

Nampa ID Chapter GPAA Newsletter

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PRESIDENTIAL NUGGETS

Hello Fellow Prospectors,

As I sit here watching the weather I am beginning to wonder if old man winter will ever go away. I am really tired of all of the rain and snow we have been having. I'm pretty sure all of you are also. I have been talking to several club members that have braved the cold and snow and went out prospecting anyway. My heart goes with them although my body sits here in my chair, waiting. Waiting for the perfect day to go to the hills. Soon we will be out there having fun. The last meeting was a great time, I hope you all enjoyed the equipment demo that Dan and Cary put on for everyone. I think the new people and some of the long time members may have learned something. I hope we can continue to have great programs for everyone. If you missed the meeting last month don't let that happen next month. We are always glad to see you and help with your prospecting adventures. So keep your chin up and get your equipment ready to go. So clean off your highbanker and dust off your metal detector and get ready to go. I know I am.

Rob

2009 Calendar Year Memberships are due!

Thank you to all who have renewed, and WELCOME to our NEW members! If you haven't renewed, please see one of the officers at the meeting! (Or mail a check to our P.O. Box.)

NEXT OUTING

Saturday, April 11th

Grimes Creek - WEATHER PERMITTING!

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, April 7th, 7pm, in the Snake River Elementary School cafeteria. There will be a continuation of the presentations which were started at the March meeting:

1. We will bring in various tools and equipment to demonstrate.
2. Discuss dredge permit requirements.
3. Give tips on how new miners can acquire equipment and stay in their budgets.
4. Show simple items you will need in the field that you may already have around the house.
5. Give introductions to members who sell prospecting equipment.
6. Give panning demonstrations.
7. Educate ourselves on the process of acquiring new mining claims.

AND ???

MINUTES - MARCH MEETING

Rob called the meeting to order.

Visitors and new members introduced themselves.

The minutes as published in the newsletter were approved.

Karin gave the treasurers report.

Cary had no VP report.

No claims report.

Outings report given by Larry Steele. There was an outing in Marsing last month. Highbanking on the Snake River found very fine gold using burlap in the sluice boxes. The gold is right in the muck - it is like mining in a sewer.

Upcoming outings to Grimes Creek and Prospectors will be delayed one month due to weather. We will attempt to go to Grimes Creek in April and Prospectors Paradise in May. Will also take an excursion to acquired lands on Ophir Creek in May when we are at Prospectors Paradise.

The Mining Guide needs to be updated for new claims. A meeting at Tom Ashworth's house will be setup for Saturday to plot out maps and go over some claim tips.

Old Business:

Meeting locations-The community college has room, but cannot provide prices yet. Rob made some calls, rooms are going for anywhere from \$40 to \$200 a night. The Gem club meets at the College of Idaho in Caldwell. There is a very nice facility there for the same price we pay at the elementary school.

Discussion was had and motions were made and seconded and then new information regarding the Cultural Center's availability. Rob will call them and see their facility before we make a decision.

We need someone to haul a trailer for outings. If you have a truck and can haul a bobcat trailer let Rob know.

New Business:

New claims near Rocky Bar and Anderson Ranch. 240 acres previously owned by the Massey's. The gold is course, but not as plentiful as the flour gold we get on other claims. The gold is deep. The names are Dig Lots #1, #2, and #3. Under snow until June. Dredging starts in July. Highbanking and panning available.

It was reported that Silver City is under commercial mining and small mining is closed.

Water rights-Everyone should have a copy of our water right agreement. It will be in the newsletter.

Equipment demonstrations were given by Cary and Dan.

Ray Bixler has mining books for sale.

The raffle was held with 70 people in attendance.

The meeting was closed.

Submitted,

Jesse Leib, Secretary

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

ATTACHED YOU WILL FIND A COPY OF OUR CLUB'S "WATER BANK WATER LEASE AGREEMENT". IT WOULD BE A VERY GOOD IDEA TO HAVE THIS WITH YOU WHENEVER YOU ARE USING ANY OF THE CLUB'S CLAIMS. IT IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT WHICH ENTITLES US TO THE USE OF WATER IN AREAS WHERE IT HAD ALREADY BEEN ALLOCATED TO OTHERS.

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FOR 2009

STATE OF IDAHO
WATER DISTRICT #63
P. O. BOX 767
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The Committee of Water District 63 being authorized pursuant to Idaho Code Section 42-1765 to lease stored water which has been provided to the Water Supply Bank by water users who own reservoir space and have excess supplies for the current year, does agree to sell Gold Prosp. Assoc. (entity), 2 A.F. of water requested for of America Mining (use). This agreement is subject to the adopted Rules and Regulations of the Water Supply Bank and execution of same by the party herein named.

Upon receipt of \$ 28.00 and the information requested below, the Boise River Watermaster will release to you from storage, at the rate you specify 2 A.F. of stored water between 4-1 and 12-31 of 2009.

Description of point of diversion:

Located in 1/4 1/4, Sec. , T. , R. ;
Other: Ptacuritie + Pioneerville
On source
Pump H.P. Lift
Headgate (canal name if appropriate)

Description of place of use:

Legal Description:
Total number of acres irrigated:
Dated this day of , 20

Delwin Unander
(name)
GP 777
(address)

State of Idaho)
County of Ada)

On this 20 day of Feb 2009 before me the undersigned Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared Delwin Unander, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year in this certificate first written.



Rex R Barrie
Notary Public in and for Idaho
Residing at: Canyon County

I have accepted the request of Delwin Unander to purchase water from the Water Supply Bank this 20 day of Feb, 2009.

Rex R Barrie
Watermaster, Water District No. 63
Agent for the Committee of Water