

Nampa Chapter GPAA Newsletter

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President's Message

Hello All,

Well another month has passed along with another Mining Meeting and an outing. I hope everybody had a chance to get to one of the events in February. If you haven't been to the Web site in a while, Don has lots of new pictures and you can also find the outings and events calendar so you can plan to be at the next meeting and outing. I hope that everyone that was at the last meeting enjoyed the slide show as much as I did. We all need to give Lynn Nyland big thanks. I know she worked on that for hours. Thanks Lynn. If you have any pictures that you would like to see put in next years slide show or are planning on taking some, get them to me as soon as you can.

It looks like we are right on schedule to be in the new meeting place for the April meeting. I have been in contact with the Nampa School District and all looks good. The new meeting place is the Snake River elementary School. It is located right where the old Snake River Stampede Rodeo grounds were, across from Lakeview Park. I will get the street address as soon as I can. The meetings will be held in the cafeteria. So bring a friend or neighbor this is a large place and has plenty of parking.

Regards,
Rob Forbes

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WATER UPDATE

From Warren Jindrich

We have a couple of leads for possible water rights. Nothing has come to fruition so we need to keep researching and follow through on the contacts we make. If someone hasn't returned your call regarding an idea you had about water usage, don't be afraid to call him or her again. Don't hesitate to try making a water rights contact. You can never tell when or who will be able to help our club if we don't ask. In the meantime remember securing water rights will insure we have a much better prospecting season.

Prospect Fun, Prospect Safe

Contributed by Tim Thompson,
Vice-President

I feel very strong about prospecting safety. Remember your safety rules. Here are a few reminders.

If you decide to take off from the main group or go on an outing by yourself, be sure you tell someone of your prospecting journey plans.

In the cold weather watch for hypothermia, don't stay in the cold water too long and be sure to dress in warm layers.

With the sun this summer, be sure to drink plenty of water. We want everyone to have a fun and safe prospecting experience.

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Outing Addiction 2005

By Rob Forbes

Yes we had a great outing last month. We went down to Sinker Creek to look over an open claim. We found some gold there and lots of good times. Check out the outing page on the Web Site for pictures. We will need to do some more prospecting as a club to make a decision as to whether we want to claim this area or not. Present at the outing were about 15 people with half being new members. Way to go everyone. I hope we can build on this experience and make the outings even more fun and better for all involved. So get involved and support your club. We want to see YOU at the next outing.

March Outing in Placerville

Contributed by Jim Jenks,
Outings Director

Saturday, March 5th, we are scheduled to go to Placerville. Meeting time at our Placerville mine is 9:00 a.m. I will have directions to hand out at the March 1st Mining Meeting for the new comers that need them. Bring wood and marshmallows for the fire and don't forget your food and beverages for the day. These plans are subject to change due to weather. If you have questions about this outing, call me at 250-0287.

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Power Point Presentation

Wow! Does the Nampa Chapter of the GPAA have photogenic prospectors? The answer is a profound Y E S. If you didn't have the opportunity to view the Power Point Presentation at the February Mining Meeting, you missed some fantastic memories and a few giggles. Nothing like seeing yourself searching for that nugget to remind one of how much fun you can have in the great outdoors. Lynn Nyland did a very good job with the mugs she had to work with. Also thank Lynn for the new Mining Poster. Good job Lynn.

Talk to Lynn at the March meeting if you want a copy of the disk. And don't forget to turn in your pictures to Rob Forbes that you want included in our next Power Point presentation.

BREAKING NEWS

Hold the Press!

Beginning with the April 5th meeting, Mining Meetings will be held at the Snake River Elementary School cafeteria. The school is located at, 500 Stampede Drive, Nampa. Meetings will start at 7:00 p.m. The cafeteria has plenty of room so everyone will have a place to sit and there will be excess room for our drawing activities and gold panning demonstrations. Our club is growing but we shouldn't run out of parking space, for this year anyway. Come early and join in the fun of setting up and talking mining while you work.

THANK YOU

To all the contributors that provided input for our newsletter,
Thank You.

It has been determined that we need to try something different to get the newsletter out earlier. Our dead line for input will be changed to the second Tuesday of the month. You can call or email your contributions anytime during the month and the

newsletter staff will be glad to assist in making your article, advertisement, joke or classified ad everything you want it to be. Contact the Nampa Chapter GPAA News Desk at 286-0989, email: ineedanugget@iglide.com

Upcoming Activities

Keep your ideas coming for Nampa Chapter GPAA activities. The list includes a Dutch oven cook-off, an activity contributing to our communities, walking partners (to stay in shape for the great outdoors), and a "Meet and Greet" committee. The M & G committee will be in charge of making sure the new comers and old timers know they are welcome at Mining Meetings and other activities and possible oversee the beverages & snacks at the Mining Meetings.

Classifieds

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Jokes

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