



WEEKEND GOLDMINER Newsletter

Prospecting sites in the Heart of Georgia's Gold Belt

Club Address: P.O. Box 910, Dahlonega, GA 30533
Phone: (770) 531-WEGM

Calendar of Events

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

Meeting: March 1st, 2014
Auraria Community Center
Board meeting at 3:00 P.M.
General Meeting at 5:00 P.M.

Free Coin Hunt on March 1st, 2014 at the Auraria Community Center 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M.
Weather Permitting !!!! Call 423-838-1373

Property gate locks changed April 1, 2014
Keys mailed 3-15-14 Dues must be up to date.

Bear on The Square in Dahlonega, Ga.
Sat. April 26, 2014 from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.
Sun. April 27, 2014 from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.*

Dates for Commons for 2014:
May 17 & 18
July 12 & 13
Sept. 20 & 21

Details to follow on each.
If you have any questions about any of these events call Membership Director Benny Chester 770-531-9346.

WEEKEND GOLD MINERS PROSPECTING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES January 4, 2014

Acting President Benny Chester open the February 1, 2014 general meeting in the absence of President Roger Moore.

Benny welcome new members Tommy Reece and Lisa Hughes and guests Gabriel Coto, Michael Coto, Tim Slade and Robert Biggers.

Birthdays for February 2014 are #3084 Leona Welch on the 6th and #2488 Francine Cochran on the 26th. Happy, Happy, Happy!

Anniversaries for February 2014 are #2820 Robert Scarbrough and wife Lee celebrating 44 years on the 22nd. Happy, Happy, Happy!

#2583 Bill Johnson made a motion to accept the January 4, 2014 general meeting minutes as posted in the newsletter. #2686 Don Vincent seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Bookkeeper Judy Johnson gave the January 2014 Treasurer report as follows:

01-01-14 Beg. Bal	\$18,988.53
Income	\$10,110.00
Disbursements	\$2,995.58
01-31-14 Ending Bal	\$26,102.95

Money Market #1	\$28,007.02
Money Market #2	\$20,391.89

#2686 Don Vincent made a motion to accept the January 2014 treasurer report as read. #2583 Bill Johnson seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Membership Director gave the membership report as follows:

01- new member
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#3118 last member number issued
\$115 –new members
\$130 – RV permit renewals

Hunt Master Robert Johnson gave the Hunt Master report. He thanked everybody that came out to the hunt and to those that buy raffle tickets. He said that he had 12 people at the hunt today and that he buried \$430 in silver and clad coins in the ground. He also buried some tokens for which one of the tokens was

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for a nice gold nugget. It was proudly won by Samuel McCollough, son of #2995 Irby McCollough Jr. Robert stated that next month he will have a hunt called "Winning of the Green" He will be planting tokens for five (5) \$20 bills and two (2) \$50. This will be on March 1, 2014 starting at 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M. at the Auraria Community Center. This is a free hunt open to the public and will be WEATHER PERMITTING !!!!! He also stated that there was \$1277.03 in the account.

Celeste Wilkerson of the WEGM Auxiliary gave the Auxiliary report as follows: She said that next month they will be serving salad, spaghetti, garlic bread and a drink for \$4.00. She said that she made \$143.00 in raffles and that they had \$1213.20 in the account. She also said that she would have lots of good things to raffle off next month.

OLD BUSINESS:

Statements will go out this next week with the member's balance and the amount of dues and maintenance fees that they have paid.

Property gate locks will be changed out on April 1, 2014. These keys will have "4" and "DO NOT COPY" on them. Do not throw away your old key until you are sure the locks have been changed. Keys will be mailed out starting on March 15, 2014. Your dues and maintenance fees must be paid up to date by the. If you do not receive a key then , as soon as you bring your account up to date you will be mailed a new key. Replacement keys will cost \$5.00 and can only be purchased from the Membership Director upon approval from the bookkeeper.

Bear on the Square will be on April 26 & 27, 2014 in downtown Dahlonega, Ga. We will have a booth there demonstrating the art of prospecting. We will need volunteers to help man the booth on both days. Come stay a few hours or all day. Please bring comfortable shoes and a chair. Fun will be had by all. Call Benny Chester at 77-531-9346 for more details.

Commons for 2014: May 17 & 18, July 12 & 13 AND Sept. 20 & 21. Details will follow.

NEW BUSINESS:

Be thinking of the upcoming election in August. The ballot will have to be turned in at the May meeting. Positions open will be Vice-President and two board positions. Think about how you can serve your club.

MAIL DUES TO:
WEGM
 P.O. Box 910
 Dahlonega, GA 30533

**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

Lifetime members for this month: #2115 Jack Rankin. Congratulations!

The board of Directors will be taking sealed bids on the abandoned RV's on the Turner & Allison properties. There are at the present time, four (4) on the Turner and one (1) on the Allison property. These RV's and all property that is on the campsite must be removed from the property within 30 days after board of Directors approval and cannot be relocated on any WEGM property without permission from the board.

All bids must be turned in by mail addressed to:

WEGM

RV Bids
William Quick
P.O. Box 910
Dahlonega, Ga. 30533

All bids must be received by March 1, 2014. These bids are for members only. For more information or if you wish to inspect the RV's, you may contact William Quick at 706-344-9087 to make arrangements.

Celeste Wilkerson & Joyce Conner of the WEGM Auxiliary gave out roses to all the ladies present but, they in turn had to give to a gentleman. Every gentleman that got a rose has to bake (no store bought) a cake and bring to the next meeting. These cakes will be actioned off to the highest bidder. Come see how many men can bake a cake.

Raffles were held: The door prize of a prospector silver round was won by Helen Boston, wife of #2650 Dana Boston.

Blue Ticket Raffles Winners were:

Bag of ore - Tommy Reece (new member)
Bag of ore - #2820 Robert Scarbrough
Bag of ore - #2539 Andrew Welchehel
Bag of ore - #2820 Robert Scarbrough
Sniffer Bottle w/pouch - #2890 Barbara Lawson
Digger - #0909 John Duncan
Nugget - #1407 Kenneth Limie

Green Ticket Winners were:

Bag of ore - #3007 David Cloud
Bag of ore - #2505 Harry Sands
Bag of ore - #2539 Andrew Whelchel
Bag of ore - #3007 David Cloud
Digger - #2505 Harry Sands
Lobe - #2505 Harry Sands
Nugget - #2744 John Burton

WEGM Raffle Winners were:

Camo Hat - #3101 Gary Hicks
Rose & earrings - #2179 David Fuller
Dancing Devil - #Samuel McCollough – son of #2995
Irby McCollough
Bag of ore & egg flower - #2610 Ray Sparks
Camo Hat - #2820 Robert Scarbrough
Nugget - #1900 Nancy Healy

Next Meeting will be March 1, 2014

Board Meeting at 3:00 P.M.

General Meeting at 5:00 P.M.

#2686 Don Vincent made a motion to adjourn the February 1, 2014 meeting. Bill Johnson seconded. Meeting adjourned.

FOR SALE SUBMISSION POLICY

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 add each month. Business ads must be approved by the board, the fee for a small block ad is \$120.00 per year.

**New utility trailer GVW 890#
Will handle 4 inch keene dredge.
Can be towed with small car. \$295.00
Alan Campbell 706-809-8523**

From the Hunt Master: Robert Johnson

Well, I finally didn't have to work and made it to a hunt. We had a pretty good turnout of around 14 people. I buried \$430 in silver and clad coins and put two tokens in the ground, one for 1976 \$2 bill with dated canceled stamp on it and one for a \$70 gold nugget. Kenneth Limie won the \$2 bill and Samuel McCollough won the gold nugget. In March we will have the "Winning of the Green" hunt. I will bury tokens for five \$20 bills and two \$50 dollar bills plus silver and clad coins. The hunt will start at 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M. at the Auraria Community Center before the meeting. As always, WEATHER PERMITTING! If you have a metal detector and not sure how to use it, bring it on and we will learn how. That is what these hunts are about. If you don't have a detector, I usually have some extras. Come join us and I hope to see you there.

ON THE FUNNY SIDE OF LIFE:

While working the lunch shift at a local restaurant I watched as an elderly couple ate their lunch. It seemed as if the man was the only one eating. First his appetizer, then his main course and finally his dessert. All the while his wife just looking on not even touching her food. Confused, I approached the woman and asked if there was anything I could get for her. "No thank you" came her answer. "It's his turn with the teeth."

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.



Mens Shirt Colors: Black, Tan, Grey, Hunter Green, Camo
Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large, 2X.
Camo shirts do not have a pocket.



Ladies Shirt Colors: Pink, Green, Purple and Pink Camo.
Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large and 2X.

Ladies shirts do not have a pocket.

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RELEASE OF LIABILITY OF GUEST

NAME:		
PHONE NUMBER:		
ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
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