



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 Time: October 7, 2017

Auraria Community Center

Board Meeting 5:00 P.M.

General Meeting 7:00 P.M.

Question & answer session about new bookkeeping system in general meeting. This will be held in an orderly manner.

Metal Detecting Hunt

Robert Johnson Hunt Master

October 7, 2017 2:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M.,

Weather Permitting – check WEGM Forum

Or call 423-838-1373 or 423-838-0939

Common in October with wash plant. More info at Oct. meeting.

***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 September 2, 2017

President Judy Johnson called the September 2, 2017 meeting to order

Judy thanked the following for helping at the clean-up day on Sat 26, 2017, Brenda Shedd, Benny Chester, Joyce Conner, Nancy Healy, Andrew Whelchel, Terry William, Bill Bryant, Ray Sparks, Rodney Lung, Alan McCleary, Dana Boston, Barbara Lawson, Rodney Kocher, Wes Baxter, Wayne Lundberg, Bill Quick & Buddy, Robert Johnson and Judy Johnson.

Judy thanked all of the helpers for the September picnic including Rodney Lung, Heidi Lung and Kim

Burton for heading things up.

James Boyd is recovering from Cancer. Please remember James and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

New Members – Dave Poligo, Mel and Mary Kales.

Guest – Too many to list.

Birthdays – Benny Chester 9-29, James Boyd 9-23, Bobby Joe Trew 9-04, Rodney Coker 9-29, Sally Crumley 9-01, Andrea Stevens 9-18.

Anniversaries – Rodney & Heidi Lung 9-27, Benny and Joyce 9-02, Ray & Kathy Sparks 9-30.

Judy announced Officer Changes: President, Judy Johnson, Vice President, Barbara Lawson, Chairman of the Board, Rodney Lung, Board members, David Griffith, Clint Walker and Bill Quick, Secretary Andrew Whelchel.

Treasurer John Burton gave the August 2017 Treasurers Report as follows:

Checking Beg, Bal.	N/A
Income	\$10,083.50
Disbursements	\$10,511.96
Checking Ending Bal	\$32,849.07

Money Market #1	\$48,139.45
Money Market #2	\$17,927.74

Rodney Lung gave the Membership Directors Report, 2 new members for August 2017, took in \$1,850 in dues.

Thanks to election workers David Griffith, Andrew Whelchel, Bill Bryant, Heidi Lung and Mark Nesbitt.

Lifetime members March to July – 2675 Ferrell O'Quinn, 2687 Ronald Berry, 2706 Charlie Harner,

Officers and Committees	
OFFICERS	
President	Judy Johnson 423-458-4088 & 423-838-1373 jnanaju@aol.com
Vice President	Barbara Lawson 706-864-1044 barbaralawson1947@icloud.com
Secretary	Andrew Whelchel 770-561-1303 andywhelchel@gmail.com
Bookkeeper	Please contact the Treasurer with questions.
Treasurer	John Burton 770-789-4895 gnutget24@yahoo.com
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	
Chairman	Rodney Lung 352-678-9714 Lungster67@yahoo.com
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Member	Bill Quick 707-344-9087 waq1454@gmail.com
Member	Clint Walker 865-206-4818
OTHERS	
WEGM Aux	Kim Burton 770-789-4873
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2781 Neil Johns, 2936 Wesley Gentry, 2943 Christopher Putnam, 2993 Mark Beckwith, 3034 John McCollum, 2748 Jasper Ellis, 2741 Rodney Dooley, 2542 Bernard Viney Jr., 2686 Don Vincent, 2910 Chris Maggio, 3030 Jesse Giles

President Judy Johnson presented the Directors & Officers insurance in the amount of \$ 1581.00. There was a show of hands vote from the membership present which was unanimous with no opposed votes. She also told the membership that the General Liability insurance was \$884.00, which did not require a membership vote.

There will be a metal detecting hunt October 7th from 2 to 4 pm. Board meeting will be at 5 pm and General Meeting at 7 pm. Robert Johnson agreed to take the Hunt Master position for another year.

September 9th, we have a group of students coming from McEachern High School in Cobb County. They are in a Jewelry and Metalwork course. They will pan for Gold and gem stones with Benny Chester at the Allison Berry Patch.

Rodney has announced a Common with a small wash plant 2nd weekend of October.

Andrew Whelchel apologized to Sally Crumley for comments he made on the WEGM Forum that she felt negatively reflected on her.

We have a new type of lock on the gates, please be sure to use Teflon lubricant and not WD-40 or Graphite. Also, your key will slide out while the lock is in the open position, if you are having trouble locking up, please put your key back in and turn to the locked position then try again.

Kids Drawing was held, all kids won \$10. Tiffany Knockmer won \$50 Grand prize.

Blue Tickets

Monthly

15 Bag Ore	Chris Crowe	3236
15 Bag Ore	Henry Smith	2178
25 Bag Ore	Robert Davis	New
25 Bag Ore	Michael Durst	3239
Nugget	Larry Brumalow	525

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

Unclaimed prizes in yellow.

Blue Tickets

Annual

Gas Grill	Rodney Lung	3247
Dutch Oven	Kim Burton	2744
Generator	2498552	
85 Ore	Frank Reed	3299
10X10 Canopy	Don Ferguson	3316
Folding Sluice	Bill Quick	2533
Butane Stove	John Duncan	909
Hand Suction Dredge	9572121	
Keene Sluice	Wes Gentry	2931
10X10 Canopy	9571798	
Dutch Oven	Chris Mote	3205
85 Ore	Chris Mote	3205
Lantern & 2 Tanks	9802016	
Camp Stove	David Griffith	3204
Gas Generator	Rob. Johnson	1483
Gas Generator	9572619	
Small Sluice & Scoop	Mel Keels	2757
Keene Hand Dredge	9571854	
Keene Hand Dredge	9572522	
Garrett Panning Kit	Bryan Crow	3213
Garrett Panning Kit	Frank Reed	3299
Lantern & 2 Tanks	9572830	
85 Ore	9572617	
White Treasure Mast	9572514	
2 Burner Gas Grill	Chris Mote	3205
Martin Water Table	Rob. Johnson	1483

Auxiliary - Yellow and White Tickets -

Annual

85 Ore	Don Ferguson	3316
85 Ore	233247	
165 Ore	Ann Nemeth	3044
Nug. Necklace	Rob Manning	3264
Nug. Necklace	Barb. Lawson	2890

Mem. Drawing

\$500 Crissons	Phil Graham	2343
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Green Tickets

Annual

Solar Lights	Ray Sparks	2610
Solar Lights	Ann Nemeth	3044
Heavy Duty Grill	094864	
2 Burner Gas Grill	094841	
TriPod Grill	James Rambo	2245
Camp Fire Griddle	Chris Mote	3205
Green Sluice	095670	
Hand Dredge	095393	
Wind Chair	096285	
Dutch Oven	Guest Ramon Tiser Mark	
Portable Kitchen	Beckwith	2993
Chair	Don Ferguson	3316
Keene Sluice	David Griffith	3204
Clean Up Sluice	095252	
85 Ore	096381	
4 Person Tent	Kim Burton	2744
Mr Buddy Heater	Don Ferguson	3316
Hand Suction Dredge	103762	
TriPod Grill	Kim Burton	2744
Clean Up Sluice	103961	
Chair	Heidi Lung	3247
Generator	Bill Quick	2533
Generator	R. Humberger	2872
Generator	Dana Boston	2650
Chair	103755	
Hand Suction Dredge	Terry Willman	2845
Heavy Duty Grill	Michael Durst	3239
45 Ore	095065	
45 Ore	096145	
45 Ore	John Duncan	909
45 Ore	Ann Nemeth	3044
45 Ore	096343	
45 Ore	103962	
Yellow Utility Wagon	John Burton	2744
85 Ore	103714	
Whites Treasure Mast.	Bob Wilson	2166

FROM THE PRESIDENT: JUDY HALL JOHNSON

We will be having a question and answer session during the October 7, 2017 meeting. If you have any questions about the new bookkeeping system or anything else be there. This will be a controlled session and no shouting or arguing, if you do, you will be asked to leave. We are all adults, let's act like one.

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

FOR SALE

Lifetime Membership for sale- #1559 Joe Christmas - \$750 or best offer -706-442-7314

4" Keene Dredge-3 stage
6.5 Honda motor
T80 compressor w/reserve tank
Air lines & regulator
Homemade dredge cart
\$2600 or best offer
423-838-09393

3 inch proline highbanker, Honda pump (recondition – 100 hours) Charles Law 850-368-8927

WORDS OF WISDOM:

A couple found their dream home and shortly after purchasing it, the couple was sitting at their kitchen table and the wife looked out the window, and to her surprise, she saw her neighbor hanging dirty laundry on the clothesline.

"That laundry isn't clean, it's still dirty!" said to her husband, "Someone needs to teach her a thing or to when it comes to washing clothes!"

A couple of days later, the couple sat down at their kitchen table. The wife saw her neighbor hanging cloths on the cloths line. But this time something was different.

"Wow look!" the surprised wife said to her husband. "Her clothes are clean! Someone must have taught her

how to wash her clothes!"

Without raising his head from his plate, the husband kindly responded, "Actually, honey, I got up early this morning and washed the window."

And so it is with life----what we see when watching others depends on the window through which we look. Washing our own windows from time to time changes our perspective.

On The Funny Side Of Life:

If my body was a car, this is the time I would be thinking about trading it in for a newer model. I've got bumps and dents and scratches in my finish and my paint job is getting a little dull.

But that is not the worst of it!

My headlights are out of focus and it's especially hard to see things up close. But that is not the worst of it!

My traction is not as graceful as it once was and I slip, slide and bump into things even in the best of weather.

But that is not the worst of it!

My whitewalls are stained with varicose veins. It takes me hours to reach my maximum speed. But that is not the worst of it !

Almost every time I sneeze, cough or sputter... either my radiator leaks or my exhaust backfires !! Can you relate to this?



McEachern High School Group spent a day on Allison property learning about prospecting from Benny Chester, Nancy Healy & Bill Quick.

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