

The Gold Pan

January 2023 Issue

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**January 24,
2023**

All members
Welcome



President's letter

UPDATE: The ATMOSPHERIC RIVER?! is bringing unprecedented rain into the Yuba River etc

We will be organizing a sign replacement trip(s) for those that are weathered or people removed?

Club Directors* (Gary and George) are having new signs made up with a clear coat on them to make them more weatherproof (but not "people" proof). We will bring a ladder or two to place the signs higher up. Remember to fill out the claim forms when you visit a claim, the earlier the better!

We will be looking forward to GOOD prospecting this year! First the snowpack will have to diminish, and the rivers will have to recede a bit. For those that are planning an early trip be cautious and prepare for cold and fast water. We can expect good gold this year. Do not overlook the culverts by the road

that direct water flow from the hillsides under the roads. They tend to be permanent "sluices".

As far as our claims go, we will organize signage postings as some have been "removed". We will be asking members to not hesitate in asking about their proof of membership in our Club while encountering others on OUR claims. If they cannot verify their membership and are prospecting and "removing" material, they are trespassing! Tactfully we can tell them they are trespassing and subject to state and federal laws. We can also inform them of our Club and the great "deal" it is to join. Carry a membership app to give to them. Then tell them they can "finish up" the day and leave. We have some "regular" trespassers, and we would like to stop them as they have come to the attention of some of our claim holders whom we have leased from. Also, if we could get their name and pics of their operation and vehicles, we can perhaps discourage the current trespassers and future trespassers when the "word" is out that we are actively protecting our claims. It is the Clubs responsibility to protect and manage the claims we have, especially the ones we lease! When confronting the potential trespasser, be nonconfrontational in your approach.

The election resulted in the re-election of the existing Board. We will be asking for a replacement of Sargent-at-Arms at our January meeting. Jeff Benik is our new Membership Chair with Wade and Martina in the "background" for the transition. This is a BIG job. A great thanks to David and Nancy Terwilliger (Webmaster), Jeffery Benik (our new Membership/Chairperson) and the Lavery's (Web Administrator) We will be discussing at the next Board meeting to bring the Membership Chairperson into the Board as the position is one of the most important positions in our Club! We have also authorized the purchase of a printer for use of the Membership Chair (about \$220). There is a lot of paperwork in this position and Jeff is getting tired of sharpening pencils!

We have scheduled four speakers for the next few meetings that are most informative and should not be missed.

- **April Tuesday 25, 2023 Stanley Paher**
- **May Tuesday 23, 2023 Tami Force**
- **June Tuesday 27, 2023 Chris Ralph**
- **July Tuesday 25, 2023 Webb Varnum**

In review, our Christmas party was attended by about 40 members. Last year we had 70. We had good gifts. Those attending had good eats and good times! I think, people are still reluctant to head out. Still a good turnout and special thanks to Rachelle Wolf and all that helped!

See you at next meeting...JR

*Once again, your Club Directors are very active, now Club Members are asked to step forward to assist in placing or replacing said claim signs. Get ahold of these two Directors:

- VP/ Claims/Chairperson Gary Hagstrom at 1.775.409.4996 or VP@cgpgold.org
- Treasurer George Eglinger at 1.775.722.8554 or Treasurer@cgpgold.org

Jim Richards-

Guest Speakers

We have several guest speakers coming up for 2023.
Please see below as follows:

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We will be working to fill the remaining months to continue
to bring added value to the club meetings.

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20 ACRE PLACER CLAIM

SHASTA RIVER

Unpatented 20 acre placer claim on BLM land, 15 miles from Yreka, CA. Includes 1/3 mile of year-round river. Gold rich placers in streambed, gravel benches and a long bar created by a 150° river bend. Lode gold found historically in canyon walls above claim. Former Union Mine at top of 900 ft canyon above claim produced & shipped a \$51,000 bullion shipment Jan10, 1918 (1918 dollars - see Mindat). That's more than \$5 million at today's prices. Although located in a steep canyon, you can drive your pickup as close as 15 yards to the water with an easy hike to the river bank. Several campsites within 2 miles of claim. Asking \$9,995. Contact Steve (775) 742-3336.

Personal Ads: Are Free to Members

General Meeting Agenda:

No Meeting in December

Board of Directors-2023

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President	Jim Richards	775.225.2494	President@cgpgold.org
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Treasurer	George Eglinger	775.722.8554	Treasurer@cgpgold.org
Member At Large	Ed Cranch	760.221.4748	AtLarge2@cgpgold.org
Member at Large	Keith Wilson	775.450.5723	AtLarge1@cgpgold.org

Presidential Appointees- Supportive Staff-2023

Position	Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Christmas Party Chairperson	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Claims/Chairperson	Gary Hagstrom	775.409.4996	Claims@cgpgold.org
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Facebook Admin	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Gold Pan Editor	Rachelle Wolf	775.846.8372	GoldPan@cgpgold.org
Historian	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Membership/Chairperson	Jeffrey Benik	775.250.4188	Membership@cgpgold.org
Outings Chairperson	Patty Halas	904.806.1780	Outings@cgpgold.org
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Please reach out to the board if you are interested in Volunteering!

****All "Gold Pan" submissions are due 2nd Monday of the month****