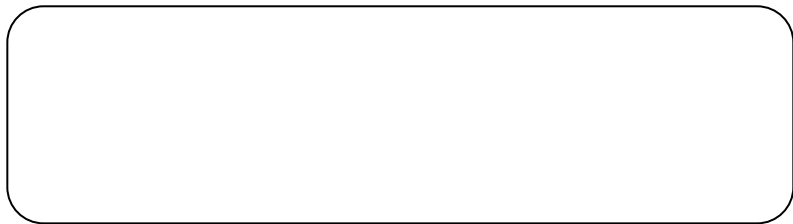


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April 2022

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Next General Meeting: April 5th, 2022, 6 pm - San Bernardino Elks Lodge

Mission and Code of Ethics

Valley Prospectors Inc. is a non-profit educational organization dedicated

“To Promote Gold Prospecting as a healthy family activity.”

You're invited to be our guest at the General membership meetings that are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Elks Lodge at: 2055 Elks Dr, San Bernardino, Ca.

The Board of Directors meeting will be at 5 pm before the General At the Elks Lodge. – Join in for Tasty Tuesday in their dining room.



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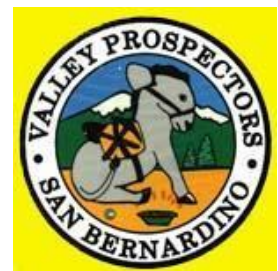
Remember that all prospectors may be judged by the example “You set.” Leave flora and fauna as you found it. “Do Not Destroy Any property, public or private!” “Obey all laws”. Please do not litter.

Each member of Valley Prospectors should strive to set a good example for others.

Valley Prospectors Officers and Members-at-Large 2022					
Executive Officers			Chairpersons		
President	Garry Devlin	951-768-0880	Apparel	Rosie Duysings	951-237-8051
Vice President	Tommy Purscelley	909-820-1898	Blood Bank	Lorraine Frost	760-868-6564
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Jill Molson	909-887-8024		Historian	Stu Luce	909-560-0474
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Katherine Naki	909-733-6441		Name Tags	Andrea Frost	760-868-6564
Diane Railsback	760-954-1915		Programs	Tommy Purscelley	909-820-1898
Bruce Sherman	951-780-7715		Refreshments	Michelle O'Brien	
Ernie Tovar	909-492-4479		Claims	Bob Dudley	480-225-5013
Alternates			Show & School Rep.	Steve Schubert	951-943-0535
Joe Chavez (1)	909-553-1722		Wagon Master	Varies by Outing	
Mark Lash (3)	909-792-4473				
Coreena Ross (2) (Life member)	530-274-1838				

CLAIMS

The 2 Burro's Placer Claims 20 acres
Coolgardie Placer Claim Harvey's Oro Rico 120 acres
Gold Venture & Pickett #3 Placer Claims, 20 acres ea.
Hungry Man 1, 2, 3, 4 and Chunker Placer Claims 550 total acres
Indian Gulch and Indian Flat Placer Claim 60 acres
Jackass 1, Placer Claim 160 acres
Miner's Folly Placer Claim 60 acres
Moriah Placer Claim 15 acres
Pickett #2 Placer Claim 30 acres
(Cajon Pass) Summit Placer Claim 60 acres



Valley Prospectors Presidents Message

2022 PREZ SAYS Garry Devlin – April 2022

Hello fellow members of Valley Prospectors, What a wonderful month and everything comes alive in April, It's spring cleaning, time to plant a garden on a timer, pack your family up and head out to one of your favorite claims, So nice to see all that popped into our March meeting, hopefully more will come out now that Covid is being somewhat managed Most of us found out that the Elks don't come out the week of a major holiday, so July's meeting will be held at our appreciation lunch up in Big Bear. And September Meeting will be held up at Camp Cajon. down the street from McDonalds where everyone meets when going to the Summit claim. More about dates and times when it gets closer to those months. I thank everyone who makes our meetings as great as they are. I am looking forward to having some guest speakers come out. So if you have a great topic you want to share, and you can do it in twenty minutes, or just want to pop-up. for no more than five minutes. It's your meeting. If you ever wonder why your President keeps talking about a slush fund. While at our first and last planning meeting, something came up about a slush fund. Susan on Zoom, said there better not be a slush fund, or we're getting rid of it. Susan, everyone one can have a slush fund, you just have to go out and dig for it. or bring your gold and finds into the meeting for Finds of the Month.. That gold adds up every month if you place third or better. See you all at our next meeting, and enjoy.

New Meeting Date - The First Tuesday of the Month-6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Membership Renewals - Now Due

Be sure to renew your membership – still, only \$40 annually – You now have until March 31, 2022, to renew at the \$40 price. The PayPal link on the website is broken. If you renew online, a request for money from Paypal (\$42 with convenience fee) will be sent to you. A renewal notice was mailed to every member that needs to renew. You can also send a \$40 check, or send \$40 via Zelle (Memo Name and Membership number on transaction) to valleyprospectors49@gmail.com Email valleyprospectors49@gmail.com if you have any questions. Website: <https://www.valleyprospectors.org/membership/>

Please remember, at the January meeting, the members voted to invite past members whose membership has lapsed to be reinstated at the \$40 renewal fee. The \$100 reinstatement fee is waived. An email was sent to all inactive members for the past five years, as approved. They have until March 31, 2022, to take advantage of this offer. Eight (8) members have been reinstated so far. The members felt due to Covid-19 restrictions and the worsening economy we should reach out to our valued past members.

Blood Bank News – Lstream.org

Your donations of blood are critically needed, and it is just another way for our club to support our community. If you can donate, mention **MVP** as our club code. You will help so many people with your kind donation. <https://www.lstream.org/>

Birthday Wishes April

We would like to extend a Happy Birthday to all of our April birthday revelers. Know that your fellow club members are wishing you a wonderful year ahead.

April 5th, 2022, 6 pm – 8 pm PST - General Meeting Zoom Information

I want to invite those members who can't attend in person to join us via Zoom. **Please note the new meeting id and passcode.** Below is information to join a Zoom Virtual meeting if you have a computer. If you don't – no problem. You can join the meeting with your telephone – just call 1-669-900-6833, enter the meeting number and passcode and you will hear us all. Let's stay connected in 2022.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81123262617?pwd=cndNd1BOTGJqd2NubFhDd0l1NDdRUT09>

OR Call 1-669-900-6833 Meeting ID: 811 2326 2617 Passcode: 728291

If you have club outing pictures, articles please e-mail them to valleyprospectors49@gmail.com.

March 1st, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes

There were no Board Meeting Minutes this month.

March 1st, 2022, General Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to at 6:00 p.m. by President Garry Devlin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Albert Naki. Coutsy Report: Susan Birrell said there were 2 guests tonight.

Minutes of last meeting: Judy Lepper made the motion to accept the minutes. Gene Lepper seconded the motion. Motion carries. Treasurer's Report: Lorraine Frost gave the treasurer's report.

Upcoming events: The Ventura Gem and Mineral Show March 5th and 6th, 2022. Valley Prospectors will have a Gold Panning Booth. 50/50 Report: Sherry gave her report. Lady Luck Report: Albert Naki said there were Gold for Lady Luck tonight. Special Raffle Report: There was a rocker box donated by Floyd Dalton.

Refreshment Report: The cupcakes were donated by Garry Devlin. Membership Report: Lorraine Frost reported there were 290 members, 43 outstanding, and 21 renewals. Wagon Master Report: The next outing will be at Randsburg. Bruce signed people in. The next outing will be the Ventura Gem Show. Finds of the Month Report: There were no finds of the month. Gold Sales Report: Art reported that we have gold. Library Report: The new librarian Mark now has books. Editor's Report: Coreena Ross needs to have articles submitted to her by March 10th, 2022. Claims Report: there was no report given. CFMS Report: There was no report given. Blood Bank Report: Mary Schubert said the blood bank was very low. When you donate tell them MVP for the club donation. Club Apparel Report: Rosie is our new club apparel person. She has items available and she sold 4 items tonight - Historian Report: Stu working on getting information. Program Report: The rocker box was won by Ronnie Ashburn.

Old Business: Mary Schubert said the storage inventory is done.

New Business: The July and September meeting place has changed. The Elks Club will be closed for the General Meetings. The July meeting has been changed to JULY 16th at the Big Bear Campout and Club Luncheon. The September meeting has been changed to September 11th at Camp Cajon at 10:00 am. After the meeting everyone will go out to the Summit Claim.

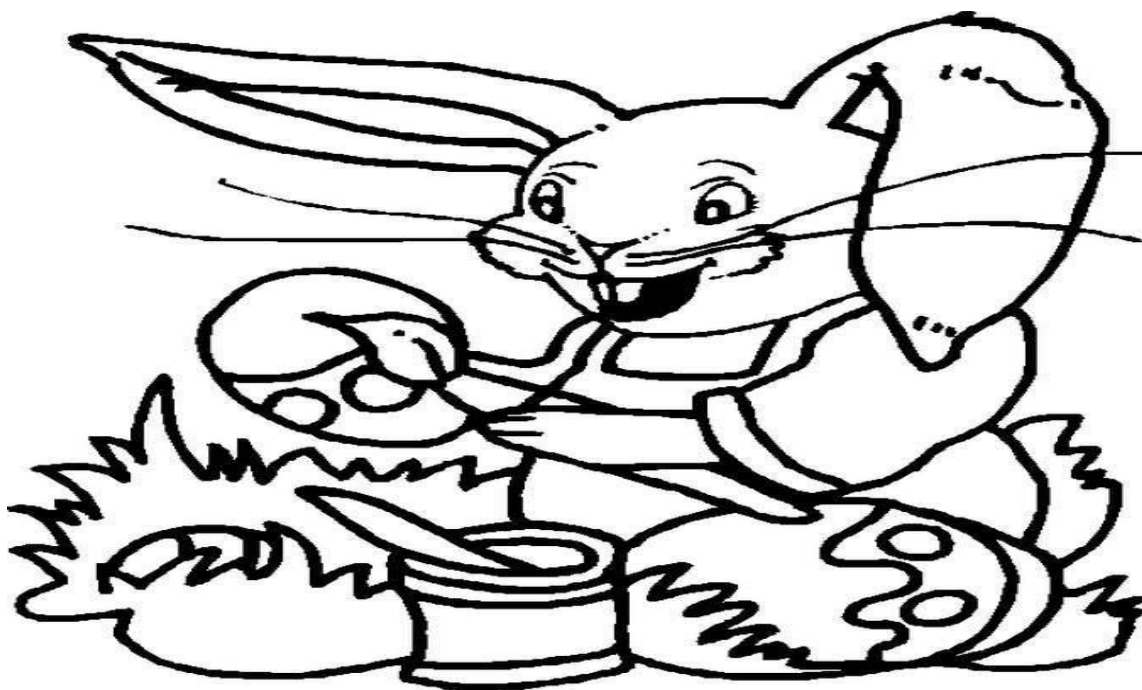
50/50 Drawing: Stacy won the drawing. Door Prize Drawing: Jim won the door prize drawing. Badge Drawing: Lee won the badge drawing. Finds of the Month: the President Garry explained rules for finds of month. Lady Luck Drawing. President Garry Devlin called for the meeting to be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Have you visited a Valley Prospectors Claim lately?

Be sure to an annual basis. You can submit the online form and it will be emailed directly to Bob so that Valley can record the claim work assessment. He will collect these throughout the year. Don't forget to report your Northern Claim visits too. <https://www.valleyprospectors.org/claims/claim-report/> submit your claim report. Our claim chair, Bob Dudley, uses this information to file our work assessment documents on

Minor Miners Events and Activities

If you are a member of Valley Prospectors and have a Kindergarten-12th grade child or grandchild you would like to sign up, please contact Susan Birrel or Diane Railsback and our e-mail address is birresus@yahoo.com.



Survival Gear on the Claims

President Garry Devlin has a list of suggested essentials that should be kept in a car while going out prospecting on the Valley Prospectors Claims. The items that should be in your vehicle are a blanket, shovel, whistle, flashlight, non-perishable food such as fruit bars, peanut butter and crackers, life savers candy, etc. 3 gallons of drinking water per day, Gatorade. A bucket, feminine pads for large cuts, duct tape, tie wire, first aid kit, jumper cables, tool box, spare tire with air in the tire. A fully charged cell phone and the cell phone charger. A roll of quarters and some one dollar bills for the coin operated machines.

Valley Prospectors Calendar of Events 2022

Jan 4	VP General Meeting – San Bernardino Elks Lodge – 6-8 PM
Jan 8	VP Board 2022 Planning Meeting – Schubert's House – 1 pm
Jan 22	Hungryman Hike – Meet at McDonald's – Hwy138 offramp at 9 am
Feb 1	VP General Meeting – San Bernardino Elks Lodge – 6-8 PM
Feb 5-6	Gold & Treasure Show – Pomona Fairgrounds – Sat 10-5 – Sun 10-4
Feb 25-27	2Burros – on Sun, Feb 27 th meet at 9 am Randsburg Jail for an escort to the claim – Steve Schubert Wagonmaster
Mar 1	VP General Meeting – San Bernardino Elks Lodge – 6-8 PM
Mar 5-6	Ventura Gem & Mineral Show – Ventura County Fairgrounds – Sat 10-5 – Sun 10-4
Apr 5	VP General Meeting – San Bernardino Elks Lodge – 6-8 PM
Apr 24	Meteorite Hunting – Coyote Dry Lake in Barstow – Take Exit 189 off I15 N toward Fort Irwin Rd – meet at 9 am just over the Bridge on Fort Irwin Road and Outer Hwy 15N – High clearance vehicle recommended
April 30	Summit Saturday – Meet at McDonald's - Hwy 138 offramp at 9 am
May 3	VP General Meeting – San Bernardino Elks Lodge – 6-8 PM
May 6-8	CFMS Gems, Minerals, Fossils & Jewelry Show – Antelope Valley Fairgrounds – Fri-Sat 9-5 – Sun 9-4
May 20-22	2Burros – on Sat, May 21 meet at 9 am at Randsburg Jail for an escort to the claim – Steve Schubert Wagonmaster
Jun 10-12	Big Bear Claims (Miner's Folly) – Meet at 9 am at Miner's Folly to caravan to Jackass 1 claim – Brian Teeling Wagonmaster
Jul 5	NO MEETING - moved to July outing
Jul 15-17	Big Bear Claims (Miner's Folly) – VP Member Appreciation Picnic at 12 noon on Saturday, July 16 – food and games provided
Aug 2	NO MEETING - moved to August outing
Aug 5-14	VP Northern Claims – Union Flat Campground – VP Gathering on Aug 7th at Noon
Sep 6	NO MEETING - moved to Sept outing
Sep 11	Summit Sunday - Meet at McDonald's - Hwy 138 offramp at 9 am
Sep 16-18	Randsburg Claims (2Burros) – Old West Days – Sept 17-18 Valley Prospectors may host a Gold Panning Booth
Oct 4	VP General Meeting – San Bernardino Elks Lodge – 6-8 PM
Oct 21-23	VP Rendezvous – Ord Mountains, Barstow
Nov 1	VP General Meeting – San Bernardino Elks Lodge – 6-8 PM
Nov 12	Coolgardie – Meetup TBA
Dec 3	VP Christmas Party - 11 am – 3 pm - TBA

Editor's Notes

If you have pictures, articles to share in the Drywasher's Gazette please feel free to email them to coreenaross@gmail.com. Thank you to Steve and Mary Schubert for the article and the pictures of the Ventura Gold Show.
Coreena Ross

Ventura Gem Show

We had a great time in Ventura at their gem show this past weekend. It was great to see so many people out and about. This club always makes us feel so welcome. At one time on Sunday we had kids 3 deep waiting to pan for gold, so we had to set up another panning area. Thank you to all that came up to help in the booth Saturday and Sunday. Thank you to Bural, Susan, Diane, Joe, Stacy, Chad, Teri, Everett, JOHN, Ernie, Steve and Mary for all your help. Was great being out and seeing everyone. The people seemed very interested in Gold Panning and where we go. Steve did a talk on different pans used and equipment he had brought up with him. Lots of gold was panned. See you at the next show. Submitted by Steve Schubert



