



# HAVASU GOLD SEEKERS

P.O. Box 3281  
Lake Havasu City,  
Arizona 86405

### Web Page:

[www.havasugoldseekers.com](http://www.havasugoldseekers.com)

Base Camp Coordinates  
N 34° 38' 30.6"  
W 114° 10' 14.4"

## MEETING

**September 6, 2016**

Quality Inn  
Havasu Room  
271 S. Lake Havasu Ave.  
Lake Havasu City, AZ



Board Meeting  
6:00 p.m.

Membership Meeting  
7:00 p.m.

# THE PROSPECTOR

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### Presidents Message April 2016

Not a lot to say. End of the digging season is about here. It's starting to get hot! Had a group dig, and managed to avoid the rain on Saturday. (Should say the rain by-passed the group dig).

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out.

Next meeting is May 3<sup>rd</sup>, see you there!

Thanks, Dennis.

## SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

### May

03: May Meeting  
07: Common Dig

### September

06: September Meeting  
10: Common Dig

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## Club Information

Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc. is a non-profit gold seekers club in Lake Havasu City, Arizona with 15 gold bearing claims, covering over 320 acres.

The Club was started in early 1991 when a small group of Lake Havasu City residents got together for the purpose of recreational gold prospecting in the desert near Lake Havasu City, Arizona. The Club started with about 20 men and women and grew slowly until February of 1992 when Captain Dan McCarty and seven other members formed an association and filed four placer claims totaling 640 acres. At the very next club meeting the Club elected officers and adopted by-laws. The newly elected President, Dan McCarty, Vice-President, Denny Craig, and Secretary, Elaine Babb, had the tough job of making things work well for the benefit of all club members. From that point on the Club has grown to almost 300 members. HGS purchased its own land near the claims for Club activities such as family outings, BB's, camping and of course, GOLD PROSPECTING!

From September through May, the Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc. meets in the Havasu Room at Quality Inn & Suites Motel on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The Board Meeting precedes the general meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Yearly individual or family membership dues are \$40 and are due by December 31. Family membership includes family members under 18. The initiation fee for a new membership is \$100. The total cost for new members the first year is \$140 and \$40 thereafter. The dues help us pay for club functions, miscellaneous expenses, and fees on HGS gold claims.

Anyone wishing to join the Havasu Gold Seekers must fill out a Membership Application and a Hold Harmless Agreement. Take your application and agreement to a Club meeting or mail it along with your check to:

Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc.  
P.O. Box 3281  
Lake Havasu City, Az. 86405-3281

The Prospector is published on-line monthly, except for June, July and August. The submission deadline for the next issue is the Saturday after the General Meeting.

## Common Dig Rules

### PLEASE ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES

- No early birds – No buckets filled before start time.
- Do not cut tree roots or cactus, and as always, leave access open to where equipment is classifying for dirt removal.
- MEMBER'S GUEST NOT ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMON DIGS.
- COMMON DIG AREA IS CLOSED AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT FOR THE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY OF THE DIG. The area opens at the scheduled time of the dig on Saturday and closes on Sunday at sunset. COMMON DIG AREA IS CLEARLY MARKED WITH PVC PIPE AND FLAGS.

**PACK IT IN – PACK IT OUT.** - Revised 10-31-15

## Officers, Board Members & Committees - 2015

### OFFICERS

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Ron Marshall	928 715-5150
Bruce Miller	928 727-6548
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### COMMITTEES

Activities: HGS Board Members	
Base Camp Chair: Roy Lohrengal	925 437-5563
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## **Meeting Minutes – April 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Lusby. A roll call of officers was held with all Officers and Board Members present. Following the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag new members and guests were introduced.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as printed in the newsletter. Treasurer Norb Kiesling gave the treasurers report for March and it was accepted as read.

**Activities:** There are no activities scheduled for this month. Norb thanked all those that helped out at the Treasure Hunt & Corned Beef Dinner, Camp Clean-up & Chicken BBQ and Common Dig.

**Claims:** Ron mentioned that the weather forecast was for rain this week but we would try to do a dig if the members wanted one. The vote was unanimous to do a dig. Ron said we would start at 8:00. Ron also reported that he killed a rattlesnake in camp.

**Base Camp:** Roy reported that there are 4 spots available at camp. He also mentioned that the maintenance fees for camp spaces are past due.

**Newsletter:** Send any ads or interesting items to Bruce. If you want the newsletter emailed to you get your email address to Bruce and he will add your name to the mass mailing. He also has nametags for those people that ordered them.

**Membership:** James reported that we now have 238 members. He also reminded people to check the bulletin board on the website for updates.

**New Business:** Dennis asked for a volunteer to build a new bulletin board for camp since the wind ripped the old one down. There was a volunteer to repair the old or build a new one in the same location on the side of the old bathrooms.

Dennis announced that we are planning a swap meet for next year in February on the day of the Spaghetti Feed. Reverend Jim has volunteered to organize the event so contact him for more info. There will be more information available in the newsletter as we get closer to the event.

Dennis reminded everyone that the license tags on all trailers and motor vehicles must be current. If they are not current the County can charge the club for personal property tax.

Dennis announced that Bruce has volunteered to look into pricing for a larger generator for the Fran Lowell Building and also wiring and switch boxes to upgrade the electrical system and also power the water pump. He would have more information and it would be voted on at the next meeting. There was a suggestion from the floor to have the vote at the current meeting since participation at the May meeting is usually fairly light. The motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to go ahead with the update of the electrical system.

Dennis thanked Roger A. for updating First Aid kits for all of the buildings at Camp. Roger has also volunteered to look at all of the Fire Extinguishers at Camp and determine what needs updating and where we need additional extinguishers.

There was a motion from the floor to purchase 4 more of the coin hunter metal detectors for the use at Little Delbert Days. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Dennis reminded everyone that the next meeting is the last one for the season, so bring in your losing tickets from all year for the losers drawing. Make sure you put your name on the back!

The drawing for door prizes was held.

The meeting was adjourned

## Camp News & Activities

The BLM has proposed eliminating the SMALL MINER'S WAIVER for those of us who own ten (10) or fewer mining claims. This could be extremely costly and we are the only ones who can stop this. Here is the wording that I have cut-n-pasted from the BLM's information: "The proposal also increases the annual maintenance fees under the General Mining Law of 1872 and eliminates the fee exemption for miners holding ten or fewer mining claims." So, what we need to do is contact our members of congress and specifically ask that this be removed from the BLM budget. Get everyone you know who wants to save the small mining community to do the same. Explain why you are doing so. Write original letters, send them to your representative's district offices AND to their offices in DC. Call them if you can. This has to be stopped and only we can do it. The more it costs to hang onto our legitimate claims the less they are worth. While most of us cannot operate our claims full time, we should be able to keep them without paying more and more in fees. The small miner's waiver was created to protect the "little guy" and now the BLM is trying to get rid of it so we must protect ourselves and our most powerful weapon is the written and spoken word - directly to our elected officials.

Please check out the web site bulletin board for updates to rules and dates of activities and other club information.

There are 4 spaces available at base camp, and there are also some space maintenance fees not paid yet, please get with Roy or Norb, 2016 space fees were due March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Please make sure the tags on your RV are current, there are some that are not in camp.

There will be a mining equipment swap meet at the Spaghetti Feed in February next year.

### New Members

**Russell & Josephine Wilson, Larry &  
Heather Dunn, Mike & Dian Blair,  
Bruce & Diana Callahan**

## For Sale, Wanted to Buy & Help Needed

Ads placed in the Prospector will run for three months and be removed unless you let me know to run it longer, Thank You, Bruce.

**FOR SALE:** Two Honda 2000i generators, one with 10 hours, one with 80 hours, \$650 each. Rudy, 928 706-5383.

**HELP NEEDED:** If you have any news about gold finds, camp news, pictures, jokes, or anything that you would like to see in this newsletter, please send them to me at: [hgsnewslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:hgsnewslettereditor@gmail.com). All help is appreciated. Thanks. Bruce.



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**Store Hours: Mon - Fri 9am to 4pm ♦ Sat 9am to 2pm**

**Prospecting Supplies Including:**  
Gold Magic / Keene ♦ Dry Washers / Blue Bowls  
**Metal Detectors By:**

 Fisher	 Garrett	 Minelab	 Whites	 Tesoro
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## SPOT GOLD PRICE

April 18, 2016

**\$1230.10**





Here are some photos from the St. Patts Day Dinner & Treasure Hunt







**Here are some photos from the Camp Cleanup and Chicken BBQ**

