



P.O. Box 3281 Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86405

Web Page: www.havasugoldseekers.com

Base Camp Coordinates N 34" 38" 30.6" W 114"10" 14.4"

NEXT MEETING

February 4, 2025

Aquatic Center 155/156

Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Membership Meeting 7:00 p.m.

January 2025

Congratulations to our newly elected board members Lisa Sterrett, Aaron Banning, and continued service by Dennis, Matt, April and James.

During the January meeting, I announced with Board approval, that all RVs and vehicles (not side x sides, ATV's) at Basecamp must have current registration. January 8, 2025 through February 6, 2025 is the 30 day timeframe. RVs and vehicles (not ATV's, side x sides) with expired tags after February 7, 2025 will be given a 30 day notice to vacate the lot space.

I have had several conversations and positive feedback from members who support the importance of having their RVs properly registered. This check for RV tags is nothing new. It just hasn't been completed for several years. It's time to catch up and make our camp compliant. Thanks to those members who have already updated their RV registration.

Mort Allen, President

<u>January</u>: 18: Camp clean up 0900, with lunch provided at noon.

February: 04: Monthly meeting at Aquatic Center

08: Common dig

March:

04: Monthly meeting at Aquatic Center

08: Common dig

15: Corned beef/cabbage and metal detecting hunt at Camp

Club Information

Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc. is a non-profit gold seekers club in Lake Havasu City, Arizona with 18 gold bearing claims, covering over 320 acres.

The Club was started in early 1991 when a small group of Lake Havasu City residents got together for the purpose of recreational gold prospecting in the desert near Lake Havasu City, Arizona. The Club started with about 20 men and women and grew slowly until February of 1992 when Captain Dan McCarty and seven other members formed an association and filed four placer claims totaling 640 acres. At the very next club meeting the Club elected officers and adopted by-laws. The newly elected President, Dan McCarty, Vice-President, Denny Craig, and Secretary, Elaine Babb, had the tough job of making things work well for the benefit of all club members. From that point on the Club has grown to almost 300 members. HGS purchased its own land near the claims for Club activities such as family outings, BB's, camping and of course, GOLD PROSPECTING!

From September through May, the Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc. meets at the Aquatic Center room 155, on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The Board Meeting precedes the general meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Yearly individual or family membership dues are \$40 and are due by December 31. Family membership includes family members under 18. The initiation fee for a new membership is \$100. The total cost for new members the first year is \$140 and \$40 thereafter. The dues help us pay for club functions, miscellaneous expenses, and fees on HGS gold claims.

Anyone wishing to join the Havasu Gold Seekers must fill out a Membership Application and a Hold Harmless Agreement. Take your application and agreement to a Club meeting or mail it along with your check to:

> Havasu Gold Seekers, Inc. P.O. Box 3281 Lake Havasu City, Az. 86405-3281

The Prospector is published on-line monthly, except for June, July and August. The submission deadline for the next issue is the Saturday after the General Meeting.

There are no meeting minutes for this months meeting.

Common Dig Rules PLEASE ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES

No early birds - No buckets filled before start time. No equipment within 10 feet of piles or dig hole on common dig day.

No metal detecting of dirt piles on common dig day. No metal detecting of dig holes until announced open No claiming of space in common dig area or dig hole at any time.

Common dig area is open to members only (no guests) from the day of common dig until Sunday sundown.

New dig piles and new holes are off limits until after common dig each month.

Private dirt piles can be held for 72 hours but no claiming common dig piles or holes.

PACK IT IN - PACK IT OUT - NO TRASH Revised 2/1/2019

Officers, Board Members & Committees - 2023

OFFICERS

President: Morton Allen	951 288-9143
Vice President: Dennis Lusby	928 412-9668
Secretary: -vacant-	
Treasurer: April Denekas	928 486-9878

BOARD MEMBERS

James Rixie	928 208-7294
Matt Christian	928 208-1377
Lisa Sterrette	608-632-1676
Aaron Banning	928-766-6462

COMMITTEES

Activities:	
Base Camp Chair	
Mike Denny	928-715-4131
Summer Caretaker	
Claims Chair: Keith Hendrickson	208 521-8059
Membership: James Rixie	928 208-7294
jrixie8@gmail.com	
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Newsletter Editor: Mort Allen	
hgsnewslettereditor@gmail.com	

Basecamp Maintenance issues or repairs contact MIKE DENNY Sp.97 or (928) 715-4131.

New Members

Nick and Kierin G. Scott and Tammy G. Russ and Melisa V. Rick H.

Items For Sale

Keiths Korner items for sale.

4 dry washers, Gold Duster, Gold Buddy and 2 Keene dry washers, Mini sluice boxes, shop vacs, picks, shovels, rock hammers, pans, classifiers. Keith Hendrickson 208 521-8059.

Gold Duster Dry Washer, no blower (like new) \$300.00. Garrett AT gold, still in box, \$300.00.Garrett Ultra GTA, in a carrying case, \$300.00. Gold Wheel \$250.00. James Rixie, 928 208-7294.

For Sale: Keene High Banker/Dredge (header Box) combination with sluice box and adjustable stand. Sluice Box 49" long, 14" wide, 3 ½" high with 2 sizes of punch plate and 14" and 27" long ripples. Header box 25" long, 19" wide, 3" dredge port, 1" water line with spray bars. 3 different grizzly plates. \$475 local pickup. Don Heck. 714 41-3994. <u>sluiceman2@gmail.com</u>

For Sale: 42ft 5th wheel trailer with Kenmore washer and dryer, 3 slides, 56" flat screen, pretty well furnished, home Inverter refrigerator, dishes, pots and pans, kitchenaid mixer and food processor, needs some work but solid trailer. Onan 3.6 propane generator with 160 gal propane tank plus two smaller ones on a trailer. Much more for sale I lost part of my leg and it is difficult to use my spot at camp so I am selling what I have, price depends on what you want, all together or trailer only and generator and trailer and tanks only, call me and let me know what your interested in and lets make a deal. Bruce Miller 928 727-6548.

For Sale: Keene Crash box DREDGE w/air reserver Houlka and consisting of Sluice, 8hp – 4 stroke Briggs and Stratton motor, T-80 air pump with hose, 2 regulators, air reserver Houlka, 20" x 8ft sluice box, jet log, stand up water foot valve, high pressure hose for pump to jet log, 5"suction hose 15ft long?, 4 floats with attaching metal frame, metal pipe for unclogging plug ups, 1 metal dredge hose end attachments, lead weight belt, 2 suction HOSE end attachments just added my wet suit. Last used on the Scott River and the LDMA camp before they closed dredging in California, has been stored in cool garage. Item is for local pickup only in Lake Havasu. Don Heck 714 421-3994.

Ads placed in the Prospector will run for three months and be removed unless you let me know to run it longer, Thank You. Bruce.

<u>HELP NEEDED:</u> If you have any news about gold finds, camp news, pictures, jokes, or anything that you would like to see in this newsletter, please send them to me at:

hgsnewslettereditor@gmail.com. All help is appreciated. Thanks



Dan O's Trading Post Buy Sell Trade Consign Dan Caterina Dwner PO Box 254 Lake Havasu Cily, AZ 86405 303 905-1876 danastradingpost@hotmail.com

SPOT GOLD PRICE November 25, 2024



\$2704.40 bid price

Members must be current in membership status and those members with a campsite must be current to participate in any club activity (Dinners, Common dig, Treasure hunt, etc.)

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Call James Rixie at (928) 208-7294 and make arrangements with him to pay your membership.

Here are some pics from camp



RV dump station upgrade



Prime rib on the smoker





Where's that claim marker? Common dig January 11, 2025













Call to Order: 1906

Pledge of Allegiance

Cell phones silenced

Introduction and roll call

President Mort – present, Vice President Dennis – present, Treasurer AprilSue - present Board members: Matt, James, and Bruce – present.

Round of applause for Bruce and his10 plus years of service as a board member. The news letter that Bruce normally does will be taken over by Mort and AprilSue.

Treasurers Report – AprilSue: A copy of the treasurers report was printed and available for all in attendance.

Motion to accept Treasurers report – Keith Second – Bruce

Motion carried

New Members: Nick and Kieran, Kal's wife, and Colleen.

Thank you to all who helped with the Prime Rib dinner. It was a big success. Next year will try to have dinner ready between 1700 – 1800.

Website went down for 24 hours, that was fixed quickly by Mort and James. Switched over to WIX to bost the website

over to WIX to host the website. Mort picked up paint and supplies for the January 18th camp clean up. Will be doing

some minor paining on the batter enclosure room and the water heater room at the Fran Lowe. Board is speaking of upgrading the solar system on the Fran Lowe. The current system is having a hard time keeping up. We need about 4 more panels. Will be transitioning to lithium batteries when the current ones die.

Front gate: Has been damaged twice. Not sure how it is happening. Want to get security cameras to see what is happening.

Mike Denny is going to be our camp host and maintenance guy.

Someone unplugged the refrigerator at the Fran Lowe building. It was mainly empty so we did not lose anything.Someone from the public got lost inside base camp. A member helped him find the exit.

Working on getting rock delivered to camp to rerock. AprilSue will be speaking with

Campbell Ready Mix. This will help save on our members vehicles. Plan is to see if they can dump the rock at the bottom of the hill and we will bring it back to camp in loads. If you do not know how to use something, like the generator or anything else, ask, someone will help you. Members are allowed to have their own claims, it is not a conflict of interest. People can walk on your claim, they can stop on your claim, they CAN NOT dig on your claim. Be respectful of each other. BLM: They are increasing our fees – Our claims have been paid, this was verified by Mort and Keith. Campers and Vehicles: Per our permit, all vehicles including campers, RV's, motorhomes, cars, trucks, and the like must have current registration and tags. All members have 30 days to get everything registered and tagged. They must also be road worthy. Each lot will be inspected. There is a person that will come out to camp (for a fee) and inspect your RV or vehicle. We are not worried about ATV's at this point. At the end of 30 days, if you have not complied, you will be asked to remove your stuff from the spot and off of base camp. ATVS; Arizona Fish and Game is now requiring you to take an online safety and ethical driving test in order for you to either buy a new ATV or reregister new registration old registration. We are not enforcing this at this time. The test is taken online and it is free. Voting is open for the new officers and board members. Gifford is in charge of the counting of the votes. 15 Minute break Common Dig: January 11th will be at 13A, lunch will be served, sandwiches, chips, water and cookies. Votina: President: Mort Vice President: Dennis Treasure: AprilSue Board Members: Matt, Aaron, Lisa and James.

Raffel: congratulations to all our winners.

HAVASU GOLD SEEKERS

Year 2022-2030 future ideas/projects

- Construct a building (tuff shed) with a metal roof for Well generator. 8' x 10'.
- Paint the interior and exterior of the new

bathrooms- - - Exterior Completed 11/2022

Purchase two water tanks for fire

suppression. 2-275 gallon - -Completed

4/2024

Replace the propane tank at the Fran

Lowell building with a 500 gallon tank.

Move the old tank to the pole barn for future

use- - - Completed 3/2023

- Purchase a new propane generator for the
 Pole Barn Completed 11/2023
- Replace/repair tires on dump truck and fire wagon- - - Completed 3/2023
- Purchase a used vehicle to tow fire wagon ?
- Build a second fire wagon with two tanks and one pump. Keep the original fire wagon in service - -Completed 4/2024, using Mort's truck on loan.

- Add one additional 5,000 gallon water tank near old bathrooms.
- Purchase one large stainless steel BBQ for Fran Lowe building.
- Booster pump at well.
- Add more rock around the Fran Lowe building, and to roads in camp.
- Add one 1 1/2" water riser for fire truck(s) and for camp water- - -Completed 3/2023
- Perimeter fencing around Basecamp to identify our boundary.
- Electric gate at main entry point- -

-Completed 3/2023

- 3" water line from new water tank for fire truck filling with 2.5" NH male end.
- Build a deck on the west side of Fran Lowe building.
- Construct a five bay equipment barn. 14' high doors.
- Add Citizen Band (CB) Radios to Fran Lowe and Pole Barn, solar powered.
- Electric gate for South entry/exit.
- Add 1.5" water line into Whiskey Flats- -

-Completed 5/2023

 Build two water catchments for wet sluicing.

- Upgrade the solar system on the Fran
 Lowell Building
- Add security camera system to interior/ exterior on Fran Lowell Building.
- Add solar system to Pole Barn to include security camera system.
- Increase the maintenance fee on campsites at Basecamp. Year 2025 increase to 350.00 per year — — Completed 12/2024 members voted yes.
- Maintenance fee year 2026 increase to 400.00 per year.
- Maintenance fee year 2027 increase to 450.00 per year.
- Maintenance fee year 2028 increase to 500.00 per year.
- Year 2029 evaluate income and expenses.
- Annual membership increase year 2025,

50.00 per member per year-Completed

12/2024 members voted yes.

- Summer campers 2025, charge \$25.00 per month per campsite June, July, August.
- Summer campers 2026, charge \$30.00 per campsite, June, July, August, yearly.
- Paint the exterior of the Fran Lowell and pole barn buildings coyote tan.

Provide AED/medical/fire suppression

training to interested members.