

Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada



Highgrader

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OUTTINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hi all,
 The outing season is upon us again. Our first outing will be a the Pahrump claim. Please keep in mind that snake season is still in full swing. Don't forget to fill your holes when you leave your area. I have had a few inquiries regarding camping on the claims. On our claims that are BLM land, you are allowed to camp in one spot for 14 days in a 28 day cycle. At the end of 14 days, you need to move your camp site 25 miles from the original sit. Also, even though it is starting to cool off, you can still get dehydrated. Please be sure to drink plenty of water. Coffee and soda will not keep you hydrated Lets have a great prospecting season. The outing for September will be at the Pahrump claim the weekend of the 29th and 30th. Come on out and join us for the outing. See you there.

**GSSN
NOTICE**

Next Meeting
October 3, 2012
6:30 PM
 425 East Van Wagenen
 Henderson NV 89002
www.goldsearcher.com

We want to send a huge thank you to Doc from 'Docs Detectors' for the fabulous presentation at the August meeting. And a giant thank you for the contributions you made to the raffle table.

MINUTES FOR May, June, August, September

MAY 2012

The GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 6:30 PM. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order and led in pledging allegiance to the flag. He welcomed all (87 signed in & there were 14 visitors). Dara gave the Treasurer's Report after which Morris made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read; Pam Goulder seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor and it was approved. Ian briefly commented on the last outing and said that the next outing would be May 19 & 20th at Section 34 claim. There will be a pot luck on Saturday and brunch on Sunday. Next the South Point Gold Show was discussed -- all favorable comments. Ian suggested that mid-June might be a good time to go to the Taylor Mine as our monthly outing. It is in the Dolan Springs area. He'll get back to the club before mid June regarding planning and further information as it evolves. It was announced that the K&T puffers are both available for check-out. George N. said he'd have info available about maps and claims on his website for those interested. Just contact him. Ian then announced that thanks to the efforts of many (especially John Anderson who filed papers in Kingman AZ relative to our not-for-profit status regarding property taxes on Mohave claims) we are now officially a tax exempt organization in Mohave County, Arizona. John Bronstein then showed the group his circa-1959/1960 Geiger counter and demonstrated how it picks up radioactivity. After a short break Ian commented on things some people suggested be added to an emergency kit. He then passed around some core samples and said that next fall; a geologist will give a presentation at a GSSN meeting regarding this topic. He mentioned that the Hang Tag ID Committee is still working on that project and will be reporting back to us in the near future. Emily Camp LLC was briefly mentioned by a member and there were a few comments from those familiar with it. There being no further new or old business, the raffles were held next. (See details below.) Ian thanked the many people* who contributed items for the raffle. Their generosity is much appreciated. (See * below.)

At 8:00 PM Morris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pam Goulder seconded the motion and the meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee,

Secretary

May 18, 2012

The 50/50 of \$72 was won by Richard Harding. Dolores Gee won the \$18 door prize. Other winners were:

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| 1. Black shovel scoop...Chris Marshall | 17. Leather pouch...Richard Kettner |
| 2. Axe Hammer...John Anderson | 18. Bucket organizer...Frank Calhoun |
| 3. Shirt...Richard Kettner | 19. Long scoop...Rick Young |
| 4. Hat...Rick Young | 20. Bacon maker...Morris Seguin |
| 5. Walking stick...Ray Darby | 21. Salsa set...Rose Marteeny |
| 6. Orange Chisel...Candy Nootens | 22. Bucket organizer...Rudy Ricardo |
| 7. Map Tube...Doug Parker | 23. Magnet...Maria Boyce |
| 8. Bag of gold...Janet Schelling | 24. Bottles/funnels...Melissa Sandulak |
| 9. Tags/snifter/funnel...Rudy Ricardo | 25. Shovel...Jim Marteeny |
| 10. Bucket lid... John Bronstein | 26. Magnet...Clint Cates |
| 11. Rare earth magnet...Richard Harding | 27. Wine set...Lloyd Steele |
| 12. Buckle...Dolores Gee | 28. Book...Clint Cates |
| 13. Holder/snifter...Janet Schelling | 29. Bucket lid...John Bronstein |
| 14. Tri-fold Shovel...Virginia Darby | 30. T-shirt...John Anderson |
| 15. Hammer...Richard Kettner | 31. Emergency light...Larry Shoemaker |
| 16. Magnet...Ed Dominguez | |

- contributors: Jake Jakl, George Niederriter, Doug & Susie Parker, Rick/Desert Outfitters, Al Kraus, Roy Michaels, Richard Gonzales

JUNE 2012 The GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV on Wednesday, June 6, 2012. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM & led in pledging allegiance to the flag. He welcomed all -- there were 6 visitors and 40 people signed in. Dara gave the Treasurer's Report. Fred Zajac made a motion to approve the report as read & Dennis seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor and it was approved. Next Ian asked about the previous month's minutes as published in the HighGrader and Mark made a motion to approve them; Jim seconded the motion and they were approved by unanimous vote.

Dennis Johnson then commented on the June 16 -17 outing to Taylor Mountain. He said he'd contacted the owners and the event was all set. Visitors were asked to make a voluntary contribution of \$5 or \$10 and a sign-up sheet was provided. The Taylor Mt. venue features a mining museum, stamp mill, cave, shaker table, diamond slab cutter etc. After spending the day at Taylor Mt. the GSSN group would proceed to the 28 Claim to camp overnight. Attendees (who would meet Dennis at the Ace Hardware in Dolan Springs at 9AM) were asked to bring a pot luck lunch for Saturday and whatever would be needed for Sunday (desert appropriate clothing, lots of water, chairs, etc.). The GSSN has various items of mining equipment available to be checked out. Those interested can contact Ian. In regard to the subject of Outings, Ian asked for volunteers to help with hauling equipment to and from each venue.

Next John Anderson spoke briefly on possible increases in claim costs. He will keep us advised about this. Ian then thanked Patty Green for donating Daniel's mining equipment to GSSN. He also mentioned that about a month ago Jake Jakl had mining equipment stolen from his home and asked that everyone keep their eyes open and if anyone sees anything suspicious to contact Jake. He suggested everyone put a personal mark on their tools and equipment for identification purposes. After a short break Ian spoke about an interesting book on Jack Longstreet who prospected at Gold Basin, the Johnnie in Pahrump, and other placer claims with which we're familiar. Anyone who'd like to read the book can contact Ian. In regard to the July meeting, members would be notified about a date. There being no further New or Old Business, the raffles were held next. Ian thanked all who contributed items to be raffled off. (See following list.)

At 8:05PM Fred made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mother. The meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee, Secretary

June Continued;

The 50/50 of \$40 was won by Dolores Gee. The door prize of \$8.75 was won by Chuck Wherry.

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| 1. Fire starter/key chain...Richard Harding | 15. Justincase...Phillis Harding |
| 2. Gold magnet...John Anderson | 16. Black pan/vials/tags...John Anderson |
| 3. Laser flashlight...Chuck Wherry | 17. Lg. Blue Classifier...John Bronstein |
| 4. Small classifier/show vials...Janet Schelling | 18. Wine set...Janet Schelling |
| 5. Task force tools...Richard Gonzalez | 19. Wash bin...Alphonso Monterio |
| 6. Walking stick...Mark Hedges | 20. Bucket organizer...Ron Huff |
| 7. Magnetic pick-up tool...Jim Hensen | 21. Black bag...Jim Hensen |
| 8. Hand shovel/hole tags...Ron Huff | 22. Blue bag...Frank Calhoun |
| 9. Green scoop/gold bag...Chuck Wherry | 23. Coffee mugs...Alphonso Monterio |
| 10. Green scoop/gold bag...Mark Hedges | 24. Spice holders...Carrie O'Shea |
| 11. Rock chisel...Chris Marshall | 25. Emergency hammer...Phillis Harding |
| 12. Blue pan/vials...John Anderson | 26. Screwdriver...Richard Gonzalez |
| 13. Locking tools...Carole ThomaS | |
| 14. Bucket cover...Ron | |

AUGUST 2012

The GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV on Wed., Aug. 1, 2012. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM & led in pledging allegiance to the flag. He welcomed all (including two new members) - There were 6 guests and 65 signed in. Dara then gave the Treasurer's Report. Morris made a motion to accept the Report as presented, which was seconded by Rick. The vote was unanimously in favor & the motion carried. The next outing was discussed - TBA. Next Doc Lousignont gave an interesting presentation on Prospecting in general and How to Find Virgin Gold in particular. It was followed by a Q & A. There being no further new or old business, the raffles were held. Ian thanked those contributing items for the raffle. (See list below.)

Dolores Gee

Secretary

Aug. 2, 2012

The 50/50 of \$52 was won by Dolores Gee. Jerry Lucas won the 15 door prize.

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| 1. Walking stick...Susie Parker | 14. Lg. black panning Pan...Mike Westover |
| 2. Map tube...Merwick Black | 15. Green shovel...John Anderson |
| 3. Blue pan/black bag...Merwick Black | 16. Steamers... (unknown) |
| 4. Blue classifier/bag...Victor Gamboa | 17. Harness...Ed Dominguez |
| 5. Drywasher cloth...John Anderson | 18. Blanket w/logo...Pam Goulder |
| 6. Shirt/flashlight...Bob Bair | 19. Magnet pick-up tool...Chris Gallien |
| 7. Classifier/snifter bottle...Susie Parker | 20. Hat...Pat Moore |
| 8. Emergency hammer...Dolores Gee | 21. GSSN t-shirt...Frank Calhoun |
| 9. Scooper shovel/magnifier...Kit Dominguez | 22. Wire cutter...Frank Calhoun |
| 10. Pouch...Janet Schilling | 23. Loupe...Rudy Lehr |
| 11. scoop/magnet/snifter...Chris Marshall | 24. Lg. black panning Pan...Mike Westover |
| 12. Claybegone/stacked holders...Victor Gamboa | |
| 13. Group gifts...John Bronstein | |

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

Balance forwarded & Interest	\$ 19,201.12
Income:	
Membership	\$ 1,050.00
Raffle	\$ 316.00
Merchandise	\$ 33.00
Total Income	<u>\$ 1,399.00</u>
Balance	\$ 20,600.12
Expenses:	
Rent	\$ 125.00
Outings	\$ 113.21
Raffle	\$
Taxes	\$
Office/Membership	\$ 26.95
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 265.16</u>
Balance: Income less expense	\$ 20,334.96

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

Balance forwarded & Interest	\$20,283.31
Income:	
Membership	\$ 525.00
Raffle	\$
Bank Adjustment	<u>\$</u>
Total Income	<u>\$ 525.00</u>
Balance	\$ 20,808.31
Expenses	
Rent	\$ 75.00
Raffle	\$ 315.51
Club Expense	\$ 59.90
Total Expense	<u>\$ 450.41</u>
Balance: Income less expense	\$ 20,357.90

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

Balance forwarded & Interest	\$20,336.65
Income:	
Membership	\$ 75.00
Raffle	\$ 219.00
Merchandise	\$ 22.00
Total Income	<u>\$ 316.00</u>
Balance	\$20,652.65
Expenses:	
Rent	\$ 125.00
Outings	\$
Raffle	\$
Club Property	\$ 26.00
Office/Membership/legal	\$ 220.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 371.00</u>
Balance: Income less expense	\$20,281.65

**GOLD SEARCHERS OF SOUTHERN
NEVADA**

Financial Statement **August 20, 2012**

Balance forwarded & Interest	\$20,359.61
Income:	
Membership	\$ 600.00
Raffle	\$ 238.00
Merchandise	\$ 11.00
Total Income	<u>\$ 849.00</u>
Balance	\$21,208.61
Expenses	
Rent	\$ 125.00
Raffle	\$ 62.50
Membership expense	\$ 33.60
Total Expense	<u>\$ 221.10</u>
Balance: Income less Expense	\$20,987.51

Taylor Mountain June 2012



The outing at Taylor Mountain in June was a huge success.....

We want to give a special thank you to the Taylor's for their hospitality. Also, a big thank you to Dennis Johnson for organizing the event. They invited us into their home and mine site in June and gave us one of the best outings we have ever had. We will visit Taylor Mountain again this fall. For everyone that didn't join us for the first trip, you will surely want to make every effort to make the second. The Taylor's ran all of the equipment on site including a crusher and tromel that is so big it needs to be loaded with a front end loader. The Taylor's granted us access to the cave house that was built with their own bare hands. They even ran two stamp mills that are both over 100 years old!!! It was a great day with great friends and our new friends the Taylor's. Thank you again to the Taylor family for a great outing and to Dennis for setting up the trip.

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

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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 _____
Card # _____ Card Sent _____ Claims Book Sent _____

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