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PROSPECTOR “CODE OF ETHICS”

Before searching/prospecting public sites or lands, always check on laws ordinances or regulations that may govern your search.

Never Trespass! Always get permission when searching/prospecting private property or claims.

Do not litter, dispose of all trash properly.

Build fires in designated or safe areas only.

Fill in and /or leave your prospect holes and piles, try to leave the area in as good as shape or better than it was.

When another prospector is working in a certain area, get permission before using that area.

Please be thoughtful, considerate and courteous to those around you.

REMEMBER!!

**You are an ambassador of our club
and this is a pastime we want to protect.**

Next Meeting is
December 8th
11:00am at the
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235 Nucleus Ave
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If you have a business card or add you would like in the newsletter please email it or send it to the clubs address and I will get in for you.

Ronald Bates
P.O. Box 52
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ATTN: NWMGP

On the issue of repairing and rebuilding trammels and/or other prospecting equipment.
\$15.00 hourly shop rate plus parts and supplies
\$50.00 delivery to Columbia Falls or Kalispell
\$80.00 delivery to Libby

Regarding new trammels constructed 50% down to cover parts prices pending size requested.
Questions or placing orders please call number listed. Please leave a message.

Bev and I were asked to do a gold panning demonstration at a Halloween church carnival for kids, Halloween night. We sure didn't know what we were getting into. The church is over 100,000 square feet. They had various rooms set aside for different themes, even an archery room where kids could learn to shoot a real hunting bow. Our room was for gold panning and was decorated to look like a mine tunnel. We took pans, classifiers, sluices, picks, shovels and pictures of old gold miners to help with the decoration. We printed out club applications in case adults asked about our organization. We had two large signs with our logo printed on them. We did give away about 7 applications to people who were very interested in going panning on Libby creek. We had over 1000 kids stop by our mine tunnel to watch us pan for real gold from some dirt we got from Braxton and Vickie's store. We had a kid's swimming pool filled with sand and gold painted rocks for the kids to pan for gold. They traded in the rocks for candy and we recycled the painted rocks. We went through two 30 gallon tubs of candy and for the most part really enjoyed the kids and telling about our gold club and the outings. There were two real tired old geezers at the end of Halloween night.

Elmer and Bev Kraft

Elmer



November 10, 2012 Meeting of the NWMGP

18 present

The meeting was called to order by Dale Evans President

The minutes for the October meeting were read and accepted.

The treasurer's report for October was read and accepted.

Old business: The Hall rental was discussed and NVH has not given an invoice for the 1013 monthly meetings for Jan, Feb, Mar, April, Nov, and Dec. Sandy has emailed Cindy at NVH and informed her of our needs. It will cost 55.00 for the meeting hall for the year.

Reclamation work was done on the claim in October. Braxton planted trees in the reclaimed area from last year and also grass seed was spread.

Dale reports that good gold this year was found and more members participated in the outings and digs than the previous year. Dale also reports that the club, tentatively, will start on the ditch next year. Dale plans on clear cutting the area in the spring and will need help with this.

There is still gold left in the area we were working in this summer so we may not get into the ditch area until later. We need to use the area we are already in then move to the ditch area.

Braxton discussed the Christmas gold raffle. This gold is the clubs share from the outings.

When the gold is split on Saturday and Sunday the club is given a split. These splits are then raffled off in December, to members only. The tickets are 1 dollar each or 6 for 5 dollars. There are 13 splits up for raffle. Support your club and buy some tickets.

The By-Law change ballots were counted. The By-Law changes, and the results of the voting were read by Vicki Walborn. All changes passed.

The election for officers was again discussed. Don Roe Jr. added his name to the SSgt of Arms list and Vicki Walborn added her name to the Treasurer spot. At this time the nominees are:

Dale Evans for President, Braxton Walborn and Don Roe for Vice President, Deb Robinson and Vicki Walborn for Treasurer, Sandy Randall for Secretary, and for SSgt of Arms the club has Bill Moeller, Gary Wilmes, Ron Maupin, Bob Liston and Don Roe Jr. as candidates. Please send in those ballots if you can't attend the January meeting. Remember, this is your club.

The December Christmas party will be December 8th. The door will open at 11:00 and the pot luck starts at 12:00. Following the pot luck meal, the gold split raffle will be held, and then the gift exchange. Gifts were discussed. Please bring gifts that are not gender specific, remember all of us are prospectors. Gifts should be legitimate and not gag gifts. It is recommended that 15.00 be a cost figure however whatever a member is comfortable spending is OK. There have been some very nice homemade gifts given in the past.

Braxton discussed the Gold Show. April 27th and 28th and May 4th and 5th are dates that are being considered. Tickets are available now for the gold show raffle. At this time the tickets are generic and the club members are encouraged to take some packets and sell them. The prizes discussed are: gold detector, a Fellows print, a cotton wood bark carving, gold nugget, 50.00 bills, and silver. Vicki spoke to the vendors at the last gold show and got their input on how we can be a better gold show. Some of their suggestions are to increase the gate fee from 2 dollars to 3 dollars, have background music, get more vendors to attend and have a vendor drawing that would give the winning vendor free tables at the next gold show. Clarence suggested leaving the gate fee at 2.00. We want to have people come in and the more people that pass through the gate the more products will be sold. It was also suggested to continue to coordinate our show with the craft show that is in the spring also.

Clarence also suggested that the club saw out the east line of the claims next year to keep the line open.

Clarence also reported that some folks are getting started on their own claims with plans of operations and equipment set up. It is good to see this with all the regulations out there. Bill Moeller reported that Montanore hired some folks to do a bug study on Libby Creek. During a break in the meeting the club was given a summons to appear in small claims court concerning Harms claim that the NWMGP club owed him 2500.00. Braxton read the letter that Harm sent to the club on 9/26/12. The reason behind the removal of Harm from the club membership was discussed in length.

The November raffle was held. A special thank you goes out to everyone who donated items for the club raffle. This raffle helps to support the club and also allows the club to put on the club outings. And thanks to all who purchased tickets.

Meeting adjourned.

This letter to the editor was given to me by one of the members' of the club.

Did you ever wonder?

Did you ever wonder why someone protesting timber harvesting carries a cardboard sign on a wooden stick?

Did you ever wonder how an environmentalist got to the rally? They can't drive a car, take a plane or train or ride a bike and be a true environmentalist.

Did you ever wonder why someone who just moved to Montana knows more about what's better for Montana than someone who has lived here all his or her life?

Did you ever wonder what a true environmentalist lives in? It can't be made of wood, concrete, plastic or glass.

Did you ever wonder why the City Council wants to spend millions to renovate downtown and then support a mega-mall away from downtown?

Did you ever wonder why you don't hear anything about California repopulating the grizzly of the wolf in there state? Sure they did the condor but it only eats you fi you're already dead.

Did you wonder why someone would call the county and complain about the mosquitoes?

What's the county supposed to do, send out 20 employees with swatters?

Did you ever wonder why the politicians don't climb on a dozer and try to plow through an avalanche? What we all wouldn't give to see that.

Did you ever wonder why they can clear more land on Big Mountain for condos and ski runs and environmentalists don't protest it?

Did you ever wonder why they can build a trail sown the Swan Valley and the environmentalists don't protest cutting the trees and brush?

Did you ever wonder why someone t\with an outstanding warrant would go out drinking and cause trouble?

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Revised Treasurers Report for September 2012

Balances Forwarded:

Cash Drawer	\$95.00
Valley Bank - Checking	\$2,047.94
Whitefish Credit Union	<u>\$1,012.77</u>
Total	\$3,155.71

Income:

Dry washer raffle	\$25.00
Interest WCU	\$0.00
Memberships	\$50.00
Merchandise	\$24.00
August club raffle	<u>\$129.00</u>
Total	\$228.00

Expenses:

Kalispell Copy Newsletter	\$0.00
Postage newsletter	\$50.75
Outing fuel	\$246.27
Skid steer	\$220.00
Food August	\$178.39
starter and parts	\$104.79
September outing digs	\$1,100.00
county filing fees	<u>\$29.00</u>
Total	\$1,929.20

Ending Balance:

Cash Drawer	\$95.00
Valley Bank - Check book balance	\$346.74
Whitefish Credit Union	<u>\$1,012.77</u>
Total	\$1,454.51

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Treasurers Report for October 2012

Balances Forwarded:

Cash Drawer	\$95.00
Valley Bank - Checking	\$346.74
Whitefish Credit Union	<u>\$1,012.77</u>
Total	\$1,454.51

Income:

Dry washer raffle	\$0.00
Interest WCU	\$0.00
Memberships	\$250.00
Merchandise	\$0.00
Gold split raffle	<u>\$5.00</u>
Total	\$255.00

Expenses:

Kalispell Copy Newsletter	\$79.20
Postage newsletter	\$67.50
Outing fuel	\$70.00
Skid steer	\$0.00
Food August	\$105.90
Seed Reclamation	<u>\$74.75</u>
Total	\$397.35

Ending Balance:

Cash Drawer	\$95.00
Valley Bank - Check book balance	\$204.39
Whitefish Credit Union	<u>\$1,012.77</u>
Total	\$1,312.16

The September Financial report contained an error and a revised financial report has been included in this month's newsletter. The error amount is 5 cents however this correction needed to be done. Thank you for your support. Sandy Randall Treasurer

**Northwest Montana Gold Prospectors
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___ ___ Braxton Wellborn

___ ___ Don Roe

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___ ___ Debbie Robinson

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___ ___ Sandy Rendell

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Christmas Party
Tea Kittle Room
December 8th
1:00p.m.

Montana Mining Association
End of the Year
Meeting
December 9th
6:00pm
In Missoula

Meeting @ the Tea Kittle Room
January 12th
1:00p.m.

Meeting @ the Tea Kittle Room
February 9th
1:00p.m.

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As of November 30th

Gold: 1726.90
Silver: 34.30

November 2012

I set here at the computer finishing the newsletter, wondering where next year will take us. Who knows for sure? What I do know is that we will be there with family and good friends. I hope that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. I'm so thankful for all we have and I'm so looking forward to the Christmas party. We always have such a good time.

Has everyone been watching *Gold Rush* and *Jungle Gold*? Some times I wonder if any good will comes of the shows. I think it will make things worse for all of us prospectors. What do you think? Let me know and I'll get it in the new letter.

It sounds like things are going in the right direction for the gold show. There is sure a lot of work that goes into makes it all work. Thank you to all of the people that make it work.

I am sorry this newsletter has taken so long to get to you. I have had a hard time coming up with things to put in it. It would be great to get some information from you the club.

