



## **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**

**March 4, 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.

# **THE PROSPECTOR**

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### **Presidents Message – March 2017**

**Starting to get hot out!**

**Someone out metal detecting has already seen a snake!**

**25 March – Burro Canyon ride, meet at Base Camp at 9:00**

**1 April – Wing Mine ride Lake Havasu rally point across the highway from Home Depot 9:00**

**Dennis**

### **SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **March**

**04: Scotts Well Ride, meet at Fran Lowell bldg at 9am**

**07: March Meeting**

**11: Arrastra Mine Ride, leave 9am from Fran Lowell Bldg**

**18: Corned Beef & Cabbage and Treasure Hunt ,**

**25: Burro Canyon Ride, leave Fran Lowell at 9am**

#### **April**

**01: Wing Mine Ride, leave 9am across from Home Depot**

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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 - 2017

### OFFICERS

President: Dennis Lusby	928 706-0758
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Secretary:	
Treasurer: Norb Kiesling	928 854-2661
<a href="mailto:nkieslin@citlink.net">nkieslin@citlink.net</a>	

### BOARD MEMBERS

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

### COMMITTEES

Activities: HGS Board Members	
Base Camp Chair: Roy Lohrengal	925 437-5563
Base Camp Caretaker Ron Marshall	928 715-5150
Claims Chair: Ron Marshall	928 715-5150
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## Camp News & Activities

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>. People that are more than 60 days late will be charged \$25 a month late fee. (voted on and passed at the March meeting)

There will be a mining equipment swap meet at the St. Pattys Day Dinner March 18th.

**New Members**  
**Mark & Barbara Hasseler**  
**Larry & Lisa Atkins**  
**John & Stacy Curran**  
**Jeff & Cheryl Billings**  
**Michael Funderok**

## 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:** Keene Blower \$ 200.00.  
**(928) 764-3098**, James Rixie.

**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.



### The Gold Lady

WE BUY GOLD  
**Retta Atkins**  
**(928) 692-5035**  
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[goldlady6@yahoo.com](mailto:goldlady6@yahoo.com) ♦ [www.thegoldladyonline.com](http://www.thegoldladyonline.com)  
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**Metal Detectors By:**

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 Whites  
 Tesoro



**Michael Penner Owner**  
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Lake Havasu City, AZ. 86403  
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*Yes We Deliver*

**Family Friendly Environment**  
Dine in, Take out, Host functions

**2 large parking lots for boats**  
**Live Entertainment & Keraoke**

**HGS Members save 10% you must have HGS ID card for Discount.**

### BKM Property Maintenance

Air Conditioning & Heating,  
Electrical, Lighting, Ceiling Fans, Painting,  
Irrigation, Light Plumbing

**Bruce K. Miller**

Not a Licensed Contractor 928 727-6548

**SPOT GOLD PRICE**  
March 25, 2017

**\$1247.13**



**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 hunt, etc.)**

## **Meeting Minutes -March 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.

Dennis introduced a guest speaker, Hank Smedley, the President of the Havasu Gem and Mineral Society. Hank provided information about their organization and talked about their new store and lapidary shop located at 2186 McCulloch Blvd. They also have lapidary, silversmith, and wire wrapping classes available at their shop.

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

### **Activities:**

Mar 11<sup>th</sup> – Quad ride to Arrastra well. Meet at Fran Lowell building at 9:00 am.

Mar 18<sup>th</sup> – Treasure Hunt and Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner. Treasure hunt for metal detectors starts at noon and costs \$15. Corned Beef dinner at 2:00pm and is free just bring a dessert or salad. Please sign-up ahead of time for the treasure hunt so we know how much money to bury.

March 25<sup>th</sup> – Quad ride to Burro Canyon and to the new proposed common dig. Meet at the Fran Lowell building at 9:00 am.

April 1<sup>st</sup> Ride to the Wing mine claim. Meet across the highway from Home Depot at 9:00 am.

Claims: Ron reported that we would not be having a Common Dig this weekend due to the wet conditions at the dig site. We now have 19 claims.

Base Camp: Roy reported that we now have 6 open spaces at camp. Maintenance fees were 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 225 members. He also mentioned that he maintains the club website and all updates and information are posted there as soon as he receives it.

Old Business: Dan DeRouchey has volunteered to be our contact point with BLM and reported that some progress has been made on our request to secure a new common dig site on our claim 3A. The contact that he was working with at Kingman has moved and our request has been reassigned to the Yuma office. He was told that we are low on the priority list but to keep calling every couple of weeks for updates.

New Business: Bob Garver made a suggestion for a by-law change to increase the term of President from the current 2 years to 4 years or to eliminate the term limit completely. He just wanted to bring it to the membership's attention at this time to give everyone the chance to consider the change and we would start the discussion for the by-law change process at the first meeting back in the fall.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to add a \$25 late fee penalty to the maintenance fees for people who are 60 days past due.

After a short break the drawing was held for door prizes.

Dennis reminded everyone to save their losing tickets for the loser drawing at the May meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.



## 2017 Treasure Hunt & Corned Beef and Cabbage







Here are some photos from one of our quad rides, there are more but technology and I have not been friends on this one, I will publish more next month, Sorry.















