



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: July 5th, 2014
Auraria Community Center
Board meeting at 5:00 P.M.
General Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Election August 2, 2014

July Common 2014: Turner Property
Sat. 7-12 9:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M.
Sun. 7-13 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M.
Lunch served at 1:00 P.M. both days
More info call William Quick 706-344-9087

Dates for other Commons for 2014:
Sept. 20 & 21

Details to follow

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 June 7, 2014

Acting President Benny Chester called the June 7, 2014 general meeting to order in the absence of President Roger Moore.

He welcomed new members # 3151 Robert Russell from Talking Rock, Ga. and #3146 Wesley Baxter from Dahlonega, Ga. and guest Katrina Baskovic from Cape Town, South Africa.

Birthdays for June are #2686 Don Vincent, 70 years young on the 4th, Joyce Conner 61 years young on

the 6th, , Dreama, daughter of #2342 Celeste Wilkerson, 39 years young on the 24th and #3156 Bobby Ortiz on the 29th. HAPPY! HAPPY! HAPPY!

Anniversaries were #2539 Andrew Whelchel, 7 years on the 20th and #1483 Robert & #1581 Judy Johnson, 7 years on the 5th. HAPPY! HAPPY! HAPPY!

Benny said that two of our members, #0749 B.J. Jones and #0747 James Boyd are in the hospital. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

Bookkeeper Judy Hall Johnson gave the May 2014 Treasurer report as follows:

Beg. Balance Checking 5-1-14	\$50, 913.88
Income	\$ 6,036.00
Disbursements	\$7,144.96
Ending Bal. in checking	\$49,804.92

Money Market #1	\$28,014.29
Money Market #2	\$20,394.53

#2686 Don Vincent made a motion to accept the May 2014 Treasurer report as read. #2890 Barbara Lawson seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Membership Director Benny Chester gave the May 2014 membership report as follows:

8- New members
42 – new members YTD
#3159 last membership number issued
\$905.00 – New members
\$ 5.00 – RV Permit
\$120.00 - Logo Items
\$ 20.00 – keys
\$1060.00 – Total

He had a total of \$308.28 in expenses.

#0859 Brenda Shedd made a motion to accept the May 2014 Membership Report. #2686 Don Vincent

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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

seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Benny Chester gave a report on the Boy Scouts of America from Troop 4, Kennesaw, Ga. Leaders are Joe Sutherland and Joseph Smith. The scouts join in on the Common the club was having and had lunch with everybody. Benny thanked #2843 Charlie Gardner, #2697 Scott Wilson, #3112 Larry Holland and Henry Smith for helping the scouts have a good time and finding plenty of gold. They are planning to come back on June 10th for an excursion on the Etowah River. The boys in Troop #4 are:

- Peter Brooks
- Caleb Price
- Alex Thurston
- Jonathan Sutherland
- Christan Mazariego

#2583 William Quick gave a report on the first Common this year on May 17th and 18th. He said that they had around 60 people, which 20 were guests, on Saturday and only a few on Sunday due to rain. Bill said that all seem to have a good time. The WEGM Auxiliary served chicken, potato salad, baked beans and slaw on both days. The next Common will be July 12th & 13th.

Celeste Wilkerson gave the WEGM Auxiliary report as follows. She stated that they have \$1,085.84 in the account and that they will be serving spaghetti and salad next month. She said that they had lots of good prizes for the raffle today. She thanked her helpers, her daughter Drema and Joyce Conner.

The members gave a round of applause for the Auxiliary for the food they served at the Common. Job well done!

Lifetime Member for June 2014 is #2188 Henry Wilkerson. Congratulations!

Benny reminded all the candidates for the August Election that they needed to get their campaign message of 100 words or less in to Andrew Whelchel by June 10, 2014.

Nancy Healy wanted to thank #3044 Andrew Curti for redoing the bathroom floors on the Turner property. #1900 Nancy Healy made a motion to give Andrew either a WEGM hat or t-Shirt for a job well done. #2686 Don Vincent seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Raffles were held:

#0540 Lisa Hughes was the door prize winner of a Prospector silver round.

Blue Ticket Raffle winners were:

- Bag of ore - #2391 Don Minzey
- Bag of ore - #2686 Don Vincent
- Bag of ore - #2748 Jasper Ellis
- Bag of ore - #2890 Barbara Lawson
- Bag of ore - #2686 Don Vincent
- Batteries & card - #2505 Harry Sands
- Gold Nugget - #2748 Jasper Ellis

Green Ticket Raffle Winner were:

- Bag of ore - Katrina Baskovic, guest
- Bag or ore - #2686 Don Vincent
- Bag of ore - #1006 Steve Finnemore
- Bag of ore - #2391 Don Minzey
- Batteries - #2583 Bill Quick
- Gold Nugget - #2583 Bill Quick

WEGM Auxiliary Raffle winners were:

- Bag of ore - #2533 William Quick
- Batteries - #2686 Don Vincent
- Classifier - #1407 Kenneth Limie
- Gold Nugget - Mindy Carnley, wife of #3134 Coleman Carnley

Next Meeting will be July 5, 2014

Board Meeting at 5:00 P.M.

General Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

#2890 Barbara Lawson made a motion to adjourn the June 7, 2014 meeting. #2686 Don Vincent seconded. Meeting adjourned.

ON THE FUNNY SIDE OF LIFE:

“Maybe it’s true that life begins at 50....but everything else starts to wear out, fall out, or spread out.”

“By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he’s too old to go anywhere.”

From The Bookkeeper:

I will be mailing out the Election absentee ballots on the 14th, 2014. Please cast your vote, sign, fold and put a stamp on it and mail. Please do not send your payment to the election ballot address. This P.O. Box will not be opened until August 2, 2014 so your payment will be late.

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.

Keene 5" triple sluice dredge and trailer. \$1800.00 nego. Gary Smith 770-286-3899

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Life membership - Contact David 309-798-6611 or 309-269-2495 or jamckee2001@yahoo.com



June Common Lunch

2014 Election Candidates



June Common



Vice President Position – Charlie Gardner



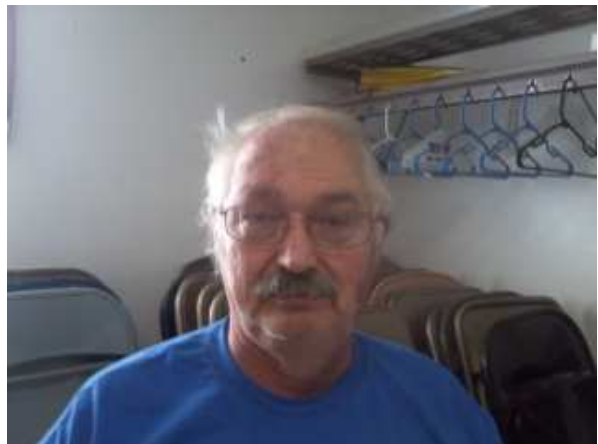
BSA Troop 4 Kennesaw



Vice President Position – Benny Chester



BSA Troop 4 Kennesaw



Board Position – Henry Wilkerson



Barbara Lawson – Board Member

What I love most about the club are the members; friendships are the real gold I'm hunting for. I'm running for the board because I feel that there are some issues within the club that need to be resolved. We need to have everyone on the same page and following the rules. I plan to make sure that the rules are equally applied to everyone. I see some people breaking the rules and they seem to be getting away with it. I would like to have the opportunity to serve on the board and be more involved in seeing the rules implemented fairly. If I'm wrong about how the rules are being applied I will be woman enough to admit it. I will work hard for our members to insure that everyone is treated equally. I am retired and have lived off of Auraria road for 15 years. My late husband and I owned a trucking company. I participate in commons and clean up days.



Tony Scharf – Board Position

I live in Suwanee Georgia where I work as a Construction Superintendent. My favorite things about the club are the people and the gold. There are two main issues I would like to address as a board member. The first is getting all of the members following the rules. The second is to bring in new members to the club.



Board Member Position – Bill Johnson

I would like to be your new board member. I would be able to bring with me 2 years experience with another 501C3 club. Setting up and starting my own 501C3 Corporation. 1 year of experience as president of that club. I have been a member of WEGM for 3+ years. Most of all, I would be the "new" blood that the current Board of directors is asking for. I promise nothing other than dedication and hard work to make sure WEGM remains the Number One gold mining club
I would appreciate your vote
Thank you Bill Johnson



Don Vincent – Board Member

I mostly enjoy the social activities of the club and am running for the board in hopes to have more events to bring everyone together. I have participated in commons, bear on the square and helped count votes for prior elections. I am retired and live in Hall County GA, a short drive to the Allison property. I was born in Louisville KY and served in the US Marine Corp. I owned and operated a locksmith business and belonged to the Associated Locksmiths of American and National Locksmith Association. I am also an A.S.E. Certified Heavy Equipment Mechanic and was an assistant manager of an auto parts store. Outside of the club I enjoy fishing, boating and woodworking. My wife of 47½ years and I lived Florida for 21 years.

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.



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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