# HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR TICKETS FOR THE CHRISTMAS NUGGET YET?!!!



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# GOLD NUGGET GIVEAWAY !!!!

Each month leading up to the Grand Drawing for the Christmas Nugget, (Pictured to the right, thanks to the coordinated efforts of our web master, Jim Miller, and Jerry Montana), one of the ticket stubs that we have received will be drawn at random at each general meeting and the person whose name is on that stub will receive a small nugget. That means that there will be SIX additional NUG-GUTS available to win for those who get their tickets in! AND NO! You do not, have to be present to win. SO, EVERYBODY... GET THOSE TICKETS TURNED OR MAILED IN.

AND WE'LL BE LOOKIN' FOR TABLE YOUR NAMES AT THE DRAWINGS! TENTS



Thanking our volunteers

We would like to thank Gus Lagerstrom for donating pallets for our October Outing, and Ken for picking them up and transporting them out to Sandy's @ Dolan Springs. He is another of our new members that is coming forward for the Club. We have several that are filling needed positions. We still have several more positions requiring your experience and consideration to help the Club, we can't do it without your help. THANKS TABLE OF CON-TENTS

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# Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada

General Meeting 06/05/02

Attendance 128 members, 13 visitors.

Sandy called meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Old Business** 

Sandy made some general announcements.

- No parking on leased 5 acres.
- Brads treasure hunt is not related to any club function.

I read the minutes of the previous general meeting for acceptance by the club.

Willie's membership report tallied 500 total members, with 490 regular members.

Willie then shared with us the Piute trip. He stated that most people found gold and others won some. It was a great time. They held a metal detector hunt in tall grass. The weather was fantastic and there even was some wet prospecting done. Willie also mentioned that they would be having a caravan back up to the area soon. It was reputed that a broom had to be used to clean up the sluice boxes. It is located above Lake Isa-

bella by Bakersfield, Ca. He then spoke up to give a BIG "THANK YOU" for our volunteers who have been stepping forward to help us Lately. Especially as Willie and a group of others including your Editor are going up to Idaho in July where we've been invited by one of our Club members. Call Willie if you are interested. His group is leaving first and Mort Lamonte and Pat will be leaving on the 13th of July.

Earl spoke about holding training through the recreation centers. Advised against going out in the heat.

Joe spoke about the books and videos available in the clubs library. He also mentioned that the club had a GPS available and it requires a \$50 deposit to borrow. He knows of a Keene 150 dry washer for sale for \$450 if anyone is interested.

Sandy mentioned that the bylaws are still being worked on.

**New Business** 

Sandy requested that vendors write a letter to the board asking for permission to vend at club functions.

Sandy asked for volunteers for the Christmas party. Don

Dunlap, Richard and Pauline Moore, and Ken Grosnick all volunteered. Thanks for your help.

Sandy mentioned that the board eliminated the position of caretaker.

Sandy asked volunteers to bring donated pallets to her house. A volunteer was found.

Sandy mentioned that a GPS class on Saturday July 2nd. Sandy's nephew, who is in the Army, will give the class.

There is a section 34 outing planned for July, details are on the Web site and in the Highgrader.

Sandy announced that Robin was going Ghost town hunting and would like to invite anyone who would like to go along. Robin then spoke about the trip to Signal, Arizona. She also mentioned that the American Metal Detector Association was having a gathering on Nov 1, 2, 3. There will be tons of vendors, hunts. prizes and a banquet. It costs \$160 to join and applications are available on their web site.

Sandy then announced a half hour break at 7:20 pm.

Sandy then called the meet- Nugget - Bob

ing back to order at 7:50 pm.

Sandy announced donations to the club of a metal detector and a video tape. Thanks to the donors.

Sandy then announced that Gus Langstrom would be giving a talk on desert safety.

Gus then gave his presentation about:

- Being away from medical attention and when you should call careflight.
- Snake bites and the things Gloves Bob that should be done.
- Scorpions.
- Heart attacks, how to care for them and identify the symptoms.

Details about his talk are else where in the Highgrader and may be posted on the web site.

Sandy mentioned that we need additional articles for the Highgrader.

Sandy then started the drawing.

The door prize of a 7 gallon water jug was won by Rich.

The rest of the ticket holders won:

Nugget - Jim Nugget - David Nugget - Wayne

Toolbag - Rick Magnet - Robyn Nugget - Jim Gold Pine Cone - Karen Dining Canopy - Art Water Pack - Harry Small Gold Pan - Richard Compass - Ron Hat - Pauline Loupe - Jean Magnifier - Maurice Gold Pan - Henry Chair - Shane Camp Shower - Tim Clay Begone - Dennis Bandana - Gene First Aid Kit - Chuck Meal Kit - Fred

Willie made a final announcement about the nugget speck that will be raffled from the Christmas Nugget raffle entries each month until the Christmas Party.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 pm by Sandy.

The general meeting will be the 3rd of JULY

> @ 7PM

**SEE YOU ALL** 

# Membership report for June.

present we are holding steady with about 500 members, however this will drop some when I send a few to the recycle bin for non-payment of dues. This means no label, no Highgrader this month.

Jam still looking for a good address for a member who lives in Boulder city on Pelican way. I have tried in vain (And so has the Post Office) to deliver to an address that is not in their computer. Please get a hold of me if you know someone who lives there, because they cant get the Newsletter!

you no doubt already know, I have a helper on the Membership committee and now I'll have time to goof off.

The Goldsearchers are always looking for help, it's the American way, and besides if we don't help out IT DON'T GET DONE. We are a club by the people for the people, not a club that takes your money for self profit and then wants its members to volunteer. Know an association like that? We the Goldsearchers are what we make ourselves to be.

At the next meeting we will be drawing from the monster nugget drum to award a nugget to a member who is at the meeting and has turned in

his tickets. We will continue to do this each month until the big 3.72 ounce nugget is won. Get your tickets in now! You could take it all!

Would you like to assist a committee? If so or if you just like to talk Gold! meet us at the Nevada Palace Coffee shop any Tuesday morning at 9 AM. We like to prospect for gold and share our knowledge. We have been meeting there for several years now, and some call us a Click!! Oh well so be it!. Everyone is welcomed. A prospecting trip to Idaho City is planned for the second week of July, if interested contact me for details.

As almost time to renew our claims, will the real claims director please obtain the paperwork from Sandy!

Willie wbiron@yahoo.com

# Board Meeting 05/28/02 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Sandy called meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Old business

Sandy announced an invitation to the Mineral, Fossil, and Gem show that is being held May 31 - June 2, 2002.

Sandy motioned that the board work together to

come up with a letter to help resolve the 5 acre and caretaker problem. The motion was seconded and passed.

Sandy explained to the board that she had procured a planning and zoning book that outlines the rules for property in Arizona. She also mentioned that they are starting to asses fines.

Willie discussed his understanding of Arizona laws.

Mort reiterated the need to work together.

Vendor issues were brought up and discussed.

Willie explained the history of how we as a club have gotten to where we are.

Willie volunteered to come up with a final draft copy of the latest bylaws and present it to the board. It was Seconded and voted in by the board.

Sandy brought up that she had spoken with the county commissioner about a meeting in Dolan Springs that was going to be held to discuss the bypass from mile marker 2 to mile marker 17.

Dick Vezzani wanted to go on record that 6:45pm was too early for him to make it

to the general meetings. Board voted that general meetings would be held from 7-9pm.

Mort suggested that we highlight issues club is facing in the Highgrader in large print. It was seconded. voted on and approved.

Willie had some things that needed to be discussed.

- 1) A request to comp a Highgrader subscription, it was seconded and approved.
- 2) The Xmas party was discussed. We need to start a committee. Many questions we raised. Location? Subsidize meals.
- 3) Claims Director? Rich Sommers had volunteered. Willie to send him the duties and responsibilities.
- 4) Committees need to work! Willie suggested that committees have formal meeting times and locations and that information should be published. Announce it at GMs.

#### **New Business**

Sandy mentioned the committees should meet after the general meeting. It was seconded. This allows the board to give them direction outside of the board meetings.

Willie wants the Xmas raffle publicized - suggested that maybe we could raffle nuggets using the submitted tickets to generate more interest and get the tickets in quicker.

general meeting to display books. He also would like to mining operation we loan out the GPS. The board discussed the need for deposits so the equipment is returned promptly and in good condition.

Sandy mentioned holding a GPS class and wondered if anyone would be interested.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 pm.

#### ROBBYN'S GHOST TOWN TRIP

HI Pat here is a short story about the GT trip Ghost town trip June 2002... Roastin & toastin in the desert. First I want to thank, I think, Joe C. for showing me the book on GT of AZ #234. It got me started and then Sandy added to the flame by showing me some more books and maps on the area!!!! Met up with Dick and Karol V in Wikieup AZ and we took of looking for the sign that said Signal Rd. You guessed it, no sign, but with Dick and his GPS and just plain intuition we

found the good dusty road to Signal. We passed Greenwood City, looked like it was now living and found Signal fenced off but not all of the area. Checked it out and went looking for McCracken mine and rockhouse, 4X4 only folks, Neat rock house and it was on Joe needs more room at the the GPS too. There were other tell tale signs of the walked, around took some rock samples, pictures and headed back. Dick did all the real exploring and metal detecting in Signal and found some itty bitty color, not enough to do any major digging. Stayed the night, really warm but the stars gave us a fantastic show. The next day wes headed to LDMA's Stanton. The drought has been in effect for a few years. The creeks were real dry. ( A GPAA member can stay in Stanton, with a permit, for three days and there are 84 hook-ups for \$5 a day). The real mining was going on on the porch of the office!! There were about 10 fly swatters on the chairs for use against the flys from the Dairy farm down the road. Sure was fun BSing with the few locals, gossip was real deep.

Robbyn PS from Dick V. He went out at sunrise to detect. After 6 plus hours found nothing but "junk" and

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EMS TRANSMISSION 12/12/2001 Instruction Memorandum No. 2002-047 Expires: 09/30/2003

To: All State Directors

From: Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection

Subject: Use of Dryweshers Under the Surface Management Regulations (43 CFR 3809)

PROGRAM AREA: Mining Law Administration, Surface Management, Implementation Guidance

ISSUE: Can the operation of a gas-powered downsher under the Surface Management Regulations (43 CFR 3809) be considered cascal use?

BACKGROUND: The revised surface management regulations became effective on January 20, 2001. Subpart 43 CFR 38-0.5 of those regulations states "Casual use means activities ordinarily resulting in no or negligible disturbance of the public lands or resources." This refliction is essentially unchanged from the pre-January 20, 2001 regulations. Both sets of regulations include examples of activities that do not constitute casual use, such as the use of mechanized earth-moving equipment. However, the revised regulations provide examples, not found in the previous regulations, of what activities generally would be considered casual use. One example provided is the use of hand and battery-operated drywashers. The regulations and associated preamble are silent on the use of gas-powered crywashers.

With the issuance of the final regulations, men pers of the public and the Bureau of Land Management field staff have requested guidance as to whether the use of gas-powered drywashers, which had previously been considered casual use, would now require a Notice or Plan of Operations. By singling out hand and battery-operated drywashers as generally being casual use, we may have inadvertently created the assumption that the use of small (e.g., under 10 Hp) gas power drywashers cannot be casual use. This was not the intent of

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the regulations and the example was not intended to limit the types of equipment used for activities that might be considered casual use. It was to clarify for the reader types of activities that would generally be considered casual tises.

POLICY/ACTION: Under the revised regulations the use of gas-powered drywashers under 10 Hp may be considered casual use as long as the activity only results in no disturbance or negligible disturbance of the land surface. The amount and type of impacts or disturbance created by the activities of a small operator, or the cumulative disturbance caused by the proximity of several small operators, ultimately determines whether or not a particular activity should be determined to be casual use, not the equipment itself or the non-commercial intent of the operator. If the disturbance is not negligible then the activity will not be casual use and a notice or a plan of operations may be required.

TIME FRAME: Effective immediately upon receipt in your office.

BUDGETARY IMPACTS: Not estimated at this time.

MANUAL/HANDBOOK SECTIONS IMPACTED: Bureau Manual Section 3809.

COORDINATION: Usual channels.

CONTACTS: If you have any questions concerning this instruction please contact Rick Deery, Geologist, Solid Minerals Group (WO 320) at 202-452-0350.

Signed by:

Carson W. Culp

Assistant Director

Minerals, Realty and Surface Protection

Authenticated by:

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Policy & Records Group, WO-5

For Sale: Whites Gold- pect some of our Master/4 metal detector for sale. \$ 400.00 Call Roger @ 210-6898

Summer Fun! The high heat of summer is upon us now. Although we can ex,

members to stay out of the heat, the rest of new 20 acres, on July us wil be doing 'our thing',

The June Outing was on Section 34, where a lot of new gold is be- for a late news flash ing found now.

The July Outing is to be on Section 3 (the 20th-21st), August is Scheduled for Pahrump, Nevada. (August 17th-18th), Standby

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## Education Report.

As the summer runs on and it gets warmer and warmer, here are a few reminders. PLEASE remember to bring plenty of water or Gater Aid; It does not take very long to become dehydrated from the heat. Wé all tend to get excited when searching for that elusive gold. It is easy to lose track of time and the amount of sweat that goes out. Keep the skincovered, use plenty of sun screen and be sure to wear a hat with a widebrim. It helps to keep the sun off of our ears; Training will consist of Demonstrations and performance: We will demonstrate how to do various procedures relating to prospecting at each outing. Have a safe and sane summer. Earl Hunter, Chairman

THE NEXT MEETING IS ON JULY THE 3RD

WE'LL SEE YOU ALL THERE

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a couple of sore feet and back. As the "porch" miners said, it is pretty slim pickins unless you have the latest deep seeking detectors. on this one! Other prospects are being looked at in the Pahrump area. September will be back on Section 28 (Sept. 22nd-23rd).

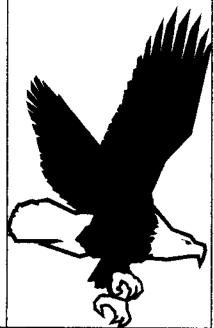
The high heat of summer should be over by October when we will be having more than one event. Keep checking the Calendar for the October Events.

Lots of fun in the works. Bring your own food and water to all of the summer events.

Duane Fortin, Outings Chairman Anyone interested in going to IDAHO? Willie Biron is going up right after the 4th of July weekend, and Mort Lamonde and I, your Editor, Pat Miller, will be leaving around noon on the 13th, for more info, call one of us.

## HERES SOME REAL NEWS!!!

Pat you asked for help with the newsletter so I thought I would write a little article for you. Hope you can use it. Also, as an aside, I will be offering for the first time ever in Las Vegas (I think!???) Four brand new SD2200da for rental. Daily rental will be \$45 with a charge card necessary for security deposit. Club members will get a 20% discount off the \$45 rental bringing the daily rental down to \$34. This is a giant risk on my part as I have over \$10,000 wrapped up in this rental experiment so I am hoping it pays for itself. My idea is that it will generate new interest in the hobby if people can try before they buy, as well as generating sales for myself and other Minelab dealers. Desert Outfitters has always had a great selection of Whites and Fisher machines for rent, but no one has been willing to take the financial risk of allowing a \$2,500 gold machine to go out on rental!





A Reminder Once Again! If You need One With This Monster hanging over us like this!!!.... GET THOSE TICKETS IN!!!! Remember the drawings will be held at each general meeting from the ticket stubs that have been turned in. THAT'S SIX.. COUNT THEM (6) EX-TRA GOLD NUGGETS, before the BIG, Christmas NUGGET gets drawn for. So every body get out there and get those tickets moving!! Lets see that drum can get the whole club into overflow..... I am thinking of picking up a few extra ...... Your Editor

#### **Defying**

I was never so disappointed as when I went up to our leased 5 acres. I had asked everyone not to camp on them, because we aren't in compliance with Mojave County ordinances. fam very dissappointed in some of our members, because they were camped there anyways. You know who you are?! Mojave County prohibits staying overnite on the property w/o a septic and a permit. So why do we defy? To see how far we can go before we get caught?.. But with Ithat kind of thinking... we trouble, and ruin it for everyone else. Or is it because they see someone else doing it so they feel safe? I hope that everyone in our club knows that right now

we cannot camp on the leased 5 acres or the new 20 acres until we can get legalized or decide what to do? Please! Camp on the BLM CLAIMS, Next to them, Thank You Sandy Burton President.

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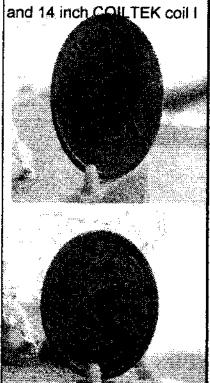
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Hi there,
Greetings from the north
(Canada), just thought I'd send
you a picture of the dime I
found out in the far southeast
corner of the Parumph claim
when I was out there in February. As well I don't know who
to mention it to, but on my
newsletter (highgrader) they
spelled my wives name wrong
(Sherila, wrong) it should be
Sherra> Thanks and Happy
Hunting.

Stefan (SORGARD)



THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS ON THE 3RD OF JULY

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!



Summer Prospecting - Extreme Heat Survival Tactics © 2002 G.M. Lousignont, Ph.D.

by G.M. "DOC" Lousignont, Ph.D., Profile Prospecting Supply

Not wishing to think I am anything less than a manly man, who loves to be in the great outdoors, regardless of the weather or temperature, and sweat manly sweat, and develop manly smells emanating from my armpits that make cacti within a 100 yard radius die, I struck out into the desert this past Thursday June 6th, in 111 degree heat! ARGHH Me HARDIES! Well, there is a benefit to hunting in this kind of heat. it slows you down so much that you actually may find a nugget. I only found one nugget but I don't think I would have found it if I was going at my normal rate. The nuggie was under a big flat rock measuring about 10 inches by 20 inches by 3 inches thick. You could not hear the nugster through the rock, but you could barely hear it at the edge of the rock. Armed with by trusty Minelab GP Extreme,

stood there for what seemed like 10 minutes rubbing my coil back and forth against the edge of that rock in a heat induced stupor. I was trying to decide whether it was a target. All of a sudden, after a gulp of water, I had this brilliant idea! MOVE THE DAMN ROCK! You see all the expensive equipment in the world is no substitute for using your head! As soon as I moved the

rock and was able to put the coil over the target I got a nice clear crisp signal. Six to seven inches, two fist sized rocks, twenty minutes, a gallon of sweat and 27 dead cactus later, I popped out this nice little 1.2 pennyweight nuggamoola. I just knelt there on the ground looking at that pretty little gold nugget laying on top of the pile of dirt glistening in all of its glory in the hot desert sun. My mind

hot desert sun. My mind raced as I realized that since the beginning of time when God and Mother Nature collaborated to create and deposit this anomaly of geological formations, I was the first person to ever lay eyes on this "tear from the sun." If that doesn't give you a special feeling and make you feel more connected to life, then you just don't get what this prospecting thing is all about.

I tried to pick the nugget up,

but in my depleted condition

I was too weak to lift it. I would have never recovered it if not for the fact that I passed out and fell face first into the pile of dirt and the nugget lodged between the gap in my front teeth. All kidding aside, this heat is not for the weak of heart, or body, or spirit! If you are not in good physical condition then don't attempt to hunt in these extreme conditions. I hunt all year round and have always hunted the whole summer. The hottest temperatures I hunted in last year was 117. After nine hours in the sun I was able to stand my shirt in a corner; it was so stiff from all the salt deposited on it from sweat.

A couple of recommendations.

In this kind of heat allow yourself a gallon and a half of water for the day with a 2 gallon emergency backup in skin cancer! Fortunately the your truck. You may need this extra water to pour on yourself in case of heat related illness. I carry a 5 gal-Ion Hinckley & Schmitt type water jug in case of being stranded. I always carry enough canned goods to see me through a week. I carry a GPS with me at all times, and I have one of the Itime. old type lunch box looking 5 watt cell phones. I have to pay \$29.95 extra a month to Oh I know it's not macho to have this cell phone because naturally it has a different phone number than

my little portable phone. however, I can get a good reliable cell signal anywhere I hunt. A dollar a day is worth the protection of being in touch with the outside world in case of an emergency.

Get yourself some light tan colored long sleeve lightweight cotton t-shirts! Yes long sleeves! They are not uncomfortable and keeping the sun off of your arms protects you from skin cancer and actually keeps you cooler. Wear sunscreen! Wear sunscreen! Wear sunscreen! Oh, and another thing, did I mention that you should WEAR SUN-SCREEN!

I have had 15 skin cancer lesions removed from my face, arms, shoulders, chest. All as a result of sun damaged I got as a child. Don't screw around with cancers I had were all basal cell carcinomas which are very slow growing and are easily removed, completely. However, I know other nugget hunters that have had melanomas removed! Mela- II bought a Platypus 2 liter nomas are the deadliest kind of skin cancer; very often fatal if not caught in

Which brings me to my next point, always wear gloves! wear gloves! Who gives a rat's patoot! The melanoma that my Aussie friend had

removed was on his hand! In addition to gloves protecting your hand from the sun there are other good reasons.

#1. Dry desert dirt has a very drying effect on your hands. You will soon have all the moisture sucked out of your hands and they will crack and bleed and be very painful. No one will want to hold hands with you at the movies.

#2. Gloves protect your hands from abrasions when moving rocks. They protect against blisters when wielding a pick.

#3. They protect your hands when you pick up dirt as you never know what's in the dirt. Hoss Blackman while in Australia, picked up a handful of dirt and got bitten by a white centipede. Not deadly, but very painful. Get yourself cabretta leather roping gloves. This is the same leather they make golf gloves out of and they are very supple, thin and soft. You will not even know you are wearing gloves!

water bladder with the tubing and bite valve. Get one, and use it, you must stay hydrated.

Forget the fancy dancy ones that come in a backpack, they are a pain in the rear. Just get the bladder and then fashion your own holder. I used neoprene

with a fabric on one side that is like the loop side of velcro. I then sewed a piece of fabric onto it making a long horizontal pocket, and sewed a piece of hook velcro on the one end. I put the bladder in the pocket and wrap this around my lower back like a belt, above my battery pack. I secure it in front with the velcro tab that sticks to the material on the neoprene.

Now here's a trick. The night before you go out, throw that bladder in the freezer. When you get out to the field, strap that baby on with that solid piece of ice in the middle of your back smack dab over your kidneys. As you hunt the ice melts and provides an icy refreshing drink as the remaining ice helps to keep you cooled down.

as you can do it safely, but it's about having fun too. Well you are more likely to find gold and have fun if y are operating at your peak and your body cannot do that without proper hydration. Don't argue, I have a wife and children for that! Get a hydration bladder at use it!

Another important factor when working in extreme

I can't overemphasize how important it is to use one of these hydration bladders as opposed to a canteen. With a canteen you have to stop, get your canteen, use both hands to open it, take a drink and then resume your hunting. Net result? You don't drink as much or as often as you should because it is too inconvenient. In extreme heat you should be hydrating no less than every 10 minutes. With a hydration bladder this is a no brainer. The sipper bite valve on the end of the tubing has a small clamp that

allows you to attach it close to your mouth. I clamp it to my suspenders, and the bite valve sits to the right of my mouth. If I need a drink I turn my head slightly, grab the bite valve in my mouth, gently depress the valve with my teeth and drink till by heart's content. I never have to stop, or miss a swing.

Now it's all about finding gold right? Well yes, as long as you can do it safely, but it's about having fun too.
Well you are more likely to find gold and have fun if you are operating at your peak, and your body cannot do that without proper hydration. Don't argue, I have a wife and children for that!
Get a hydration bladder and use it!

the Sodium level falls off. It is better to carry along some salty type foods. Pret zels, corn chips, Wheat Thins, or similar snacks will help you keep your sodium levels up and also provide carbohydrates for energy. The spectrum of symptoms can range from mild to severe and can include nausea, muscle cramps, disorientation, sturred speech.

Another important factor when working in extreme heat is Hyponatremia. No that's not being put into a trance where your subconscious mind is programmed to find gold; that's hypnosis! Hey, I wonder if being hypnotized would improve my gold finding abilities? Anything for science! Hyponatremia is a condition suffered when the body gets low on sodium. When you are drinking a lot of water, and profusely sweating the sodium level in your blood stream becomes severely diluted. It is recommended that you ingest one gram of sodium per hour.

Now as soon as someone says sodium, someone always thinks of salt! Salt is Sodium Chloride. In order to get one gram of Sodium you would need to ingest 2.5 grams of salt. That will yield 1 gram of Sodium and 1.5 grams of Chloride. You can take salt tablets, however they give the body a jolt of Sodium and then the Sodium level falls off. It is better to carry along some salty type foods. Pretzels, corn chips, Wheat Thins, or similar snacks will levels up and also provide carbohydrates for energy. The spectrum of symptoms can range from mild to severe and can include nausea, muscle cramps, disorientation, sturred speech. confusion, and inappropriate behavior. As it progresses, victims may experience seizures or coma, and death can occur. Severe hyponatremia is a true medical emergency. (http:// www.rice.edu/~jenky/sports/ salt.html) Wear a hat with a piece of

Wear a hat with a piece of clothe to cover your neck. You can either get a Protector Detector hat like I have available, or take a baseball hat and sew a piece of fabric into it. Sew the fabric all the way around so it covers your ears as well. Use a jersey type material. Jersey is soft and absorbent. Put your headphones on over

the material. In this way perspiration from your ears, under hot headphones, is absorbed and wicked outside to evaporate. Your ears stay dry and cool. If you are out of shape then don't venture too far from your car. There are three conditions that can occur in this kind of heat. One is heat cramps. This is not life threatening. The next is heat exhaustion which is serious. The other, which is II have suffered from both very serious is heat stroke! If you do not know the difference, all the symptoms, or the treatment, you can get detailed information by looking it up on the internet. Briefly, heat cramps are caused by muscle contractions in both the gastronomies or hamstring area (back of calves). Water, cool air and rest is the treatment. Heat exhaustion

The symptoms of heat exhaustion can range from mild to severe and can include nausea, muscle cramps, disorientation, slurred speech, confusion, elevated body temperature. and inappropriate behavior. (That's what my wife calls my love of gold prospecting; inappropriate behavior!) As it progresses, victims may experience seizures or coma, and death can occur. Get yourself somewhere cool and shady. Increase your intakes of liquids, and

replace electrolytes with things like sports drinks. Place cool rags on your body or soak your clothes with your emergency water supply. If body temperature remains elevated even after treatment, it's best to consult your doctor. Heat stroke is a medical emergency and the person exhibiting symptoms should be immediately evacuated for medical attention. heat exhaustion and heat stroke prior to learning how to survive desert heat. The two primary indications of heat stroke are a red flushed face and that you stop sweating. You will usually become disoriented and not be thinking clearly. If you stop sweating you are in trouble and in the throws of heat stroke, which can be fatal. You must treat yourself immediately, and follow up with medical attention as soon as possible. If you get over heated, head for your car, start it up, pour water on your clothes and turn the air conditioner on. Start hydrating yourself like crazy. I like to keep sports drinks in the cooler of my car for just such an emergency. Call it guits for the day. If you feel you may be suffering from heat stroke call for help. Remember a

body temperature ap-

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13pulse, seizures, unconsciousness, coma and death! If towards mid day you start to get a headache that is a sure sign that you have not had enough to drink, and you are getting dehydrated. Make sure you carry food with you. Whether or not you have lunch back at the car in a cooler, ALWAYS, sun or snow, take along a couple of granola bars in case you need energy. That's all I can type for now as my two fingers are tired. I'm sure you can all think of some additional helpful hints for keeping cool, while acting a fool, trying to find the golden iewell If you happen to run across my dry rotting sun bleached bones in the desert someday, pour a little water on me in memory. You can have my metal detector but keep your hands off my gold! Remember, Be Careful Out There! DOC Be Careful Out There! God Bless America! G.M. "DOC" Lousignont, Ph.D. 3740 S. Royal Crest St. Las Vegas, NV 89119 For my voice mail and sometimes me: 3211 ext. 11 Local 1-709 300 000 ext. 11 Fax 1-\_\_ -1572 Nancy, my assistant: 1-800 ext 14.

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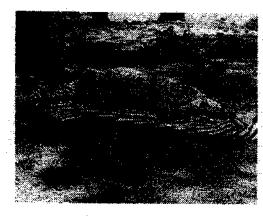
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Thanks to Jim for taking these photos and making them available for all to enjoy.

# A PAGE FOR THE PROSPECTORS AND HISTORY BUFFS AMONGST US.

**Dredgings by Cathcart** 

A Few Placer areas to Inspect.:

Eighteen miles Southeast of Topock, in the southwest part of the county, look in the foothills of the Chemehuevis or Mohave mountains, the Chemehuevis placers can be located; At the southwest foot of the mountains, in and around Red Hills, the Mexican or Spanish diggings were the most productive placer gold diagings in the area.; In the Printer's and Dutch gulches on the northeast side of the mountain, there are also rich placers. In the southeast part of the Mohave Mts., area placer and lode gold mines are also good hunting.along the Colorado River downstream from the mouth of the Grand Canyon in all river bars are placer gold areas.: In all the bars and benches which are elevated, especialy now, while river is down, look for those in the tribtarys. streams. About 2-1/2 miles north of Pyramid Rock, the river benches containplacer aold.

For History Buffs looking for old locations.

Acoma - RR siding in Clover Valley, 23 miles No. East of Caliente, NV. Had P.O. April 29, 1905 to Dec. 16, 1907 & again Jan. 10th, 1910 - Nov. 11, 1913.

Aquas Escarlada - early name of Stump Springs.

Antelope Canyon - draining into Meadow Valley Wash from the West, just above Caliente. An old road ran thru canyon from Caliente to Hiko, Alamo, Delamar, and points west. Has been called "Dead Man's Canyon". A quarry for railroad track ballast, is said to run \$2.00 a ton in gold.

Arden Post Office established July 24, 1907 (was site of Arden Plaster Co. Mill). Arden Plaster Co. mined Gypsum during 1909 - 1919. Blue Diamond opened 1924.

Arrow Canyon - Probably the "water Canyon" of Lt. Wheeler expedition - map of 1871.

Arrowhead - RR Spur just

Dredgings by Cathcart |east of Glendale Bulk Oil Plant. Formerly the spur for White Star Plaster Co.

> Hoyt's Camp - Construction Camp above Moapa during reconstructing of railroad after 1910 Flood.

Hoover City - The colloquial name for a tent town which existed at Las Vegas during early year of Depression. It was located on East side of 5th Street (L.V. Blvd.) between Woodlawn Cemetary and North Las Vegas...

Fortorn Hope Spring - A spring in T25S. R64E in Eldorado Mts. South of Boulder City, about 6 - 8 miles North of Eldorado Canyon on old road to Caliville. There was formerly an Indian Camp there and some white men also had a camp & Blacksmith Shop.

Fort Colorado - a name shown on Gibbes 1873 map. It was about 20 miles from Ft. Mohave, on road to Callville.

Fort Mohave - Established by 6th Infantry, April 1859, as Camp Colorado, but renamed Ft Mohave & abandoned May 1861, reoccupied 1863 and converted to Indian School 1890. Nu-

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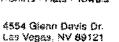
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#### A PAGE FROM THE PAST!!

This is the front page of the first newsletter published by our club. It was submitted by one of our charter members Donna Baier. Do you recognize any names?

"SOUTHERN NEVADA SOLD SEARCREES Pd 15 = membership due - at the third menony placenda, Lee light Ist. 19, 1983 Alas 19 These are our temporary officers. Hominations for the 1983 year will be at the Pebruary meeting. Tressurer..... Gricket Walters 6495340 Hembership Committee ..... Btts Mac Watson 873-3551 Ways and Means Chairperson.Ann Moore 645-0652 Nomemeting Chairperson.... Berbers Casey 4546130 Program Director ....... Johns Walters RECTES FOR A GOOD CLUB Take one good prospector. Add 200 interested prospectors, Then mix together: One pan of anthusiasm M cup of research i cup of planning A dash of confidence A pinch of charm I tablespoon of poise Season with interest Mix everything with care and thought. Bake in an oven of sincerity. When completely finished, serve to the public in a smiling manner. "Measure long life not by longevity, but by the days lived" OLD RES

As you can see, we have come a long way but the objectives are still the same. The editor welcomes any historical information you may have to share with our members. Does anyone have a copy of the newsletter where the name was changed to the GSSN?

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It is not easy starting a club, not knowing if you can get enough people just to pay for the room. There are expenses that we must all share. That is where you come in, when entering there is a little bowl where you can drop a few coins or nuggets to help with the cost. There is also membership fees, printing of this letter and postage, and on and on.

A club must have by-laws or a code of conduct to guide its membership. The officers we have serving the club have volunteered to help get this club going in the right direction. I have not seen too many so far volunteering their help, so lets not run down anybody or our volunteer officers. There doing a dam GOOD job.

Speak your mind, but mind your speech, long sermons make short congregations.

MESTING MEETING MEETING MEETING MEETING MEETING Next meeting.....January 5, 1983

Place..... Travel Lodge, 1-15 and Tropicana Sundowner Room.

Events..... Passing of by-laws.

Mike Albor will bring a gold separater,
Dry Washer and prespecting acc.

plus a rocker box and a short talk.

AND....Melvin Drassler will talk about his

up coming treasure book; World Wide

Treasures Book 1 and give a slide show
of dredging with a 12 inch dredge, which
is sure to set you packing to the nearest
river for your share of gold nuggets.

"Bend over backwards in everything you do, and you will always walk straight". Old BEN

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#### POSTMASTER: TIME RELATED MATERIAL - PLEASE RUSH

Hello, Everyone... As usual This is a newsletter for everyone and from a lot of folks Idians 1863 - 1890. In in and around the club. So everyone enjoy and try to excuse the mistakes, as myself and the rest of the staff are still learning our way around, and unless the author of an article specifically requests it we don't try to "fix" them up.

Next month's newsletter will be very short as the staff will be involved in going on the "Idaho" Trip ads and stories will be the 10th of the month. Again We hope you all enjoy and may your pans shine gold! **NEXT MEETING IS** JULY 3RD ! SEE YOU!!

(Continued from page 16) merous skirmishes with In-1918 - 1919, school merged ente. with Colorado River Agency at Parker and remained active till 1935. Now privately owned land.

Cedar District (Delamar)-Mining District shown on Wheeler Map at about same location of present day Delamar District. It was on West side of Bennett Spring Mtn. (Chief Mtn.) as also so the cutoff date for all lit may have been in vicinity of the Chief District.

> Cliff Spring A spring and Stage Station on the old Delamar Road, about 2 miles No. of Oak Spring Summit. (Delamar Summit) common name for Oak

Spring Summit, where U. S.93 crosses the Meadow Valley range, West of Cali-

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