

Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada



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OUTTINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all that attended the Spring finale' outing in May. A special thank you to Jim Henson for bringing out his Terramite and helping everyone dig holes. Pot luck lunch was a huge success and thank you to all that participated and brought goodies. We hope everyone had a great time whether you spent just the day or camped for the weekend. We hope you all found some gold!

Summer is now upon us, and anyone going out to the claims needs to take special precaution and watch out for the snakes. Many reported seeing snakes at the last outing. Becoming dehydrated in the triple digit temperatures and heat stroke come on suddenly, and without warning. Pack plenty of water. Make sure you plan your digging for early morning. And remember to fill your holes when you leave.

GSSN NOTICE

Next Meeting
June 5, 2013
6:30 PM
 425 East Van Wagenen
 Henderson NV 89002
www.goldsearcher.com

February 2013 Minutes

The GSSN met on Feb. 6, 2013 at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM & led in pledging allegiance to the flag. He welcomed all -- 89 signed in and there were 9 visitors. Dara then gave the Treasurer's Report for January 2013 and summarized the reports for Nov. & Dec. 2012. Fred Z. made a motion to accept her report as given for Jan.; and Rick Young seconded the motion. Fred made a similar motion for the Dec. report which was seconded by Morris; and also for the Nov. report, which was seconded by Jake. Fred then asked for volunteers for the annual Audit Committee meeting (date TBA). Morris & John Gee volunteered. Ian said the Newsletter will be up on the website any day now and also announced the PLP membership had been renewed. Ian said that about 50 people showed up for the Taylor Mountain outing & commented on how spectacular the outing was and thanked all involved in making it successful (especially Dennis Johnson). He said the next outing would be Feb. 23 & 24. Potluck on Saturday and Sunday Brunch at 10AM at the Sect. 34 claim. A detector hunt of some sort will take place. Ian then announced that Mark Hedges will be the new merchandise committee chairperson. He said the GSSN will have a booth at the April Gold Show at South Point (4/27-28/13). The first 100 to preregister will get in free. After a short break, Bill Durbin of the NV Bureau of Minerals gave an interesting report on "Stay Out & Stay Alive." Then Fred suggested we have a Mc Caw School of Mines outing this summer - details TBA. There being no New Business, the raffles took place (see list following). Ian thanked those who contributed items to the raffle. Afterwards, Fred made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM which was seconded by Phillis Harding. The meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee
Secretary
Feb. 8, 2013

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The 50/50 (in the amt. of \$76) was won by Morris & Brian Cofle won the \$19.25 door prize.

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| 1. Teaser Gold bag...R. Young | 10. Tool set...Roger Rivenas |
| 2. Shovel...Mark Gerecke | 11. Bucket & organizer...Brian Cole |
| 3. Pick ax...Ron Carr | 12. Taylor Mt teaser gold bag...Kit Dominguez |
| 4. Magnet...Chris Marshall | 13. " " " ...Cherie Sears |
| 5. Extension magnet...Diane Bennett | 14. Classifier/snifter/vial...Melissa Sandulak |
| 6. GSSN blanket...Gary Toll | 15. Grill...Chuck Prohaska |
| 7. Collapsible bucket...Joe Wagner | 16. Lg. water bucket...Gary Sears |
| 8. U.S. flag...John Anderson | 17. Grips/handle...Diane Bennett |
| 9. Knife combo...Alyssa Michael | 18. 15x triple lens...Phillis Harding |

March Minutes 2013

The GSSN met on Wednesday, March 6, 2013, at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM & led in pledging allegiance to the flag. All were welcomed (there were 6 visitors and 72 signed in). Dara gave the Treasurer's Report. Morris made a motion to accept the report as presented, and Pam Goulder seconded the motion. Ian commented on our tax exempt status; next he asked for a motion to accept the January 2nd minutes as published. Fred Zajac made such motion, which was seconded by Pam. It was unanimously approved. Fred then commented on the Audit Committee meeting which had been conducted on Feb. 28th - everything came out to the penny. He thanked those involved for its being so efficiently completed, & thanked Dara for her efforts. George N. then gave an overview of the Feb. 23 - 34 outing (which was enjoyed by all who attended). Our next outing will be at the Empty Pockets claim on March 23-24. Pot luck on Saturday & brunch on Sunday, as usual.

Next Fred demonstrated his Puffer equipment (a type of drywasher). He custom made it. It has a bellows. Another type has a blower. He provided info and answered questions. Ian then talked about the upcoming Gold Show which will be held April 27-29 at South Point. GSSN will have a booth & members were encouraged to volunteer to help out. After a short break Fred gave an interesting slide show presentation on Mining in Northern NV (referenced from the Mining Quarterly, spring 2012). Afterwards, the Raffles were held. Ian thanked those who donated items. (See list below.)

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

Dolores Gee, Secretary
March 30, 2013

The 50/50 in the amt. of \$38.50 was won by Richard Gonzalez. Tom Herrold was the \$15.25 door prize.
Others winning prizes were:

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| 1. Shovel...Guy Sears | 13. Pocket source...Barbara McClurg |
| 2. Flag/truck...Diane Bennett | 14. Bucket organizer/handles...Bill Peters |
| 3. Knee pad/truck...Louis Elliott | 15. GSSN blanket...Mark Hedges |
| 4. Classifier...Mark Hedges | 16. Teaser bag...Doug Parker |
| 5. Scoop/cases/rope...Jim Duarte | 17. Scoop/snifter etc...Fred Zajac |
| 6. Extending magnet...Randy Huffine | 18. Kitchen tools, pocket saw...Dolores Gee |
| 7. Gold bag/pepsi bag/truck...David Axtell | 19. Magnet...Frank Calhoun |
| 8. Book/handles...David Axtell | 20. Lanterns...Chuck Wherry |
| 9. GSSN shirt...Susie Parker | 21. Gold pan...Morris Seguin |
| 10. Gold pan...Richard Gonzales | 22. Gold pan...Mark Gerecke |
| 11. Gold pan...John Bronstein | 23. Gold pan...Scott Anderson |
| 12. Black tub/dice game...Phillis Harding | 24. Pick ax...Diane Bennett |

April 2013 Minutes

The Gold Searchers of Southern NV (GSSN) met on Wednesday, April 3, 2013, at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 630 PM & led in pledging allegiance to the flag. He welcomed everyone and mentioned some members had items for sale. (74 signed in and there were 7 visitors.) Ian gave a brief treasurer's report (Dara was absent) and Fred made a motion to table the treasurer's report until Dara returns. Pam seconded the motion - and it was so moved. A few people indicated they'd found some gold at the Empty Pocket Claim outing & everyone had fun. The Gold Show at South Point (April 27th and 28th) will be in lieu of an April GSSN outing. Volunteers were still needed to man the GSSN booth. Fred & Morris then gave a presentation on Mountain Goat prospecting equipment. John Anderson (our claims chairman) spoke briefly on supporting H.R. 382 (which would mandate local and state involvement in any future national monument designations. He had hand-outs regarding this and encouraged members to check the website for further info. After a short break the group watched a video George N. had downloaded online which showed "Dry Washer 101" (blower type) - last month we had a puffer-type dry washer demo by Fred (reference: AZGoldAdventures.com).

At this time, Ian announced the raffles would be held & thanked those who donated items. (See list below.)

At 8PM Fred made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Pan Goulder. The meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee, Secretary

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Susie Parker won the 50/50 in the amt. of \$40 -- and Doug Parker won the \$15.85 door prize. Other winners were:

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| 1. Map case...Charlotte Foley | 13. Shovel...John Anderson |
| 2. Green Shovel...John Anderson | 14. Tub...Morris Seguin |
| 3. Blue Pan...Chris Marshall | 15. Seat...Fred Josephs |
| 4. Tri-fold shovel...Jim Duarte | 16. Knee pads/gloves...Gail Mayer |
| 5. Red Shovel...Randy Huffine | 17. Compass/vials...Mitch Mayhood |
| 6. Gold magnet...Erina Volmer | 18. Lg. bag concentrates/gloves...Jim Duarte |
| 7. Magnet...Ray Darby | 19. Trouble light/lamp...Leslie Burns |
| 8. Walking stick...Phillis Harding | 20. 2-pack flashlights...Pam Goulder |
| 9. Dome magnifier...Katherine Gonzales | 21. Snappy grips...Janet |
| 10. Foldable shovel...John Crafts | 22. 12-pc. bottles w/funnel...Charlotte Foley |
| 11. Flag...Larry Shoemaker | 23. Extra-long tweezers...Ray Holzer |
| 12. Snake cup/gold bag...Doug Parker | 24. Flag...Phil Duzan |
| | 25. GSSN t-shirt...Mark Hedges |

MAY 2013 MINUTES

The GoldSearchers of Southern NV (GSSN) met on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV. Pres. Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and led in pledging allegiance to the flag. There were ten visitors and 57 signed in. Ian welcomed everyone and after making a few brief remarks introduced Jeff Behr who gave a slide presentation on "Slope Monitoring w/GPS" which was interesting and enjoyed by the group. Ian thanked all who helped out at the Gold Show and introduced DeAnna Costen, president of the Las Vegas chapter of the GPAA, spoke to the group and invited all to the June 1st outing at Meadview - there will be an open metal detecting hunt with a lot of nice door prizes. Also, an open trip "up north" near Ely NV (June 15 - 22) where there will be access to two claims. If interested contact her for more info. After a short break Fred Zajac demonstrated the Desert Fox prospecting equipment (previously he had demonstrated the Mountain Goat). The May outing was then discussed and it was decided to schedule it for May 11 & 12 at the 20-Acre claim. Lunch on Saturday will be pot luck and Brunch will be provided by the Club on Sunday, as usual.

Dara then gave the Treasurers Report. Fred made a motion to accept the report as given which was seconded by Pam. Everyone was in favor & the motion carried. Ian mentioned some new equipment purchased for the club which was available for checkout by members. Then Fred made a motion to buy four batteries to be used w/equipment; Mark seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. At this time Ian announced the raffles would be held (see below). At 8:10 PM a motion was made by Pam to adjourn the meeting; Rick Borders seconded the motion & the meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee

Secretary

May 2, 2013

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Richard Harding won the \$11.75 door prize. The 50-50 was won by Phillis Harding in the amt. of \$53. Other winners were:

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| 1. Black tub...Gail Mayes | 12. Knee Pads...Ken Mack |
| 2. Shovel...John Anderson | 13. Blue pan & vials...Phil Duzan |
| 3. Green hat/Light...Janet Schelling | 14. Magnet...Gary Toll |
| 4. Lime Green Pan...Ann Duzan | 15. Shovel & dirt bag...Pam Goulder |
| 5. Sluice...Ed Taylor | 16. Umbrella...Russ Glade |
| 6. Small green pan & vials...Robert Fishbourne | 17. Shovel...Randy Huffine |
| 7. Walking stick...Phillis Harding | 18. Scoop...Diane Mack |
| 8. Hammer...Stan Tyler | 19. Flag...Janet Schelling |
| 9. Foldable shovel...Ed Taylor | 20. D.O. Cap...Chuck Wherry |
| 10. Jumper cables & tools...Gail Mayes | 21. Gold sand (\$10 bag)...Rick Young |
| 11. Mug & Dirt Bag...Morris Seguin | 22. Extending flashlight...Jim Hensen |
| | 23. Avon set...Mark Hedges |

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Application To : Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada, Inc.

P.O. Box 96732
Las Vegas NV, 89193 – 6732

Supporting Website:
www.goldsearcher.com

Please Print Clearly

Last Name _____ First _____ Spouse _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ - _____ - _____ E-mail _____

PROSPECTING VEHICLE

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.

Check # _____ Cash _____ By _____
Receipt _____ From _____ To _____
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