

Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada



Highgrader

Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada Officers and Standing Committees...

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Membership—Steve Christensen



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Education Committee— Fred Zajac
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OUTTINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Gold Searchers met on April 4, 2011. Many business items, old and new were discussed. The bylaws are approved as written in the last newsletter and go into effect immediately. The Claim sharing issue with the MPA was voted down by an overwhelming majority. The Gold Show at the South Point casino on the 16th and 17th was a huge success. We signed up several new members and sold t-shirts, met several nice people that showed interest in coming to a meeting and joining the club.

GSSN NOTICE

Next Meeting
May 4th, 2011
6:30 PM
 425 East Van Wagenen
 Henderson NV 89002

www.goldsearcher.com



Raffle Winners
50/50 \$59.00 Steve Christensen
Door Prize \$18.50 Jeff Hall

- Raffle Prize list
1. Combination tool kit.....Guy Sears
 2. Tape measures.....Bob Miller
 3. Lg Green Pan gloves/etc.....Troy Summers
 4. Orange paan"/etc.....Bill reeves
 5. Fine Classifier.....Unknown
 6. Walking stick.....Phillis Harding
 7. Utility bag/shovel.....Phillis Harding
 8. Magnet.....John Bronstein
 9. Black pan/vial/etc.....Mary Orzoff
 10. Large green pan and handle.....Fred Zajac
 11. Las Vegas Book.....Jerry Lucas
 12. Cup/magnifier/flashlight.....John Roberts
 - 13 Gold Book.....Janet Schelling

14. Red Handle Shovel.....Tony Calzada
15. Garbage holder.....Guy Sears
16. Green Classifier.....Chuck Wherry
17. Chill and Grill.....Mary Orzoff
18. Flashlight.....Janel Schelling
19. Walking stick.....Morris Sequin
20. Basket.....Morris Sequin
21. Knives 'n more.....Fred Zajac

Minutes from the April 6th, 2011 Meeting

The GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV on Wednesday, April 6, 2011. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and led in pledging allegiance to the flag. Ian opened the meeting welcoming visitors (9) and members (79 signed in) and mentioned that Rick Kasky, who was in attendance, would be selling mdse. Dara proceeded to give the Treasurer's Report & added that Al Krause would be selling t-shirts. Ian asked for a motion to approve the March 2nd meeting minutes, and Frank Calhoun made such motion, which was seconded by Morris Seguin. There was no discussion & all voted unanimously to approve the motion. Deanna Costen addressed the group briefly and presented a handcrafted sign as a thank you from the Las Vegas Chapter of the GPAA. There will be a hunt coming up on May 15th with many great prizes. A lot of people went to the Pahrump outing last weekend but no one indicated they had found any gold. Ian then reminded all of the upcoming Gold Show at South Point (4/16 and 4/17) and asked for volunteers to help out.

Next Bill Durbin made an interesting presentation on "Abandoned Mines...Stay Out and Stay Alive!" part of the State of NV Mine Safety Program which was created in 1987. Bill has headed up this operation for decades and his talk was very well received. Afterwards Roland (a Knights of Columbus volunteer) said they were accepting uncrushed cans and plastic bottles w/caps on (with #1 showing) for which they were paying 3 cents a pound. Jake then said to contact him if anyone was interested in "the Cube" which he sells and a few other items were noted as being available for sale. After a brief break, the meeting resumed.

Under Old Business the agenda item of "Final Version of Amended By-Laws" was brought up. George Neidereitter made a motion to approve the by-laws as amended and published in the March Highgrader and Fred Zajac seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the vote was all in favor with one "nay" vote so the motion was passed. Next under Old Business the agenda item on a sharing agreement with the MPA regarding claims that had previously been tabled was brought up. There was discussion on this subject, with various members expressing their points of view. Policing claims was also brought up. Then Dennis made some comments and addressed the subject of a "Push" at which point Fred made a motion to put this agenda item off until we get more information and credible facts for consideration prior to voting, suggesting a 60-day period. Jake seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor - no one opposed the motion so it was approved. Tom Costen then made a motion to vote right now regarding the claim sharing matter and Bill Sutton seconded the motion. There was much discussion (some "pro" and mostly "con") and the actual vote was 6 in favor of the motion with 55 opposed. The motion was not approved, & we will not have a claim share agreement with the MPA.

Ian then announced that our next outing will be May 1 at the 34 claim (near Meadview). Lunch will be served and a sign-up sheet was provided. Next before the raffle was held, Ian thanked Rick Kasky of Desert Outfitters, Deanna, Mary Orzoff and Lynn Bonds for their donations to the raffle table. (See following list.) The door prize of \$18.50 was won by Jeff Hall and the 50/50 of \$59 was won by Steve Christenson. At 8:50 PM Fred Zajac made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Tommy Costen; the meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee, Secretary, 4/15/11

OUTING INFORMATION

Meadview RV Park Directions

Cross the Hoover Dam on US 93.

After passing the 41 mile marker in Arizona, turn left onto "Pearce Ferry Road". Drive through the town of "Dolan Springs". Make sure to obey the speed limit signs. The County Sheriff is tough on speeding!!!!

Continue to about 1/2 mile past the 34 mile marker. Turn left onto the dirt road (look for the "GSSN" sign).

Our meeting place is a few hundred yards along this road. The Meadview RV Park is on the east (right) side of the paved road as you come to the 34 mile marker.

They have cabins, RV trailer, and tent spaces. And Showers.

Phone 1-928-564-2662 or 1-888-775-2662

Web site: www.rv-park.com

Ask about club discount

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.

GOLD MINER GOLD WHEEL SPIRAL PANNER
12" diameter wheel, water volume from spray bar is adjustable. Easy set up. Stores in a 20" X 15" x 13"

carrying case which is also the water tub. New Pump \$175.00 call Mike Collins @ 702-338-1367

GOLD BUDDY RE-CIRCULATING MINI
HIGHBANKER

Top Classifier box is 7" X 20" X 4"
Sluice is 7" X 24" Water tub and tailings bucket are included. Needs 750 gph pump \$275.00 call mike Collins @702-338-1367

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[Www.desertoutfitters.com](http://www.desertoutfitters.com)

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- Topo and City Maps
- Prospecting and Rockhounding
- Equipment and Supplies

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FINANCIALS FOR APRIL 2011 and Message from the President

**GOLD SEARCHERS OF SOUTHERN
NEVADA**
Financial Statement for the month of
March 2011

Balance Forwarded From February 2011

9243.33

Bank Interest & Adj. \$ 1.68

Total \$9,245.01

Income:

Membership \$1,230.00

New 18 Renew 14

Raffle \$ 305.00

Regular \$255.00

50/50 \$ 50.00

T-Shirts \$ 11.00

Total Income \$1,546.00

Expenses:

Rent \$ 88.00

Raffle \$ 221.27

Membership/Office \$

Total Expenses \$ 309.27

Balance & Interest \$9,245.00

Income 2-2011 \$1,546.00

Total \$10,791.01

Less Expenses - \$ 309.27

Balance \$10,481.74

Hello Everyone,

At our April meeting, it was brought to my attention that some of our members have been trespassing on other clubs claims. The opposite has also been happening. It is being reported that members of other clubs are trespassing on GSSN claims. This is a very disturbing trend. If any of our members are not members of another club, you have no right to be on that other clubs claims. Please stop trespassing. If you are going on other clubs claims and you are not a member, please either stop, or join the club. In most cases, the membership dues for the other clubs in the area are low and affordable. The major issue here is that we are all responsible for the land we use, and should be treating it that way. Trespassing and miss-use of the land will only result in the loss of the land. Please be respectful of our boundaries and other clubs boundaries. If you suspect anyone is trespassing on our claims, please report it to the Board and we will address the issue as soon as possible.

Directions to Pahrump Claim



From the Southern Las Vegas Valley take Blue Diamond Road / NV-160 through Pahrump to approach the claim from the South. From Eastern Henderson & Boulder City, take Windmill Lane exit from I215 W, West on Windmill, which crosses Las Vegas Blvd and I15, continuing as Blue Diamond Road / NV-160. From the Blue Diamond Road exit on I15, it is just under 70 miles on NV-160 to the turn-off (right) onto the gravel road.

From the Northern Las Vegas Valley, Summerlin, etc., travel to the claim using US 95 North, turning, about 8 miles beyond Mercury, left onto NV-160 toward Pahrump. From the Summerlin Parkway exit, it is about 65 miles on US 95 N to the turn onto NV-160, and 10 miles on NV-160 to the turn-off (left) onto the gravel road leading to the claim.



Aerial photo shows Southern route up to Johnnie settlement. Stay on NV-160 another mile and take Northern turnoff, which has a stop sign & cattle guard. The Southern turn-off has a gate. Only the first road branching North into the claim is shown clearly here.

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 _____
Card # _____ Card Sent _____ Claims Book Sent _____

DEDICATED TO THE PURSUIT OF GOLD!