The Prospector

Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc.

December 2022



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

Web Page: www.havasugoldseekers.com

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

NEXT MEETING

January 2, 2023

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.

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December 2022 message

Our Toys for Tots collection and Food drive were very successful. Many thanks to all who brought in items. We also donated funds to the Lake Havasu Marine Corp league who took possession of the toys.

We are always excited and happy to work with our local groups. Please watch our bulletin board online for all the upcoming event dates. We will again be very busy over the next two months.

Happy prospecting!

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SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

December:

- 06: Monthly Meeting at Quality Inn, Christmas Cheer Bring new unwrapped toy for toys for tots, and canned goods for donation
- 31: New Years Eve at Base Camp Prime Rib –

January:

- 02: Monthly Meeting at Quality Inn
- 14: Camp Cleanup and Chicken BBQ

WHAT'S INSIDE

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. No equipment within 10 feet of piles or dig hole on common dig day.

No metal detecting of dirt piles on common dig day. No metal detecting of dig holes until announced open No claiming of space in common dig area or dig hole at any time.

Common dig area is open to members only (no guests) from the day of common dig until dirt is dug for the next common dig.

New dig piles and new holes are off limits until after common dig each month.

Private dirt piles can be held for 72 hours but no claiming common dig piles or holes.

PACK IT IN - PACK IT OUT - NO TRASH Revised 2/1/2019

Officers, Board Members & Committees - 2022

OFFICERS

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Meeting Highlights -December 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Mort. A roll call was taken with all Officers and Board Members present.

Representatives from the Marine Corps League were present to pick up all of the toys that the members brought in. They were also presented with a \$500 check for the Toys for Tots drive.

The non-perishable food items were delivered to the Havasu Food Bank.

Treasurer Norb gave the treasurers report for November and it was accepted as read.

Activities: December 31 – New Years Eve party at the Fran Lowell Building. Prime Rib dinner at 7:00, cost is \$15 per person. Contact Esther if you plan to attend so she can order the food accordingly.

January 14th – Camp Clean-up starts at 9:00am, chicken BBQ at noon.

February 12th – Super Bowl party at Fran Lowell building Tailgate party at 3:30. Brats, Beans, Chili and snacks provided.

February 18th - Spaghetti Feed at the Fran Lowell building.

Claims: Common Dig will be held this weekend. Lunch will be provided at 12:00 on Saturday.

Base Camp: The small bathroom is currently closed due to a septic tank problem. The problem should be fixed by December 14th, so use the big bathrooms for now. If you are interested in a camp site contact Dan at basecamp to put your name on a waiting list.

Lots at camp need to be cleaned up.

Newsletter: If you need a name tag or had previously ordered one and haven't received it please see Bruce. Also send any pictures you might have from recent club activities. Membership: Membership fees are due by the January Meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business: Little Delbert Days is scheduled for January 28th and 29th. Dave has a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help the kids. Dave is also looking for someone to take over as organizer. The club owns 7 kids metal detectors for the kids to hunt for nickels and we have pans for them to pan for b-b's.

Elections will be held at the January meeting

Nominations:

President- Mort Allen

Vice President- Dennis Lusby

Treasurer- Norb Kiesling

Board Members- Vote for 4- Harvey Crow, Matt Christian, Keith Hendrickson, Bruce Miller, Aaron Banning, James Rixie, Pat Jankowski.

A 50/50 drawing was held.

The meeting was adjourned and everyone enjoyed the great food provided by Esther and her band of elves.

New Members

Kelly Walker & Wendi Wilson Wade & Ronaline Lundin Morton Allen, Gary Mann Rusty & Lorri Limb Carlos Monroy & Leah Fischer Jack Marshall & Vera Laintz Keith Semanko

For Sale or Trade

Keene drywasher \$450.00, large drywasher \$300.00, leaf blower \$25.00, see Keith Hendrickson (208) 521-8059

Tesoro Lobo Super Track metal detector \$300.00 includes headset. Champion Dual fuel inverter/generator 5600/7000 watts peak. Has only been used with propane \$500.00 See Dan (space 39) (806) 340-9996.

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.

<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.



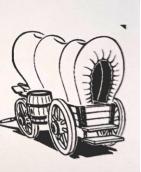
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SPOT GOLD PRICE December 17, 2022

\$1793.13 bid price



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.)

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Or

Call James Rixie at (928) 208-7294 and make arrangements with him.

DELBERT DAYS

Volunteers Needed

Saturday & Sunday January 28 and 29

SARA PARK Rodeo Grounds 11am to 4pm

For the Kids Treasure Hunt, Gold Panning for BBs

To Volunteer Text message or call Dave Walker 928 v486-1657

Come and join the Fun!

Thank You

Base Camp Report

Good news for all and bad news for some.

First the Good News:

The small bathroom is back up and functional. The sewer septic system backed up several times and was backing up into the showers. Last time it backed up, the septic people found rocks in the drain pipe. This time it was a grease ball mostly blocking the water from flowing. The Havasu Septic Company did not want to come out to camp. Fortunately, Kingman Septic Pumping had no objections. Matt dug out the ground around the lid and quick work cleaned out the tank. Now the bad news:

The club has a rule that there shall be no dogs in the Fran Lowell building. There was a complaint during the Thanksgiving dinner about a member bringing a dog into the building. The member insisted it was ok because the dog was for emotional support. No one knew for sure what exceptions are made for Emotional Support Dogs so the member was allowed to continue having the dog around. More people noticed and said something, so we had to research the correct answer. Only certified service dogs are allowed access to restricted areas in public areas. Emotional support dogs are not a protected reason for exemption and therefore are not allowed access to restricted areas in public places.

Arizona law treats Emotional Support animals as pets rather than Service animals.

The Americans with Disability Act (ADA) specifically details requirements for service animals and makes a distinction between Service animals and Emotional Support animals. Currently the only benefit afforded Emotional Support animals is related to housing equality, that is no extra deposit is required. Also, airlines have discontinued allowing Emotional Support animals to fly free.

On the following pages you will find photos from the last months activities, such as Thanksgiving, Common Dig, December meeting (Christmas cheer).































