

THE GOLD PAN

The Newsletter of the
Comstock Gold Prospectors
July 17, 2019



BLACK BILLIE

Next Meeting: July 23rd, 2019
UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS
August 27th
Sept. 24th
Oct. 22nd

Guest Speaker: Author Webb Varnum

***Deadline for submissions to the Newsletter will
be Aug. 12 th, 2019! No Later!**

1 Year Gold – NYSE

07/17/2019 – Last	\$1421.00
One Year High (at closing)	\$1424.00
One Year Low (at closing)	\$1405.00

1 Year Silver – NYSE

07/17/2019 – Last	\$15.87
One Year High (at closing)	\$15.92
One Year Low (at closing)	\$15.65

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

PRESIDENTS LETTER:

Hope you all enjoyed Stan Paher's presentation of some interesting towns in Nevada. He has been exploring Nevada most of his life and written and photographed his discoveries. His books are a must have if we have any interest in Nevada and its history and are available at local bookstores and his website. Thanks Stanley!

Webb will be our speaker in July. He will be giving a presentation from a "Licensed Geologist" perspective that is always educational to say the least!

We renewed our PLP Club membership for \$150. The fight is still ongoing and they are doing the legwork for miners' rights and keeping us informed.

Speaking of our rights and dredging, Dave M from the, New 49ers sent out an email that we may have a reasonable opportunity for dredging and motorized mining on federal lands! We should go on their website for the info. Basically, in 2000 the BLM and USFS amended the mining regulations allowing the states authority over mining on federal lands in excess of authority which the BLM and USFS is allowed by federal law! This has gotten the attention of the Trump administration and high officials on the Dept. of Interior. It seems that if this was explored early on, a lot of time and money could have been saved. It seems that this is another example of government bureaucrats doing their "own thing" with no oversight or push back!

We need your assessment forms!!!! This is becoming an issue with Justin to get the paperwork in order for the BLM. If we get no input or negative feedback, we will be dropping some of our claims!

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So if you have a favorite, be sure and fill out the forms. The weather was an issue this year, but with the number of claims we have, it is getting to be a “job” for Justin, who by the way is looking for a JOB!

Also, we are going to request that members volunteer to give a short presentation of claims that you have visited. We will be giving insight of the Patriot this month. This will help us to get know what our claims are and their access. We need members to step up to make this work.

From now on, when we are interested in a new claim, we will be sending out an advance party of at least 2 vehicles and 4 members initially so as not to have a gaggle of upset and worn out members as what happened early this year.

As far as our outings coming up, the Downieville outing is planned for Sep 14 and 15. We will have access to a cabin near Downieville with plenty of parking. This will be the same weekend as Keene’s birthday party. This will be a good outing with a lot of prospecting. We will be updating you.

The next weekend (July 21-22) is Dayton Valley Days. Wade is heading up that event. We will be doing a panning demo. Parades, eats, silent raffle, etc,etc. It will be a really good event. Need 6 per day.

Well...get out there!
JR

Gold Nuggets for Sale **Gary Nielson**

I have (10) ten gold nuggets for sale ranging in size from 29.5 grams to 3.6 grams for a total of 3.08 ounces.

If interested contact me at: cgnielson@aol.com.

This sale is for club members only and is for cash only.

Gary Nielson

GPS Class **By Bill Vogt**

As previously announced, I am planning on conducting another GPS class like I did several years ago. Whether I do or not will depend on what kind of response I get to this article.

If you have an interest in attending the class or have questions, please send me an email at wvogt@sbcglobal.net and to ensure that my wife and I don’t send it to spam put “CGP – GPS” in the subject line.

The classes will probably be in October and/or November and will be conducted in my home which is in the Northwest section of Reno.

Each class will be limited to 3 students and will run between 2 and 4 hours in length. Most of the classes will be scheduled during the weekdays but I will allow for some evening and weekends.

Once I have determined that there is enough interest, I will send an email confirmation to those members who indicated they were interest along with a questionnaire.

The questionnaire will be designed to allow me to determine a respondent’s GPS skills and what days and times they would be available for a class. After I have analyzed the data from the questionnaires, I will send emails to members with their scheduled times.

The class will mainly focus on the basic functions and use of a handheld GPS unit. There are no planned field exercises at this time, as I previously did, but there will be some in-class exercises.

The class is open to all members including those members who previously took the class. The class is free, and the only requirement is a member must have their own GPS unit.

I am also considering including the use of Google Earth into the class so having a WI-FI equipped laptop that you can bring to the class would be beneficial but not required.

If you are interested, please respond no later than **8/12/2019** since it will take some time to organize and schedule the classes.

COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
JUNE 25th, 2019

Call to Order: President Jim Richards began the Board Meeting at 6:42pm

Board Members present: Jim Richards, Justin Shaw, Teresa Jones, Tracy Nystrom, and Fred Leissler

Board Members not present: Tim Bartlett

Support Staff at Board Meeting: none

Claims Committee at Board Meeting: President Jim Richards, Justin Shaw, and Teresa Jones.

Support Staff on-site: Membership/Chairperson & Historian: Bill Vogt, Sergeant of Arms, Al Gottsch, Clothing custodian Keith Wilson, and Equipment Custodian Grant Garrison.

Correction to Minutes: None

Treasurer's Report: Report read by Teresa Jones.

Membership's Report: 352 members, 17 lifetime memberships available, Activity since last report: 5 added, 3 dropped, 0 reinstated.

Activity since the start of the year is 26 members dropped, 28, new members with an overall gain of 2 members.

Claims Report: Small miner waivers and proof of labor due September 1st. Justin would like to get claims assessments in by July 1st.

We still need assessments for Oro Mucho, Patriot, Squaw, Cynthia Placer, Crescent 1 and 2, and Ken Bennett.

Old Business Report: Received a thank you letter from people who helped our Claims committee out.

New Business Report: An article about Nevada and the government wanting more land was featured in the New York Times, June 25th, 2019.

Outings Report: See General meeting notes.

Report on Club Notices: See General meeting notes.

Adjournment: President Jim Richards announced at 7:06 pm

COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
JUNE 25th, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: President Jim Richards began the General Meeting at 7:30pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Jim Richards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: See Board Minutes.

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Tim Bartlett

SUPPORT STAFF ON-SITE:
Membership/Chairperson & Historian: Bill Vogt, Sergeant of Arms, Al Gottsch, Clothing custodian Keith Wilson, and Equipment Custodian Grant Garrison.

CORRECTION TO MINUTES: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Read by Teresa Jones.

MEMBERSHIP'S REPORT: See Board Meeting Minutes

CLAIMS REPORT:
Annual paperwork due on for Small Miner waivers on our claims.

We need assessments on all 25 claims and have no assessments on the following claims; Oro Mucho, Patriot, Squaw, Cynthia Placer, Crescent 1 and 2, and Ken Bennett.

Justin would like to have assessments turned in on these claims by July 1st. Paper work has to be filed September 1st. Discussed needing to have a Plan of Operations for any club outings.

OLD BUSINESS: Bill Vogt gave update on Newsletter. We have made progress with only 4

people picking up a printed copy at meetings and actually mailing 15 out.

We no longer are using Digiprint services for the newsletter as Bill and his wife will be handling the printing from now on.

This is a significant savings for the club. We have lost a life time member Stanly Richards who has passed away.

Marie Dalton has also relinquished her life time membership status.

NEW BUSINESS: Up for a vote rather to renew our PLP Membership. The cost is \$150. per year and we will receive a free t-shirt. The t-shirt will be added to the raffle table. The club voted to renew this membership.

OUTINGS REPORT: Bill Vogt spoke about the recent Pleasant Valley School panning demonstration. There were about 8 panners and 25 students. This will be the last year of doing this event as the teacher who contacts us will be moving on.

Brief discussion: If we should come up with other schools, we could do our demonstrations at. Webb said the Gem & Mineral club would have some leads and will bring information to next meeting.

CLUB NOTICES: New pay dirt available tonight, \$15.00 per bag. Some bags have double the gold. There are 20 bags available.

GUEST SPEAKER: Guest speaker tonight is author Stanley Paher. He discussed the town of Rhyolite area.

GUEST RECOGNITION: David Kerfeld

NEW MEMBER DRAWING: Lisa Ramey, Ken Meaker, Gerard Olsen: Winner: Ken Meaker

ATTENDANCE: Guests: Christina Stormson, Terry Ladd, Jim & Shirley Taylor, Keven & Kristina Cunningham & 3 kids (They joined before leaving) and Adam Aarsal.

NEW MEMBER DRAWING: Tom Southworth.

ATTENDANCE DRAWING: Grant Garrison.

56 Signed in members, 7 guest, and 3 children.

Attendance Drawing Record: Name drawn is Ray Lawrence from Truckee, CA.

Ray Lawrence lived within 50 miles and not present, rounds rolled to 5.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:40 pm

Ken Dell, owner of American Detectors & Distributors briefly spoke about types of pin pointer metal detectors available in his shop.

***He is located at 851 E. Glendale in Sparks. Call before going to make sure they are there.
Ken Dell 775-360-5801***

Club Wear and Club Merchandise:



Supported at this time by Keith.

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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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Welcome to Our Newest Members:

Dave Drager	Portola, CA.
Doug Manson & Cheryl Sylvia	Graeagle, CA.
Eric McDowell	Portola, CA.
Danny Pitcher	Portola, CA.
Kevin & Kristina Cunningham	Sparks, NV.
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James & Sureiya Coomer	Rocklin, CA.
Terry Ladd & Christna Stormson	Reno, NV.
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