

HAVASU GOLD SEEKERS

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HGS Camp 7280 Franconia Wash Yucca, AZ 86436

Web Page:

www.havasugoldseekers.com

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

NEXT MEETING

April 1, 2025

Aquatic Center
Room 155/156

Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Membership Meeting 7:00 p.m.

March 2025

To all HGS members, the board made a vote of no confidence on March 4, 2025 on our club treasurer. The treasurer position is currently vacant. We are working diligently on our current finances. We will provide more information as it becomes available. Please be patient, understanding and supportive during this difficult time. Any questions please let me know.

Thank you to all the members who have made it a priority in getting RV licensing and registration completed. We are in the process of having a few members remove RVs which did not comply with the mandate.

March 15, 2025 is St. Patty's Day dinner and treasure hunt at camp. The treasure hunt is 20\$ per person. Dinner will be covered by members donating food. If you would like to bring a hot side dish or dessert please contact Lisa S., at camp or by email; hgsnewsletter@gmail.com. This will be the last big event at camp until next fall.

Mort Allen, President

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENT

March:

08: Common dig Mary Jo

15: Corned beef/cabbage and metal detecting hunt at Camp

April:

01: Monthly meeting at Aquatic Center 7pm, room 155/156

05: Common Dia

May

06: Monthly meeting at Aquatic Center 7pm, room 155/156

(Losers drawing)

10: common dig

Club Information

Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc. is a non-profit gold seekers club in Lake Havasu City, Arizona with 18 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 \$50 and are due by December 31. Family membership includes family members under 18. The initiation fee for a new membership is \$150. The total cost for new members the first year is \$150 and \$50 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, Board Members & Committees - 2023

OFFICERS

President: Morton Allen 951-288-9143 Vice President: Dennis Lusby 928-412-9668

Secretary: -vacant-Treasurer: -vacant-

BOARD MEMBERS

James Rixie	928-208-7294
Matt Christian	928-208-1377
Lisa Sterrett	608-632-1676
Aaron Banning	928-766-6462

COMMITTEES

Activities:

Base Camp Chair

Mike Denny 928-715-4131

Summer Caretaker

Claims Chair: Keith Hendrickson 208-521-8059 Membership: James Rixie 928-208-7294

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Newsletter Editor: Mort Allen hgsnewsletter@gmail.com

Basecamp Maintenance issues or repairs contact MIKE DENNY Sp.97 or (928) 715-4131.

Items For Sale

Keiths Korner items for sale.

4 dry washers, Gold Duster, Gold Buddy and 2 Keene dry washers, Mini sluice boxes, shop vacs, picks, shovels, rock hammers, pans, classifiers. Keith Hendrickson 208 521-8059.

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. Gold Wheel \$250.00. James Rixie, 928 208-7294.

For Sale: Keene High Banker/Dredge (header Box) combination with sluice box and adjustable stand. Sluice Box 49" long, 14" wide, 3 ½" high with 2 sizes of punch plate and 14" and 27" long ripples. Header box 25" long, 19" wide, 3" dredge port, 1" water line with spray bars. 3 different grizzly plates. \$475 local pickup. Don Heck. 714 41-3994. sluiceman2@gmail.com

For Sale: 42ft 5th wheel trailer with Kenmore washer and dryer, 3 slides, 56" flat screen, pretty well furnished, home Inverter refrigerator, needs some work but solid trailer. \$5000.00 or make offer. Onan 3.6 propane generator with 160 gal propane tank plus two smaller ones on a trailer approx 60 gallons of propane in tanks \$2000.00. More for sale I lost part of my leg and it is difficult to use my spot at camp so I am selling what I have, price depends on what you want, all together or trailer only and generator and trailer and tanks only, call me and let me know what your interested in and lets make a deal. Bruce Miller 928 727-6548.

Ads placed in the Prospector will run for three months and be removed unless you let me know to run it longer, Thank You.

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: hgsnewsletter@gmail.com. All help is appreciated. Thanks, Mort





SPOT GOLD PRICE

\$2923.10 bid price



For Sale: 1996 Komfort 21ft 5th wheel and 8x12 cargo trailer with BBQ and Picnic Table \$2000.00 for all, Call Mike Jones 928 412-9595 space 20.

Minelab 5000 detector, extra coils, used only a few times. Like new. Contact Nadine Armitage 971-990-9646

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

Here are some pics from camp



Harvey working hard before the meeting at camp



He's still at it!!



Thanks to Woody for the upgrades!



Old photo of camp, circa 2023

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Year 2022-2030 future ideas/projects

- Construct a building (tuff shed) 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 -Completed
 4/2024
- Replace the propane tank at the Fran
 Lowell 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—Completed 11/2023
- 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 two tanks and one pump. Keep the original fire wagon in service - -Completed 4/2024, using Mort's truck on loan.

- 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 five 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.
- Add 1.5" water line into Whiskey Flats -Completed 5/2023
- Build two water catchments for wet sluicing.

- Upgrade the solar system on the Fran Lowell Building.
- Add security camera system to interior/ exterior on Fran Lowell Building.
- Add solar system to Pole Barn to include security camera system.
- Increase the maintenance fee on campsites at Basecamp. Year 2025 increase to 350.00 per year——Completed 12/2024 members voted yes.
- Maintenance fee year 2026 increase to 400.00 per year.
- Maintenance fee year 2027 increase to 450.00 per year.
- Maintenance fee year 2028 increase to 500.00 per year.
- Year 2029 evaluate income and expenses.
- Annual membership increase year 2025,
 50.00 per member per year—Completed
 12/2024 members voted yes.
- Summer campers 2025, charge \$25.00 per month per campsite June, July, August.
- Summer campers 2026, charge \$30.00 per campsite, June, July, August, yearly.
- Paint the exterior of the Fran Lowell and pole barn buildings coyote tan.

 Provide AED/medical/fire suppression training to interested members. Board meeting 3/4/25 16:47hrs, at Basecamp 7240 Franconia Wash, Yucca, Az. 86436 Members present, Mort, Lisa, Aaron, Dennis, Matt, James. April absent Bank statements shared with the board, property payment had not been made, claims not paid, PO Box was closed for a few months. Vote of no confidence was made on the treasurer and all affirmed to remove the treasurer.

Board agreed to file for claims 12A, 12B, 13A and Mary Jo.

Mort had called the property management company who agreed to work things out. March 15, 25 treasure hunt and dinner. Talked about fee for those few member who are allowed to stay at camp in the summer charging a \$20 fee per month. Adjourned 1725.

Club meeting minutes 3/4/2025 18:23 at camp. 7240 Franconia wash Yucca, AZ 86436

Call to order 18:23 Pledge of allegiance

Morton, welcome everybody to the meeting. Treasure hunt is Saturday, March 15 at 11 AM. Lunch will be at 2pm. Bruce and Rick made a motion to accept the meeting minutes from last month and they were approved by the general membership. Matt, Bruce and a few others made pizza, big thank you.

Updated the membership the clubs claims are not valid they were not paid. No money in the account at the time of purchase. August 27, 2024.

Mary Jo and 13A were recorded at the Mohave county office by Mort

The members decided to try and keep Claims 12A and 12B.

MLRS BLM system not recommended to use. <u>mylandmatters.com</u> is a good website to view claims.

Mohave county health permit is due 285.00 IRS form 990N due, Mort will file Common dig is open no lunch. Finances bank statements were pulled at the Wells Fargo 1601 McCulloch Blvd, Lake

Havasu City, AZ on Tuesday March 4, 2025 10:25am, and showed extreme discrepancies and unauthorized purchases. Lisa is making a list of people who want to preorder hats, shirts.

The HGS land to the south of camp has not been paid since March 24. The mortgage company is working with us.

Expired RV tags who are still out of compliance will be getting a letter to leave camp. We have talked to several who have updated If you are digging in an area on our claim you get 30' radius.

Motion to adjourn made by Bruce/second by Matt, all in favor aye.

Meeting 19:00hrs adjourned