

# The Gold Pan

August 2023 Issue

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## The Newsletter of the Comstock Gold Prospectors

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### Next Meeting

**August 22,  
2023**

All members  
Welcome

### President's Letter

**“The finest complement you can pay a man is that his word was as good as gold” Evel Knievel**

The results are not in but we believe the 1<sup>st</sup> Downieville Gold Rush Days was a great success! We estimate over a thousand showed up with over a hundred using our claims. Thank you Wayne and Cynthia!!! Most of those using our claims got some color and big smiles!

There were about 30 vendors and seminars in the gym as well as ice cream socials and a ‘Gunfight’ on the streets of Downieville(very entertaining!).

We stayed at the Downieville River Resort which was VERY convenient and accommodating. George set up his “Rock” table across the street and directed people to the claims and entertained everyone with “rock” history for hours! Very popular-especially the families. While George was rocking, Keith was directing and providing Club info. Thank you, George and Keith!

The rest of us were at the gym with our Comstock table and were providing info and signing up new members. We managed to get 16 new

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members with more to come. Jeff had the membership packs set up perfectly and we were able to fill out the info without a hitch. Julie Z showed up Friday and Saturday at our table and was a wonderful help...above and beyond! We had a raffle twice a day for silver rounds and on Sunday at the last raffle for a pin pointer. Those eligible were the new members who signed up during the event. For those that did not know, Jeff broke his femur 10 days prior and did not think he would make the event. But with a swollen and wrapped leg (God Bless Him) he showed up on Friday thru Sunday!!! Super big help! Justin was there Saturday providing his insight and Tom G. was a big help on Sunday.

We made good contact with the attendees and am sure we will be getting additional members.

Our thanks goes out to Josh and his crew, the ICMJ and Downieville for sponsoring a great weekend.

It was a spiritual enlightenment to be around so many enthusiast and dedicated people!

We will be back next year!

Our next event is Dayton Valley Days, car show, dog show, raffle and the most popular gold panning demo, September 16 and 17...signups will be at our August meeting...

**-Jim**

## Guest Speakers

**A Huge Thank you to Webb Varnum member and July's Guest Speaker.**



# Fun Gathering at Rye Patch



Jeff & George At Rest Stop. Going To Rye Patch To Prospect.

George Eglinger Found This Large Nugget In Rye Patch, Nv. July 2, 2023. George it's To Big To Take Home.



Steve Smith And His Daughter Rye Patch, Nv.



Patty Halas Metal Detecting Rye Patch Nv. 7/2/23

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Please see the schedule for upcoming Speakers

If you have someone you know or you are interested in being a guest speaker for the club, please reach out so we can add to the schedule.

**Monthly Speaker Status 2023**

- August Tuesday 22, 2023 "No Speaker"
- September Tuesday 26, 2023 "Open"
- October Tuesday 24, 2023 "Open"
- November Tuesday 28, 2023 "Open"

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**Outings**

**September Outing: Dayton Valley Days panning demo September 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> (SAT/SUN).**

**The Club no longer offers Equipment Rentals**

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# Classifieds

## Garage Full of Mining Equipment

Contact Bonnie McFarland- 775.867.3524

If your new to the club this is your jackpot! Willing to sell items individually or bundle.



Please see 2 pages below for listings on items for sale and prices

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- \*\* Gold Magic 12-E Spiral Wheel 17 inch dia, 12 volt battery with built-in charger  
comes with plastic tote - \$300
  - \*\* Gold Tracker MD20 with extension handle - \$150
  - \*\* Royal Miller Table, 12 inch wide - 15 inch long with tote box - \$145
  - \*\* Jaw Rock Crusher hand built, 4 inch wide with 3 inch adjustable opening on a metal  
stand, hand powered. Will crush to power. Can be adapted to gas or electric motor.  
(will require some metal fabrication to install a motor) - \$220
  - \*\* Hand Rock Crusher (large mortar & pestle) 6 inch pipe (12 inch tall) on welded base  
plate with a drop weight 5 inch in dia on a 36 inch long handle NOTE: this can be  
used to break rock in pieces that will work in the above Rock Crusher - \$60
  - \*\* NEW in box Predator gas motor 79cc with horizontal shaft - can be adapted to rock  
crusher above - \$90
  - \*\* Thumblers Tumbler model A-R12, 6 inch dia - 8 inch long electric 110 AC - \$60
  - \*\* Chicago Electric Tumbler capacity 3 lbs 4 inch dia - 4 inch long electric 110 AC - \$30
  - \*\* 27 inch - 19 inch - 6 inch plastic tub - \$8
  - \*\* 36 inch - 23 inch - 8 inch plastic tub - \$10
  - \*\* 2 short shovels 26 inch long - \$8 ea
  - \*\* misc 12 volt batteries - \$10 ea
  - \*\* misc gold pans and Bucket Wobbler - \$3 to \$8
  - \*\* 7 piece - 1/8 and smaller classifiers for 5 gal bucket - \$45
  - \*\* Solar charger panel, 11 inch - 3 1/2 inch - \$10
  - \*\* Miller Table wood hand built with tote box - \$70

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- \*\* D.A.M. Industries blue gold bowl concentrator - \$75
  - \*\* Gold & Sand hand dredge with bucket - \$90
  - \*\* Sluice Box 50 inch - 9 inch aluminum with front flare - \$80
  - \*\* Trommel hand built portable lightweight PVC pipe hand crank trommel with  
31 inch - 11 inch drum covered in 1/2 inch screen on 2 foot legs - \$75
  - \*\* 2 belt Hand Picks 4inch - 10 inch head with wood 19 inch handle - \$10 ea
  - \*\* Gas powered vacuum with Echo motor with a 3 inch outlet tube that can be used as a  
blower for a drywasher includes 6 foot 1 3/4 hose, and attachments - \$150
  - \*\* 2 55 gal. blue water barrels - \$40 ea
  - \*\* Metal detector Whites Siena Plus Pro - \$250
  - \*\* Metal detector Whites GMT Goldmaster E-Series - \$250
  - \*\* Metal detector coil Whites Super Pulse 150 - \$65
  - \*\* Metal detector coil Whites Miner John Designs TDI Folded Mono Coil - \$65
  
  - \*\*\* 2021 CF MOTO UTF 4 wheel drive with dump bed - \$10,500 \*\*\*

ABOVE ITEMS ARE LOCATED IN FALLON

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## **Minelab Monster Metal Detector**

\$700

If interested, Please contact:

Patty Halas: 904.806.1780

## **NORTH FORK YUBA RIVER CLAIM**

**17acres+/- Easy access with offroad parking.**

1mile east of Downieville . Upstream from "The Lure". Downstream from "KVB"  
claim.

Beautiful bedrock and gravel

\$5000

**Contact: Ray Ryba 760.807.1774**

## **Mining Equipment**

Gold Cradle Rocker Box \$ 100

Like new condition all aluminum unit, total weight 20 lbs. All the parts  
fit in the 5 to10 gal. box for easy transport.

Removable classifier, and can be used in the desert in the

RECIRCULATING MODE of ops.

Jim at: 775-434-7295

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## **20 ACRE PLACER CLAIM**

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## **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 Jan 10, 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.

*Ads are Free to Members in the Gold Pan Newsletter*

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## **General Meeting Agenda:**

July 2023

Meeting Called to order: 7:30pm by: President Jim Richards

Correction to minutes: No Corrections

### **Membership Report:**

Total Members: 327

New Member: + 6

184 Individual/ 143 Family

### **Claims Report:**

Claims Committee Meeting: Meets Monday at 11:30am Denny's / Reach out to VP Gary Hagstrom for questions.

### **Old Business:**

### **New Business:**

Outings and Events

### **Outings Report:**

September 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Dayton Valley Days

Postion:	Name	Phone Number	Email Address
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### Appointees

Position	Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Christmas Party Chairperson	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
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**Please reach out to the board if you are interested in Volunteering!**

**\*\*All "Gold Pan" submissions are due 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month\*\***