

# THE GOLD PAN

The Newsletter of the

## Comstock Gold Prospectors

Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018



### **BLACK BILLIE**

**Next Meeting: Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

#### **UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

*\*Our Guest speaker for March is George*

***\*Deadline for submissions to the Newsletter will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month!***

(Mark your Calendars)

*April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

*May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018*

*June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

#### **1 Year Gold – NYSE**

03/14/2018 – Last	\$1327.00
One Year High (at closing)	\$1328.00
One Year Low (at closing)	\$1327.00

#### **1 Year Silver – NYSE**

03/14/2018 – Last	\$16.59
One Year High (at closing)	\$16.69
One Year Low (at closing)	\$16.49

#### **ALL MEMBERS WELCOME**

**Board Meeting is held at 6:30pm**

**General Meeting**

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month

7:30 PM at the

Masonic Wadsworth Lodge #25

2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV

### **PRESIDENTS LETTER:**

Daylight savings and spring is here, time to clean and sort our prospecting “stuff” lying around. Maybe sell or trade in our newsletter? Check and replace batteries, gas, make sure the to go bags have all the stuff necessary and was not removed misplaced or whatever. Be sure and check claims maps for current info (from our website), have Club ID handy, assessment forms, something for your dashboard for Club affiliation, new member application...way too much stuff, but some are nice to have in an envelope which has to be assembled only once at season opening and thrown in glove box (don’t forget your gloves).

For those early out, we would like current info on clam conditions so we can make some spring “cleaning” plans. Either call us or email the info. The Oro Mucho access has issues as well as the Ken Bennett. We will be working with Jim Allen on the Oro Mucho with volunteers and cost sharing (bond, permits and equipment rental, about \$3000 or so). The Club approved this last meeting. As for the KB, we will have to get more info before proceeding. It is accessible by “foot: and ATV...vehicles not recommended!

Stan Paher gave another outstanding presentation of mining towns in Northern Nevada and had some of his wonderful autographed books for sale at discount. He has probably been over every sq. ft. of Nevada!

The link to his website is on our website. Any questions or inquiries, feel free to contact him. Thanks Stan and see you soon!

Our speaker this month is George who will be displaying fossilized dinosaur parts, eggs and

*\*Personal Ads: Are free to Members for a maximum of three editions of The Gold Pan Newsletter!*

many other rocks of interest that he has accumulated for the past several years.

His finds have been verified, though some are hard to believe! He is a great presenter and teacher of what to look for when out and about. Pretty incredible finds some locally. I think his motto is "Keep your head down" when on your walkabouts.

Instead of removing the names of our Life members who have passed on, we will be noting them in our website. Lest, we not forget:

We are in need to borrow about eight "metal" pans for our period correct Cowboy Con panning in July. Also, some correct tools etc. if you have them. Also need grizzled, ornery, scruffy looking "prospectors" for the event. We do not have an Outing chair yet, so contact me if you have anything like that. Outing chair anyone?

We will be organizing a Club sponsored outing to Downieville at summer's end. We need help for this and ideas; camping, RVing, maybe permits, shared equipment etc. Even, having a tent and table set up in town with info of our Club, prospecting, environmental issues etc.

Keep in mind... steaks, chicken "gold" for all at this event.

Keep on the lookout for speakers at our meetings, raffle items and articles you would like to put in the newsletter. Show and tell or demo of equipment is always welcomed at the meetings.

Get those taxes done soon so that the other half of us can continue our lifestyle. Thanks  
Jim

PS: Remember the Coleman CT200U is up for consideration starting on the 28<sup>th</sup> at \$100. I will be placing a "bid"...JR

***"Reminder to Life/Honorary Members: Annual updates (renewals) are requested during the first quarter as required by the By-Laws."***

## **Article Submission Deadline**

By Editor Lisa Walls

Beginning with this issue I will be including in the newsletter a deadline date for all articles being submitted for that month's inclusion in the newsletter.

This date will be selected to enable the newsletter delivery in a timely manner prior to that month's meeting for all members including those who receive it via snail mail.

This date will normally coincide with the Claim Committee meeting to allow for any last-minute news from that group.

***In some months when there isn't 2 weeks between the two meeting the deadline date will be earlier.***

Exception might be permitted but you must contact me prior to the deadline otherwise the newsletter will be published immediately after the stated deadline.

For those members who receive the newsletter via snail mail there is additional delay because of using an outside publisher but you should receive the newsletter during the week before the next meeting.

## **A New KVB**

**By Bill Vogt**

In January the Claims Committee decided to combine Sweet Potato and KVB into one 20-acre claim called KVB. This was accomplished by abandoning the original KVB and Sweet Potato and locating a new claim in essentially the same physical place.

No portion of the Yuba was lost with this process. This action was taken to immediately drop the claims the Club owns to 9 giving us the ability to add another owned claim should the opportunity present itself without violating the terms of the Small Miner Waiver.

In addition, this move will reduce our long-term claim costs. The old maps have been removed from the Website and the new one has been added. No map is included in this newsletter since nothing has changed on the ground.

**Used Member Donation “AS IS”**  
**Description: MINELAB GPX-4000**

**Detector**

**Starting Donation: \$1,000.00**

**\$50 increments**

**Open 28Feb- close 25Mar.**

**At Monthly Meeting Announcement of Highest Donation - Takes Item**



**Used Member Donation “AS IS”**  
**Description: Colman CT200U**

**Starting Donation: \$100.00**

**\$10 increments**

**Open 28Mar-close 22Apr.**

**At Monthly Meeting Announcement of Highest Donation - Takes Item**



**Used Member Donation “AS IS”**  
**Description: white's GMT**  
**GOLDMASTER E-Series Detector**

**Starting Donation: \$250.00**

**\$10 increments**

**Open 25Apr-close 20May.**

**At Monthly Meeting Announcement of Highest Donation - Takes Item**



**Used Member Donation “AS IS”**  
**Description: white's Turbo Tent Pine**  
**Deluxe 4**

**Starting Donation: \$100.00**

**\$10 increments**

**Open 23May-close 24Jun.**  
**At Monthly Meeting Announcement of**  
**Highest Donation - Takes Item**



**Used Member Donation “AS IS”**  
**Description: Tesero Lobo Super Traq**  
**Starting Donation: \$225.00**  
**\$10 increments**  
**Open 27Jun-close 22Jul.**  
**At Monthly Meeting Announcement of**  
**Highest Donation - Takes Item**



**Used Member Donation “AS IS”**  
**Description: Gold Grabber with**  
**Weima motor, pump**  
**Suggested Retail: \$500.00**  
**Used Pricing: \$150.00**  
**Starting Donation: \$100.00**  
**\$10 increments**  
**Open 25Jul-close 26Aug.**  
**At Monthly Meeting Announcement of**  
**Highest Donation - Takes Item**



**Used Member Donation “AS IS”**  
**Description: MineLab X•TERRA 705**  
**Starting Donation: \$250.00**  
**\$10 increment**  
**Open 29Aug-close 23Sep.**  
**At Monthly Meeting Announcement of**  
**Highest Donation - Takes Item**



## **COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS** **MINUTES OF THE BOARD** **MEETING FEBRUARY 27, 2018**

**Call to Order:** President Jim Richards began the Board Meeting at 6:30pm.

**Board Members Present:** Jim Richards, Justin Shaw, Teresa Jones and Wade Lavery.  
Members at Large: Harley Ponsler and Tim Bartlett.

**Support Staff at Board Meeting:**  
Webmaster: Dave Terwilliger.

**Claims Committee at Board Meeting:**  
Chairman Mr. Shaw with fellow Board Members Richards, Lavery and Member at Large: Ponsler.

**Support Staff on-site:**  
Membership/Chairperson & Historian: Bill Vogt,  
Equipment Custodian/Raffle Coordinator: Keith Wilson, Sergeant of Arms: Al Gottsch and Acting Club Custodian Toni DeHerrera.

**Correction to Minutes:** None.

Motion to accept by Board Member,  
Second by Board Member.

Voted and accepted by the attending Board Members.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Read by Teresa Jones. In addition the Treasurer is to meet with the Club's Bookkeeper in March for 2017 tax purposes, filing in May 2018.

Motion to accept by Board Member, second by Board Member.

Voted and accepted by the attending Board Members.

**Membership's Report:** 344 members, 15 lifetime memberships available, Activity: 5 added, 3 dropped and none reinstated.

Motion to accept by Board Member, second by Board Member.

Voted and accepted by the attending Board Members.

**Claims Report:** See General Meeting Minutes.

**Old Business Report:** None.

Motion to accept by Board Member, second by Board Member.

Voted and accepted by the attending Board Members.

### **New Business Report:**

Mike Wiggins shall become Honorary Life Member by Board Vote. Then see General Meeting Minutes.

**Outings Report:** None.

**Report on Club Notices:** See General Meeting Minutes.

Motion to accept by Board Member, second by Board Member.

Voted and accepted by the attending Board Members.

**Adjournment:** Jim Richards announced at 7:17pm.

**COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS**  
**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL**  
**MEETING FEBRUARY 27, 2018**

**Call to Order:** President Jim Richards began the General Meeting at 7:30pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Jim began the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board Members Present:** See Board Meeting Minutes.

**Support Staff on-site:** See Board Meeting Minutes.

**Correction to Minutes:** See Board Meeting Minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** See Board Meeting Minutes.

**Membership's Report:** See Board Meeting Minutes.

**Claims Report:**

Announcement: that through Claims Committee efforts, those two claims were merged into one while retaining the name "KVB". We are back to nine claims. Other license agreement(s) are being updated and being discussed with current owners. Certainly, all should recognize that the Claims Committee is very active in behalf of all our members.

**Old Business Report:** None.

**New Business Report:**

- On going donations for donated items shall be a monthly activity through September, see President's message for updates.
- Our President is looking for volunteers to staff "Cowboy.Con" in July 25-29 at Grand Sierra Resort. See Jim's contact information in

newsletter to volunteer!

- Our Webmaster Dave with Nancy Terwilliger are also members with Reno Gem and Mineral Club. They are looking for volunteer support for "Jackpot of Gems" in April 28/29. See Dave's contact information in newsletter.

**Outings Report:** None.

**Report on Club Notices:**

- Outings Chairperson Position is open.
- Website is up and running, try it out. Forum on Washoe County Lands Bill created. Home page updated, see announcement of two speakers.

**Guest Speaker:**

Last month our guest speaker was Stanley Paher. He is a noted author of Nevada history, especially the ghost towns and mining camps.

His slide presentations with his colorful and descriptive explanations were very informative.

We truly appreciated his ability to share Nevada's early history and locations to visit. "Hint: Members very quiet and paying attention – it was interesting".

**Club Wear and Club Merchandise:**

***Clothing Custodian: position is now open.***

**Looking For Outing Partner(s):**

Use our Website Forums Menu, and then the Prospecting Contact List is available for members who wish to get together. Sign up if you are going out or if you want to go out. Let us know what you want to do: panning, sniping or sluicing.

**CGPC Quarterly Assessment Drawing:**

Attention, the upcoming Tuesday March 27<sup>th</sup> 2018 Meeting the Club will have a quarterly assessment drawing for Silver (ounce) round. Assessments submitted online or by hard copy at

meeting shall be in the drawing.

**GOOD LUCK!**

**Guest Recognition:**

Welcome to **Scott Terrel, Bob Beebe\***,  
**Barbara McGee\***, also **Paul and Janet Cox**.  
(\*Bob Beebe and Barbara McGee became new  
members – thank you)

**New Members Present:**

Four new members join us tonight, welcome and  
thank you goes out to **Bob Beebe, Dan  
Hannum, Niel Hansen and Barbara McGee**.

**New Members Drawing:**

**Congratulations** to **Dan Hannum**, he  
received a specimen box with a display of gold.

**Attendance Drawing:**

(ticket(s) supplied at sign-in table): In attendance  
CGPC's member **Robert Fainelli** ticket number  
was called for a Silver (ounce) round!

Come to our next meeting on Tuesday March  
27th, 2018 for the next Silver (ounce) round to  
be awarded!

**Membership drawing for four Silver (ounce)**

**Rounds:**

CGPC's member drawn; **Valdare DiPrinzio** of  
San Jose, CA (not here)

CGPC's member drawn; **Ray Lawrence** of  
Truckee, CA (not here, within 50 miles)

Our next meeting on Tuesday March 27th, 2018  
we return to this draw for five Silver (ounce)  
rounds. A random number generator is used to  
select a possible winner from our Membership  
Roster and your chance to be picked is always a  
possibility.

Thank you for attending our meeting, hope you  
had a good time, your participation to be  
informed and also share your experiences is key  
to an active club such as ours, continue to see  
you again!

**Total attendance: 71**

**Members: 66**

**Guests: 5**

**Motion to accept the Club Meeting Minutes  
and adjourn meeting:**

Club Member, Second: club Member. Voted and  
accepted by the attending Club Members.

Adjournment: Jim Richards announced at  
8:37pm.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS-2018**

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### 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!!

Keith Wilson

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#### NEW MEMBERS:

Joe & Nicky Barnes,	Sparks, NV.
Cathy & Karl Leitaker,	Susanville, CA.
Bob Beebe,	Reno, NV.
Dan Hannum,	Dayton, NV.
Taylor Higgins,	Reno, NV.

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By Al Gottsch

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