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**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. (September 8 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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THANKS to ALL for making our August BBQ & potluck a success. Special thanks to: Danny & Ray Jean Prochaska, Cary Singleton, Tony Olson, and to all of the club members who brought great food.

A special congratulation to Lela Wood and Sam Pena on their wedding. The newlyweds are honeymooning out of the area, so no one can bother them.

This month, we plan to have equipment on Miss Lucy & Paymaster to fill in holes and reclaim areas that need fixing up. This will be the last time for equipment before winter sets in . . . !!! WINTER?

I'd like to give a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to ALL of the people who helped our club put on the best showing for the Kokanee Days on August 29, 2009.

From Pam Elkovich, director of Kokanee Days: "Hello Gary! I think your site was voted MOST FUN on the Road Trip!" . . . I hope your members had as much fun as the visitors did."

Special thanks to Bill & Joann Gardunia for setting up their canopy and finding ALL the great dirt for panning. Members who helped make this outing work—Idaho City Crew: Lynn & Linda NASH; Ray & Sandy BACHMAN; Judy & Randy LEE; Tony OLSON; Shirley SCOTT; Island Claim Crew: Bill & Joann

GARDUNIA; Kenneth & Gay HINTZ; Charles & Regina HOFFMAN; Paul DAVIS; Tami PALIN; Eric ANDREWS; and Gary SCOTT.

I would also like to give a special THANK YOU to the GOLD BAR MINING CO., Gary & Quilla CAMERON, for their support of our club, IGPA.

At September's meeting, we will be showing off a few NEW things for the club. See you there.

Happy Prospecting,
Gary Scott, President, IGPA

A 2009 MEETING MINUTES

Everyone filled their plates with the delicious food and ate. Once everyone had eaten, Gary opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanked all of the visitors for coming and thanked all new members. He reminded everyone that our club is not a get rich quick club, it is a hobby club and no one is getting rich.

The minutes from last month's meeting were approved with the exception of the treasurer's report. There was a typographical error in the dollar amount of the funds in the bank. Lela reviewed her notes and found she had inadvertently left a "1" off of the beginning of the dollar amount. It should have read \$11,254.60, not \$1,254.60. This notation is a correction to last month's meeting.

Treasurer's Report: \$9,588.69 in the bank, \$710 for the bond, and \$44.00 in petty cash.

Ron Mackelprang informed us that the deadline to file an exemption and claim is September 1.

Last month, there was a tractor at Miss Lucy and Paymaster and repairs were made by Brian. Dirt was loosened in order to make digging easier. Thank you Brian! Also, thank you to Danny Prochaska for helping with the tractor.

When working on the claims, please leave the dams along – don't dig holes in them. We are loosing lots of water. Leave the water in the upper dam and use the water in the lower dam. This fall, we plan on fixing the upper dam.

There was a discussion regarding using heavy equipment on the claims. Ron reminded us that we are operating under a Notice of Intent ("NOI"), which regulates use of "heavy" equipment on the claims. If we are going to use heavy equipment, then we need to file a plan of operation, which will cost the club additional money because the bond will need to be increased, etc. Currently, the Claims Guide states that no heavy equipment on Miss Lucy and the Paymaster is for "recreation" only that allows us to have equipment on the claim 14 days a year. Gary said he will review the NOI. Until we get this issue resolved, no heavy equipment will be allowed.

Danny P. asked about taking a tractor to the Paymaster to fill in holes for reclamation. Ron mentioned that we do not want a bunch of people with tractors on the claims tearing them apart. It's a recreational place and we don't want it to be commercialized.

When on the claims, if you see someone digging and you don't know if they are a member or not, it is okay to ask that person to see their membership card. Also, get their license plate number.

Danny P. mentioned that lots of people do not know where or how to dig. Remember, we have several claims – Miss Lucy, Paymaster, Golden Rule, etc. – about 120 acres. When reclaiming, some people filled in holes and moved a lot of dirt around that was good "pay dirt". Last year, we had a plan of action for reclaiming areas as they were worked, but that did not turn out very well. He suggests that we use heavy equipment for turning over the dirt. Likely to have better findings. Also, as we reclaim using heavy equipment, we can explore new areas for mining.

Gary informed us that he found the original artwork for our new club logo. He is creating signs and banners with it. He hopes to have some ready for Kokanee Days in Idaho City on August 29. He is still looking for volunteers

to help with Kokanee Days. We will have a panning demonstration at our booth along with new membership forms to hand out.

Gary is still working on getting T-shirts made with our new logo. We need to decide what color(s) for them. It was mentioned that big logos on T-shirts can get hot in the heat. It would be better to have a smaller-sized logo. We will order about 36 T-shirts in the first order and get more if we need to.

Gary has not ordered the patches for coats and hats. The new "miner" pens will be here soon.

Tami Palin suggested name tags for members. No motion was made.

Gary told us that Ray was up on a claim doing some digging and he twisted somehow and broke a rib. He was transported to the hospital via helicopter. Gary would like to form a committee of a couple people who will help keep the club informed when things like this happen to club members.

At the end of the meeting, we will have two panning contests – one for the women and one for the men. Each winner will receive a \$25 gift certificate to Frey Meyer.

Further discussion about renting club equipment. Please take care of the equipment when you rent it. Recently, a member had a pump checked out. When it was checked back in, the motor had been removed and the renter did not know what happened to it. Changes are being made to the equipment checkout procedure. Equipment will be checked out using the serial number and a club number.

Gary would like a volunteer to act as our club's "Outing Director". Please see Gary if you are interested.

The club decided to have a banner made for the club that can be used for marketing purposes. It will be yellow with black print, 6' x 3'. Members voted on the letter style.

Chuck volunteered the use of his claim to the club for this month's outing. Gary mentioned that most members will be at Miss Lucy because there is still water available.

The winner of the President's Drawing was Don Wagner. He received a vial of gold. Ben Melody was the winner of the 50/50 drawing.

An auction of miscellaneous items was held. Then the panning contest was held. Meeting was adjourned.

<p>New York Stock Exchange, Sept. 3, 2009 Gold - \$993.40 per troy ounce</p>
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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
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Idaho Gold Prospectors Association

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Birthday (s) Month & Day only: _____

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What skills, knowledge, and/or hobbies do you have: _____

Do you have a current card for First Aid and/or C.P.R.? Yes ____ No ____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Spouse's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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

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