### The Prospector



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# MEETING

# February 7, 2017

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. Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc.

January 2017

# THE PROSPECTOR

VOLUME 23, ISSUE 12 January 2017 It's a New Year! The Christmas potluck at Base Camp went well. New Year's Eve Dinner and gift Exchange went very well. Good Food! Lots of Fun with the Gift exchange **Upcoming Events:** Feb 5 **Super Bowl Party** Feb 7 Club Meeting **Common Dig and Swap Meet** Feb 11 Feb 18 Camp Cleanup & Spaghetti Dinner Dennis SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS February 05: Super Bowl Party 07: February Meeting 11: Common Dig 18: Camp Cleanup & Spaghetti Dinner March 07: March Meeting 11: Common Dig WHAT'S INSIDE 02: Club Information; Common Dig Rules; Officers, Board Members & Committees 03: March Meeting Minutes & New Members 04: Camp News & Activities

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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                     |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| President: Dennis Lusby      | 928 706-0758 |
| hgspres@yahoo.com            |              |
| Vice President: Rudy Andrews | 928 706-5383 |
| hgsvicepres@yahoo.com        | 928 453-5383 |
| Secretary:                   |              |
| Treasurer: Norb Kiesling     | 928 854-2661 |
| nkieslin@citlink.net         |              |

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

| James Rixie   | 928 764-3098 |
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| Bob Garver    | 928 486-2135 |
| Bruce Miller  | 928 727-6548 |
| Dan DeRouchey | 806 340-9996 |
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#### COMMITTEES

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#### Meeting Minutes - January 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Lusby. A roll call of officers was held with all officers and Board members present followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were several new members and guests introduced.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as printed in the newsletter. Norb gave the treasurers report for December and it was accepted as read.

The nominees for office were introduced and the ballots for this year's election were passed out.

Activities: We will be having a Super Bowl Party on Feb 5<sup>th</sup>. Tailgating will begin about 2 hours before the kick-off with Green Bay Packer chili and Bratwurst. Bring your own refreshments.

We will be holding a Camp clean-up day, Swap Meet and spaghetti feed on Saturday Feb 18<sup>th</sup>.

Claims: Ron reported that we would not be having a Common Dig this weekend due to the heavy rains this week. We now have 19 claims.

Base Camp: Roy reported that we now have 9 open spaces at camp. Maintenance fees are due March 1<sup>st</sup> for those paying on an annual basis.

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 263 members. He also mentioned that he maintains the club website and all updates and information are posted there as soon as he receives it. Dan D. asked that all members please update your personal information with the club in case we need to contact you. It is especially important for members with a camp space so that we can contact you if there a problem at camp. New Business: The Board has approved the purchase of a solar light for our flag pole at base camp.

Dan DeRouchey has volunteered to be our contact with BLM to try and push our request for a change of location of our common dig.

There was a discussion regarding the Quad/foot path that runs from the Fran Lowell building to the lower camp area between spaces 5 and 6. It has been suggested that the path be designated as a foot path only. The item was tabled until the next meeting to check it out and decide.

There was a suggestion to put some money into the rock polishing equipment. It was tabled to the next meeting.

Rudy volunteered to contact the Power Company regarding connection to power lines that are scheduled to pass through base camp.

Old Business: Dave W. has a sign-up sheet for Little Delbert Days on January 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> to help kids panning and metal detecting. If you contact Dave ahead of time to volunteer, he will get you tickets to get in.

Rudy reported that the Turkey dinners that the Club donated to Interagency for Thanksgiving and Christmas were greatly appreciated. He read a portion of a thank you letter from the CEO of the local Interagency organization.

The results of the election were reported:

President – Dennis Lusby

Vice President – Rudy Andrews

Treasurer – Norb Kiesling

Board Members – Dan DeRouchey, Bob Garver, Bruce Miller, James Rixie

The drawing was held for door prizes.

The meeting was adjourned.

# **Camp News & Activities**

Volunteers needed, help kids pan for BB's and detect for treasure (nickels). This is a great community event. The club now has detectors for this event so you don't have to bring your own unless you want to. Don't miss out on the fun, Sign Up at the meeting or call Dave Walker 928 486-1657, Thank You. Delbert Days Rodeo Saturday & Sunday, January 28-29 10am – 4pm.

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

Space rent at Base Camp is due March 1<sup>st</sup>.

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

New Members Clifton & Anita Saxon, Robert Cartwright & Carol McCarthy Ted & Diane Johnson Ronald & Sallie Orbas, Robert Stineman, Thomas Kisner Alexandra & Noian Colwell Juan & Lana Llamas Tyrel Zauss & Amber Colwell Mike Manning & Brenda Picas Dave & Patty Lauren, Jeff Hunter Greg & Jackie Brask

# 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: Honda 2000i generator with 10 hours, \$750. Rudy, 928 706-5383.

<u>FOR SALE</u>: Trailer at Base Camp space #1, approx 25ft, needs work, \$575.00. Bill Carlson.

FOR SALE: Keene Blower \$ 200.00. (928) 764-3098, James Rixie. **FOR SALE**: 1" square iron box frame for parking or shade. 30' long 10' wide 7' high. Dave Walker 928 486-1657 leave text message.

<u>HELP NEEDED:</u> 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. All help is appreciated. Thanks. Bruce.



SPOT GOLD PRICE January 25, 2017

\$1204.00



Members must be current in membership status and those members with a campsite must be current to participate in any club activity (Dinners, Common dig, Treasure

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

hunt, etc.)

Delbert days Rodeo, Saturday 1-28 and Sunday 1-29, 10am – 4pm.

Sara Park Rodeo Grounds, We will need a few more volunteers for Delbert Days, 2 for Saturday and 2 for Sunday.

Help kids pan for BBs and detect for nickels. This will be the 13<sup>th</sup> year that HGS has sponsored this great community event, let's keep it going.

Call or text Dave Walker 928 486-1657.

Here are some photos from the Christmas Dinner and the New Years Prime Rib Feast & Breakfast New Years Morning at Base Camp.



















I apologize for the lack of photos, technical issues and brain damage on my part delayed the newsletter, Sorry.