



# 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: April 4, 2015**  
**Auraria Community Center**  
**Board Meeting 5:00 P.M.**  
**General Meeting 7:00 P.M.**

**Free Metal Detecting Hunt – April 4, 2015**  
**Auraria Community Center, Starting at 2:00 P.M.**  
**until 4:00 p.m. Weather permitting. Clad & silver**  
**coins buried. 2- Gold Nugget for token prizes**  
**Special Easter prize to be given away.**

**Locks on property gates changed April 1, 2015**  
**New keys mailed March 15, 2015**

**Bear on The Square April 18 & 19**  
**On the Square in Dahlonega, Ga.**

**Commons for 2015: April 25th & 26th**  
**June 20th & 21st**  
**October 17th & 18th**

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

said that he was 29 and holding. John & Kim Burton will be having an anniversary of 12 years on the 17th. HAPPY! HAPPY! HAPPY!

Roger Moore ask the members to please remember his mother who has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Please remember her and the family in your prayers.

#2697 Scott Wilson made a motion to accept the February 7, 2015 general meeting minutes. #2533 Bill Quick seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Bookkeeper Judy Hall Johnson gave the February 2015 Treasurer report as follows:

02-01-15 Beg. Checking Bal	\$10,875.68
Income	15,670.00
Disbursements	3,075.56
02-28-15 Ending Bal	\$23,470.12
Money Market #1	\$48,043.33
Money Market #2	\$20,402.95

#2854 Mark Nesbitt made a motion to accept the February 2015 Treasurer report as posted on the bulletin board. #2583 Bill Johnson seconded. Motion carried and passed.

In the absence of Membership Director Benny Chester, Judy Hall Johnson gave the February 2015 Membership report as follow:

8- new members for February 2015  
13-new members YTD  
#3219 – last membership number issued  
\$730.00 –new members due & fees  
\$ 10.00 – Logo Item  
\$ 35.00 in Permits & renewals  
\$775.00 – Total

Membership Director had \$169.44 in expenses. Hunt Master Robert gave the February 2015 Hunt Master report as follows: He stated that he had

## WEEKEND GOLD MINERS PROSPECTING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES March 7th, 2015

President Roger Moore called the March 7, 2015 general meeting to order.

He welcomed new members Lynn Johnson and Eddie Stowers and wife Edie.

Birthdays for March are Lynn Johnson on the 8th; he

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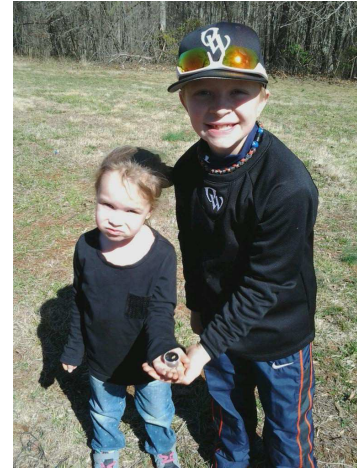
**PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR  
MEMBER # ON YOUR CHECK**

**New Properties Finders Fee**

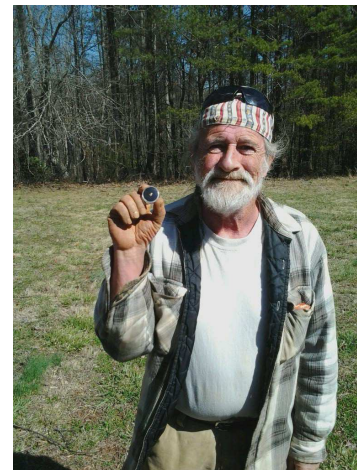
It is the policy of the WEGM to reward its members with a finders fee for locating new properties for the club to lease. The member will be paid \$240 or receive credit for \$240 in membership dues upon the club approving the lease for club use. The member must act as an agent between the landowner and 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

\$2,420.83 in the account. He thanked all the members and guests for supporting the raffles and the hunts. He stated that he had around 37 people at the hunt today. He buried \$200 in silver coins and \$275 in clad coins. There were two tokens buried for prizes of a gold nugget. Those were found by #2650 Dana Boston and Tyler and Emma Boggs, children of #3208 Kris Boggs.



**Tyler & Emma Boggs  
Children of #3208 Kris Boggs  
Winner of Gold Nugget  
March Metal Detecting Hunt**



**#2650 Dana Boston  
Winner of Gold Nugget  
March Metal Detecting Hunt**

He once again told the members to please, if you dig up a rock or trash please, please throw the rocks over in the woods and put the trash in your pocket or apron.

As club members, we are responsible to leave the hunting field free of holes and rocks. Always fill the hole back up that you dig. He stated that we would hate to have the Community Center tell us that we cannot use the field to hunt in because the rocks tore up their lawnmower. Next hunt will be April 4, 2015 starting at 2:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. Two nuggets and a “surprise” prize will be given away. Hunt is free so bring a friend and join us.

WEGM Auxiliary chairperson Denise Johnson thanked everybody that purchased food and raffle tickets today and that next month they will have Easter prizes to give away. She didn't know what they were going to serve next month but we all know that it will be good. The Sloppy Joes were really good! Thanks for a job well done!

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Statements were sent out in February and the new property gate keys will be mailed out around March 14, 2015 These keys will have a #5 on them.. Locks on the lease properties will be changed on April 1, 2015. Do not throw away your old #4 key until you are sure locks have been changed. Your account must be paid up to date in order to get a new key. Please remember that you cannot duplicate that key and you should never give your key to a guest or family member to use. You as a member have to be with your guests at all times. If you are caught lending your key out, it could lead to termination.

Bear on the Square will be April 18th & 19th in Dahlonega. We will have a booth set up to demonstrate the art of gold prospecting. We will have mining equipment set up and panning troths set up for panning. We will need volunteers to help man the booth on both days, either all day or for a couple of hours Contact Benny Chester at 770-531-9346 or weekendgoldminers@yahoo.com

This year's common are:  
April 25th & 26th, 2015  
June 20th & 21st. 2015  
October 17th & 18th 2015

Details on the April 2015 common will be announced at the April 4, 2015 meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Lifetime members for February are: #2992 Donald Wiechmaann Jr., #2401 Thomas James, #2365 Wayne Jones, #2854 Mark Nesbitt, #2325 Michelle Wheeler

and #2890 Barbara Lawson.

President Roger Moore told the membership that the Board of Directors had appointed #2686 Don Vincent to fill the board position left by #2533 William Quick.. Roger ask for a “show of hands” vote by members only, to confirm the appointment. The vote was unanimous with no “nay” votes.

President Roger Moore told the members that it was time to appoint an election committee for the up-coming August election. Members #3044 Andy Curti and #1073 Roger Moore volunteered. (Roger will not be running for office this year.) There will be two board positions open and the office of President.

President Roger Moore told the members that the board had made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the Rainbow House in Dahlonega, Ga. He explained that the Rainbow is a shelter for eight girls aged 12-18. These young ladies have been placed in the facility due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment. Many have been sexually abused or exposed to high-risk behaviors such as drug and alcohol addiction. At this time they are needing supplies to close in a 7” X 26” porch to make another much needed room. Roger ask the membership present for a “show of hands” vote to donate \$1,000.00 to the Rainbow House. The vote was unanimous with no “nay” votes.

Roger told the members that there are three (3) campers that will be up for bid this month. This will be for the camper and all property on the campsite. Contact the Membership Director at 770-531-9346 or weekendgoldminers@yahoo.com for more information or if you are interested in looking at them. The bids must be mailed in to:

WEGM Secretary  
P.O. Box 910  
Dahlonega, Ga. 30533

All bids must be in by April 4, 2015. They will not be opened until the board meeting on April 4, 2015.

### **TIME CHANGE:**

Next meeting will be at the Auraria Community Center on April 4, 2015.

Metal Detecting Hunt at 2:00 P.M.  
Board meeting at 5:00 P.M.  
General Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Roger wanted to thank all the members that helped clean up the roads on the properties by cutting up the trees that had fallen during the ice storm. Benny

Chester will have a list of all those that helped and a WEGM T-shirt at the April 4, 2015 meeting.

Raffles were held: #2744 John Burton won the door prize of a prospector silver round.

Blue Ticket Raffle Winners were:  
 Bag of ore - #2038 David Cochran  
 Bag of ore - #2686 Don Vincent  
 Bag of ore - #1483 Robert Johnson  
 Bag of ore - #1407 Kenneth Limie  
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 Gold nugget - #2583 Bill Johnson

Green Ticket Raffle Winners were:  
 Bag of ore - #1483 Robert Johnson  
 Bag of ore - #0482 Brent Deuel  
 Bag of ore - #2890 Barbara Lawson  
 Bag of ore - Les Martin - Grandson of #2867 James Wheeler  
 Gold Nugget - #2854 Mark Nesbitt

WEGM Auxiliary Raffle Winners were:  
 Bag of ore - #2610 Ray Sparks  
 Bag of ore - #0482 Brent Deuel  
 Gold Nugget - #2583 Bill Johnson

#1006 Steve Finnemore made a motion to adjourn the March 7, 2015 general meeting. #2854 Mark Nesbitt seconded. Meeting adjourned.

#### **FROM THE BOOKKEEPER: Judy Hall Johnson**

I will be mailing out keys to all members that are paid up to date on dues and maintenance fees as of 3-7-15. For those that do not receive a key, as soon as you get your account up to date, I will mail your key. Locks will be changed on April 1, 2015. Also, please remember, do not duplicate the key and you should never, ever give your key to anyone else such as family members or guests. This will lead to termination of your membership.

#### **ON THE FUNNY SIDE OF LIFE:**

At my age “Getting Lucky” means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for.

Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes; come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller!

Last year I joined a support group for Procrastinators. We haven't met yet!

#### **RULE OF THE MONTH:**

##### **GUESTS:**

**1. Any member may bring onto the property a person or persons (limited to six (6) that is not a member. This person or persons will be considered to be a guest and may participate in any club activities while on the property with a member. If the member leaves the property, then the guest must leave the property. The member will be responsible for any damages caused by the guest.**

**The Release of liability must be signed by the guest each time he visits the property. A Release of Liability form is on the back of the visit log sheet.**

**A. Guest cannot use their own motorized equipment. Guest may use any non-motorized equipment (pan, sluice) and members motorized equipment.**

**2. There is a limitation of six (6) visits in a twelve (12) month period of time. After the sixth visit, the guest must join the Weekend Gold Mining Prospecting Club, Inc. or wait twelve (12) months to return to the property. Former members must wait for a period of twelve months before visiting the property as a Guest of any current member, provided the former was not expelled from the club for violating club rules, regulations or by-laws, other than the non-payment of dues, then that former member may not come on the club property without approval from the Board of Directors.**

#### **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.

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.  
Camo shirts do not have a pocket.





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**RELEASE OF LIABILITY OF GUEST**

<b>NAME:</b>		
<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b>		
<b>ADDRESS:</b>		
<b>CITY:</b>	<b>STATE:</b>	<b>ZIP:</b>
<b>SPOUSE'S NAME:</b>		<b>Children Under 21:</b>
<b>MEMBER NAME:</b>		

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.

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Guest Signature

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Date