

THE GOLD PAN

The Newsletter of the
Comstock Gold Prospectors
March 18th, 2020



BLACK BILLIE

**Next Meeting: March 24th, 2020
CANCELLED**

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

April 28, 2020

May 26th, 2020

All submissions need to be in by 04/10/2020

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

03/18/2020 – Last	\$1488.00
One Year High (at closing)	\$1537.00
One Year Low (at closing)	\$1473.00

1 Year Silver – NYSE

03/18/2020 – Last	\$12.04
One Year High (at closing)	\$12.72
One Year Low (at closing)	\$11.67

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:

Dear fellow members,

It is with deepest sorrow I report the passing of beloved member Bill Vogt. Bill's work, both visible and behind the scenes has been the driving force that's helped our Club grow and flourish.

Moreover, he'll be forever remembered for his gregarious personality and amazingly giving nature. Words cannot describe the loss, so I'll just leave it at that. The Club is considering an informal memorial; we'll announce details if and when such event is scheduled.

At this point it is necessary for me to announce the cancellation of our March 24th General Meeting. I've consulted with other Board Members and we've agreed that during the current **COVID-19** crisis it is prudent not just for the safety of our members, but the greater community to avoid meetings for the time being.

Decisions on future meetings (April and beyond) will be made as we approach each event. We'll also be updating members as to the status of our scheduled panning demos. Please keep an eye on your email and the webpage for further info.

In a warmer note, I'd like to thank Wade Lavery for accepting the nomination to become Membership Chair, George Eglinger for accepting the nomination to become Treasurer, and Keith Wilson for accepting the nomination to replace George Eglinger as Board Member at Large. Their efforts will be instrumental in rebuilding and continuing what Bill started.

Once the Club is able to resume our monthly meeting, the first piece of equipment we'll be auctioning off is the six-inch dredge (includes accessories).

At some point Al Gottch and I will be putting together an inventory and photo package for potential bidders.

I hope you all will take the time to keep abreast of current news and health advice. Please do your best to keep yourself and your families safe during this difficult time.

Once this passes, and it will pass; I'm looking forward to hitting the ground (pun somewhat intended) hard.

Justin Shaw
President

**COMSTOCK BOARD/GENERAL
MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2020:**

Meeting Call to Order: By the Club
President Justin Shaw at 7:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by the Club
President Justin Shaw at 7:31pm
After: Moment of Silence for the passing of Bill Vogt

Correction to Minutes: Nothing to correct

Treasurers Report: No new activity

Membership Report:

1. 46 members attended

Claims Report:

1. 44 Special Claim is being proposed for deletion due to location, access of claim, as well as cost to maintain those rights. All were in favor for termination of 44 Special Claim.

2. Next month we are going to have a drawing looking for new claims.
3. For any members wanting to join the Claims Committee it is held the 2nd Monday of every month at 12pm at Denny's on McCarren.

Old Business:

1. Pay dirt is continuing to sell.

New Business:

1. The club is in serious need of more volunteers.
2. Bill Vogt has passed away February 25th 2020
3. Membership historian
4. Proposing auctioning off one item a month of all the unrented equipment due to lack of interest in renting it from the club. The plan is to auction one item per month all were in favor.
5. A group of volunteered to move the dredge from Dennis's house to Randy's home
6. Proposed for a family recognition for the lost members who have deceased recently

Outing Report: (*Down the Road*)

1. Gem and mineral show Date: April 4th and 5th (*Wade Lavery*)
2. Pleasant Valley Elementary School
3. Dayton Valley Days
4. April 30th 6:30pm-7:30pm Cub Scout troop volunteers needed. (Contact Justin for volunteering)
5. 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:

1. Teresa and Michael Taylor with Downieville Inn who donated \$100 to the club for a future drawing.

They have off season rates and welcome club members to stay at the Downieville Inn while panning in the area. They are also pet friendly.

Guest Speakers/Demo:

Miner John, Owner of Minder John Designs.
Teaches metal detecting and builds coils with a
back ground in mining and geology.

Meeting Attendance:

52 Attendees'

Guest Recognition:

Recognized our 4 new guests

New Member Drawing:

Miner John

Winner: Ray Haag

Teresa Taylor

Winner: Michael Taylor

Membership Drawing:

Wyatt Erd

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25pm

Additional Notes:

Nomination for:

Dan Tangle Raffle volunteer Gold Pan Dan

Wade Lavery volunteers for Membership

George for Treasurer

Keith Wilson for Member At Large

*We are Under Construction and New
Members will be added to our next
newsletter, Please bear with us as we get
all the bugs worked out.
Thank You for your understanding in
these trying times.*

Lisa Walls

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If you don't have a use for it, someone else does.
Don't throw it away; put it on the table.
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