

JUNE



2010

MEETINGS: Borah High School Cafeteria (rear entrance) 6001 Cassia St., Boise, Idaho. No alcohol, tobacco or guns allowed on school grounds. Our next meeting is Tuesday, July 13, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Web address: www.idahogoldprospectors.org

Our IGPA 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, FLAP JACK MAC, and WEEKENDERS'S DREAM.**

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Hope all of your prospecting is going well. This is a fun recreational hobby to get involved in. You get to enjoy the great outdoors and meet lots of new friends.

I have to caution **ALL** of you to be safe while prospecting. We have had two deaths in the past month. Unfortunately, two from our club passed away this last month. Kevin Moore, Utah, died in a prospecting accident. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Kevin's family and friends for their loss. Dale Matthews died of natural causes at home on June 7th. We wish his wife Kate and family the best during these hard and difficult times of their loss. Our prayers are with you as well. Also, just this last weekend, Jose Aguiar, Ontario, died in a mining accident in Huntington, Oregon. Again, our thoughts and prayers are with Jose's family and friends.

PLEASE BE SAFE

A lot of things have taken place already this season. The Dutch oven dinner during the Memorial Day outing at the Miss Lucy went very well. The food was delicious. Special thanks to our cook, **Rick Bidwell**. Thanks also to Shirley Scott, and Vicky and Keith Anderson for helping Rick make this a successful event. New member, Kim Boyack, made the most delicious Blackberry Dutch oven cobbler. Thank you, Kim.

Plan to attend our next meeting, July 13th, as we will have our NEW claims guide out. To receive the new claims guide, you must have your 2010 membership card with you. You will be asked to sign for your copy. In the past, the guide has been pretty much available as a “free bee”. From now on the club will issue ONE copy per household, (individual, husband & wife, and family unit) for **FREE**. If for some reason or another you cannot attend our meeting, your copy will be mailed to you at a cost of \$5.00 for shipping and handling. New members who have not received their copy of the claims guide will not be charged. Additional or replacement copies of the claims guide can be purchased at \$10.00 per copy.

Remember, August 14, is Kokanee Outdoor Day in Idaho City. A volunteer sign up sheet will be distributed at our July meeting.

Also, our new hats will be in along with the name tags. The cost is a \$10.00 donation per hat. The name tags will be free! With all this going on, I think this will busy meeting.

Finally, this newsletter is the last issue we will send via e-mail. From now on, members will need to go to the club’s website and click on the link to access the monthly newsletter. If you don’t have a computer at home, but you do at work, it would be less costly for the club if you could access the newsletter from your work computer. For those members without computer access, we will still mail copies to them.

Happy Prospecting
Gary Scott – President IGPA

PS: PLEASE — NO UNDERMINING OR TUNNELING — IT IS UNSAFE

JUNE 8, 2010 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Gary Scott. Our meeting took place outside and there was no flag, so the Pledge of Allegiance was not said. Gary asked everyone to turn off their cell phones, or at the minimum, put them on vibrate. He reminded everyone to sign the attendance form. Visitors and new members were asked to introduce themselves. Gold closed at approximately \$1,244.

Last month’s meeting minutes were voted on and approved unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report: \$11,261.29 in the bank, \$710 for the bond, and \$48.91 in petty cash. The amount in the bank account last month was \$11,001.50.

Following is a listing of checks drawn and deposits made to the club’s bank account last month.

MAY 2010 - CHECKS:

\$315.92	Gary Scott <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50.00 – fuel – BLM meeting at Miss Lucy • \$15.92 – batteries for the PA system • \$250.00 – fuel for Miss Lucy
\$25.04	Refreshments
\$115.22	Raffle for March
\$120.67	Raffle for May
\$13.60	Mail memberships
\$590.45	TOTAL

MAY 2010 - DEPOSITS:

\$675.00	Memberships
\$242.00	Raffle
\$917.00	TOTAL

Treasurer's report was voted on and approved.

Gary asked for a volunteer to help Ron Mackelprang and take over the work he does with the claims. Ron has some medical issues and needs to cut back on some of his activities. Ron currently does assessment work on the club's six (6) claims. He files assessment notices and the small miner's exemption forms. Before filing, he puts the paperwork together, gets the necessary signatures and files by mid-August each year. Please contact Gary or Ron if you are interested in volunteering.

The Miss Lucy is open for mining again! Signs have been posted and everyone **must respect and obey** them. If the sign reads "no digging", "no high banking", or whatever, that means **ABSOLUTELY NO DIGGING, or NO HIGH BANKING!** And, especially, **NO UNDERMINING!**

OLD BUSINESS

- Rendezvous Day at the Meridian Middle School on Friday, May 21, went very well. Thank you to the volunteers who went and helped with the event.
- Remember that Kokanee Outdoor Day in Idaho City is coming up on August 14. We will have two stands/booths – one at the island claim and another by Gold Bar Mining Company in Idaho City. We will need about 12 volunteers at the island claim booth and 4 to 6 volunteers at the booth in town. Last year, our booth at the island claim was voted #1!
- The Memorial Day outing at the Miss Lucy was nice. There was a Dutch oven dinner that 26 people attended, there was a breakfast, and a potluck. It rained on everyone, but the food was delicious!
- The club's Claims Guides are coming along and should be done soon.

NEW BUSINESS

- There was discussion about having a picnic/potluck for our August meeting. A motion was made and approved to have the picnic. Gary may invite some of our previous guest speakers to come and join us.
- Discussion regarding our club's lifetime members' membership cards. A gold colored card was created for the lifetime members. They will not need to renew their cards each year since they are lifetime members. If they ever lose the card, they will have to buy a replacement card.
- Danny Prochaska mentioned that two weeks ago, on the Miss Lucy, Sunset Mining loaned three (3) trommels to the club for the members' use. They worked really well. Sunset Mining will have the trommels at the Nampa club's outing.
- Gary reminded us that the club needs a registrar. At this time, Judy is our treasurer and registrar and due to all the new members our club is getting, Judy's responsibilities are overwhelming. We need to split Judy's duties and make her the treasurer only and have another person in charge of the club's membership list, etc. Shirley Scott volunteered for the position. **Thank you Shirley!**
- Gary suggested that our members wear name tags at the monthly meetings like other clubs do. According to Vicki, it costs about \$1.80 per 100 cards. We will get a better discount if we order more than 100. It's \$1.02 per card if we order 500 cards. Once the name tags arrive, members will be expected to wear their name tags to every meeting. If a member forgets to wear their name tag, then there will be a 25¢ fine. A motion was made and approved to purchase name tags and the labeling equipment.

- Discussion regarding ordering baseball caps for the club. There are many styles to choose from, such as 6-panel, 5-panel, mesh, sweat hats with foam in the front, and many colors to select from. It was finally decided that we will order two (2) dozen 6-panel hats, one (1) dozen 5-panel hats, and one (1) dozen visors for the ladies. The colors chosen are red, black, blue, tan, and gray. A motion was made, seconded and approved to order the hats.
- Tony told us about a phone call he received from a man who lives in the Bahamas who has heard about our club. It's great to see that our club extends past Idaho.

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Our guest speaker was Marvin and Yvonne from Gem State Gold and Silver. Their shop has the best prices in town and they are fair and knowledgeable. They sell gold grabbers, square gold pans, and more. Marvin was a jeweler for years and then he started Gem State. He pays 92% of the actual gold content. Customers can watch Marvin melt down the gold and work with it. He also told us about an event that is taking place on June 25 at Marie Calendars on Fairview. There will be gold pans and gold grabbers at the event. Then, the next day, Saturday, June 26, is a free outing to the South Fork of the Payette River. You can sign up for the events at his shop.

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Christy Griffith won the president's drawing (gold nugget) and will bring treats (something to drink and something to eat, such as punch or juice and cookies or chips) to the July meeting. Rick Bidwell won the 50/50 drawing of \$54.00.

Don't forget about the club's outing this month to the Miss Lucy. The Nampa club also has an outing this week on the Been Used claim which is close to the Miss Lucy.

Meeting was adjourned.

**New York Stock Exchange, June 21, 2010
Gold - \$1,232.60 per troy ounce**

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
5,760 Grains =	1 lb Troy

CLUB ADVERTISEMENTS

Ringo Birdsong has a Gold Grabber II/3" Dredge Combo for sale. It has a 5.5 HP motor with 165 gpm capacity, 14' water pick upline with one way valve, 25' water line for high banker, 18' 3" dredge line with 3" swivel tip and venture. He has upgraded it to include miner's moss. Everything is new, never been used except for the highbanker. Call him at 891-4880 (cell) or 362-0604 (home).

Clayton Perkins is selling a 3½ HP Briggs & Stratton that is like new. The price is \$100. Contact him at 208-376-0529.

LeRoy Hanson has a mini-recirculating highbanker for sale. It is brand new, home made. He is asking \$250 for it. His number is 208-365-1097.

Chuck Knapp has gold and silver for sale. He also has picks for sale. If you need some PVC pipe, give him a call at 208-888-3651.

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NOTICE OF INTENT

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IDAHO GOLD PROSPECTORS ASSOCIATION

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CLAIM: MISS LUCY IMC#178669, T 7 N R 5 E SECTION 3, PLACER CLAIM.

Map of Claim enclosed.

Access is an established road. Go North from Centerville, about 7 miles, just before crossing Grimes Creek, south of Pioneerville. Turn onto Buckskin Road, which leads off Grimes Pass Road. Go 3/4 mile then right on 386N, proceed for about 1/8 mile.

Area to be worked has been extensively worked by old timers (miners), Chinese, and others. The use of long toms, bucket line dredges, and hydro mining were used. There are no structures.

ESTIMATED RECLAMATION DATE: Within one year of final workings.

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION: Top soil will be pushed aside and saved for reclamation. Area to be worked will not exceed two acres, without reclamation of previously worked areas. Gravel will be removed from the hills and piled for shoveling into power sluices. Gas and oil will be kept in their proper containers. The dig holes may hit water. If enough water, we will use it to run the power sluices. Across the road is a beaver/muskrat pond. This will be our water source if we can't re-circulate enough water from our dig holes. Used water will go into settling ponds for later use.

TYPE OF EQUIPMENT: Not to exceed Case 580, John Deere 410 backhoe, and the use of water pumps up to 8 horsepower and hoses up to 5 inches in size.

RECLAMATION PLANS: Since the area is reasonably flat, the top soil will be pushed back and reshaped. Hills will be contoured and shaped. No toxic materials will be used. BMP's (Best Management Practices) or dirt berms will be used to filter water back into settling areas. Grass will be sown after reclamation, if needed.

RECLAMATION COST ESTIMATE: About \$1,000.00. Backhoes will be used for digging, settling ponds, sediment and erosion control BMP's, berms, dykes etc. It will also be used to perform reclamation of the worked areas. The majority of the time the digging will be done by pick and shovel by the members of the club. Members digging away from the major dig area will be required to back fill their working area.

Date:

5-24-2010

Applicant:

Gary K. Scott