

AUGUST



2009

**MEETINGS: Borah High School Cafeteria (rear entrance) 6001 Cassia St., Boise, Idaho. (No alcohol, tobacco or guns allowed on school grounds)
2nd Tuesday of every month (except December) at 7:00 pm. (August 11th this month)**

Web address: www.idahogoldprospectors.org

Our Club has access to claims in Southwestern Idaho ranging from Atlanta to Fairfield, the Boise Basin and Silver City/Creek areas. Anyone with a membership in good standing is allowed to utilize these claims and keep any gold they find.

Claims owned by IGPA include: **MISS LUCY, PAYMASTER GOLDEN RULE, CHINA WINE CUP, MANHATTAN, HOLY TERROR and FLORENCE**

Members also have access to: **GRIMES CREEK MOU, K2 #1, NATTY R, FLAP JACK MAC, WEEKENDERS'S DREAM**

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Summer is moving right along—much too fast. It seems as if we just got started and we are almost halfway through our gold hunting season. I hope everyone is finding their fair share of the GOLD. Two weekends ago, we had the tractor and backhoe up on Miss Lucy and Paymaster. Lots of work got done, along with the removal of the tree that had been “un-mined” and Buckskin Road has a few less potholes as well. Thanks goes out to Bryan “the operator” for a doing a great job. We even got some areas worked up so digging is easier. I understand that about 30 people have benefited from the work the club had done.

At this time, three months into my position as President of your club, I'd like to put out a “**Wanted Poster**” for the following positions: Outing Director; Website Master; and Special Needs Director. If you are willing to accept one of these positions, the pay is very, very low but the rewards are great. If you have noticed that our website is up and running and has a new look about it, **THANKS** to Tom Ashworth. Tom has put a lot of time into it and is willing to train someone to take over and maintain our site. Computer skills are very helpful.

REMEMBER - - AUGUST 11th IS OUR POTLUCK/PICNIC, 6:30 p.m. at BORAH HIGH SCHOOL. Bring table service and items for the club auction.

Happy Prospecting,
Gary Scott, President, IGPA

JULY 2009 MEETING MINUTES

Gary called the meeting to order. We met outside—no flag to salute. New members were welcomed and introduced. A motion was made to approve the minutes from last month's meeting. The motion received a second and all members approved the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: \$1,254.60 in the bank, \$710 for the bond, and \$43.91 in petty cash.

Gary announced that we now have a new PA system that cost the club \$1,127.20. It has a total of four microphones, two of which are wireless, it only weighs eight (8) pounds so it is portable, and can run on battery or AC.

We have new membership forms with blanks to fill in our birthdays, hobbies, and interests. All attending members were asked to complete a new form. NOTE: Attached to this newsletter is the old form. A new form will be attached to next month's newsletter.

There was discussion about updating the claims guide.

There was also a brief discussion about the litter pickup project. Some members would like to have the club continue with this project while others were not sure. While discussing litter pickup, Chuck Knapp informed us that his claim is not available this coming weekend because he will be out of town.

Gary gave each attending member a new club ballpoint pen and bumper sticker with our new logo on it. A motion was made and approved to reimburse Gary for the expense of the pens and bumper stickers. There was further discussion about a different kind of pen that Gary would like to purchase for the club. He informed us of the prices and how the club could make a \$1.00 per pen when selling them. A motion was made and approved to purchase these pens.

This month's outing will be a "work party" at Miss Lucy. Due to the water supply currently at the Miss Lucy, we will not be going to Silver City. There will be a tractor and operator at the Miss Lucy working to reclaim the holes, fill in potholes, and fix the road. Gary is going to put up some signs in Centerville and by Buckskin Road to help members find their way to the claim. Dan Prochaska made a motion to have a \$300 check cut to cover the cost of fuel for a tractor to use at this month's outing. The check will also cover any miscellaneous expenses that come up in regard to the use of the tractor. The motion was approved by everyone.

If anyone has complaints about things happening at the claims, please contact Gary. Please do not go to the BLM or the Forest Service.

California passed Bill 670. Gary handed out orange postcards for us to sign and he will send to California's governor.

Brief discussion about our website, which is down because the web designer won't release our domain. When it is released, we will get the site back up and running.

This month's special guest was Nathan from Intermountain Precious Metals ("IPM"). IPM services large mines, family mines, high tech companies and is also a mint distributor. Nathan provided us with various information such as most placers run about 76% pure gold, bigger nuggets have a higher purity percentage than the rest of the gold, and gold can be reddish colored or brownish or blackish and it is not shiny. He brought his nugget collection for us to look at, which was very neat. He suggested that everyone save their black sands and have them processed. His company can refer people to reliable processors.

Gary reminded everyone about the BBQ/picnic for next month's meeting, which will start at 6:30 instead of 7:00 p.m. Dan Prochaska asked everyone to sign up on his sheets to bring a salad, a dessert, chips, or other food.

Tony Olsen won the president's drawing, which was a bag of dirt. He will not need to bring refreshments since we are having a BBQ/picnic next month. LeRoy Hanson won the 50/50 drawing.

Meeting was adjourned.

**New York Stock Exchange, July 9, 2009
Gold - \$963.70 per troy ounce**

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

24 Grains = 1 Penny Weight (dwt)
20 dwt = 1 oz Troy
480 Grains = 1 oz Troy
12 oz Troy = 1 lb Troy
5,760 Grains = 1 lb Troy

LOST & FOUND: Lost IGPA new logo original artwork. If you know the whereabouts of such, PLEASE call Gary Scott at 921-9506.

For Sale: 2004 Lance Camper 8ft., winter package, queen bed, 1 owner, includes instruction books and video. Fully self-contained, outside shower. Call Doug Waybright at 761-7119.

LeRoy Hanson has a mini-recirculating highbanker for sale. It is brand new, home made. He is asking \$250 for it. His number is 208-365-1097.

Clayton Perkins is selling a 3½ HP Briggs & Stratton that is like new. The price is \$100. Contact him at 208-376-0529.

Dan Prochaska has a 1968 slide-in El Dorado camper model 10 for sale. It was built in Minneapolis, Kansas and is designed for a long bed ½ ton truck, but will also fit on a ¾ ton short bed truck. Asking \$400. 208-362-1483

Chuck Knapp has gold and silver for sale. He also has picks for sale. If you need some PVC pipe, give him a call at 208-888-3651.

FINDERS KEEPERS

2101 E. Louisiana Dr., Nampa, Idaho, 83686; 208-899-2921. A wide range of prospecting, treasure hunting, and rock hounding supplies for sale.

GOLD BAR MINING COMPANY

in Idaho City carries prospecting equipment along with rocks and minerals. They also have gold bags and will supply a nice vial to show the gold off. Stop by on your way to the Pioneerville claims.

Idaho Gold Prospector Association 2009 Membership Form

Name (including Spouse): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Disclaimer/Release

I acknowledge that prospecting and prospecting locations can be dangerous, with numerous natural and artificial hazards. I hereby agree to hold the Idaho Gold Prospectors Association (IGPA), its officers and members free and clear of any group or personal injury that I or my family or guests may incur while attending IGPA functions or while on any property leased, owned or under control of the IGPA. I also agree to abide by the Constitution, by-laws, code of ethics and rules of IGPA.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Annual membership dues:

- Individual - \$20.00
- Couple - \$25.00
- Family - \$30.00

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