



WEEKEND GOLDMINER Newsletter

Prospecting sites in the Heart of Georgia's Gold Belt

**Club Address: P.O. Box 910, Dahlonega, GA 30533
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Calendar of Events

"Miners Swap Meet" at every meeting. Bring camping & prospecting articles only.

**Meeting Time: November 3, 2018
Auraria Community Center
Board Meeting 3:00 P.M. ***Note Time Change
General Meeting 5:00 P.M.***Note Time Change**

**Metal Detecting Hunt - November 3, 2018
Auraria Community Center
12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M.
WEATHER PERMITTING !!!
Hunt Master – 423-838-0939 or 423-838-1373**

Christmas Dinner December 1, 2018

***If you have any questions about any of these events call Membership Director Benny Chester 770-531-9346. Or email at weekendgoldminers@yahoo.com**

WEEKEND GOLD MINERS PROSPECTING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES October 6th, 2018

President Judy Johnson called the October 6, 2018 general meeting to order.

She welcomed new members and guests. Sandy Thomason, wife of #495 Robert Thomason.

Birthdays for October 2018 are: #2854 Mark Nesbitt, 53 years young on the 4th, #2744 John Burton 58 years on the 17th. HAPPY! HAPPY! HAPPY!

Anniversaries: #3271 Bobbie Jo True 4 years on the 31st. HAPPY! HAPPY! HAPPY!

Two pair of sunglasses and 1 pair of reading glasses were found at the picnic. If you think they might be

yours call 770-531-9346.

#2854 Mark Nesbitt made a motion to accept the September 1, 2018 general meeting minutes as posted in the newsletter. #1433 Don Ferguson seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Treasurer John Burton gave the September 2018 Treasurer's report as follows:

Beg. Checking Bal	\$19,269.90
Income	\$ 4,826.00
Disbursements	\$ 3,357.49
Ending Checking Bal	\$20,738.41

Money Market #1	\$48,184.42
Money Market #2	\$15,437.17

#2533 Bill Quick made a motion to accept the September 2018 Treasurer's report as read. #1433 Don Ferguson seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Judy Johnson gave the September 2018 Membership report for Membership Director Benny Chester as follows:

- 5- new members for September
- 40 – new members YTD
- Last member number issued #3476
- \$500.00 – Membership fees collected
- Logo Items sold - \$190.00
- 1-key sold- \$5.00
- Camper Permit - \$5.00
- Miscellaneous Income - \$65.00
- Total fees collected \$765.00

Membership Director had \$67.75 in expenses.

Hunt Master Robert Johnson gave the report on the hunt today. He had 21 people to hunt. It was extremely hot today but the hunt went very well. #2549 Ed Nefferdolf found the winning token and won the gold nugget. Robert thanked everybody for coming and to all those that buy raffle tickets. Next

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OFFICERS	
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**PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR
MEMBER # ON YOUR CHECK**

New Properties Finders Fee

It is the policy of the WEGM to reward its members with a finders fee for locating new properties for the club to lease. The member will be paid \$240 or receive credit for \$240 in membership dues upon the club approving the lease for club use. The member must act as an agent between the landowner and the WEGM. To receive the finders fee, you must register in writing with the club secretary your intent to begin discussing a proposed lease with the landowner. You cannot receive the finders fee unless registration is complete and the lease is approved by the WEGM.

- STANDING RULES**
1. No use of alcohol on Association outings.
 2. Smoking will not be permitted at Association meetings or activities unless held in the open air.
 3. Members are expected to adhere to the Association's Code of Ethics while prospecting or mining
 4. Members are expected to conduct themselves at all times in accordance with the laws of the land and reasonable moral behavior
 5. Violation of Standing Rules will result in disciplinary action as determined by the Executive Board of Directors
 6. The President, Vice-President or their appointed spokesperson(s) are the only people authorized to speak on behalf of the WEGM
 7. Regular monthly meetings will be held on the first Saturday of each month at a scheduled time as stated in the club newsletter and website
 8. Fun must be had by all

hunt will be November 3, 2018, Auraria Community Center starting at 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M. Hopefully it will be cooler. Hunts are free and if you don't have a detector, we have extras.



Ed Nefferdolf Winner of Gold Nugget

Board member Barbara Lawson turned in her resignation today. She said she was resigning for health and personal reasons. The Board of Directors has appointed # 3385 Lee Day to fill the remaining term. There was a show of hands vote from the general membership present with the vote being unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Allison lease has been approved for \$16,000.00 for one year. No changes were made. There was a show of hands vote to approve paying for the Allison lease in the amount of \$16,000.00 for one year. The vote was unanimous with 1 no vote.

Reminder: Speed limit is 5MPH on the Honey Farm Road from the time you get off Town Creek Rd. Also, absolutely, positively no playing of loud music after 11:00 P.M. until 6:00 A.M. This is in violation of the Rules & Regulations.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lifetime Members for September are: #2916 Gerald Sands, #2933 Lee Tucker and #2956 Rickard Tillich. The certificates and Lifetime member cards will be mailed.

Daylight Savings Time: The meeting hours will change November 1, 2018 to 3:00 P.M. for Board meeting and

5:00 P.M. for the General meeting. Metal Detecting hunts will be 12:00 p.m. TO 2:00 p.m.

The board will be contacting Michael Turner regarding the renewal lease.

Christmas Dinner will be December 1, 2018 with the club furnishing the meats and members will bring a covered dish. Details will be discussed at the November meeting.

The board is considering having a contest to bring in more new members. They are asking the members what they think a good prize would be for the member that brings in the most new members from the first of the year until the picnic. This in the planning stages. If you have any ideas contact any officer of the club.

The Question & Answer session was canceled due to the raffles of the prizes that were not claimed at the picnic. All the unclaimed prizes will have to be raffled off until someone wins. This takes quite some time.

Winners of the “Unclaimed” prizes from the picnic are:

Green Tickets winners were:

Garret Ace 300 Metal Detector/with kit - Joe Thomason
 \$100 Gift Certificate from Crisson Gold Mine - #2850 David Hoard
 \$85.00 Bucket of Ore - #2890 Barbara Lawson
 Gold Panning Kit - #2890 Barbara Lawson
 Blue Bowl - #2890 Barbara Lawson

Blue Ticket winners were:

Buddy heater - #3293 Leonard Webb
 Gold Rush Nugget Bucket - #2850 David Hoard
 Reserve Air Tank -#1433 Don Ferguson
 3-Stage Gold Cube – #2890 Barbara Lawson
 Gold Rush Nugget Bucket - #2845 Terry Willman

Yellow Ticket winners were:

\$85 can of ore - #2890 Barbara Lawson
 \$85 can of ore - #3293 Leonard Webb
 \$105.00 Gold Necklace – #2890 Barbara Lawson
 \$165.00 Gold Necklace - #495 Robert Thomason

Regular Raffles were held: Door Prize of a Prospector Round was #2744 John Burton

Blue Ticket winners were:

Bag of ore - #2744 John Burton
 Bag of ore - #2890 Barbara Lawson
 Bag of ore - #2845 Terry Willman
 Gold Nugget - #3293 Leonard Webb

Green Ticket winners were:

Bag of ore - #1483 Robert Johnson
 Bag of ore – #2890 Barbara Lawson
 Bag of ore - #2850 David Hoard
 Bag of ore - Morgan Seals –guest
 Gold Nugget - #1775 Kathy McCary

Yellow Ticket winners were:

Bag of ore - #2744 John Burton
 Bag of ore – #3353 Judy Jenkins
 Bag of ore - #2533 Bill Quick
 Bag of ore – 3464 – Eric Peabody
 Gold Nugget - #1483 Robert Johnson

Next meeting: November 3, 2018

Board Meeting at 3:00 P.M.

General meeting at 5:00 P.M.

Metal Detecting Hunt - 12:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

#2854 Mark Nesbitt made a motion to adjourn the October 6, 2018 general meeting . #2850 David Hoard seconded. Meeting Adjourned.

MOORE FROM THE GOLD FIELDS:



I'm sure the older members remember the amazing one armed bass player Dr. Doo Dah. He played bass for

The Mudd Brothers Blues Band for several years. We played several times for the Weekend Goldminers Picnic. Dr. Doo Dah played better with one arm than most players with both arms. He loved playing the picnic and loved Joyce Conner's dish, what he called nanner pudding. He loved the pudding so much that I think he would have played for us free just to get to eat the pudding. He would call me weeks before the gig, not to talk about the music but to talk about the pudding. One year Joyce made a whole pudding just for him. I never saw a man happier. He ate most of it by himself on the drive back to Chattanooga. Never offered any of us a bite. He took the rest home to eat later.



Dr. Doo Dah was full of wild stories about him playing bass and touring with several famous bands while living in California in the '60's. We would always listen and nod our heads in agreement, not believing most of it. He said he was going to play Woodstock with the Grateful Dead but had a motorcycle wreck a few months before and lost his left arm. He said he had a star at the Hollywood walk of fame.

He taught himself to play again after the accident using one hand. He was too cheap to buy a left-handed bass, so he learned to play a right hand bass upside down. In the photo you will see that the big "E" string is on the bottom, upside down. Confusing to most of us if we tried to follow him in a song. It was like looking at a mirror image upside down.



After his passing his son sent me a pic of his walk of fame star. I was blown away. He is now in Heaven having to learn to play again with both arms. I'll bet he sounds amazing. Rest in peace Dr. Doo Dah, ('Nanner Pudding), you will be missed by all who knew you.

WORDS OF WISDOM:

Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars....

RULE OF THE MONTH

STANDING RULES FOR CLUB LEASES:

1. It is mandatory that you fill out the visit log sheet for each lease, each visit. Forms are provided at each gate.
2. It is mandatory that gates are kept locked at all times, except during club functions.
3. Speed limit is 5MPH on all lease roads.
4. Quite Time – All members camping on the properties shall observe a quiet time beginning at 11:00 P.M. and ending at 6:00 A.M... During this quite time there shall be no running of generators, mining equipment with internal combustion engines, playing of radios or stereos or loud talking, so as to not disturb other campers that may be trying to sleep.

From Benny Chester: Winterize your small gas engine

There's lots of different ways to winterize small gas engines and this is just one. If you have a service manual that came with your engine I recommend that you follow those instructions. The most basic way is to just add Sta-bil to a full tank of gas and run the engine for a few minutes. The following way is a little more detailed and I have used it for years. First drain the gas tank completely. Next run engine until all remaining fuel left in system is burned. Next change the oil. Next remove spark plug and pour a teaspoon of oil into cylinder and replace spark plug then slowly pull start rope to turn engine over several times. Check and clean or replace air filter. Store indoors if possible. Of course if you want to you can just fill tank with fuel and run the engine a few minutes every couple of weeks.

The FOR SALE section is free for members only. Membership number, name and phone number must accompany the ad. Ads will be run the month of submission only. You may resubmit your ad each month. Business ads must be approved by the board, the fee for a small block ad is \$120.00 per year.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS FOR SALE:

Thomas Reese \$1,000.00 731-968-7406
 Billy Mincemoyer \$1500.00 706-952-5339 Call between 9:00 am - 6:00 pm leave message if no answer.
 Marcella Wolfe \$750.00 317-440-2190 Call between 9:00 am - 8:00 pm leave message if no answer.

These are the new WEGM T-shirts for the men and ladies. All shirts are \$10.00 ea. There will be a \$6.50 shipping and handling charge for each shirt. If you want to place an order please state the color and size of shirt and how many. Send your order to: T-Shirt Order. P.O. Box 910, Dahlonega, Ga. 30533. Make check or money order to Weekend Gold Miners Club.



Ladies Shirt Colors: Pink, Green, Purple and Pink Camo.
 Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large and 2X.
 Ladies shirts do not have a pocket.



Mens Shirt Colors: Black, Tan, Grey, Hunter Green, Camo
 Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large, 2X.
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SPOUSE'S NAME:	Children Under 21:	
MEMBER NAME:		

I recognize that mining and prospecting are inherently dangerous, and that the club's properties have unmarked and unidentified hazards, to include abandoned mine shafts, caves, sink holes, steep slopes and other people, both invitees, licensees and trespassers and that any one or combination of the above can cause injury or death. I waive any claim against the Week End Gold Miners, Inc. or the land owners and covenant not to sue for any damage, injury or death caused to me, or for the loss of equipment or personal items while on the properties. I further recognize that there are special dangers to minors and I shall assume all responsibility for each minor accompanying me. I further agree to carry such insurance as I feel necessary to protect my interest and to indemnify and hold harmless owners from any liability arising out of my actions while on the properties.

Guest Signature

Date