

***DRYWASHER'S* GAZETTE**

September 2017

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Valley Prospectors Inc. PO Box 2923, San Bernardino, CA 92406

Next General Meeting: September 28, 2017, at 7:00 PM

Mission and Code of Ethics

Valley Prospectors Inc. is an educational organization dedicated
“To and Promote Gold Prospecting, as a healthy family activity”.
You’re invited to be our guest at the General membership meetings that is
held on the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm
in the Knights of Columbus Hall at:
1729 E. Baseline Street, San Bernardino, Ca... Map is 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



“A 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 all laws”. Please do not litter,
Each member of Valley Prospectors Inc. should strive to set a good example for others.

Officers for 2017

Executive Officers			Chairpersons		
President	Jill Molson	951-522-3545	Apparel	Kelly Crawford	760-248-6683
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Harry Crawford	760-248-6683		Gold Sales	Art Fairchild	951-897-5433
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				Lorraine Frost	760-868-6564
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Garry Devlin	951-768-0880			Gene Lepper	951-674-3207
			Refreshments		
				John Howell	951-247-1037
Alternate Board		Members		Outings/Retired during the week	
John Howell	951-247-1037			Claims	
Steve Schubert	951-943-0535			Jill Molson	951-522-3545
				Show & School Rep.	
Stewart Luce	909-560-0474			Steve Schubert	951-943-0535

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 Pacer Claim 60 acres
Jackass 1, 2, & 3 Placer Claims 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

CAMPING OVER NIGHT AT COOLGARDIE

BE COURTEOUS, BE KIND, PLEASE TURN OFF GENERATORS 11pm & 6am if you can.

Thank you from Valley Prospectors Members who need their peace & quite



President's Message:

President's Message for September: Thank you everyone for sending in your claim worksheets. Let's see if we can keep them coming all year, so we don't have to worry about getting them by the September county filing deadline. We are going to review the sheets and update them to make it easier for you to fill them out. The Claims Committee has a lot of work to do to make the claim boundaries easier for everyone to find. There were disputes last weekend at Miner's Folly. It would be great to see all the corners identified. We are going to make sure that the corners are properly identified. It is very frustrating for some who have tried to know the claim boundaries. Nominations for officers at the September meeting. Please think about running for one of the positions. Reservations for the Union Flat club camping spots in Sierra County can be made by contacting Ranger Jack Kemp at jdkemp@fs.fed.us, 1-530-288-3231, fax 1-530-288-0727. Jill.

August 31, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting 8/31/17: Meeting called to order by President Jill Molson at 6:05PM. The following officers were present: Jill Molson, Sue Baranauskas, Harry and Kelly Crawford, John Bonson, Steve Schubert, Garry Devlin, Sherry Livingston, Sandy Harter, John Howell, Art Fairchild, Albert and Katherine Naki, and Stu Luce. Excused officers: Judy Carpenter, Gene Lepper, Bruce Sherman and Dan Cornia. Motion by Art F., 2nd by Garry D. to accept the minutes of the last meeting as printed passed. Report by Sue B. on complaint phone call from owner of private land at Big Bear. Steve S. said that the owner should mark his land so that no one trespasses on it. It is the owner's responsibility. Editor's Report: Art F. everything fine. Claims Report: Jill M. everyone watch out for rattlesnakes when they go out to the claims. Thank you to everyone for sending in your Claim Worksheets. All of the claims were covered. All of the GPS data for each claim needs to be checked for accuracy. There was some dispute about the data at Big Bear this last weekend. Program: Claims discussion and Roger Madison, who thinks of himself as ½ rock hound and ½ prospector. Courtesy: food signup for Christmas Party starting at September meeting. If any member goes to a mining supply store, please ask then for a donation for the Christmas Party raffle. Apparel: Kelly C. needs to talk to members about shirt ordering. Wagon Master: Steve S. said approximately 30 people were at Miner's Folly last weekend. Gold Sales: Art F. \$100 sale to Hesperia store. 50:50: Harry C. everything fine. Old Business: Sandy H. has enough workers signed up for Christmas Party setup. Will have food signups at September meeting. Elections are coming up. Think about running. New Business: Steve S. announced Old West Days in Randsburg on Saturday, September 16, 2017, from 10AM-4PM. He will be camping on the 2 Burro Claim on Friday, September 15, 2017. Setup for the VP Booth will be Saturday 7-9AM. Contact Steve S. if you can help with manning the booth. Rendezvous is October 27-29, 2017 at Ord Mountain. Motion to Adjourn by Art F. and 2nd by Albert passed, 6:42PM.

Minutes of the General Meeting August 31, 2017

Minutes of General Meeting 8/31/17: Meeting called to order at 7:05PM by President Jill Molson. Pledge of Allegiance led by John Bonson. Courtesy: Sandy H. wants members to ask mining vendors for Christmas Party, December 3, 2017, raffle donations if they go to the store to buy supplies. Food signup list for Party will be at Courtesy table at the September meeting. No new guests tonight. Motion to accept the minutes as published by Mary S., 2nd by Sherry L, passed. Treasurer's Report by Sue B. Coming Events and Letters: Old West Days, Randsburg, Sept. 16, 2017, setup 7-9AM, open 10AM-4PM. Workers contact Steve S. if you can help. Rendezvous at Ord Mountain October 27-29, 2017. Election slate to be set at September and October meetings. Ballots to be mailed out November 1st. Refreshments: John H. cookies tonight and sweet rolls (Albert N., Christy, & Larry) next month. Memberships: 8 new this month. Wagon Master for outing at Miner's Folly last weekend: Trish D. said that there were 32 people at the pot luck after Steve and Mary S. had left. The First Class Miners joined the pot luck. There was some dispute about the claim corners that will be addressed in the near future by the claims committee (which consists of any members who want to join and

help). 50:50 tonight and Lady Luck gold bags tonight. Finds of the Month: Garry D. told everyone that no gold was submitted tonight and asked them to plan to enter gold next month. He asked that everyone come and vote for the best treasure. Gold Sales: Art F. everything fine. Claims: Thank you to everyone who submitted the claim worksheets. All of the claims were covered. Please be careful when you go out to the claims. There are rattlesnakes and other critters out there. Instructions for Sierra County claim reservations will be in the September newsletter. Blood Bank: Mary S. announced that Monty Q. donated blood this month. Remember to donate blood if you can. It can save a life. Apparel: Kelly C. announced that she will be ordering shirts and zip ups. If you want them, please contact her. Program tonight started during the refreshment break. Roger Madison, known as "Floater" and "Middleman" set up his rock crusher demonstration in the parking lot. He showed video material on types of rock and crushing machines after the break. People were very interested and asked good questions. He said the he is 1/2 rock hound and 1/2 prospector. His parents were rock hounds. Old Business: officer nominations September and October meetings. Please think about running for office. New Business: Clyde K. retiring and putting some of his prospecting equipment up for sale in the newsletter. 50:50 won by Clyde K. Door Prizes won by Jim S. and Garry D. Finds of the Month won by Jack S and 2nd was Todd A. Motion to adjourn by Monty Q., 2nd by Clyde K., passed, 8:40PM.

RANSBURG 16TH ANNUAL OLD WEST DAYS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017

Help wanted.

We need volunteers to run the gold panning booth at Randsburg on Sept 16th starting at 7am. We will be camped on the claim Friday Sept 15th. Come on up and get in some gold mining and have a great time. We are checking on porta potties for the Rendezvous at Ord Mountain in Oct. Hope to see all our valley members at both places. May all your pans have gold in them.

Steve show chair. 951-943-0535



Help schools get the extra's they need by saving box tops for education. These labels are on cereal, snack bars, fruit snacks, Kleenex and lots of other products. Please bring to club meeting and give to Mary Schubert. Thank you, Mary.

BLOOD BANK NEWS MVP

THE RAREST TYPE OF BLOOD IS THE TYPE THAT IS NOT AVAILABLE WHEN YOU NEED IT.

Let's help increase the number of Southern California donors - mention "MVP" as our group so you can be counted. Check out the local donation centers at <https://www.lstream.org/> The need is constant, the process is simple, and the results are priceless. Valley Prospectors - Supporting our Community one donation at a time. Lorraine Frost, Blood Bank Chairperson (760) 868-6564 <mailto:LFrost35@gmail.com>

Why is it Important to Give Blood? What is your type? There are four blood groups: type O positive/O negative, type A positive/A negative, type B positive/B negative, and type AB positive/AB negative

Thank you to our recent donors –



“Miners Sales”

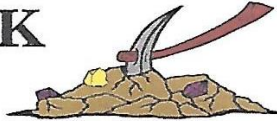


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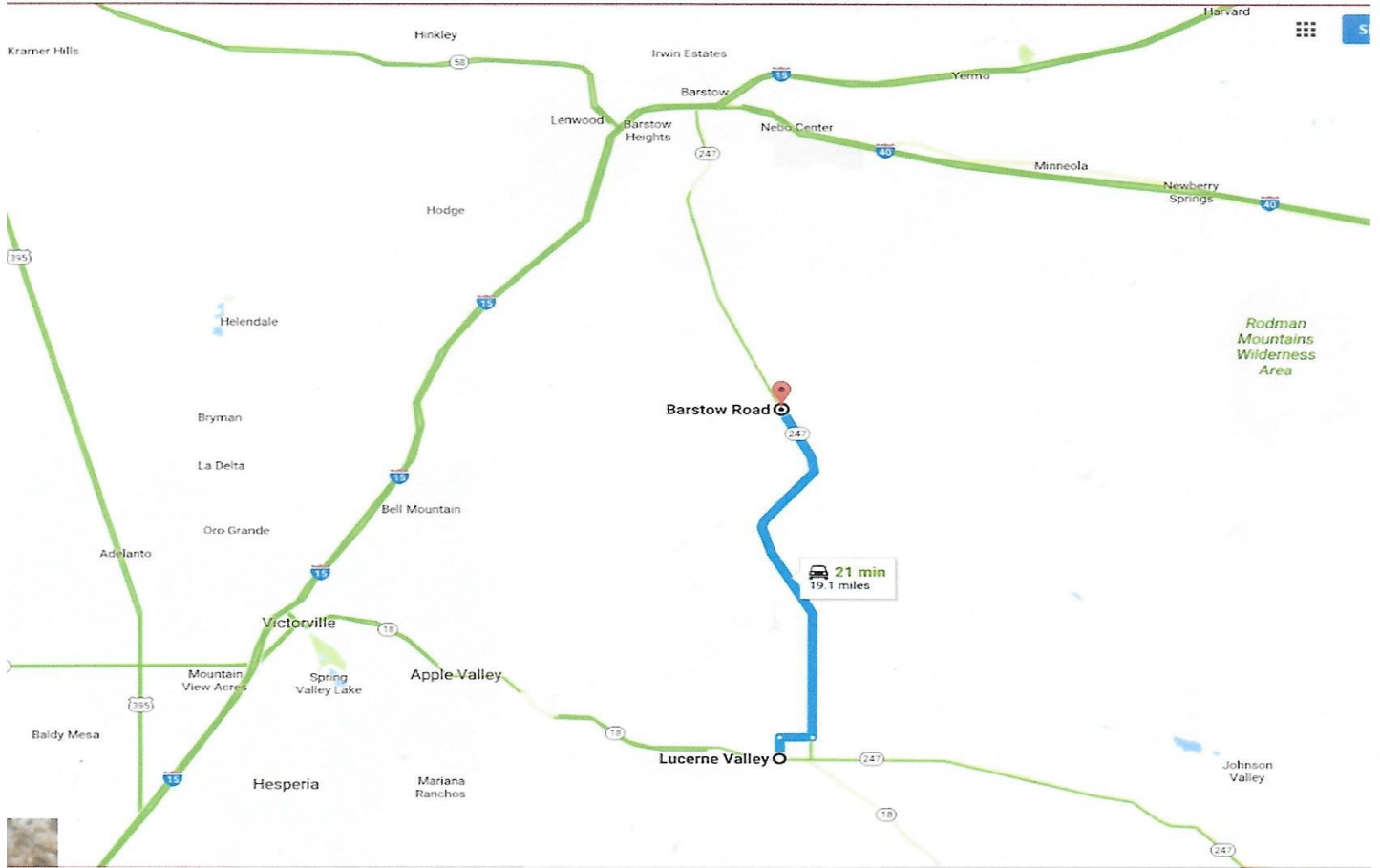
VETS CAN SHOP ON LINE

All honorably discharged veterans interested in shopping online at the military Exchanges can begin their verification process immediately, exchange officials Said. Some veterans who register early at VetVerify.org will be invited to be beta Testers, with the ability to shop online earlier than the Nov. 11 launch date. The Exchange websites offer tax-free shopping, as well as discounted pricing. Online Pricing can be seen only by those who are authorized to shop only by those who Are authorized to shop at the websites: shopmyexchange.com: shopegx.com: Mymex.com and mynavyexchange.com. Vet Verify.org uses information from the Defense Department’s Defense Manpower Data Center to verify a veteran’s status. Veterans will receive notification of their acceptance as online shoppers or, if their Records are incomplete, will receive guidance on the steps they can take to update Those records. Air Force Times 6/19/2017

Don’t forget OLD WEST DAYS at Ransburg September 16th 2017 everything starts At 9 PM.

Try your hand at panning for gold. We’ve got some excellent Gold Bags. Guaranteed gold in the bags.

SNAKES BEWARE: BE CAREFULL AT ALL OF OUR CLAIMS. MAKE SURE YOU DON’T GO POKING IN BUSHES & UNDERNEATH ROCKS OR ANYTHING LAYING FLAT ON THE GROUND. IF YOU CAN WEAR BOOTS OR LEGGINGS.



Valley Prospectors of San Bernardino, Inc

Rendezvous 2017

October 27 - 29, 2017

Ord Mountain Camping Area

Barstow Road, Midway between Lucerne and Barstow
Dry Camping, plenty of room, (it's the desert)
Ord Turn off Coordinates - 34*40'51.63"N, 116*57'.58.53"W

All events take place; **Saturday, October 28**

1/10 Oz **Gold** coin Raffle, Drawing right after "Potluck"

Metal Detecting Hunt by VP - \$20.00
10 am till we stop, about an hour, more or less

Gold Panning Contest by FCM - \$5.00
Around 2pm, give or take

Night Stalker Hunt, by John Howell - \$5.00
When it gets dark

Chili Cook off, by Steve - Have it ready for tasting at 4:30
Have to be present to win
Potluck starts right after; 5ish

"Sawtooth Campground", is about 1/2 mile west of Hwy 247, if you want an improved
campground with toilets, fire rings and shade cover

Steve Schubert - 951-943-0535
Kent Bryant -951-202-9616
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Valley Prospectors Rendezvous
 October 27-29, 2017
 Ord Mountain Camping Area

TIME	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	10/27/2017	10/28/2017	10/29/2017
8:00 AM		BREAKFAST 8-9 am	BREAKFAST 8-9 am
8:30 AM			
9:00 AM			Clean up 9-10 am
9:00 AM			
10:00 AM		Metal Detector Hunt 10-11:30 am	Pack up to Leave 10:00 am
		Sponsored by	
		Valley Prospectors	
10:30 AM			
11:00 AM			
11:30 AM		Kids Games 11:30-12:30	
12:00 Noon			Head Home 12 Noon
12:30 PM		Lunch -on own 12:30-1:30pm	
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	Trash Hunt	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 6:00-7:30 pm	Bingo 6-8:00 pm	
7:00 PM			
7:30 PM		Night Stalker Hunt at Dark	
9:00 PM	Campfire 9pm	Campfire 9pm	
** Lady Luck drawing every hr on Saturday between 9 am and 4 pm All scheduled events are subject to change & cancellation due to lack of volunteers and/or participants.			

Date	Activity	Notes
January 20-22	American Mining Rights Assoc. Meeting	See Page 5 this newsletter
January 26 2017	VP General Meeting	7 pm – 9 pm Knights of Columbus, SB
February 19 2017	Summit Claim outing	Meet at McDonalds hwy. 138 & 15 freeway at 8am
Feb 23, 2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm 7 pm Knights of Columbus, SB
March 17,18 & 19, 2017	Ransburg	Potluck on Saturday
Mar 30, 2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm 7 pm
April 21-22-23, 2017	GPA Gold & Treasure Show	Las Vegas South Point Hotel Setup Fri Apr 21
April 27, 2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm 7 pm
May 20, 2017	Members Appreciation Day picnic	Yucaipa 7 th street Park. 11am till.
May 25, 2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm 7 pm
June 16, 17 & 18, 2017	Coolgardie Outing	Potluck on Saturday
June 29,2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm 7 pm
July 15,16 2017	Big Bear	Miner's Folly Placer Claim
July 27, 2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm 7 pm
<u>August 19 & 20, 2017</u> August 31, 2017	<u>Big Bear,</u> VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	<u>Miner's Folly Placer Claim</u> 6 pm 7 pm
September 16, 2017	Old West Days	Randsburg – Burro's Claim
September 28, 2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm. Officers Nominations 7 pm
October	TBD, To Be Determined	Rendezvous
October 26, 2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm. Officers Nominations 7 pm
November 23,24,25,26 2017	Coolgardie	Thanksgiving Weekend at Harvey's Oro Rico Claim
November 30, 2017	VP Board Meeting VP General Meeting	6 pm 7 pm
December 3, 2017	VP Christmas Party/Mtg	2701 Del Rosa Ave, San Bernardino, CA