

DRYWASHER'S GAZETTE June 30, 2020 Web Site: www.valleyprospectors.org Email: valleyprospectors49@gmail.com Mail: Valley Prospectors PO Box 2923, San Bernardino, CA 92406-2923 Next General Meeting: Miner's Folly, Big Bear Claim July 25, 2020 – 12 noon

Dear Valued Valley Prospector Members:

We are still dealing with Covid-19 closures and restrictions. However, we had a great turn out on June 28, 2020, at Miner's Folly and conducted an outdoor meeting with appropriate social distancing and face masks, et al. The minutes of the meeting are below. The bottom line, the consensus was that we would conduct the remaining meetings of the year during our monthly outings – on Saturday at noon. I will update the calendar on the website. See the changes below. We also determined that we could not hold our Christmas party in a confined building, so we are looking for an outdoor venue (we have a prospect). More info to come.

Be sure to check out all the changes on the website – <u>https://valleyprospectors.org</u> The Members Only page has a copy of the **Member Packet** with all the claim information and constitution (in case you have lost your copy). You can view our member apparel and make arrangements to purchase them with Trish Dudley. You can also reserve a campsite at one of our northern claims. The request will be sent to Steve Dowling, our liaison. He will let you know if the space is available and how you can get a parking pass (you don't need to pay a camping fee at our claim campsites).

Finally, I've added a fillable form to submit your work on the claims you visit. Bob Dudley uses this information for our assessment work filing with the BLM/County. https://www.valleyprospectors.org/claims/claim-report/

**News Flash** – we now have a Facebook Group you can join and connect with fellow members and others interested in prospecting. You can post on the group, invite others out to prospect, or tell us your tall tales of prospecting. Search Valley Prospectors of San Bernardino, Inc. Group on Facebook. This is open to all interested in prospecting, so don't post any claim maps. Please check out all the special benefits of being a member. Don't remember the passcode – well it was at the bottom of your receipt/membership card form. Email valleyprospectors49@gmail.com if you need a reminder.

May you always find a glimmer of Gold in the bottom of your pan,

Louine M. Frost

Lorraine M. Frost President, Valley Prospectors, 2020

<mark>Jul 24-26</mark>	Big Bear Claims (Miner's Folly) – VP Meeting on Jul 25 <sup>th</sup> at Noon
Aug 16-23	VP Northern Claims – Campgrounds open – VP Meeting on Aug 22 at Noon
Sep 19-20	Randsburg Claims (2 Burros) – Old West Days may be on hold
	VP Meeting on Sep 19 <sup>th</sup> at Noon
Oct 23-25	VP Rendezvous – Ord Mountains, Barstow
	VP Meeting on Oct 24 <sup>th</sup> at Noon
Nov 26-29	Coolgardie – Thanksgiving outing
	VP Meeting on Nov 28 at Noon
Dec 6	VP Christmas Party
	Venue will be held outdoors - TBD
	11 am – 3 pm

## HIGH NOON

Valley Prospectors' Inc.- General Meeting Minutes Saturday, June 27, 2020, Miner's Folly Claim

Meeting called to order by Lorraine F. at 12:08 PM Pledge of Allegiance led by L. Frost Welcome members and guest from HDGD 29 in attendance Announcements- Knights of Columbus still closed. May not be open by the September meeting. Budget / Treasurer's report- Lorraine F. - balances ending May 31, 2020, on accounts. Member appreciation picnic was canceled. VP is staying within budget since there aren't many expenses. New Business- The rest of the year's schedule/events discussed. a.) July 24-26 Outing & General meeting, Big Bear, High Noon- Vice President Steve Schubert Bring your chairs and lunch/drinks. Due to current COVID -19 restrictions NO POT LUCKS. b.) August 16-23 Downieville Picket III, Union Flats. Camping area permit forms online at recreational.gov Check VP website for more info and the new Plans of Operations. Please submit your Claims feedback forms for assessment work. Look for a new online form coming soon. Steve Dowling is the liaison for the Northern claims- Bob Dudley Claims director c.) September- TBA Possible outing and general meeting at Randsburg claim Old West Days still in question. d.) October- Ord Mt. Steve S. motion to cancel the rendezvous 2<sup>nd</sup> Horst. Discussion- vote 6 NAYS motion carry to cancel the rendezvous. We may still have an outing, general meeting, and members-only activities but no, chili cook-off or pot luck. Possible raffle and small detecting hunt. e.) November- Coolgardie Thanksgiving outing Tentative General Meeting at Noon on Saturday f.) December- Sunday, December 6 Time and location TBA Canceling the NSGW bldg. Looking at the possible location of a member's property. Large area and room for dry camping g.) ELECTIONS for 2020- Due to COVID-19, it has been recommended that the current Executive Board and Board Members of 2020 remain intact for 2021. Discussion about the current President has already fulfilled the 2 consecutive term limits per the Constitution/bylaws. There will is a YES or NO Ballot to accept or deny ALL or NONE. Motion to adjourn Gene L. 2<sup>nd</sup> Colin C. 12:26 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Trish Dudley Winners of the door prizes- Frenchy and Lachlan

Minutes of this meeting by Judy Lepper VP Secretary 2020

## **Member Ads**

Looking for a Gold Hog Flow Pan – used. Please contact Susan Birrell – 760-954-1915 (1)