

THE GOLD PAN

The Newsletter of the
Comstock Gold Prospectors
Sept. 13, 2014



BLACK BILLIE*

Next Meeting: Sept. 23, 2014

Speaker for Sept. Steve Herchback

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

(Mark your Calendars)

Future Meetings:

*Oct. 28, 2014

*Nov. 25, 2014

1 Year Gold – NYSE

<u>09/13/2014 – Last</u>	\$1230.00
One Year High (at closing)	\$1237.00
One Year Low (at closing)	\$1228.00

1 Year Silver – NYSE

<u>09/13/2014 – Last</u>	\$18.61
One Year High (at closing)	\$18.65
One Year Low (at closing)	\$18.49

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

Board Meeting is held at 6:30pm

General Meeting

4th Tuesday of each month
7:30 PM at the

Masonic Wadsworth Lodge #25
2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV

LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

We had an interesting speaker from the Dayton Valley Historical Society at our August meeting. Stoney informed us about a significant mineral discovery area in northern Nevada.

Thanks Stoney Tennant for the presentation .and Nancy T for arranging the presentation.

Speaking of Dayton, we have been invited to the Dayton Valley Days event. We will be doing a panning demo and giving out information of our Club and our activities. The two day event will be the 20 and 21st of September at 9AM.

Bill will be bringing the Club equipment. Call me or Bill for transportation needs. We are looking for volunteers for the demo or just “hang out” and talk to people about our Club. I think Bill signed up a couple new members at our last outing in Dayton.

The organizers of the event have allotted \$300 for the panning demo which we have in “stock”, though not as classified as the last time. We are looking for gold to have on hand for these events and would rather buy from our Club members than from outside sources. Let us know. Remember, we have Life memberships available and will take gold as payment.

We also have a “Healing for Heroes”, outing with Northern Nevada GPAA at our Tammy claim, September 13th and 14th. We will meet at the Silverado gas station at 6am on Saturday and will drive to the claim with about 10 Veterans. Our dry washer and other equipment will be available for use. Bring your metal detectors and desert equipment. Steve Clark is spearheading this event in conjunction with the GPAA. The weather should be good this time of the year. The event may be an over niter with a potluck on Saturday evening. Bring goodies to share. Rumors have it there will be Dutch oven apple pie and pineapple upside down cake!

And last but not least, we will be attending the Rye Patch Nugget Shoot the weekend of 27-28 September.

Al and Webb will be setting up for this event Friday afternoon. We will have an information table set up and Webb will be giving a talk on the area or whatever he deems appropriate. Bring your metal detectors and dry washers. There will be a lot of demos and information to be had.

It has come to the Club's attention that there have been more and more people working our claims that are not Club members (claim jumpers!) If you happen upon anyone working our claims, first ask them if they are members. If not inform them of our claim boundaries and that they are trespassing. Tell them about our Club and ask them if they would like to be a "guest" for the day. As a guest (according to our bylaws) they can pan only for the day. Make a note of their names and ID their vehicle (license plate, make and model of the vehicle.).

Be sure and notify a board member of the occurrence. We will be tracking these occurrences and post on Facebook and the Prospectors Journal if they persist. This seems to become more and more of a problem! If necessary we will pursue legal actions with the county mounties, though we are trying to avoid that. In Nevada it is a misdemeanor! Do not get confrontational. If the claim jumpers become confrontational, be sure and notify the appropriate authorities when convenient.

It has come to our attention that our website is not current as to our outings. We have a link to Facebook that will be current as to our outings and events. So check our Facebook page if you want to be current of our doings.

Also feel free to post anything of interest or if you are going out and about and want Club members to join you. Steve Herchback will be our speakers this month. Steve is a real expert on metal detecting. He always has good information.

We have an update on the sage-grouse. Reid and Heller have released the second draft version of the Nevada Sagebrush Landscape Conservation and Development Act (what a mouthful!). As expected, they are being petitioned to add more area (because of global warming?) The area that is close to home is the Granite Range bordering the Black Rock. Stay tuned.

Anyway, this is a busy month. Just to recap:
13&14 Sep- Healing for Heroes at the Tammy
20&21 Sep-Dayton Valley Days
27-28 Sep-Rye Patch Nugget Shoot

Thanks to all
Your, President
Jim Richards

New Licensed Claims **By Bill Vogt**

The documents were signed at the September Claims Committee meeting adding two more licensed claims to our claims portfolio. One of the claims is named Aloni and it belongs to Club members Toni DeHerra and Al Gottsch.

This claim is a Nevada desert claim located off of highway 400 near where Coyote and Lees were located. Our dredgers will find this claim of interest because it is can be dredged. The other claim is named Patriot Mine 1 and it belongs to the Patriot Mining Bros LLC and its members are all Club members.

This claim is a California claim and it is located right next to Adavenone downstream and extends just past where Nelson Creek flows into the Feather River. Thus our members can now prospect the Feather River from a few hundred feet upstream of Red Bridge to a few hundred feet past Nelson River.

Maps of both claims are included in this newsletter. The main obligations of Club members towards the claim owners are included on the maps and all members should read these. If you have any questions concerning these claims please contact either Justin Shaw or me.

**** John McPherson reports that there is a large oak tree on the road to Ken Bennet making passage by a larger vehicle impossible. So , either plan on removing the tree or going in a smaller vehicle.***

**COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING**

August 26th, 2014

Justin Shaw called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Board Members Present: Nadine Miller
Linalu Bowman, Justin Shaw, Ken Walls, and
Harley Ponsler

Motion to call meeting to order: Harley Ponsler
Second: Nadine Miller
Meeting called to order

Members Present:

Bud Miller, James Bowman, Lisa Walls

Corrections to Minutes:

The claim Ken Bennet only has one "T"

Motion to accept the minutes: Nadine Miller
Second: Harley Ponsler
Voted and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Read by Nadine Miller

Motion to accept the treasurer's report: Harley
Ponsler
Second: Justin Shaw
Voted and Accepted

Claims Report:

Filing fees, taxes, and all reports done on all claims.

Patriot Brothers Exploration license is finished.

Al Gottsch is willing to lease Star Canyon.

**Outing at DNJS/Costar sampling trip to see if we
want to keep these claims as no assessment/proof
of labor turned in. We do have a host for this
event and will use club equipment.**

All claims at Placeritos have been claimed.

Motion to accept claims report: Harley Ponsler
Second: Nadine Miller.
Voted and accepted

Membership Report:

Membership is now at 281. There are 16 lifetime
memberships available. 4 members dropped, 1
added.

Motion to accept membership report:
Harley Ponsler
Second: Nadine Miller
Voted and Accepted

Old Business:

Ken Walls to purchase raffle items.

We need a booth for the Lovelock Nugget Event.
Larry Robbins (GPAA) and Glen Meyers
(Reno Prospecting and Detecting) will be
there.

Motion to accept old business: Nadine Miller
Second: Harley Ponsler
Voted and accepted

New Business:

Need approval for new coffee maker and
Membership cards.

Motion to accept new business: Harley
Ponsler
Second: Justin Shaw
Voted and accepted

Outings:

2nd Annual Nugget Shoot @ Rye Patch (just east
of Lovelock) Nevada will be September 27th. It is
the largest metal detecting event ever in the world.

There will be prizes, demonstrations, speakers, and
hands-on instruction. Check GPAA website.
Webb Varnum will be speaking on pigmetites,
Fossil Hill and Mount Majubi.

Healing our Veterans says thank you to all who
helped. They will have another outing September
13. Meet at 6 AM in the Fernley parking lot.

We need a leader. Demonstrators needed to help with new people. Our Equipment is going to waste as it can only be used on our club outings.

Webb Varnum is available for rock identification.

Motion to accept Outing Report: Al Gottsch
Second: Kim Pon
Voted and accepted

New Business:

The Dayton Valley Days will take place on September 20 and 21. The Historical Society wants another demonstration, the same as we did in July.

We will need 4 volunteers to work 9am to 4pm. Nancy Terwilliger will be the host. Webb Varnum will be our speaker for our 5013C exemption. He will also speak at The GPAA.

Motion to accept new business: Nadine Miller
Second: Al Gottsch
Voted and accepted

Club Notices:

Check Facebook.

Motion to accept club notices: Harley Ponsler
Second: Justin Shaw
Voted and passed

Motion to Adjourn the Board Meeting: Harley Ponsler
Second: Nadine Miller
Voted and approved
Board Meeting adjourn at 6:50

Minutes prepared by Linalu Bowman

COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING August 26th, 2014

Motion to call meeting to order: Al Gottsch
Second: Dave Weingarten

Meeting called to order: 7:30pm

Vice President Justin Shaw began the meeting at 7:30 PM by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. (without the flag which was under lock and key)

Claims Report:

Justin Shaw: Filing fees, taxes, and all reports done on all claims.

Patriot Brothers Exploration license is finished.

Al Gottsch willing to lease Star Canyon, near Union-ville, has running water, lots of camping areas, 2-wheel-drive can easily access, 40 acre claim and open to dredging June to Dec 31st. Permit cost \$10 and same lease agreement as with Jim Allen. This would cost the club about \$200 per year. Maps will be in next newsletter.

Motion to accept lease of Al Gottsch claim: Dave Weingarten
Second: Grant Garrison
Voted and passed: (one opposed)

Maps for Patriot Brothers claim to be in next newsletter.

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Second: Dave Weingarten
Voted and Accepted

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Voted and Accepted

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Gottsch
Second: Dave Weingarten
Voted and accepted.

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Miller
Second: Harley Ponsler
Voted and accepted

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Ponsler
Second: Justin Shaw
Voted and accepted

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new people. Equipment is going to waste as it can
only be used on club outings.

Motion to accept outings report: Harley Ponsler
Second: Ken Walls
Voted and passed

Club Notices:

LOOKING for mining partner: between age
20 and 50, non-smoker, no drugs, non-drinker
with 4X4 (who doesn't care if it get scratched) with
gold fever. No experience necessary. Please call
415- 601-7858.

If anyone's phone number or e-mail has changed
since you signed up, please let Bill Vogt aware.

If anyone would like to bring dessert, Please contact
Bill Vogt.

Debbie has new clothing in stock: shirts, hats and
sweatshirts

Steve Herchback will be our speaker in September
on prospecting in Alaska.

Motion to accept club notices: Dave Weingarten
Second: Al Gottsch
Voted and accepted

Speaker: Stoney Tennant on the discovery of gold
in Gold Canyon. This was the first gold discovered
in Nevada at Dayton Valley. He is the local Dayton
Historian. The local museum was started by Stoney
and his wife.

Guests:

Laura Manning
Gloria Manning
Crickette Wiegand
Glen Meyers
Larry Robbins

Thank you for attending our meeting,
hope you had a good time, love to see you again.

Assessment Forms (turned in) drawing:

not yet, couple more meetings first.

Attendance Drawing:

Jim Bowman won a silver ounce round

Membership Drawing:

Russell Rehhein of Dayton was not present next
month goes to 6 silver ounce rounds.

New Members Present:

Dave Ramsey
John Diggs
Ken Wiegand
Ken Wiegand won a starter piece of gold,
CONGRATS!!

Motion to adjourn meeting: Kim Pon
Second: Nadine Miller
Meeting Adjourned : 8:45pm

Total attendance: 5
Members: 55
Guests: 60

Minutes prepared by Linalu Bowman.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS:

Rachelle Davis & Dave Ramsey	Dayton, NV
John Diggs	Reno, NV
Ben Simoncini	Sparks, NV
Jeannie & Mark Simoncini	Sparks, NV

We now have new clothing and accessories available for Men and Women. Stop by the table and check it out. Thank You, Debbie Morrow!!!



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YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE RAFFLE TABLE...

Help to pay for the meeting hall. Please remember to contribute. It does not really matter what it is. Clean out your garage. If you don't have a use for it, someone else does. Don't throw it away; put it on the table. One man's garbage is another's man's gold! Thank You!!

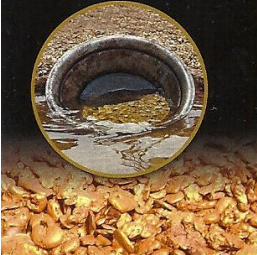
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