



Portland Gold Prospectors – President's Monthly Greeting

Dear Portland Gold Prospectors,

I hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits as we look forward to better weather and the plans of our upcoming year's activities and events. 2025 is looking to be another exciting year of prospecting, adventure, and camaraderie!

We are always looking ahead to ensure a bright future for our club. Planning is well underway for our upcoming events, and I want to thank everyone who has contributed their time and effort. Your dedication keeps this club thriving, and I couldn't be more grateful. Please look for opportunities to join in, help out, and make our club great!

I'm excited to share that the Claims Committee recently met for the first time to prepare for our annual Ty Roy Outing this summer. This is always a fantastic opportunity to come together, get out in the field, and do what we love most—DIG FOR GOLD! More details will be shared as we finalize the plans, so stay tuned.

This week, we also have a big event—the Sportsman's Show! This is a crucial time for fundraising, and we have an incredible raffle lined up. If you're able to attend, please stop by to support the club and help spread the word about what we do. The more we raise, the more we can invest in future outings, education, and opportunities for all members.

I'm also excited to announce the rollout of our OBRC Blue Bag Program, which will serve as a great ongoing fundraiser for the club! By collecting and recycling bottles and cans through this program, we can generate additional funds to support club activities, outings, and improvements. This is an easy way for everyone to contribute—just fill a blue bag with redeemable containers and drop it off at a designated Bottle Drop location. Every little bit helps, and with your participation, we can continue to grow and enhance our club's offerings. We'll have more details at the next meeting, so be sure to join us to learn how you can get involved!

And don't forget—Gold Nugget Bingo is happening after our next meeting! Bring some cash and a little luck. This is always a fun way to wrap up a meeting, and with gold nuggets as prizes, you won't want to miss it! Bingo cards will be \$5 each

Thank you all for being part of this amazing community. Your enthusiasm and participation are what make Portland Gold Prospectors such a special club. I look forward to seeing you all soon and continuing our shared pursuit of gold prospecting!

Happy Prospecting!

Dan Rouse

President, Portland Gold Prospectors

Secretary's Report February 6th, 2025 - Board Meeting Minutes.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. at Prospector's Treasure Trove by President Dan Rouse.

Sportsmen's Show - We discussed everything that needed to be done for the upcoming Sportsmen's Show next week. We will have a few people in the booth each day. Dan made a list of who can work what days. We will be using two 6-foot tables and one 4 foot one. Jessyca has tablecloths for the tables. Rocky will be going to Jim's house to get the club structure and the tables. We will be having the Dollar Drop and Plinko at the show. If you win you will get a tiny vial of gold and you will get 1 ticket to possibly win a 1-gram gold nugget. We will be raffling off 5 big prizes and the tickets will be \$5. The prizes will be a Gold Nugget, Metal detector, Gold Prospecting Kit, Silver Morgan Dollars and 1 other prize. Monday after the show we will draw the winning ticket for the Gold Nugget. People will be trained how to do Square on their phones because the square device that we bought a couple years ago is useless.

New Board Members - Waymon Bonner and Jerry Neubert are our new 1-year Board Members.

Next Board Meeting - The next board meeting will be on Friday March 7th. at 7:00 P.M. at Dan's shop.

Australian Gold Nugget - We made a motion and approved it for Ken Didier to buy about a 10-gram Gold Nugget for around \$1,180. We will then be selling the raffle tickets for \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20.

Checking Account - Dan and Jeff went to the bank and got added to the club checking account so that they can now sign checks and they took off Mike and Cindy's names since they are no longer board members. Our checking account has approximately \$4,000. We need to have an itemized list to see what it costs to run our club. We need a budget.

Bottle Drop Blue Bags - We now have the blue bags for our club bottle drop which will hopefully bring a bunch of money to our club. Anyone that wants to donate cans and/or bottles can get some bags and then turn them in at the bottle drop locations, grocery stores, club meetings or they can be dropped off at Dan's shop.

Gold Nugget Bingo - We will be doing Gold Nugget Bingo at our March club meeting. The cost will be \$5 a card for those who want to play. You can buy as many cards as you would like to increase your odds of winning a gold nugget. This will take place at the end of our regular meeting. Dan will sell some gold nuggets to the club.

New Claims - Dan is in the process of getting our club some new claims. He wants us to have some claims that are nearby. He will be wanting some people to go look at them and test them eventually. There are some Quartsville claims available which will cost around \$200.

Outreach Opportunities - If anybody has any ideas for outreach opportunities let Dan know. He has been in contact with the Girl Scouts.

By-Laws - We are hoping to have our By-Laws figured out by the month of June.

Club Refreshments - We decided starting at the March meeting that we will spend no more than \$80 on snacks, coffee and other refreshments.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Submitted by Yolande Kragerud, Secretary.

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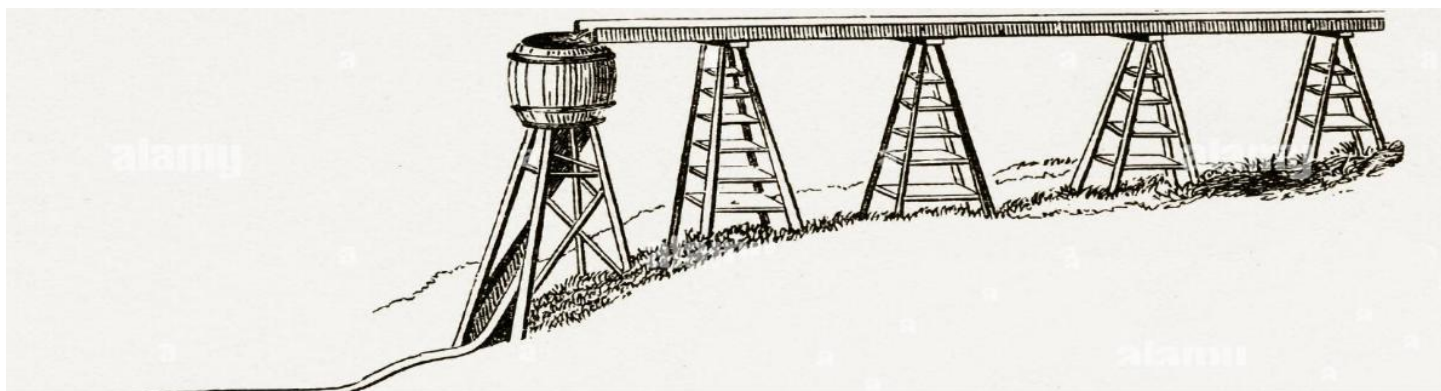
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Don't forget the club meeting

this Sunday the 16th at the
Sunnyside Grange
13130 S.E. Sunnyside Rd.
Clackamas, Oregon 97015-9333

A special note about the Parking situation! Please only park in the Grange Parking area.



Portland Gold Prospectors Inc Bottle drop fundraiser.

The OBRC Bottle Drop Blue Bag Program allows you to easily donate the deposit value of your recyclable bottles and cans to local nonprofits. Simply fill a Blue Bag with eligible containers and drop it off at a participating Bottle Drop location to support your chosen cause.

How to Donate

1. **Get a Blue Bag:** Available at Club meetings and at Prospector's Treasure Trove.
2. **Fill the Bag:** Collect eligible beverage containers (see below for details) and fill the Blue Bag.
3. **Drop Off:** Drop the full bag off at any [Bottle Drop location](#). We receive a bonus when these are returned to a bottle drop attached to a retail store.
 - a. Only Bottle Drop Blue Bags are accepted and they must have the non profit's barcode sticker attached.
 - b. Scan the bag tag to open the secure Drop Door.
4. **Or Donate Your Personal Bottle Drop Account Balance:** If you have a Bottle Drop account from personal drop offs, you can donate your balance directly to a nonprofit via the Bottle Drop app or website.
 - a. From your bottle drop account: select "for individuals" then "Make non-profit Donations" then search for "portland gold"
 - b. <https://bottledrop.com/fundraiser/portland-gold-prospectors-inc/>

Eligible Containers

- **Accepted:** Glass, plastic, and aluminum bottles and cans with a **10¢ deposit** (e.g., water, soda, beer).
 - **Oregon Refund Value:** Knowingly returning containers that do not have an Oregon refund value may result in a fine.
- **Size:** Containers must be between **0.5 and 3 liters**.
- **Not Accepted:** Non-refundable items like wine, dairy based drinks, or food jars.

Get Started

1. Pick up a Blue Bag at any Bottle Drop location.
2. Fill it with eligible containers.
3. Drop it off at Bottle Drop and watch your donation grow!

Contact Information

- Stop by Prospector's treasure Trove or a PGPI club meeting for details.
- For general information: <https://bottledrop.com/>

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