



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.

**June 1st, 2013 Meeting:
Board Meeting 5:00 P.M.
General Meeting 7:00 P.M.**

**Commons for 2013:
July 13 & 14, 2013 - Allison property
September 19 & 20 , 2013 - Turner property**

**Workday on Allison property on May 18th, 2013.
This will be for trim work on the roads. Rain date
will be on May 19th, 2013. Meet at Berry Patch.**

Election August 3, 2013

Annual September Picnic on Sept. 7, 2013

**If you are interested in running for office in the
election in August:
Please contact Andrew Whelchel 770-561-1303 or
andywhelchel@gmail.com**

**Positions open: President
Board positions (2)
Secretary**

**If you have any questions about any of these
events call Membership Director Benny Chester
770-531-9346.**

and his wife Donna. This is their first meeting.

Birthdays for May are: #1407 Kenneth Limie on the 27th, #2583 Bill Johnson on the 28, #2539 Andrew Whelchel on the 6th and #1483 Robert Johnson on the 2nd. HAPPY! HAPPY! HAPPY! Also #2038 David Cochran and wife #2488 Francine, celebrating their 31st anniversary. Congratulations!

#2843 Charlie Gardner made a motion to accept the April 6, 2013 General Meeting minutes as posted in the newsletter. #1290 Benny Chester seconded. Motion carried and passed.

#2854 Mark Nesbitt made a motion to accept the April 2013 Treasurer report. #2843 Charlie Gardner seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Checking Beg. Bal.....	\$37,885.45
Income.....	8,349.00
Disbursements.....	4,695.62
Checking End. Bal.....	\$41,538.83

Money Market #1.....	\$27,985.93
Money Market #2.....	\$20,384.21

Membership Director Benny Chester gave the April 2013 membership report as follows:

- 11- new members for April;
- 61 – new members YTD
- #3041 last member number issued
- \$1010.00- total new members
- \$10.00 – 2- keys sold
- \$15.00 – 3 camper permits
- \$1035.00- Total

Benny stated that he sold a total of \$590.00 in T-shirts & hats at the April meeting. He still has plenty of shirts and hats.

Benny Chester stated that Bear on the Square went very well. They gave away 1 ½ pwt. Of gold to those children that tried panning. Benny wanted to thank the following people for volunteering their time: #1900

WEEKEND GOLD MINERS PROSPECTING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES MAY 4, 2013

President Roger Moore called the May 4, 2013 general meeting to order.

He welcomed new members #2855 James Grancio

Officers and Committees	
OFFICERS	
President	Roger Moore 423-364-3703 cybersidr@msn.com
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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

Nancy Healy, #2973 James Hendley IV, #1407 Kenneth Limie, #2391 Don Minzey, #2697 Scott Wilson, #0474 James Boyd, #2466 Serena Blackwell, Serena's sister Leona #2843 Charlie Gardner, #2533 William Johnson, #2854 Mark Nesbitt, #2610 Ray Sparks & Onnia, #1290 Benny Chester, Joyce Conner, #2342 Celeste Wilkerson, #2188 Henry Wilkerson, Preston Wilkerson, #2583 Bill Johnson and wife Denise and #2222 Eric Scheibl and son. Thanks to all of you.

#2533 William Quick and #2697 Scott Wilson said that the Common on the Turner property went as well to be expected because of the rain. They had about 60 members and 11 guests on Saturday. Sunday was almost a total rainout. There were a few members that were brave enough to dig in the mud. Everybody seemed to enjoy Saturday and most found gold. Bill and Scott wanted to thank the following volunteers for helping out at the common: #2843 Charles Gardner, #0474 James Boyd, #2466 Serena Blackwell, #1290 Benny Chester, Joyce Conner, #2342 Celeste Wilkerson, #2188 Henry Wilkerson, Preston Wilkerson, #1374 Chris Benson, #2391 Don Minzey, #1407 Kenneth Limie, #1900 Nancy Healy. Special thanks to #2391 Don Minzey for furnishing the equipment to dig with and to Joyce Conner, Celeste Wilkerson and Preston Wilkerson for doing all the food.

Benny Chester attended the White County Historical Society meeting on Thursday night. He said that Mr. Bill Huff told them that a Canada based commercial operation will start mining on Dukes Creek close to Helen, Ga. They claim that they will produce 300,000 oz. of gold the first year.

There was a long discussion about leasing and purchasing land in this area and the laws about mineral rights. If you have any inquiries just call Benny Chester at 770-531-9346

Judy Hall Johnson gave the Hunt Master report in the absence of Robert Johnson who had to work. She stated that Robert wanted to thank #455 Jerry Mayfield for filling in for him on the hunts when he had to work. Thanks to all the members that buy the tickets at the raffles. The metal detecting hunts will start back in October 2013.

President Roger Moore presented the ballot to the membership. He turned the floor over to Election Chairman Andrew Whelchel to take nominations from the membership present. The August 3, 2013 ballot

will be as follows:

For the office of President:
#1073 Roger Moore
#2843 Charlie Gardner

For office of Board of Directors: (2-positions are to be filled)
#1375 Chris Benson
#2533 William Quick
#2038 David Cochran
#2583 Bill Johnson
#2697 Scott Wilson

There were no nominations for Secretary. The board will appoint that position in August.

President Roger Moore presented the Lifetime members for April: #2086 Jamie S. Bedgood

There will be a Workday on the Allison property on May 18th 2013 starting at 10.00 A.M. Meet at the "Berry Patch. Bring tools to do trimming of bushes and weed eaters, rakes, etc. Rain date will be on May 19th, 2013.

Henry Wilkerson said that be sure you turn the locks at the gates key hole side UP. It is hard to stand on your head to unlock the gates.

Raffles were held: #0546 Johnny Crumley won the door prize of a prospector silver round.

Blue Ticket Raffles winners were:
#2505 Harry Sands- Bag of Ore
#2533 – William Quick – Bag of Ore
#1581 Judy Johnson- Bag of Ore
#2533 William Quick – Panning Kit
#2188 Henry Wilkerson – Gold Nugget

Hunt Master Raffle winners were:
#1073 Roger Moore – Panning Kit
#2505 Harry Sands – Bag of Ore
#2222 Eric Scheibl – Bag of Ore
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Denise Johnson, wife of Bill Johnson- Gold Nugget

WEGM Auxiliary Raffle winner were:
#2505 Harry Sands – Bag of Ore
#1407 Kenneth Limie- Gold Nugget

Nancy Healy stated that the Auraria Community Center is need of sheet rock for the addition they are doing. If you had any donations call Nancy at 678-997-6245.

#1379 Sally Crumley told the membership that she had

run into Mary Ingram, former WEGM Treasurer, and that they talked about the club and said that she was so glad to hear that the club was doing so well and maybe one of these days she can come visit.

Celeste Wilkerson wanted to thank Joyce Conner and Preston Wilkerson for all the hard work that they did at the Common.

Next Meeting will be on June 1, 2013. Board Meeting at 5:00 P.M. General meeting at 7:00 P.M.

#2686 Donald Vincent made a motion to adjourn the meeting. #2843 Charlie Gardner seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by Judy Hall Johnson
Acting WEGM Secretary

ON THE FUNNY SIDE OF LIFE: Lack Of Vision

70-year-old George went for his annual physical. He told the doctor that he felt fine, but often had to go to the bathroom during the night. Then he said "But you know Doc, I'm blessed.

God knows my eyesight is going, so he puts on the light when I pee and turns it off when I'm done!"

A little later in the day, Dr. Smith called George's wife and said, "Your husband's test results were fine, but he said something strange that has been bugging me. He claims that God turns the light on and off for him when he uses the bathroom at night."

Thelma exclaimed, "That old fool! He's been peeing in the refrigerator again!"

Rule of The Month: GENERAL CONDUCT

Public drunkenness, profanity, excessive noise and other such behavior is prohibited. No member will threaten another member in any way. Members and guests will abide by Federal, State and local laws, rules and regulations. No alcoholic beverages are allowed at club functions.

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.

AMENDMENTS TO THE WEGM RULES & REGULATIONS

Amended 8-4-12

1. It is mandatory that you sign in and out on all the properties.
2. It is mandatory that the gates are kept locked at all times except at club functions.
3. To keep your permanent campsite you must utilize (camp overnight) that campsite every 6 (6) months.
4. The speed limit on all lease property roads: 5 MPH.

FIREARMS: Absolutely no use of firearms, bows, cross-bows, pellet guns or BB guns on club property. There shall be no carrying of firearms, bows, cross-bows, pellet guns or BB guns on the physical person. Hunting of waterfowl or any other game or wildlife is prohibited. Violators will be terminated. *Amended 11-3-12.

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

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