The Prospector



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

NEXT MEETING

December 5, 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.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Welcome back to all snowbirds! Weather is finally cool enough to go out in the desert.

Thanksgiving Dinner Nov 18th at 2:00pm

New Years Eve Dinner Dec 31st, accepting reservations now.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

December:

- 05: Monthly Meeting and Christmas Cheer Dinner 09: Common Dig
- 31: Prime Rib Dinner and Gift Exchange at Base Camp

<u>January</u>:

- 02: Monthly Meeting
- 06: 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 - 2017

OFFICERS

President: Dennis Lusby	928 706-0758
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nkieslin@citlink.net	

BOARD MEMBERS

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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
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Meeting Minutes - November 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Lusby. A roll call of officers was taken with all officers and board members present with the exception of the vice president's position which will remain vacant until this year's elections.

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

Activities: Turkey Dinner will be on Nov. 18 at 2:00 in the Fran Lowell building. The club supplies the Turkey and all the fixin's just bring a salad or dessert.

Next meeting is our Christmas Cheer meeting, food will be supplied by the club, just bring a non-perishable food item and a new unwrapped toy for donation to the less fortunate.

A sign-up is available for the New Years Eve Party, it's \$12.50 per person and includes Prime Rib Dinner. Bring a wrapped gift (value approx.. \$20) if you would like to participate in the gift exchange.

Claims: Common Dig this weekend

Base Camp: Trash bags are available in the Fran Lowell building and in the bathrooms. Please bag all trash before putting it in the trash cans.

Newsletter: Bruce asked that if you send any pictures to be included in the Newsletter, send them to his e-mail account not to his phone (<u>hgsnewslettereditor@gmail.com</u>). 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. If you need a name tag or had previously ordered one and haven't received it please see Bruce. Membership: James reported that we now have 240 members. He also reported that he maintains the website and any information that he receives is posted there.

Old Business: Dennis asked for volunteers to help remodel the original bathrooms. The County has mentioned in their inspection report that some items need correcting in those bathrooms.

He also announced that we have sign-up sheets for Dump Truck Drivers and Back-hoe operators as requested by our insurance provider.

New Business: A motion was made, seconded and passed to provide 5 complete Turkey dinners for Thanksgiving and 5 for Christmas to be provided to Interagency of Havasu for families in need. Bruce volunteered to make all the arrangements with Bashas and Interagency.

A motion was made seconded and passed at the October meeting to make a change in our By-Laws to eliminate the two year term limit for President. Since this is a By-Law change it will be discussed again at the next meeting. A letter opposing the change was read and discussed and it was decided to continue with the existing motion for change. A vote was taken to approve the change and the result was a unanimous confirmation. The change will be made to the bylaws on our website.

Dan reported that some progress has been made regarding a change in the Common Dig site. He reported that the BLM now has a Geologist on loan and he has met with him at our current common dig site. He will be meeting with him again to look at our proposed site on Claim HGS 3A. Dan asked for conformation that the membership still wants him to pursue the site on HGS 3A or abandon that effort and pursue a site closer to base camp since he had received some suggestions of sites closer to camp. A vote revealed that the majority was in favor of continuing with the existing application. Dan stated that he is looking for help to mark all of our claims starting in December. He also is posting a log book to record usage of all of our claims and is asking everyone to track their usage.

Norb reported that he has contacted Uni-Source Energy regarding the supply of electricity to base camp. We need to fill out a request along with a map and they will let us know what we can get and when. They indicated that it would probably be at least a year before the lines are in.

New Business: Nominations for officers was held.

President: Bruce Miller, Dennis Lusby

Vice President: John Beck

Treasurer: Norb Kiesling

Board: James Rixie, Bob Garver

Nominations will be opened again at the next meeting with elections in January.

There was a motion made, seconded and passed to donate \$500 to the Marine Corps League for their Toys for Tots Program.

It was suggested that we hold a swap meet and equipment show in conjunction with the Treasure Hunt.

Dave announced that he has a sign-up sheet for Little Delbert Days in January 27th and 28th.

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

The meeting was adjourned.

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

New Members Kenneth Henthorn, Dustin Salisbury, **Ben & Valerie Williams**

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.

WANT TO BUY: Minelab SD2200 metal detector, green or blue box OK. Mark (909) 644-1859.

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

FOR SALE: 2013 Can-Am Commander 1000 X carbon fiber edition with full cab and heater. 1300 adult miles Excellent Condition \$8800, Collin 605 270-9806.

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. All help is appreciated. Thanks. Bruce.



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 November 16, 2017



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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.)

DELBERT DAYS

January 27 & 28 2018, volunteers needed both days from 10am to 4pm.

Sara Park rodeo grounds, this is a great community event. Help kids pan for gold (BBs) & detect for treasure (nickels). The club will furnish all detectors, pans, BBs & nickels. Do not miss out, this is a fun event!

Sign up at meeting or call Dave Walker (928) 486-1657. Leave message, at my age I don't always hear the phone.

Thank You

The photos on the two following pages are from the common dig 11-11-17, good turnout but the hot dogs and fixings were Great, Thanks to Norb and the rest that helped.



































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