

THE GOLD PAN

The Newsletter of the
Comstock Gold Prospectors
Feb. 11th, 2020

PRESIDENTS LETTER:

Welcome to 2020!

With the warmer weather, I hope some of you have been able to access some of the claims and get some color.

If you haven't been able to get out there just yet, spring is right around the corner and the new season will soon be in full effect; I'd like to encourage you all to go and get full use of the claims (just remember to file those assessments!)

The Claims Committee continues to look for fresh opportunities for the Club. While it's been decided that the cost of a lode claim is prohibitive, it's been brought to our attention that certain mine dumps & tailings piles may be located under a placer claim (thanks Harley!).

This is something we will certainly pursue. As always, members are always encouraged to approach the Claims Committee with any information about potential claims.

Our next event, the Reno Gem & Mineral Society's annual "Jackpot of Gems" is only a month and a half away (April 3rd & 4th).

Wade will be looking for volunteers to help with our panning booth. Attendees get into the event free. I highly recommend attending; the RGMS always puts on a spectacular show.

Finally, it is with deep regret that I report our newly elected Treasurer Dennis Taylor has passed away. Dennis was a very active member and always willing step up, and Volunteer his time and services to the Club.

His positive attitude and kind soul will be deeply missed. The family has not yet scheduled a memorial service, but is considering something next month.



BLACK BILLIE

Next Meeting: Feb. 25th, 2020

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

March 24, 2020

April 28, 2020

May 26th, 2020

All submissions need to be in by 03/10/2020

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

<u>02/11/2020 – Last</u>	\$1567.00
One Year High (at closing)	\$1574.00
One Year Low (at closing)	\$1562.00

1 Year Silver – NYSE

<u>02/11/2020 – Last</u>	\$17.64
One Year High (at closing)	\$17.76
One Year Low (at closing)	\$17.58

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

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We'll announce details as soon as they are available.

Hope to see you all at our next meeting (February 25th)!

Justin Shaw

New Newsletter Column **By Bill Vogt**

As Membership Chairperson I often get asked by a new member how they go about getting someone to go with them to show them where claims are and give them some prospecting pointers.

My standard answers have been to go to a meeting and just stand up and say you are a new member looking for someone to go with or to post a request on the web Forum.

The first choice only works for members who live close enough to attend meetings. The second choice, Forum, would be my preferred method but unfortunately our Forum just isn't working that well.

So now, I have come up with another choice which is based on the fact that all members receive the newsletter (although there is no guaranty that they read it).

We are going to start a new column for members looking for other members to hook up with. Just submit your name, contact information and what you are looking for to the editor (Lisa Walls) prior to the submission date shown on each newsletter for the next newsletter.

We will remove your listing after the second printing. I would like to get some feedback on how this works so please email me with your results.

COMSTOCK BOARD/GENERAL **MEETING** **JANUARY 28, 2020:**

Meeting Call to Order: By the Club
President Justin Shaw at 7:32pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by the Club
President Justin Shaw at 7:33pm

Correction to Minutes: Nothing to correct

Treasurers Report: No new activity

Membership Report:

1. 374 members total
2. 4 new members added
3. Member reinstated 0
4. -3 total membership change since beginning of year

Claims Report: No new activity at this time

Old Business:

1. Veterans guest house sent the club a thank you letter thanking us for our Christmas donation
2. Rental rates for the lodge will be increasing to \$250 from \$165 monthly. With a total increase of \$85 a month
3. Sold all 17 bags of pay dirt at \$12 each
4. Motioned and approved to buy an additional 20 bags of pay dirt to be sold at our future monthly meetings
5. Raffle Volunteer Needed, Please If someone is not able to volunteer, the future raffles will be sporadic and put into the announcements.
6. Our very own member and Geologist Kevin Conway was at the Washoe County Stakeholder meeting, Hunters, Ranchers, environmentalist, Senators, Congress attended regarding the proposed wilderness. To obtain additional information please go to www.landsbill.org
7. We are fighting to keep multiple purpose land available. Their intention is for it to head to the same direction the Pershing land bill was going. If you want to be a part of supporting multi-access open, please attend the future meetings Feb 4th at Farm Bureau.

8. The more faces and voices heard at these meetings the greater the chances are for our multi-purpose land to remain available.

New Business:

1. There have been some changes in our board which include:

President: Justin Shaw

Vice President: Gary Hagstrom

Treasurer: Dennis Taylor

Secretary: Rachelle Wolf

Member at Large: George Eglinger

Clothing Sales: Hamilton Reed

2. New Column for the newsletter for new members and possible small gatherings and inquiries
3. Approach a board member for renting equipment. To see equipment list and prices please see newsletter.

Outing Report: (Down the Road)

1. Gem and mineral show
2. Pleasant Valley Elementary School
3. Dayton Valley Days
4. The club is looking for more outings.

Please let someone on the board, know if they have any volunteer panning, demonstrations we can be a part of.

Club Notices:

No new club notices

Guest Speakers/Demo:

Jim Allen performed a demo on google earth how to research our claims as well as performed a presentation on our 20-acre claim "Oro Mucho" illustrating campsites, trails and accessibility of the claim as well as his experiences there this past summer.

Which included bears, mountain lions, rattle snakes, bobcats and of course GOLD encounters. The gold found at this claim is very fine gold, he

designed and created his high maker, water wheel; which he found to be most useful at this claim.

Jim demonstrated how we can see full landscapes around and within the claims. In his presentation he also illustrated how we are able to know if there are other shafts, claims, and how to measure in 40 acre parcels for easier mapping.

Meeting Attendance:

52 Attendees'

Guest Recognition:

Recognized our 4 new guests

New Member Drawing:

None

Membership Drawing:

Paul Cox

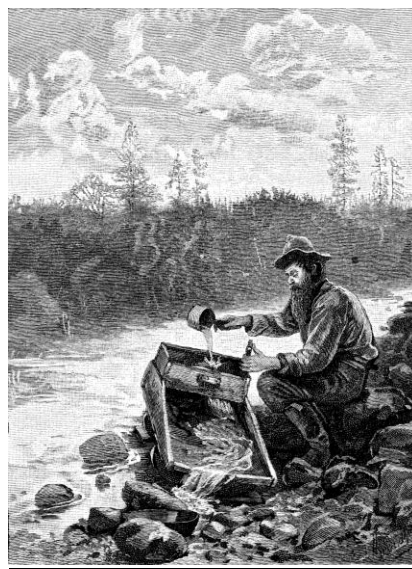
Randy Henley

Tino Rivera

Jacob Watkins

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:35pm



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White's Medal Detector for Sale:

I am the original owner of this Whites Spectra V3 metal detector with full color display. I purchased it from Reno Prospectors Supply.

I have used it less than eight (8) times and so it is virtually almost new. White's electronics advised me a couple of years ago that I could send them the control box and they would update it to a Spectra V3i which I took advantage of the offer.

In May 2019 I dropped the detector off at the Factory in Sweet Home, Oregon and had them check the Machine to make sure it was operating satisfactory.

A copy of the invoice for this test and inspection will be furnished. The machine comes with a Whites wireless Headset that has never been used; a factory rechargeable battery and charger also a battery holder for (8) double AA batteries is included.

All owner's manuals are also included and a White carrying case. Asking price is \$900.00, or best offer (product sells new for 1848.99 with accessories).

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PERSONAL AD:

Jim Bowman

Jim has 14 oz. of small placer gold for sale. If you are interested in any of it, Please contact Jim at 775-323-4004

THESE ITEMS ARE FOR RENT:

The Rental Equipment has not been rented for some time so we may be selling the equipment over the next few months.

These items are at Grant Garrisons Hacienda



**TO PLACE
OR RENEW
A BUSINESS AD:**

SEND A CHECK TO:

COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS

C/O Editor P.O. Box 20781 Reno, NV. 89515-0781

Include your ad layout, and your phone Number or email address.

Half Page Ad: \$25.00 per month
Quarter Page Ad: \$12.50 per month
Full Page Ad: \$50.00 per month

**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!!

WE NEED A VOLUNTEER!!

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