## HAVASU ROLD SEEKERS

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**

**December 5, 2023** 

At Aquatic Center Main Hall

Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Membership Meeting 7:00 p.m.

## THE PROSPECTOR

#### November 2023

Gold fever continues here in the beautiful Mohave desert. Of course, our current miners and prospectors won't tell you much! Its a secret! However, several active members are diligently working on our claims, and yes they are being quiet. Which means GOLD. I had a few private conversations with some club members who are working hard and enjoying the benefits of mother nature!

We had a very successful Halloween party with great food, costumes and weather. Three different chilis were made and all were excellent. Thanks very much to Brenda and the other helping hands who contributed to make Halloween fun and delicious.

We have finally connected the existing propane tank to the generator at the Pole Barn. We can now run the rock cutting, polishing and gold machines. It's been wonderful seeing our members using all of the machines in the Pole Barn. Thanks Dennis, Matt, Jay, Patrick and Mark for moving this project forward. Please remember the generator room behind the pole barn is for the generator only. No Storage. Thanks.

Our Horseshoe pit area is being revamped. Soon club members will be able to enjoy. Thanks Patrick and Mark for the hard work. Please be safe while enjoying outdoors.

Mort Allen, President

#### SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **December:**

05: Monthly Meeting at Aquatic Center (Main Hall) and Christmas Cheer food after meeting.

Please bring canned goods and unwrapped toy

09: Common Dig, lunch will be provided

31: New Years Party at Base Camp, Prime Rib \$15.00 per person

#### January:

01: Breakfast at Base Camp

02: Monthly Meeting at Aquatic Center room 155

06: Common Dig, lunch will be provided. Maybee Keene Will bring their commercial dry washer.

#### 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 at the Aquatic Center room 155, 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 Sunday sundown.

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** 

#### Officers, Board Members & Committees - 2023

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Meeting called to order by VP Dennis at 7:00.

Board Members Present: President Mort Allen, VP Dennis Lusby, Treasurer Norb Kiesling, Board Members James Rixie, Bruce Miller, and Matt Christian.

Pledge of Allegiance led by VP.

#### Guests - Introduced Ken from Alaska

Newsletter - Lisa questioned the upcoming events, i.e. Keen visit. It was explained that the visit is at Keen's availability. Newsletter accepted.

#### **Treasurer Report**

- \* Copies are available up front.
- \* Read and accepted.

#### **VP Report**

- \* Thank you to the cooking crew.
- \* The Treasure Hunt 11/18 is \$15 buy in. Start time 12:00. Dinner 2:00. There are 2 1/10 ounce gold coins to be

planted.

- \* Do not use the side roads when coming to/going from Base Camp. Federal ticket.
- \* Common dig this weekend, Saturday 11/11. Starts 7:00. Lunch will be hamburgers and/or hotdogs. Lunch

11:00/11:30.

- \* They have been digging up alot of dirt out there.
- \* Safety George left drag tires in the middle of the road. Be aware when leaving, they are hard to see.
- \* It will be windy tomorrow. Be sure that all is secure.
- \* There will be nominations this month and next month. Norb is looking for someone to take over his duties. All

other members present accepted nomination to remain. Secretary position is open.

- \* Aaron Banning and Patrick accepted nominations.
- \* December meeting Christmas Cheer at Aquatic Center. Bring an unwrapped toy and canned food donation.
- \* Marine Corps donation \$500 approved.
- \* Dry white boards will go out to various places around camp for notices. Thank you Dan!
- \* New Year's Dinner \$15. Linda has sign up sheet and is accepting the money.
- \* Mark and Patrick cleaned up on the 26th. No more old tires are to be left at Base Camp for disposal.

#### Mark

- \* A horseshoe tournament is being planned for the beginning of the year.
- \* Do not put cardboard in the trash bins.

#### Claims Chairman

- \* RETIRING
- \* Keith as agreed to take over job.
- \* The deadline for new claims is March 24th. We need to commit to present location or ??? Mort would like

back side of old common dig. Will check out various places.

- \* It takes 2-3 months to get claim process, so need to begin immediately if it is going to happen.
- \* The Mary Jo site was suggested as it was once very productive.
- \* A member has found over an ounce of gold in last month. Members spends 6-8 hours out daily.

#### Linda

\* Thanksgiving Dinner - Everyone needs to bring a dessert.

#### **Patrick**

\* BLM banning 151's, but nothing official yet.

#### **BREAK**

#### Raffle

\* Lucky Winners - Aaron, Ken, Dan, Mary Lee, Jay, Mark, Patrick, Cristy, Shondra, Justin, James, John, Don

#### **VP**

- \* Remember Common Dig Saturday
- \* Treasure Hunt
- \* Tires in the road BE CAREFUL
- \* Dan's campsite is for sale. Site 16 trailer is also up for sale.
- \* Do not cut thru lots.

Meeting adjourned 8:00.

# New Members Dennis & Janis Garoutte Randy Garoutte & Ken Schmidt Earl & Cheron Reynolds Larry & Cecelia Sobolewski

#### For Sale or Trade

For Sale: 30 ft 5th wheel with solar power, 2000 watt pure sine wave inverter, external water tanks, covered patio. 2 sheds, picnic table and 2 person quad. Space 39, see Dan. 806-340-9996.

For Sale: Keene 5" dredge w/8hp B&S water pump with t80 air Call Don Heck 714 421-3994 sluiceman2@gmail.com

For Sale: brand new in unopened box, Champion dual fuel inverter/generator 3400/3100 watts. \$500.00 Dan, site 39 806 340-9996.

Gold Duster Dry Washer, no blower (like new) \$300.00. Garrett AT gold, still in box, \$300.00, Garrett Ultra GTA, in a carrying case, \$300.00. James Rixie, 928 208-7294.

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.

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.



# Dan O's Trading Post Buy Sell Trade Consign Dan Caterina Owner PO Box 254 Lake Havasu City, AZ 86405 303-905-1876 danostradingpost@hotmail.com

#### SPOT GOLD PRICE November 21, 2023

#### \$2004.80 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.

### HGS 2022-2025 future ideas/projects

Construct a block building with a metal roof for Well generator. 8' x 10'

Paint the interior and exterior of the new bathrooms- -- Exterior Completed 11/2022

Purchase two water tanks for fire suppression. 2-275 gallon.

Replace the propane tank at the Fran Lowe building with a 500 gallon tank. Move the old tank to the pole barn for future use---Completed 3/2023

Purchase a new propane generator for the Pole Barn.

Replace/repair tires on dump truck and fire wagon- - - Completed 3/2023

Purchase a used vehicle to tow fire wagon?
Build a second fire wagon with four tanks and one pump, using an old trailer. Keep the original fire wagon in service.

Add one additional 5,000 gallon water tank near old bathrooms.

Purchase one large stainless steel BBQ for Fran Lowe building.

Booster pump at well.

Add more rock around the Fran Lowe building, and to roads in camp.

Add one 1 1/2" water riser for fire truck(s) and for camp water- -- Completed 3/2023

Perimeter fencing around Basecamp to identify our boundary.

Electric gate at main entry point- - - - Completed 3/2023

3" water line from new water tank for fire truck filling with 2.5" NH male end.

Build a deck on the west side of Fran Lowe building.

Construct a four bay equipment barn. 14' high doors.

Add Citizen Band (CB) Radios to Fran Lowe and Pole Barn, solar powered.

Electric gate for South entry/exit.

Welder for camp.

Add 1.5" water line into Whiskey Flats- - - Completed 5/2023

Photos on the following pages from base camp projects, activities & common dig and at camp.



































