

***DRYWASHER'S GAZETTE* September 2013**

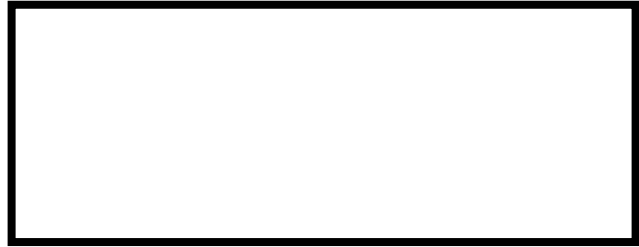
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Old West Days Sept. 21 in Randsburg

Next General Meeting Sept. 26th at 7:00 PM

Web Address: valleyprospectors.com

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

Executive Officers			Chairpersons		
President	Lorraine Frost	760-868-6564	Apparel	Pat Ferraccio	909-649-1555
Vice President	Mike Dukerley	760-608-3228	Blood Bank	Lorraine Frost	760-868-6564
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Treasurer	Sue Baranauskas	909-335-7113	CFMS	Bural LaRue	909-874-5664
			Courtesy	Harry & Kelly	760-248-6683
Board of Directors			Editor	Pam Maguire	951-316-2568
Roger Maguire	951-316-2568		Finds/Month	Garry & Sherry	*0*-875-20*0
Pam Maguire	951-316-2568		50/50	Jill Molson	909-887-8824
Maria Pena	951-242-7594		Gold Sales	Art Fairchild	951-897-5433
Armando Pena	951-242-7594		Historian	Lisa Howison	951-734-7530
Debbie Van Holland	951-685-2440		Lady Luck	Neva Golsch	909-944-0775
Bart Van Holland	951-685-2440		Librarian		
Jim Smith	707-938-1698		Membership	Judy Carpenter	951-674-3207
Gary Jercha	951-927-4672		Name Tags	Judy Carpenter	951-674-3207
Pat Ferracio	909-649-1555		Programs	Mike Dunkerley	790-608-3228
Art Fairchild	951-897-54333		Refreshments	Sandy Harter	951-216-5502
Lisa Howison	951-734-7530		Wagon Master	Dunk	760-608-3228
George Howison	951-734-7530		Web Master		
Alternate Board Members			Claims	Pam Maguire	951-316-2568
Sandy Harter	951-216-5502		Christmas Party	Pam Maguire	9541-316-2568
Joe Harter	951-216-5502				
Jill Molson	909-887-8824				

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)

REFRESMENTS

Thanks to all who brought the donuts for the past meeting. Great variety everyone loved them!

For our September meeting

We will have yummy ice cream brought by

Mary & Steve Schubert

Jill Molson

Linda & Lewis Ogden

If you would each Please bring 2 half gallons/

or one of those gallon type buckets that would be great

I will bring the toppings.

Thank You so much,

Sandy Harter

[951-216-5502](tel:951-216-5502)

WHITE ELEPHANT AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING

Bring your unwanted working in good shape items for the raffle. Do not bring used items and items that are broke. We do not want your junk.

Claims Committee Meeting

**September 114th at Roger and Pam's House in Banning about noon or so.
Call Pam at 951-316-25568 for directions and time. Claims will furnish Pizza and
we will have a pot luck salad and desert.**

Prez Says-

Bad News – *"Sorry to inform all of the suction dredge miners that the Court denied the Preliminary Injunction."* as reported by Jerry Hobbs on the PLP website – <http://plp1.org> PLP wants to stay in the fight, but the costs are rising. They are looking for support from fellow miners and organizations. PLP has organized a fund raiser. When I get more details I'll have it posted on Valley's website. On a happier note, Bruce Sherman has agreed to be our Librarian. He hopes to take an inventory of the library and get that posted on our website as well.

Do plan to join us at Old West Day on Sept 21 in Randsburg and for our Rendezvous 2013 in the Ord Mountains camping area Oct 25-27. Major events happen on Saturday, Oct 26th.

Always looking for that "Big Gold", Lorraine Frost
Sep 2013

BLOOD BANK NEWS "MVP"

Thank you to those who have recently donated to our Blood Bank account. Be sure to mention "MVP" when you donate. Jim Smith, Lisa Howison and Pam Maguire have been strong supporters. I myself forgot to mention "MVP" my last donation so my church received the credit – nonetheless – it is the community service that counts. My records show Valley Prospectors has about 17 donations thus far this year. Keep up the good work. You can check for local donation centers or events at <https://www.lstream.org/>

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

Lorraine Frost, Blood Bank Chairperson
[\(760\) 868-6564](tel:7608686564) <mailto:res06mtu@verizon.net>

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RAND DESERT MUSEUM
12TH ANNUAL
RANDBURG OLD WEST DAYS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2013
8:00 AM – 4:00PM

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

LIVE MUSIC

GUNFIGHTERS

COWBOY CAMP

SILENT MOVIE

CAR SHOW

ENTERTAINMENT

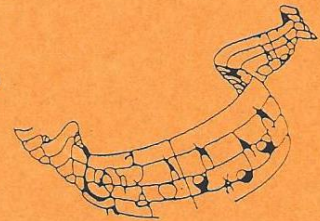
VENDORS

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

e-mail Linda at lgallman1@aol.com

or call Bart at (760) 371-0965

VISIT OUR WEB SITE: randdesertmuseum.com/site





Valley Prospectors of San Bernardino Inc.

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Rendezvous 2013

October 25, 26 & 27 2013

Ord Mountain Camping Area

I 15 North – take Highway 247 (Barstow Road), Barstow – turn right and approximately 16- 19 miles down Highway 247 you'll see a brown BLM route marker 6640 on the road. The road is on the East side, Take a left if you are coming from Barstow on this dirt road and you will see a large BLM Informational canopy sign posted for the area. Follow this dirt road up a small and easy grade.. the camp area is on the left side of the road.. it's not hard to see and it's easy to get to...
GPS coordinates: N34 degrees 41.008, W116 degrees 57.398

We are going camping!

Metal Detector Hunt - \$20 registration

Nightstalker Hunt - \$5 registration

Gold Panning Contest - \$5 registration

Tailgate Sales

Chili Cook-off – Saturday Night

Bingo

Free Kid's Hay Find Event

Dry camping (primitive)

Friday 2 pm Check In

Sunday 12 noon Check Out

Contacts:

Lorraine Frost 760-868-6564 or Michael "Dunk" Dunkerley 760-608-3228

Email: res06mtu@verizon.net

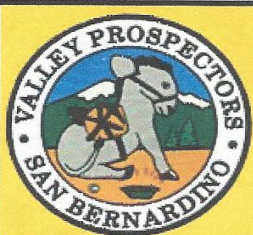
Website: www.valleyprospectors.com

Valley Prospectors Rendezvous 2013

October 25-27, 2013

Ord Mountains Camping Area

Time	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	10/25/13	10/26/13	10/27/13
8:00 AM		BREAKFAST 8-9 am	BREAKFAST 8-9 am
8:30 AM			
9:00 AM			Clean up 9 – 10 am
9:30 AM			
10:00 AM		Metal Detector Hunt 10-11:30 am	PACK UP TO LEAVE
10:30 AM		Sponsored by	
11:00 AM		Valley Prospectors	
11:30 AM		Kids Hay Find 11:30-12:30	
12:00			Head home 12 Noon
12:30 PM		Lunch - on own 12:30 – 1:30 pm	
1:00 PM			
1:30 PM		Gold Panning Contest 1:30 - 3:00 pm	
2:00 PM	Early arrivals	Sponsored by First Class Miners	
2:30 PM			
3:00 PM			
3:30 PM			
4:00 PM	Plant Detector Field 4-5:30 pm	Chili Cook-off Judging 4 pm	
4:30 PM		Potluck 4:30 – 6:00 pm	
5:00 PM			
5:30 PM			
6:00 PM	Bingo 6-7:30 pm	Bingo - 6-8:00 pm	
6:30 PM			
7:00 PM			
7:30 PM			
TBA PM		NightStalker Hunt at Dark	
TBA PM			
9:00 PM	Campfire 9 pm	Campfire 9 pm	
** Lady Luck drawings every hour on Saturday between 9 am and 4 pm All scheduled events are subject to change & cancellation due to lack of volunteers and/or participants.			



Valley Prospectors, Inc.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(FILL-IN ALL THAT APPLIES)

Date:

VP Member No.

(MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON WILL FILL-IN)

Last Name:

First Name:

Spouse's Name:

Number of Children
UNDER 19 YEARS OLD
(IMMEDIATE FAMILY)

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Telephone No.:

Email Address

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT: Valley Prospectors, Inc. and its members are not responsible or 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 their guests are responsible for properly being informed of potential hazards or risks that may occur while engaged in recreational activities. "ENTER CLAIMS AT YOUR OWN RISK". I have read and understand this agreement and agree to the above. I accept all liability for myself or my guests.

Signature of Member:

INITIATION FEES AND DUES

The initiation fee shall be \$100.00 total (may be paid in monthly installments*)

The annual dues shall be \$40.00. Annual membership dues are due on January 1st and are not prorated.

Option 1 (Total due in full)

Annual Dues (\$40.00) and Initiation Fee (\$100.00)

Total \$140.00 due in full and not prorated.

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Option 2 (Payment Plan)

Annual Dues (\$40.00) and first installment of initiation fee (\$20.00 of \$100.00) \$

*NOTE: RESTRICTIONS DO APPLY WITH THIS OPTION

Every new member will receive one name badge with their name on it. Additional name badges for family members will cost \$5.00 for each badge. If you want additional family name badges please enter their names below. You may list additional names on the back of this application.

	First Name:	Last Name:		First Name:	Last Name:
1	FREE FREE FREE	FREE FREE FREE	4		
2			5		
3			6		

PAYMENT METHOD

Cash: \$

Check Number: Amount: \$

Money Order Number: Amount: \$

Make Check or Money Order
payable to:
Valley Prospectors, Inc.

Send Application and
Payment to:

Valley Prospectors, Inc.
Membership Chairperson
33220 Wildomar Rd.
Wildomar, CA 92595

Valley Prospectors, Inc. has claims in Holcomb Valley, Cajon Pass, Coolgardie, Randsburg, and Downieville. The majority of our claims are dry. We try to have an outing to one of our claims each month, weather permitting. We observe all BLM rules and regulations.

Valley Prospectors, Inc. Membership Application - Revised 01/01/2013

HOW DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTER? BY WMil oe anIL Mil!

Sep-Oct 2013 Calendar of Events

SEP	Activity
Sep 12	Retired During the Week – RDW – Randsburg Meet at the Jail at 10 am Potluck, bring a dish, plates, utensil and water provided Contact Info – George Howison 951-734-7530
Sep 21	Old West Days - Randsburg Contact Info – Dunk 760-608-3228
Sep 28	Valley Prospectors Board Meeting @ 6 pm Valley Prospectors General Meeting @ 7 pm Knights of Columbus, San Bernardino Speaker – Stay Tuned Contact Info – Dunk 760-608-3228
Oct 2013	Activity
Oct 10	Retired During the Week – RDW – TBA Contact Info – George Howison 951-734-7530
Oct 24	Valley Prospectors Board Meeting @ 6 pm Valley Prospectors General Meeting @ 7 pm Knights of Columbus, San Bernardino Update on Rendezvous and Nominations for Next Year's Officers and Board Contact Info – Dunk 760-608-3228
Oct 25 - 27	Rendezvous 2013 Ord Mountain Camping area Major events occur on Saturday, Oct 26th Contact Info – Dunk 760-608-3228

Valley Prospectors General Meeting Aug 29 2013

Start time: 7:03 pm

Call to Order by Pres. Lorraine Frost. Pledge fo Allegiance by Debbie Van Holland. Pres Lorraine congratulated Debbie and Bart Van Holland on their wedding anniversary tonight of 31 years. (woop,woop). Courtesy: Kelly~ We have 2 guests tonight. Lorraine motioned to except the minutes that where written in the newsletter, 1st by Judy C. 2nd by Pam M. All in Favor. Treasurer's Report: Sue B.~ Read the report. 50/50: Jill M.~ Get your tickets. Lady Luck: Neva G.~ Gold Bags tonight and White Elephant next meeting(Sept 26). Refreshments: Sandy H.~ Donuts tonight and next month will be Ice Cream! Membership report: Judy C.~ 4 new members in July, and 2 in Aug. Wagon Master: Dunk~ Steve gave a report of the last Big Bear outing and Gold was found by all. R.D.W outing on Sept 12th will be in Randsburg and there will be a pot luck lunch. Call George H. for details. Dunk~ Old West Days in Randsburg will be Sept 21~22, contact Dunk. Finds of the Month: Garry~ Come up and vote. Gold Sales: Art F.~ We have gold for sale. Library: We have a new Librarian, Bruce Sherman. Thank you for stepping up and helping out Bruce. Also Bob Wright told us that Chino Valley will donate books to our library also, Thanks Bob. Don't we have the nicest members?! Editor: Pam~ have article to her by Sept 8th. Claims: Pam~ All paper work is in and done for Valley's claims. Lorraine thanked Pam and Roger for driving up to Kern County to file the papers(thanks U 2). Also Claims meeting is going to be at her house on Sept 14th, more in the news letter. Blood Bank: Lorraine~ Dont Forget To Say " M.V.P." to give credit to Valley when you give. Apparel: Pat F.~ Will have more hats next month. Historian: Lisa H.~ Send Pics to her when you can. Program for tonight: Speaker James Bowden on "Holcome Valley's Gold". Rendezvous: Dunk. This year it will be on Ord Mountain. Dunk is in charge,any questions call him. Refreshments Time:7.23pm. Resume Meeting at7:32pm. Speaker James Bowden. Great info on our Big Bear Claims in Holcomb Valley. Thank you James. Neat stuff for sale too.. Loved those earrings! Old Business~none. New Business~none. 50/50 tonight's \$15.00 goes to John Howell. Door Prize~ Donald R. and Badge prize~Gary P. Finds of the Month: Gold~ 1st- Gene L. 2nd- Kent B. 3rd- Charles Metal Detecting~ 1st- Steve M. 2nd- Kent B. 3rd- Don B. Motion to Adjourn by Debbie VH, 2nd by Mary S. All agreed at 8:25 pm. Take it away Lady Luck~~~~~

**Minutes by Jennefer Jercha Secretary for
Valley Prospectors, INC.**

WagonMaster Roundup – “Dunk”

August 8th say many happy miners enjoying the water at the San Gabriel River. George said they had a good time, sluicing went well. Summit Sunday on the 18th was hot but gold was still found. Can't wait until this weather eases up a bit. August 30th weekend was at Big Bear was topped off with a great crowd. Gold was on top of the list again.

Rendezvous 2013 – October 25-27, 2013

Rendezvous 2013 October 25th through 27th – Come on out for the events on Saturday or spend the weekend camping. Starts Saturday at 8 am with breakfast and the day ends around the campfire. Watch for a flyer and map in next month's newsletter.

Only approximately 15 miles south of Barstow off of I15 on Highway 247 (Barstow Road) in the scenic west Ord Mountains. Contact Dunk for details.

VALLEY PROSPECTORS BOARD MEETING AUG 29, 2013 START TIME: 6:04 pm

President Lorriane Frost returns, a quorum of board members were present, meeting starts.

Lorriane asked if the minutes of the last meeting be past as written in the Newsletter, 1st by Lisa H., 2nd by Art F. Oked by board.

Treasurer's report: Sue B.~ She read the reports for the board. Editor's Report: Pam M.~Have articles to her by Sept 8. Claims: Pam M. Claims meeting at her house Sept 14th. All paperwork is done and sent back to valley as of today. All is good. Program for tonight is Holcomb Valley by James Bowden. Apparel: Pat F.~ Good supply of T-shirts. Refreshments: Sandy H.~ Donuts tonight. Wagon Master: Dunk~ Big Bear outing this weekend. Gold Sales: Art F.~ Sold some gold and we have some too. 50/50: Jill M.~ Will have tonight. Blood Bank: Lorraine~ Don't forget to say "M.V.P." For Valley. Lady Luck: Art will be gold bags tonight. Historian: Lisa H.~ No Report. Send in Pics. Old Business: Rendezvous 2013: Dunk~ most everything is coming along good now. New Business: Debbie Van Holland will be our 2013 awards personal this year. Lorraine asked that the meeting be adjourn, 1st by Gary, 2nd by Art. All thought it was a good idea to adjourn at this time of 6:25 pm

Minutes by Jennefer Jercha, Secretary for Valley Prospectors Inc.



Mimer's Sales



Members can run 3 times through the year for free. Commercial ads are \$5.00 per month. Send ad's to pamus@gmail.com or Call 951-316-2568

Mimong Claims: I have 9- 40 acre claims south of Wickenburg, Arizona. Plenty of washes for dry washing, gold vein in 3 claims. Active mining near Little South Domingo. Contact Craig 909-230-1841.

Wanted: Do you have a place to store mining equipment? I need a place for 2 tailers mounted trammels, kubota 500 mini tractor w/trailer, JBV mini backhoe w/trailer, & 18 ft. travel trailer. Will trade backhoe work in tractor work. Contact Craig at *909-230-1841

DREDGING NEWS

On August 28, 2013, the second day of arguments in this case, Judge Gilbert G. Ochoa denied a motion for a preliminary injunction filed on behalf of California suction gold dredge miners who have been prohibited from practicing their trade in California waterways since 2009.

Thousands of *ICMJ's Prospecting and Mining Journal* readers were anxiously waiting to get their equipment back in the water and recover the gold that will remain at the bottom of those waterways for now.

Judge Ochoa found that the miners "did not suffer irreparable harm," said Jerry Hobbs, President of Public Lands for the People (PLP). Hobbs said he was "dumbfounded" by the judge's decision.

The miners were represented by attorneys David Young and James Buchal, who argued, among other things, that many suction dredge miners were suffering irreparable harm due to the lost income generated from suction gold dredging. About 75 miners showed up for the first hearing on August 27, and another 45 for the second hearing on August 28, at Rancho Cucamonga Superior Court in southern California.

Attorneys for the State Department of Fish & Wildlife countered that 80% of suction dredgers in California stated they were "recreational" miners when surveyed during the latest Supplemental Environmental Impact Report.

"No matter how much we have driven home to the public that they are not considered recreational, (some) still maintain that they are," said Hobbs. "But you know for a fact that as soon as they got on to a rich pocket of gold, they would not be calling themselves 'recreational.'"

"If you call yourself recreational, you lose those rights granted by the Mining Law," stated Scott Harn, Editor of *ICMJ's Prospecting and Mining Journal*, "and Judge Ochoa pointed that out today. If you establish a mining claim, and you are a 'miner,' you are afforded certain rights that were granted by Congress. There are no rights granted by Congress to those who use public lands for recreation."

In his decision today, the judge stated that since a large majority of the miners are "recreational" and they have already been out of the water for three years, they could continue to wait until the trial takes place, which he scheduled for May 2014.

Harn stated, "We all know that suction dredging is the only economically feasible method -- and the most environmentally-friendly method -- to recover gold in our waterways. We also know that there are a large number of miners who relied on suction gold dredging for their income. Even if we accept the 80% figure spouted by Fish & Wildlife attorneys, that means that over 700 permittees in 2008 were not 'recreational' miners. These miners have certain granted rights that continue to be trampled upon by elected representatives in California and by various judges. Even though the judge ruled against issuing a preliminary injunction, I look forward to seeing this farce being remedied at trial."

In the meantime, the miners will need to acquire the complete record for all the consolidated court cases. Fish & Wildlife stated the record amounts to several hundred thousand pages and is easily "the largest record in the history" of their agency. The cost to the plaintiffs (the miners) could be \$100,000 or more.

"This is far more money than we could normally acquire, so if we want to stay in this case we have got to rely on the miners and the clubs to help us raise the necessary funds," said Hobbs. "By staying in this lawsuit and fighting, we do not know the outcome yet, but we do know the outcome if we do not fight back," he added.

Tax-deductible contributions can be made online at plp1.org/joindonate.html

