

## ***DRYWASHER'S GAZETTE* February 2013**

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**PAY YOUR DUES BEFORE MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> TO AVOID A LATE FEE**

**Next General Meeting February 28th at 7:00 PM**

**Web Address: [valleyprospectors.net](http://valleyprospectors.net)**

### **Mission and Code of Ethics**

**“You’re invited to be our guest”**

**General membership meetings are held on the last Thursday  
Of each month at 7:00 pm in the Knights of Columbus Hall at  
1729 E. Baseline, San Bernardino, Ca... Map on our website.**

**The Board of Directors meeting will be at 6pm before the General  
Meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall in San Bernardino.**

**Valley Prospectors Inc. is an educational organization dedicated  
To promote Gold Prospecting as a healthy family activity**

**“NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.”**

**Remember that all prospectors may be judged by the example  
You set. Leave flora and fauna as you found it. Do Not Destroy  
Any property, public or private. Obey the laws. Please do not litter.  
Each member of Valley Prospectors Inc. should strive to set a good  
Example for others.**



## Officers for 2013

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**valleyprospectors.net**

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#### Contents:

- (1) Valley Prospectors, Inc., Claim Rules and Regulations
- (2) Special Rules for Northern California (Yuba River Claims)
- (3) Claim Maps to all claims

Burro 1 & 2 Placer Claims 10 acres ea

Coolgardie Placer Claims 40 acres ea

Gold Venture & Pickett 3 Placer Claims 20 acres ea

Hungryman 1, 2, 3, 4 and Chunker Placer Claims 120 acres ea

Indian Gulch 1 & 2 and Indian Flat Pacer Claim 20 acres ea

Jackass 1, 2, & 3 Placer Claims 160 acres ea

Miner's Folly Placer Claim 60 acres

Moriah Placer Claim 15 acres

Pickett 2 Placer Claim 20 acres ea

(Cajon Pass) Summit Placer Claim 51 acres

**Plan of Operations (Yuba River Claims)** You will need a copy of the appendix with the Plan of Operations

**Appendix (updated 07/09/2011)** You will also need a printout of both A and B for each claim

**Moriah Claim A Moriah Claim B (updated 07/09/2011)**

**Union Flat Claim A Union Flat Claim B (updated 07/09/2011)**

**Wild Plumb A Wild Plumb Claim B (updated 07/09/2011)**

**From Courtesy** - Thank you Steve Schubert for handling the Courtesy table at the January General Meeting. Steve checked in 60 VP members and checked their membership renewal status. Steve referred members to the membership table if they had not yet paid their 2013 dues. There was also 16 Guest in attendance. Wow! what a night. The Courtesy Chairperson position is open and up for grabs. Pam Maguire will still be in charge of the Annual Christmas party at the American Legion Hall in Riverside. She has already begun planning this event. It will be a great time! Mark your calendars now.

**News from Finds of the Month**- This position is OPEN!

Gene Lepper has resigned as the Finds of the Month Chairperson, but did step in for the January general meeting. Don B. won 1st in Gold and 3rd in Treasure, Benjamin S. won 2nd in gold, Lucky C. 2nd in Treasure and Steve M. received 1 1st in Treasure.

There will be **NO** finds of the month until a replacement can be found. If you are interested please contact - Lorraine Frost- VP President or Mike Dunkerely Vice President. See newsletter for phone numbers.

### **DREDGING NEWS**

**The court room address and date for our next hearing on the 6 coordinated cases on suction dredge mining. It is a Status Conference to set trial date and entertain other motions. It would be nice to have a bunch of miners show up to the Hearing**

**Rancho Cucamonga Court 8303 Haven AvenRancho Cucamonga, CA 91730**

**Judge Gilbert G. Ochoa Dept. R8**

**Hearing February 13, 2013**

**8:30 AM**

### **Summit Work Party and Dig**

We will be going to the Cajon Summit on March 14<sup>th</sup>, this is a work/clean up party. We will be patching the roads and picking up trash to clean up the area before we dig. Trash bags will be provided. We will leave from the McDonalds parking lot, right off of the 15 and 138, promptly at 9:00 am. Weather permitting

For more information contact George or Lisa Howison at: Celtichearts2@aol.com , 951-734-7530 or 951-733-0839

### **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

Annual Renewal Dues of \$40.00 are due now! A \$10.00 will be added March 1st.

Please make checks to: *Valley Prospectors Inc.*

-Membership-

33220 Wildomar Rd., Wildomar CA 92595

Please fill out (make any changes), sign & date a renewal application.

*Effective Changes for 2014*

*Renewal deadline March 31. February and March renewals will have a \$20.00 late fee added.*



# VALLEY PROSPECTORS, INC.

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## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

(You must sign and date this application before it can be processed)

Primary Member Last Name: _____	VP Member # _____
First Name: _____	Spouse/Domestic Partner Name: _____
Additional family members under 19 years of age: _____	
Mailing Address: _____	
City: _____	State: _____ Zip Code: _____ - _____
Telephone # (____) _____	Home Mobile/Cell Fax
Email: (Optional) _____	

PAYMENT METHOD - Make Payable to: *Valley Prospectors, Inc.*

The annual dues shall be \$40.00 Cash / Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Money Order# \_\_\_\_\_  
Annual membership dues are due beginning January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year and are not prorated. If postmarked after March 1<sup>st</sup> a \$10 late fee will be added, the amount will become \$50.00 and if postmarked after June 30 the dues are delinquent and you will be removed from membership. You would have to rejoin Valley Prospectors Inc. paying the full \$140.00 as required by new members.

### Hold Harmless Agreement:

Valley Prospectors' Inc (VPI) and / or its Members and Claim Holders are not responsible nor are to be held liable for injury, illness or death occurring at any club claim, function, or outing, by any member or guest. Each member and his /her guest are responsible for properly be informed of potential hazards and/ or risks that may occur while engaging in recreational activities. **ENTER CLAIMS AT YOUR OWN RISK.** I have read understand and agree to the above: *Hold Harmless Agreement*" and accept all liability for myself.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail payment and application to:**  
Valley Prospectors, Inc. - Membership Chairperson  
33220 Wildomar Rd.  
Wildomar, CA 92595

## Diary of a 49er, Part XI : July. 30th, 1850 River Mining at Harts Bar and Tuolumne

July 30th. "We have to-day commenced our labors. So much has been said of the mining operations upon the rivers, especially upon the Tuolumne, which is believed to be very rich, that I am led, for the information of my readers, to go more into detail in describing this, the closing portion of my mining life. The gold is often found, in rich deposits, in the channels of these rivers. To be obtained, the river must first be turned by dam and canal. As this is an operation requiring the united labor of many individuals, it is customary to form companies, which elect their officers, form their laws, and mutually share the expense and labor of the preparatory work, and also divide equally the profits.

The Hart's Bar Draining and Mining Company was organized in May. The following Articles of Agreement were adopted in July, at a meeting of the company, when twenty-one entered their names as members, and elected their officers. It should be remarked that mining associations enjoy all the privileges and immunities of corporate bodies; their just claims and rights are sacredly regarded; and any violence done to these rights would be visited by the vengeance of all the miners for miles around. No code of laws or staff of police could more fully establish a miner in the possession of his ten feet square.

No well-drawn writing, from the royal charter down to the simple deed of conveyance, could be a surer guarantee. He would not be obliged to wait a tedious process at law, or pay his last dollar for a bill of adjustment. The work of restitution and retribution at the mines is speedy, summary, and effective. I have received into my arbor, as a camp-mate, my valued friend M. He is a young sailor - a man with a brave heart in danger, but with a kind heart to those he loves - rough or gentle, like the ocean he has navigated. He has today made a bed-frame, nailing some bags on the bottom for sacking; also, some campstools, while the company's carpenter has made me a table; so that our mining home presents an unusual air of comfort. We have sent to Stockton for a supply of provisions. M. is a first-rate cook, and many of the dishes he can furnish would be relished in any place where there are good appetites. The living at the mines is much better than it has been. We have more vegetables, better flour, and a greater variety of provisions generally. Provisions are also cheaper than they have been at any time previous.

The work before us is truly an arduous one, made doubly so by the limited means we have of prosecuting it. The clay for the construction of our canal must be carried in hand-barrows, borne between two persons, from the side of the hill down a steep bank, then along over a stony path to the canal, a distance varying from one eighth to one sixth of a mile; and this must be done day after day for weeks. Then the lumber for the aqueduct is to be sawed by hand, from logs cut and rolled from the tops and sides of the mountains, with whip-saws. This part of the business is under the direction of a master architect from London.

Sept. 24th, 1851. We prosecuted both parts of our work at the same time. A part were employed in carrying the clay to the canal. An account was kept one day, and it was ascertained that each barrow was carried, during the day, fourteen miles. Since my last date I have carried such a barrow four hundred and twenty miles. The clay was put in large heaps, where we could easily

obtain it when it should be wanted in the making of the canal. This was a most arduous undertaking. Sometimes it must pass through a solid ledge of hard asbestos rock, and then through deep holes in the river, where it has washed into the banks. In such a case, a heavy wall, filled with clay, must be made. When completed, the canal was six hundred and thirty-eight feet in length, and sixteen in width. Making the aqueduct to convey the water from the canal, which passed through Paine's Bar, above us, was the most difficult task.

The logs, which were cut upon the mountain, were rolled to the pits, and then sawed by hand. Piers were constructed by making crates of logs, which were firmly pinned together, then sunk in their places by being filled with large stones. Another large pier was made by rolling and carrying stones into the river a distance of thirty feet. The sleepers of the aqueduct were laid upon this and the laden crates. "When it was finished, it was a handsome piece of workmanship, of which we were justly proud. It was one hundred and two feet in length, and twelve wide. This kind of labor—yielding no remuneration, only being preparatory to the more exciting, though laborious process of gold-digging - was prosecuted from July the 30th to this date, Sept. 24th.

We were awakened at dawn by the second director, who came out before his tent, and sang, in a loud, clear voice, " Up in the morning early, boys !" That song, which often brought me out of my dreams, to this day I carry back into my dreams. After a short time allowed for taking breakfast, the roll was called, and we went to our daily labor. And oh! When night came again, how sweet, after a bath in the river, was "the rest of the laboring man!" On the 20th of September the pleasure was ours of seeing the whole channel of the river opposite our bar laid bare for our operations. It was ours after contending with difficulties, privations, and hardships innumerable, and of no ordinary kind, and which have deprived of health many of our company. It was all ours with the joyous anticipation of soon receiving the reward of our efforts, and returning home with at least a competence." About two weeks since - it was the 6th instant—we were alarmed by a considerable rise of the river. While at breakfast upon that day, the water of the river became suddenly muddy. Soon after we perceived this, intelligence was brought down to us from the Jacksonville company that they were expecting to see their dam washed away. The river continued gradually to rise for an hour, when there was a sudden freshet, caused by the giving way of some dam above us.

We hastened, with the aid of other companies, to open the head of the canal, and to roll heavy stones into the aqueduct. The water came up to the floor, then a few inches above it. We looked on, expecting to see all our works, which we had spent weeks in completing, at once destroyed. But the water ceased to rise, then slowly subsided, showing behind it the wet ground and the line of foam, chips and dirt marking the limits of the encroachment. Soon we were able to return to our labor with lightened spirits, and some with other kinds. Many cradles, buckets, and other things floated past us in the river. The shares of the company immediately advanced several hundred dollars. One share was sold for \$1200, while \$2500 was refused for another.

Two days since we commenced making a ditch under the wall of the canal, to carry off the water which leaked through its embankments. Two cradles were set, and the dirt from the bed of the ditch was washed through, and in three hours there was deposited in the treasury \$176. Yesterday we continued to work upon the ditch, adding two more cradles, and during the day made \$415.75. At midnight, and in the rain, we were called out to repair the walls of the canal, and stop several leaks. The river was very high, and slowly rising. After several hours' night-labor, we succeeded in stopping every leak but one. In one place the water rushed through in a torrent. This morning, Sept. 24th - the water was rising in its might. Notwithstanding our aqueduct and canal,

the bed of the river was nearly full. We hastened to remove all our mining implements. Slowly, but surely, the freshet came, till the destruction of all our works seemed inevitable. We thought not of hunger, though we had been laboring hard much of the night and all the morning. About ten o'clock there was a pause of fearful suspense. The rising seemed arrested—might it not be on the turn? For a short time there was hope; the pendulum vibrated each moment between our hopes and our fears. We hastened up the hill side - after all had been done which could be - to a spot commanding a view of the whole, to see our hopes or our fears realized. We perceived at once that the existence of all our works depended upon the Paine's Bar dam above us. Would that stand the torrent? Should that maintain its position, we were safe; let that go, all would be swept away! As we kept our eyes fixed upon this - it was a quarter of a mile above us - the black line of wall was suddenly broken, and the torrent poured through a small opening forced in the dam, and in a few seconds the river ran foaming over the entire length of the wall, which bowed and sank before the irresistible force. Then and there was heard a sound new and strangely startling to me. It was caused by large stones rushing and grinding under water, borne on by the tremendous power of the current. It might be imagined that the thousand submerged chariots and cars of Pharaoh's host were driving impetuously over that river channel. As soon as the dam above us gave way, the water rose with great rapidity—two, three, four, six, eight feet—till it poured over the top of the aqueduct. Still it nobly stood, held in its place by the immense weight of the water which poured through it from the canal above. It was indeed surprising to see a thing so light resisting that mad and mighty force. It was but a moment! Gently and gracefully it yielded, swayed forward, and moved away with the ease and rapidity of a thing of life. Thus, in one moment, we saw the work of one thousand and twenty - nine days done by the company swept away and rendered useless. Within five disappeared around the bend of the river, a meeting of the company was called, and a resolution presented to proceed with our work by means of wing-dams.

## NEW OHV OFF-ROAD HELMET LAWS

You now need to wear a helmet on any motorized vehicle when off-road

### California AB1595

California passed a new law last week requiring helmets in side x sides, and restricting younger/smaller passengers, and making additional seats beyond what the side x side came with illegal. This was done without any public comment, and passed the Assembly and the Senate with unanimous votes. Time to contact your representatives in Sacramento!!!

Please check out the thread here: <http://www.rzrforums.net/public-land...-new-bans.html>

### Randsburg Dig

We will be heading to Randsburg on April 11th. We will meet leaving from the Randsburg Jail promptly at 10 am, if you know where the claims are feel free to head on up and we will meet you there. Depending on the weather Randsburg is good for Dry Washing and Metal Detecting.

Directions: take the 15 to the 395 North towards Ridgecrest, exit at the Randsburg turn off, the jail is about 1 mile from the turn off, it is easy to find (it is kind of a pink/coral color and it says JAIL).

For more information contact George or Lisa Howison at: [Celtichearts2@aol.com](mailto:Celtichearts2@aol.com) , 951-734-7530 or 951-733-0839

## Roundup – Dunk’s Report

### GPAA Gold Show – January 11-13, 2013 – Pomona Fairplex

Even though crowds were small, Valley Prospectors was a huge success. After all was said and done, all expenses were covered, lots of gold sales and we had a tremendous increase in guests at our January meeting, all from visits to our booth. Thanks to our Friday setup crew: Steve & Mary Schubert and Jim Smith. Also, all those who manned the booth: Judy Carpenter, Pat Ferraccio, Art Fairchild, Jim Smith, Don Baranauskas, Gene Lepper, Grady Burleson, Armando and Maria Pena, Bruce Sherman, Roger & Pam Maguire, Steve and Mary Schubert, George & Lisa Howison, Lorraine Frost, Mike “Dunk” Dunkerley. Thanks for making Valley Prospectors well represented. We are looking forward to the GPAA Gold Show in Las Vegas, April 27-28, 2013. Don’t miss out!

### Randsburg Outing – January 19-21, 2013

With beautiful weather and good friends, VP set up on Friday. Saturday found a few more miners enjoying the claim and warm windless days. Sunday a few more came in and at 1 pm we headed for the Burro Schmidt’s Tunnel in the El Paso Mountains. We saw the homestead, shop, and wandered almost ½ mile of the tunnels. After the adventure, Joe and Sandy Harter hosted us all (6) for a fabulous potluck in their trailer. Lots of gold, met new and old friends and a great time was had by all. There is “Gold in them there hills”!

As reported by Mike “Dunk” Dunkerley

## BLOOD BANK NEWS “MVP”

We are off to a good start. Pam Maguire’s December donation was our first to start the New Year. I did not receive a report for the month of November. If you donated in November, please contact me. I will follow up with the main office. Nonetheless, please consider adding your name to our Honor Roll. Be sure to mention to credit “MVP”.

*The need is constant, the process is simple, and the results are priceless.*

Lorraine Frost ,Blood Bank Chairperson

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### Prez Says –

January was a great month for Valley Prospectors. We introduced ourselves to many people at the Pomona GPAA Gold and Treasure Expo. There were great adventures to be had at Burro Schmidt’s Tunnel and our speaker, Jerry Hobbs, was quite informative. I’m very excited about the coming year. We still need to find a Courtesy Chair and Finds of the Month Chair. Please consider being a part of this great organization.

As I reminisce about the beginnings of Valley Prospectors I dug out all my old newsletters. Now that we have a historian, Lisa Howison, I’d like to undertake a great project – develop an Honor Wall for all our past Presidents. Therefore, here is your homework for the next meeting. Write down all the past president’s your recall with the year that they served. Valley dates back to 1976, so this could be quite a scavenger hunt. Get out all those old newsletters (the oldest one I found was Volume 2, Issue 4 from April 1981) and let’s plan to honor all those who lead us throughout the years. I guess this means our newsletter was started in 1980. Also, while reading them I noticed that our logo was developed in 1981.

Best always, Lorraine Frost



Feb 2013

## REFRESHMENTS

Thank you

Judy Carpenter, Art Fairchild, Lisa Howison For bringing cookies to the January

**Meeting they were really delicious!**

And a reminder for February 28th meeting we are looking forward to having cupcakes brought by Vernon Howe family

Pam Maguire

Jim Smith

To all that can help supply our treats everyone is very thankful!

Pam please post in bulletin thanks

Sandy Harter

### VALLEY PROSPECTORS BOARD MEETING

**DATE: Jan-31-2013 TIME:6:03 pm**

All but 2 board members were present. Minutes of the last 2 meetings. Jennefer J- Nov and Dec meeting minutes oked by the board. Treasurer's report: Sue B.-Balances and expenditures discussed. Membership: Judy C.-Explained the problems of date dead line for the dues renewals and asked the board to have the dues due at the Jan meeting, with a late fee of \$20.00 due for Feb and March. And if no payment of dues is sent by April 1st then your membership is revoked. Judy motioned this with the 2nd by Gary J. Discussion. Voted on and passed with 2 opposed for this to start in 2014. Late fee's Motion by Gary J. to have the late fees from \$10.00 to \$20.00 for Feb and March 2014, 2nd George H. and discussed. Voted and passed. To be printed in the Newsletter 2 times this year for next year(2014) renewals. Editor's Report: Pam M.- Have articles to her by the 5th. Needs help to do "mailmerge" Debbie V.H. to help her on this. Claims: Pam M.- Read parts of a letter from BLM to let us know that they will fill in the holes on our claims in 2011. Programs for tonight: Dunk- Tonight is Jerry Hobbs from PLP. Club Apparel: Pat F- we have some stuff, but need to order more soon. Refreshments: Sandy H.- Tonight cookies. Wagonmaster: Dunk- Coolgardie this month. Gold Sales: Art- Good gold sales at the Pomona Gold show. 50/50: Jill M- Needs tickets. CFMS: none. Library: none. Historian's are now Lisa and George Howison. Send pic to her of outings. Old Business: Lorraine motioned to except the budget as amended, Deb 1st Pam 2nd. Voted to excepted. Booth in Vegas discussed with prices. Pam motioned to get a booth in Vegas, Lisa 2nd. Passed to do the show. Pam talked about the Yuba claims and the taxes. Motion by Lisa to adjourn, 2nd by Art, Oked by all. Adjournment time: 6:50 pm

**Jennefer Jercha, Secretary for  
VALLEY PROSPECTORS, INC  
2013**

### VALLEY PROSPECTORS GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

**DATE: JAN. 31, 2013 TIME: 7:10 pm**

Call to Order by our new President Lorriane Frost. Pledge Of Allegiance by Steve Micklas. It seems that Steve Micklas and Steve Nicklas from FCM got together and hammered out the dry vac winnings with Steve N. giving the unit to Steve M. and Steve M. returning the check that Valley wrote him. Thank you Steve Micklas and Steve Nicklas (FCM) for taking care of this. Both of you are upstanding members of the best kind. We all are proud of both of you and want you to know that if every prospector were more like you guys, there would be world peace, Ok that's a little much, but one can always hope. Thank you again. Steve M. brought a lot of his finds from the last few months. Man that guy can hunt! Pres. Lorriane thanked all for her Presidential chair this year. She has been a member of Valley since 1976, which is when the club started. Courtesy: Steve S. for Judy C.- 18 guests and 45 members. And some where from the Pomona GPAA Gold show! Minutes of the last meeting: Jennefer Jercha: Nov. 2012 meeting mins: Motion by Debbie V.H. to except the Nov 2012 mins. as written, 2nd by John H.- oked by members. Dec.2012 meeting (Christmas party), Motion by Lisa H., 2nd by Andrea F. to except the mins as written, oked by the members. Treasurer's Report: Sue Baranauskas- We have money. Next month she will have a better report on the account, due to the out go of a lot of bills. The board tonight did approve the budget. Upcoming Events: Lorriane read the Events and Letters. Also the Gold show in Vegas was oked to have a booth there this year. 50/50: Jill Molson: get your tickets. Lady Luck:Neva- We have gold bags tonight, and White Elephant Feb 28th. so bring your unwanted/unused(or gently used) working Christmas "things". Special Raffles: Have nuggets for the Vegas show. Art to sell tickets for this raffle at the next meeting. Refreshments: Joe/Sandy Harter:

Tonight-Cookies. Next month-Cupcakes. Membership: Judy C.- 86 renewals as of this month. Talked of the next years (2014) new dues deadline and new late fees. Wagonmaster: Dunk- Thanked all that helped with the Pomona show. Also had a Randsburg outing. Next Outing: Coolgardie Feb 15-18th. Need a Wagonmaster for this outing. March 8-10th, Coolgardie. Editor Pam M.- get stuff to her by the 5th of this month. Claims: Pam M- Summit outing was rained out. Will do at a later date. Blood bank: Lorriane- Pam M donated in Deb 2012. Remember to say " MVP" for Valley Prospectors account. Apparel Pat F. We have new men's T-shirts W/pocket, get them now! Historian-Lisa H.- Send Pic's to Lisa if you go on an outing. Rendezvous 2013: Lorriane F talked about this and needs someone for the metal detector event and other areas too. Programs: Dunk introduced Jerry Hobbs from PLP. Jerry talked about all the legal stuff that the Government is trying to get though. Jerry is one of the best speakers on these things.

We Love this Guy. Thank you Jerry! Come to our meetings anytime to talk!!

REFRESHMENT TIME: 8:00 pm RESUME MEETING TME: 8:17 pm

Steve S. handed out last years awards that where not picked up at the Christmas Party. Old Business - Constitutional amendment to vote on. Lorriane read this to the members. This was in the newsletter 2 times. Lorriane asked for a motion to except the motion as read, Motion by Debbie V.H., John H. 2nd, no discussion. Voted on and passed by the members. The 2013 Budget was passed by the board, Lorriane asked for motion to except the budget that was passed by the board. John H. motioned with Lisa H 2nd. Discussed. Most of the changes where for increases to most of the chairs. This budget report will be in the Newsletter in Feb., As per Lorriane. The budget was oked by the members. Also the membership dues payment deadline was set for April 1, 2014 to pay. After April 1, 2014 your dues will not be excepted and you will have to "rejoin" Valley at the full price. The late fees have been revised also. They are as followed: Dues are due on or before the Jan 2014 meeting. In Feb and March the late fee will be \$20. If no dues payment is sent by April 1st 2014 then your membership is null and void. (this years dues are still set as they have been for last year). Motion on the floor to except the fee for membership, Pam M motioned, Debbie V.H. 2nd. Discussion. Voted on and passed with 2 opposed. New Business: Steve S had a call from Southwest prospecting and mining last year and the club wanted us to go with them to the "Pot Holes" in Yuma. Steve S. going to be the Wagonmaster for this "outing" and they will be our guest up in Big Bear for our July outing. Yucaipa Gem and Mineral show, we have been invited. May 4-5th. Need to vote on this. Steve S asked for a motion to do the show in Yucaipa on May 4th and 5th. Motion by Dave M. 2nd Jill M. Discussion. Steve to head this show. Steve is the Chairperson for this. Passed by the members with 5 no's. There is still a few open chairs still open. Courtesy and Finds of the Month need to be filled. 50/50: \$46.50 goes to-Mary S. Steve's wonderful and very, very "understanding" wife. NO DOOR OR BADGE PRIZE THIS MEETING.

Finds of the Month: Gold- 1st: Don B. 2nd-Ben S 3rd NO ONE.. . Metal detecting: 1st Steve M. 2nd- Lucky C. 3rd- Don B. Motion to Adjourn by Debbie Van Holland, 2nd by Lisa Howison. All said "I" Meeting adjourned at TIME: 8:45.. Lady Luck next.

**Minutes by Jennefer Jercha, Secretary  
for Valley Prospector's INC., 2013**



**1990 GMC K3500 SI 3/4 ton, Dooley Pick Up truck V8 engine 4x4, 71,000 actual miles, AC, Good condition, \$4500.**

**1994 Week Ender camper by Skyline ( is off the truck right now) Custom built 11 1/2' length, 7' floor to ceiling inside**

**Model 1110, Queen bed, Wedgwood 3 burner stove with oven/broiler, 24 cu ft frig., propane tanks, generator, 33 gal water tank, full bathroom w/shower, toilet & sink. Sleeps 4, lots of storage space. \$4000. electric jacks, AC**

**Special price \$8000 for GMC & Camper**

**2006 Fleetwood Tioga RV, 27', SLX series , original price \$95,000. Priced today to sell.....\$24,000. New Queen mattress, sleeps 6, like new inside & out, fully loaded.**

**AC, automatic Transmission, V8, 6.0 liters, only driven 17 miles the last 2 1/2 years....**

**Street legal Dune Buggy.....1965 VW BAJA BUG. 2 seater truck body. cloth top, removable seat padded seat covers, tow bar, etc. lots of room to carry mining equipment, coolers & metal detectors in the back.**

**White fiberglass body. Excellent condition. Call for price..... make offer. Runs great.**

### Feb-April 2013 Calendar of Events

<b>February 2013</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Feb 15, 16, 17, 18	<b>Coolgardie</b> Plan on Saturday Night potluck
Feb 28	<b>Valley Prospectors Board Meeting @ 6 pm</b> <b>Valley Prospectors General Meeting @ 7 pm</b> Knights of Columbus, San Bernardino, 1729 E. Baseline <b>Speaker – Dr. Erik Melchiorre, Professor, Geology, CSUSB</b> <b>“Big Gold of Arizona”</b> Contact Info – Dunk 760-608-3228
	<b>No Retired During the Week (RDW) outing this month</b>
<b>March 2013</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Mar 14	<b>RDW</b> Summit Work Party and Prospecting Meet 8 am @ McDonalds/Highway 138 Contact Info – George Howison 951-734-7530
Mar 8,9,10	<b>Coolgardie</b> Plan on Saturday Night potluck
Mar 28	<b>Valley Prospectors Board Meeting @ 6 pm</b> <b>Valley Prospectors General Meeting @ 7 pm</b> Knights of Columbus, San Bernardino <b>Speaker – George Howison – “Underground and Mining Collectibles”</b> Contact Info – Dunk 760-608-3228
<b>April 2013</b>	<b>More to come in April – but plan ahead for the Gold Show</b>
April 26, 27, 28	<b>GPAA Las Vegas Gold and Treasure Expo</b> Apr 26 – Setup 4-6 pm Apr 27 – 10 am – 5 pm (workers show up 1 hour prior) Apr 28 – 10 am – 4 pm (workers show up 1 hour prior) <a href="http://goldprospectors.org/Events/GoldTreasureShows/tabid/62/Default.aspx">http://goldprospectors.org/Events/GoldTreasureShows/tabid/62/Default.aspx</a> Pre-register 2 weeks prior to get in FREE! Hotel Accommodations: South Point, 866-791-7626, mention Gold Prospectors. Room rates Sun thru Thur are \$55, Fri & Sat \$85 Contact Info – Steve Schubert 951-943-0535

#### NOTE FROM MEMBERS

IF YOU ARE SICK AND NOT WELL PLEASE DON'T COME TO A MEETING. WE DON'T WANT YOUR GERMS. THANK YOU!!!!



# Treasures For Sale



Members can run items for sale in the newsletter for free. Email them to pamhus@gmail.com, commercial ads are \$5.00 per month.

## Wilderness Mining

Just above Baseline, East side of E St.  
Come around back to park  
909-884-7060  
Authorized Keene Engineering Dealer  
If you want it we either have it  
or can get it!  
Experienced Knowledgeable

## COKE MACHINE

5 selection, coin operated coke vending machine for sale 850.00 obo. These machines normally sell around 1300 or more. Works very well and keeps the sodas very cold. I used to use one of the selections to keep my beer in when I used to drink beer, I stopped putting beer in it when our son and his friends drank it all once, have not used it since. Just checked it out and it still operates, keeps em cold

Call Mike at 951-867-8815

SHIELDS



Custom Orders For  
Fire Helmets Or Decorations

J. Keyes, SFRD (Retired)

P.O. Box 1039  
Hawthorne, Nevada 89415  
775-945-3432

## Used Shaker Table For Sale.

Runs Good. Asking  
\$1200 obo

Call 951-966-8655

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