

The Prospector

Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc.

GPA Portland, Oregon Chapter



May, 2024

President's Corner

May 2024

Hello everybody, It's May already! Let's get more events on the books. Our TYRoy event is coming up and we will cover that at our June 16 meeting. At our May meeting, I hope we can develop more events for after TYRoy.

We have several members who are interested in beach mining, let's try to get something on the calendar for August 24th or 25th. We need someone to plan this, you maybe?

End of summer event at Barton Park or? on Sept 22. Again, need someone to help us pull this together.

Lawson Bar was a fun event, just a few flakes of gold, but plenty of water if you were thirsty.

There should be a sign up sheet for TYRoy.

I want to encourage all members to look around at meetings for folks you relate to and plan side trips and also look for ways to pitch in and help us improve our club, more info at the meeting. See you there!

John Mink



Coming Events

TY Roy

Friday June 21 – Sunday July 7

Tentative: Beach mining

August 24 or 25

Tentative: Barton Park

September 22

TYROY update from Jerry Johns:

Exciting times....TYROY is just around the corner. The outing dates are technically Jun 21st thru Aug 7th, but the first two days and the last two days are reserved for opening up the site and closing it back down. You can join us for a single day (although it's a 5+ hour drive over) or for the whole two weeks. We will have a group potluck Saturday June 29th and a trip into town for a steak dinner will be planned at some point. Join us at our next two meetings for details on the outing and get ready for some summer prospecting.

Classified Ads?

See page 7 for the latest offer.

We've had a few requests to bring back classified ads in the newsletter. I'll be glad to include them. Please send them to my email: wrshpmzshn@gmail.com

LOST DUTCHMAN'S MINING ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FOR SALE

We received an email from Greg and Gwyn Bowen. They are selling their LDMA membership for \$900. If you are interested, please call 320-216-5751. Please leave a voicemail.

Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc. Secretary's Report April 21, 2024

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Meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by President John Mink who also led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendees - 73 attendees and 12 guests were present.

Treasury Report - There was no Treasury Report read this month because Jessyca wasn't here.

Meeting Minutes - A motion was made and seconded to accept the Secretary Report of the previous month as written and published in the April newsletter.

Volunteer Event - We are looking for some volunteers to spread some wood chips at the Rice Museum on Tuesday April 23rd from 10:00 until 2:00 P.M. If you want to help out just show up and bring a wheelbarrow if you have one.

Lawson Bar Outing - On Sunday May 5th at 10:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. Dan Rouse of Prospector's Treasure Trove will be hosting the third annual Lawson Bar outing and Prospectors Rally. This is located in Myrtle Creek Oregon which is about 200 miles from Portland. This will be a fun event if anyone is interested in attending.

Gold Bags - Our gold bags have gone up in price to \$30 because the price of gold has gone up. One of the bags for sale is spiked with a nugget! Ken Didier is having a harder time finding gold to buy so if anyone is interested in selling some of their Gold contact him.

N.W. Garage Sale - The N.W. Garage sale was yesterday in Ridgefield Washington and it was a success. John, Jim and Rocky pulled it off selling some stuff and brought in about \$300 to \$400 for our club!

TyRoy - The yearly outing is coming up fast. Jerry has gotten everything reserved to make our annual event successful like usual. The dates for this year are June 21st until July 7th. For anyone that plans on going you can camp on the ranchers property or stay in an RV Park or motel in Baker City. This is a family fun event so the more the merrier. We will have a Potluck on Saturday June 29th for anybody that's up there then and we also will have a couple other nights that we will meet for dinner at some restaurants that are in the area. If interested in coming make sure that you sign up on our sign up sheet this helps so Jerry knows about how many porta potties to order. Recently a couple of our members have found some good sized nuggets and with the price of gold so high right now this is great news.

Metal Detector Scramble - Dan Rouse is having the event at the end of our meeting today. Looks like a bunch of people brought their Metal Detectors. We will be meeting across the street on Sunnyside by the power lines in the grassy area. Great sunny day to play around with your metal Detector!

Raffle - The Raffle was held with \$5 tickets. Danielle was the winner of the Gold Nugget and Sven was the winner of the Gold Bag.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Yolande Kragerud, Secretary.



Prospector's Treasure Trove

Lawson Bar Outing

May 5, 2024

Photos by Rocky Tester



Prospector's Treasure Trove

Metal Detector Scramble

April 21, 2024



Dredging Equipment for Sale

Former attendee David Baumbach is offering his dredge equipment for sale. Sold as a lot only.

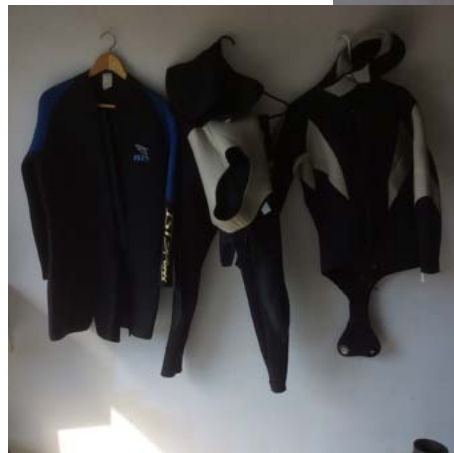
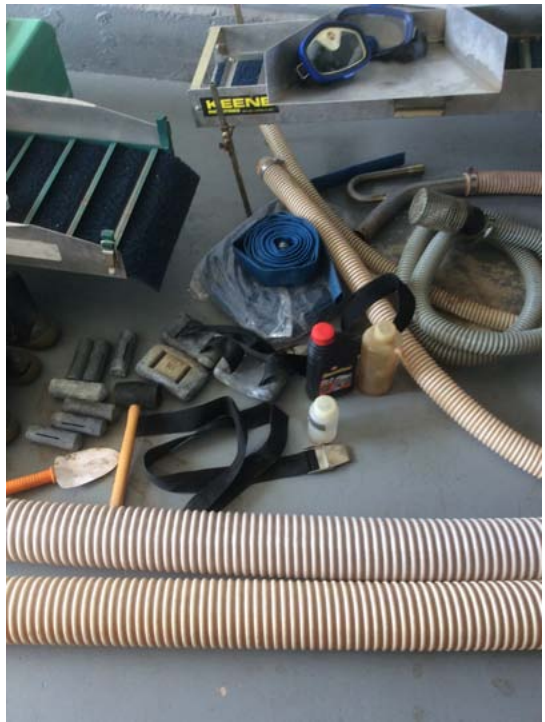
The dredge is a 4" and the high banker dredge combo is 2". \$1750.00 for all.

Dave Baumbach

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Portland Gold Prospectors Membership

A person donated a trailer to Gary Upton for our chapter. The unit has two- 135 gallon diesel tanks and a large metal box with doors on each side. We need some help getting this into shape for travel and use at Tyroy.

The items that need fixing or repaired are:

- The current tires are worn and need to be replaced. The size is 245 X 16. I don't think we need brand new tires, but GOOD used tires should be fine.
- We need new safety chains and hooks for towing.
- The back right light is missing. I'll take out one of the good ones and try to get a new one.
- If you know anyone in Baker City where we can keep this when not in use, would be great.
- I will have the bearings checked.
- We will need a trailer jack to attach to front of tongue.
- We will also need a 12 volt pump.
- The trailer takes a 2 5/16" ball. We need one on a stinger, standard stinger size not the small size.

Next week Rocky Tester and I will look into the tanks to see if there is sediment in the bottom. If anyone has ideas on how to remove this stuff (if we find any) would be great.

My contact info is:

Cell 503-519-6200 Email: jimerwin223@gmail.com

If you have any items or know of someone that will donate things we need for this project, please contact them and arrange to pick it up.

Please bring the item(s) to a meeting or call me and we can arrange to meet.

Thanks,
Jim



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