

The Gold Pan

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Next Meeting

**October 22,
2024**

All members
Welcome

President's Letter

Real gold is not afraid of the melting pot. — Chinese Proverb

Fire season is over now we prepare for the snow season. Still a great time to get out and prospect and do not forget your assessments, also consider your equipment needs for next season and consider perhaps donating equipment, you do not need to the raffle table.

November meeting is time for nominations of next year board. Those that are not going to run for next year are the president, vice president and treasurer. We would appreciate some of our members to step up and volunteer for a position on the board. Some of us are going to move on after years of service!

As a note, Jim Brothers has resigned as webmaster. But Justin has volunteered to step to the Webmaster position as of this month...Thanks to Jim for his work and to Justin for stepping up!

Thanks to Jeff for his insights and firsthand knowledge as to fire evacuation and preparedness! Not all areas are safe from fire danger as many had to leave their homes within the city limits of Reno!

Now is a good time of the year to get out as some of us are out this weekend.

If you can make it. We will be doing a panning demo at Bartley Ranch Park in Reno from 9-6 Saturday 2 Nov. This is a Boy Scout event which we did last year. We need at least 4.

Try and attend the meeting this coming month.

Jim

Guest Speakers

Welcoming back our very own Webb Varnum for October.

Webb is a life-long member of the Comstock Gold Club and has provided invaluable information to our club for years. Thank you, Webb, for taking the time, materials and energy to present to the club.

Welcoming Back:

Upcoming Guest Speakers:

- *October Tuesday 22, 2024 Webb Varnum, Save This Date!*
- *November Tuesday 26, 2024 Stanley Paher, Save This Date!*

***Please feel welcome to volunteer to be our guest speaker if you have some useful information for the club; we will also take any suggestions or ideas for additional speakers.*

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Election Season



Election Season is upon us and not just for political office but also for your Comstock Gold Prospectors! We have many positions available that require volunteers for the board.

URGENT!!!

CALLING ALL!!!!

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Let's continue making Comstock Gold Prospectors the BEST prospecting club in the Nation. Please volunteer for a position on the board - We will train. Also, volunteer for the outings. Remember, THIS IS YOUR CLUB! Let's continue making it GREAT!

Outings

UPCOMING- November 2, 11-3 our club will be going to Barcley Ranch

Gold Panning with the Boy Scouts. We need all the help we can get.

Past-September Dayton Valley Days-

Thank you to the 8-12 helpers at Dayton Valley Days. Saturday, we had about 100 kids try their hand at panning and Sunday there were about 50. We even gave out a few membership applications.

Every year, at Dayton Valley Days, our club sets up the panning station right at the train tracks on Pike Street. The owners of the house nearby always allows us to use their garden hose to fill the panning troughs. We thank the owners by giving them a silver round. The owner, Julie M.W. was so appreciative and wrote a very sweet thank you letter. Julie's last statement is worth sharing, " we appreciate you teaching about "Gold" in Nevada's place where gold was first discovered. (born here in 1957 - 5th generation Comstock."

The Club no longer offers Equipment Rentals

Due to nearly no demand at all, the club no longer offers equipment rental.

TidBits from Juli Z

Our very own, Jeff Benik, shared his story of his home being in the path of the Davis Fire. Jeff decided to stay at his home despite his family and neighbors choosing to evacuate. He wanted to share some tips in case any of us is faced with the same frigid dilemma. #1. Make sure you have a defensible space around your property, NOTHING flammable close to the house. #2. Fill many buckets of water. (When Jeff offers you k the meetings make sure you take your limit so you will always have them ready) #3. I generator. Jeff was able to use the generator he had on hand for his prospecting trips his power went out for 6 1/2 days. #4. Have a plan and share it with family members. where your important papers are-have them in a fireproof box. #5. Check to make sur have proper insurance and maybe ask questions about "what if?", before the tragedy It was recommended to talk to our very own Rachelle Wolf, with any insurance questi needs.

As someone who came from the area of California, where fires destroyed entire neighborhoods that never dreamed they would have this type of wild fire, I so appreci bringing these helpful tips to our attention.

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General Meeting Agenda:

September 2024

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

Correction to minutes: No Corrections

Membership Report:

Total Members: 324

New Member:

154 Individual/ 147 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:

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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****