated animals and snakes present. Some locations may have open shafts, pits, and tunnels. Participants assume animals and snakes present. Participants assume all responsibility by signing below.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATED \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

CLUBS ONLY FUNCTION IF MEMBERS VOLUNTEER

I/we will volunteer to assist in the areas checked. Please check at least one area.

**COMMITTEES**

Audit  Claims  Education  Librarian/Historian  Newsletter

Outing  Website

DUES ARE PAYABLE ON THE FIRST OF THE MONTH ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY DATE.

New members \$45.00 and to Renew is \$30.00.

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