Highgrader newsletter Tuesday, July 05, 2011

Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada



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OUTTINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The July OUTING is being planned. We will be going to the McCaw School of Mines. The date will be determined at the July meeting with announcements to follow. Please come to the meeting, participate in the outing adventure.

HAPPY 4th of JULY.

We hope everyone had a safe and fun Independence Day celebration.

GSSN NOTICE

Next Meeting

July 6, 2011

6:30 PM

425 East Van Wagenen Henderson NV 89002

www.goldsearcher.com



Raffle Winners

50/50 \$ 45.00 Jim, Hansen Door Prize \$16.00 Bill Fetty



RAFFLE PRIZE LIST	
	3614
1. Knee Pads	Mel Auten
2. Shovel	John Roberts
3. Umbrella	Janet Schelling
4. Chair	Frank Calhoun
5. Book	Cherie Sears
6. Hammer/pick	Chuck Prohaska
7. Arctic tie/fire starter	Roberta Redd
8. Black Pan/ scoop/vials	John Roberts
9.Led Deco Jar	Al Kraus
10. Flashlight	Tom Gonzales
11. Serving tray	Ivan Ishihara
12. Green Bag	

13. Large green pan	
14. Shovel	Doug Parker
15. Water Pan	Tom Gonzales
16. Bucket	Jerry Lucas
17. Microscope	P. Harding
18. Loupe	Morris Seguin
19. Trowel	Morris Seguin
20. Map tube	Rick Young
21. Walking stick	Jim Hanson

Minutes from the June 1, 2011 Meeting

The GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV on Wednesday, June 1, 2011. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM & led in pledging allegiance to the flag. He reminded everyone to turn off their cell phones & asked if there were any visitors. 7 people introduced themselves--& 61 people signed in. Dara then gave the Treasurer's Report, following which Fred Zajac made a motion to accept the report as given & Morris Seguin seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous. Next Ian asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the April 6th meeting. Fred made such motion & Morris seconded -- the motion was unanimously approved. Then Fred made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 4th meeting which Morris seconded. Approval again was unanimous.

Ian then asked if anyone had gone to the Gold Point outing & several members indicated they had and that they enjoyed themselves. Next Ian talked about the Public Lands fort the People Inc. organization and asked how we felt about getting an annual group membership (cost \$100). Rick Young made a motion that we become members of PLP and Roberta Redd seconded the motion. After a brief discussion the vote was unanimously in favor of the motion and it was so carried.

Next Ian brought up the Badge Committee (chaired by Jake Jakl who was not present). He described some options (e.g., stickers, decals, badges, lanyards, etc.) and did an impromptu straw poll by show of hands. 21 members favored stickers and 30 favored badges. Ian will provide this info to Jake for further action. Ian then brought up the possibility of a GSSN outing at the McCaw School of Mines. (Fred talked about this.) We will get further info as details and plans are arranged. After a short break, a member of the group thanked all those who contributed pull-tabs, bottle caps, etc. in regards to a recycling project and encouraged more donations. Next Ian spoke briefly on a housekeeping correction of a by-law ammendment and asked the group about our official policy regarding holes. After a brief discussion everyone agreed unanimously (by show of hands) on: "dig a hole/fill a hole" -- he then mentioned the possibility of a future outing involving some reclamation efforts and will research this further. George Niederriter then spoke about the May outing and thanked all who helped to make it so successful. Finally Ian cautioned all to beware of snakes, especially mohave greens, who are dangerous to animals (such as dogs) as well as people.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM and the meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee, Secretary (June 2, 2011)

Send us your prospecting pictures to be entered in the newsletter.

This months picture submission was sent in By Randy and Nancy Huffine

See their pictures of prospecting with their Grandson Caden.

Please email your pictures to Ian via The GSSN website at www.goldsearcher.com

Classified Ads

The Gold searchers of Southern Nevada, Inc. is selling T-Shirts.. If you would like a T-Shirt, please contact Al Kraus, head of Merchandise. We have sizes small to XXL. The club is also looking into purchasing more sizes, if you need a size we do not have let us know and we will put it on the order sheet. A new order of shirts are in, and we have lots of white and grey. Check with Al for your Size.

If you are a current member of the Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada, Inc. and would like to place an ad in the newsletter for 6 months it is free of charge. For non members, the fee for 6 months is \$20.00.

Send a photo if you want that included.

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FINANCIALS FOR APRIL 2011 and Message from the President

GOLD SEARCHERS OF SOUTHERN NEVADA

Financial Statement for the month of May

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Balance Forwarded From March 2011				
	\$11,467.19			
Bank Interest & Adj.	\$ 1.49			
Total Income:	\$11,468.68			
Membership New19 Renew 5	\$ 1,005.00			
Raffle	\$ 203.00			
Regular \$173.00 50/50 \$ 30.00				
T-Shirts	\$ 188.00			
Total Income	\$ 1,396.00			
Expenses:				
Rent	\$ 88.00			
Raffle	\$ 134.69			
T-Shirts	\$			
Outing	\$ 115.90			
Membership/Office	\$ <u>292.84</u> \$ 631.43			
Total Expenses	\$ 631.43			
Balance & Interest	\$11,468.68			
Income	1396.00			
Total	\$12,864.68			
Less Expenses -	\$ 631.43			
Balance	\$12,233.25			

# Hi Everyone,

At our last meeting we had another discussion on filling our holes after we are finished with them. There were some differing opinions on what to do with a hole when you are done. One of the concerns is, "what if you are going to come back soon?" Lately, the procedure has been to put a bucket in the hole with your name on it. This would hopefully deter someone else from working in your hole, and also to keep someone from filling it up. This method has worked, but the general consensus is the grounds out on the claims looks a lot like the surface of the moon. One of the suggestions for cleaning up your area, but at the same time not filling up the hole with material and undoing all of your hard work came from Morris. He said what he does is put some large rocks in the bottom of the hole, put down a tarp, and then put his tailings on the tarp. This covers up the hole, and makes it easy to recover your hole. All you have to do is pull back the tarp and remove the rocks at the bottom. At the end of our discussion, the group decided that the best method of leaving a hole is to either camouflage it like Morris does, or fill it up. For those that want to leave a named bucket in a hole this method is still acceptable, but members that come along and want to fill the hole will be permitted to do so in an effort to continue to fill holes on the claims and leaving the areas better than when we arrived.

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Ruins at the Sylvania Mine near Lida Nevada June 2011

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# PHOTO'S BY RANDY AND NANCY HUFFINE PROSPECTING SECTION 28, RANDY HUFFINE AND GRANDSON CADEN, JUNE 24TH. THEY FOUND GOLD ON 6YR OLD CADEN'S FIRST PROSPECTING TRIP BEFORE THE HEAT SET IN





Gold Point, Memorial Day weekend 2011

























Fun with the Nye Gold Seekers at Gold Point, Nevada Memorial Weekend

Application To : Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada, Inc.
P.O. Box 96732
Las Vegas NV, 89193 – 6732
Supporting Website:
www.goldsearcher.com

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	HOLD HARMLE	CSS 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 <b>HOLD HARMLESS</b> 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.							
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I/we will volu	nteer to assist in the areas che	ecked. Please check at least of	one area.				
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