



# WEEKEND GOLDMINER Newsletter

*Prospecting sites in the Heart of Georgia's Gold Belt*

**Club Address: P.O. Box 910, Dahlonega, GA 30533**  
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## Calendar of Events

**"Miners Swap Meet" at every meeting. Bring camping & prospecting articles only.**

**Meeting Time: March 7, 2020**  
**Auraria Community Center**  
**Board Meeting 3:00 PM**  
**General Meeting 5:00 PM**

**Next hunt: March 7, 2020**  
**12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M.**  
**Weather permitting !!!!!**  
**Hunt Master 386-366-1172**

**Statements go out February 2020**

**Lease property gate locks will be changed on April 1, 2020. Be sure your dues and fees are up to date by March 7, 2020.**

**Keys will be mailed out starting March 15, 2020**

**\*If you have any questions about any of these events Call Membership Director Ed Nefferdolf 770-531-9346. Or email at weekendgoldminers@yahoo.com**

## WEEKEND GOLD MINERS PROSPECTING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES February 1st, 2020

President David Zimmerman called the February 1, 2020 general meeting to order.

He welcomed new member Joyce Conner and guests, Bruce Kennedy, Jerry Priddy and Michael Dalton.

Birthdays for February are: Sandy Russell 65 years young on the 8th, Louise Sparks, 94 years young on the 12th, mother of Ray Sparks, Wes Gentry 65 years young on the 24th. HAPPY! HAPPY! HAPPY!

Christiana Priddy made a motion to accept the

January 4, 2020 General Meeting Minutes as posted in the newsletter. Terry Defee seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Treasurer Judy Johnson gave the January 2020 Treasurer report as follows:

Beg. Checking Bal. 01-01-2020	\$ 9,432.15
Income	2,988.00
Disbursements	1,736.41
Ending Checking Bal. 01-31-20	\$10,683.74

Savings Account	\$38,184.95
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#2610 Ray Sparks made a motion to accept the January 2020 Treasurer report as read. #2549 Ed Nefferdolf seconded. Motion carried and passed.

Judy Johnson gave the January 2020 Membership report as follows:

- 1 - new member for January
- 1- new member YTD
- #3525 - last membership number issued
- \$100.00 - total new member fees collected
- 50.00 - 5 T-shirts sold
- \$150.00 – Total collected

#3385 Lee Day gave a report on the Metal Detecting Hunt today: 14 – people hunted today. He buried 144 half dollars and 1- roll Roosevelt dimes. He buried 1 token but it was never found. Next hunt will be March 7, 2010 at 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M. WEATHER PERMITTING!!

### OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

### NEW BUSINESS:

There were no new lifetime members for February.

Statements will be sent out by February 15, 2020.

Officers and Committees	
<b>OFFICERS</b>	
President	David Zimmerman 229-315-3424 David.Zimmerman911@yahoo.com
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Lease property gate locks will be changed April 1, 2020. New keys will be mailed out on March 15, 2020 to all members that have their dues and fees paid up to date, for those that are not sent a key, when you get your dues and fees up to date then you will be sent a new key. If you have any questions call 423-838-1373.

President David Zimmerman opened up the floor for discussion:

There were several discussions on how to generate more money for the club. A key fee for the new keys that are sent out when the gate locks are changed. #3323 Terry Newman ask about the \$50 key Fee that was brought up at a previous meeting. President David Zimmerman said that adding a fee other than a maintenance fee would have to be put to vote to the whole membership by ballot vote. This would be a costly, around \$600 with only a handful of members returning a ballot. We send out over 800 election ballots and only receive about 150 back.

#3323 Terry Newman made a motion to add a key fee to every member in the club. #2533 Bill Quick seconded. David said that the motion could not be passed because the vote had to go to the full membership by ballot. He did have the member's present do a show of hands vote to see their opinion on a key fee. Most all were in favor.

They discussed sending a letter to all the members that were grandfathered in when the maintenance fee of \$25 was approved and ask if they would be willing to pay or donate a \$50 maintenance fee, one time only. This letter could be sent out with the keys next month or with election ballot in June.

David said that we wouldn't be able to implement a key fee until next year due to the timing of getting it approved by the full membership.

Raffles were held: Winner of the Red Ticket door prize of a prospector silver round coin was Brenton Garvich, grandson of #1581 Judy Johnson. Safari hat- #2771 Gary Copeland and #0999 William Valora a safari hat.

David and Brenda Zimmerman donated safari hats, umbrellas, and headlights for each of the raffles.

Blue Ticket winners were:

Safari Hat - #1775 Kathy McCary

**MAIL DUES TO:**  
WEGM  
P.O. Box 910  
Dahlonega, GA 30533

**PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR MEMBER # ON YOUR CHECK**

**New Properties Finders Fee**

It is the policy of the WEGM to reward its members with a finders fee for locating new properties for the club to lease. The member will be paid \$240 or receive credit for \$240 in membership dues upon the club approving the lease for club use. The member must act as an agent between the landowner and the WEGM. To receive the finders fee, you must register in writing with the club secretary your intent to begin discussing a proposed lease with the landowner. You cannot receive the finders fee unless registration is complete and the lease is approved by the WEGM.

- STANDING RULES**
1. No use of alcohol on Association outings.
  2. Smoking will not be permitted at Association meetings or activities unless held in the open air.
  3. Members are expected to adhere to the Association's Code of Ethics while prospecting or mining
  4. Members are expected to conduct themselves at all times in accordance with the laws of the land and reasonable moral behavior
  5. Violation of Standing Rules will result in disciplinary action as determined by the Executive Board of Directors
  6. The President, Vice-President or their appointed spokesperson(s) are the only people authorized to speak on behalf of the WEGM
  7. Regular monthly meetings will be held on the first Saturday of each month at a scheduled time as stated in the club newsletter and website
  8. Fun must be had by all

Safari hat - #2771 Gary Copeland  
Headlights - #3385 Lee Day  
Umbrella - #0999 William Valora  
Bag of ore - #1900 Nancy Healy  
Bag of ore - #3151 Robert Russell  
Bag of ore - #3517 Mary Kozak  
Bag or ore - #3352 Rodney Kochen  
Gold Nugget - #2771 Gary Copeland

Green Ticket winners are:

Safari hat - #2610 Ray Sparks  
Safari hat - #3479 Phil Hutton  
Umbrella - #2771 Gary Copeland  
Bag of ore - #3247 Heidi Lung  
Bag of ore - #0999-William Valora  
Bag of ore - 3517 Mary Kozak  
Bag of ore - #1073 Carol Knox  
Gold Nugget - #1962 Dennis Wright

Yellow Ticket winners are:

Safari Hat - Christian Tighe, son of #2267 Ben Tighe  
Safari Hat - #3468 Anthony Prunsky  
Umbrella - #1581 Judy Johnson  
Bag of ore - #2862 Davis Killough  
Bag of ore - Christian Tighe, son of #2267 Ben Tighe  
Bag of ore - #3204 David Griffith  
Bag of ore - #2608 David Zimmerman  
Gold Nugget - #2771 Gary Copeland

Next meeting:

March 7, 2020  
Auraria Community Center  
Metal Detecting Hunt 12:00 P.M. UNTIL 2:00 P.M.  
Board Meeting 3:00 P.M.  
General Meeting 5:00 P.M.

**WORDS OF WISDOM:**

It takes hands to build a house,  
but only hearts can build a HOME.

**On the Funny Side of Life:**

BEST FRIENDS, they know how crazy you are and still  
choose to be seen with you in public.

**The FOR SALE section is free for members only. Membership number, name and phone number must accompany the ad. Ads will be run the month of submission only. You may resubmit your ad each month. Business ads must be approved by the board, the fee for a small block ad is \$120.00 per year.**

**FOR SALE**

4" Keene dredge w/air, Honda 6.5 motor (low hrs.) 3 stage sluice New Gold Hog mats. \$3,000.00 Call Chris 770-654-1143 leave message if no answer.

**LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS FOR SALE:**

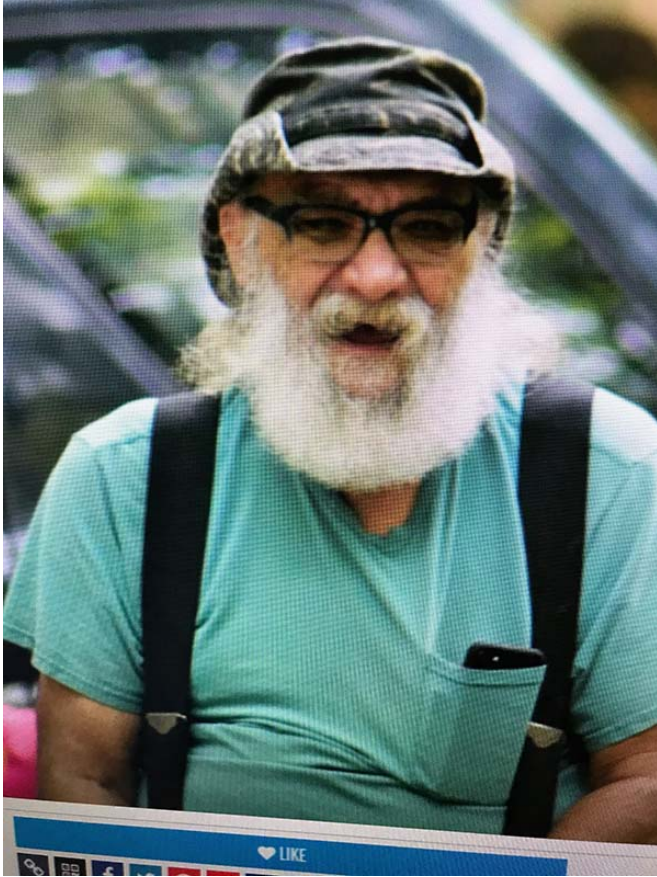
\$1000 Call Karen Kuhl at 304-266-3932

Billy Mincemoyer \$1500.00 706-952-5339 Call between 9:00 am - 6:00 pm leave message if no answer.

Life Membership For Sale \$1200.00  
Text Robert 423-241-1689



**Robert Johnson**  
**May 2, 1955 - January 10, 2020**



**Benny Chester**  
September 29, 1953 - January 17, 2020

These are the new WEGM T-shirts for the men and ladies. All shirts are \$10.00 ea. There will be a \$6.50 shipping and handling charge for each shirt. If you want to place an order please state the color and size of shirt and how many. Send your order to: T-Shirt Order. P.O. Box 910, Dahlonega, Ga. 30533. Make check or money order to Weekend Gold Miners Club.



Ladies Shirt Colors: Pink, Green, Purple and Pink Camo.  
Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large and 2X.  
Ladies shirts do not have a pocket.



Mens Shirt Colors: Black, Tan, Grey, Hunter Green, Camo  
Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large, 2X.  
Camo shirts do not have a pocket.



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**RELEASE OF LIABILITY OF GUEST**

<b>NAME:</b>		
<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b>		
<b>ADDRESS:</b>		
<b>CITY:</b>	<b>STATE:</b>	<b>ZIP:</b>
<b>SPOUSE'S NAME:</b>	<b>Children Under 21:</b>	
<b>MEMBER NAME:</b>		

I recognize that mining and prospecting are inherently dangerous, and that the club's properties have unmarked and unidentified hazards, to include abandoned mine shafts, caves, sink holes, steep slopes and other people, both invitees, licensees and trespassers and that any one or combination of the above can cause injury or death. I waive any claim against the Week End Gold Miners, Inc. or the land owners and covenant not to sue for any damage, injury or death caused to me, or for the loss of equipment or personal items while on the properties. I further recognize that there are special dangers to minors and I shall assume all responsibility for each minor accompanying me. I further agree to carry such insurance as I feel necessary to protect my interest and to indemnify and hold harmless owners from any liability arising out of my actions while on the properties.

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Guest Signature

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Date