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|  | **WEEKEND GOLDMINERS Newsletter**  ***Prospecting sites in the Heart of Georgia’s Gold Belt*** |
| **Established 1994** |

**Calendar of Events**

**SEPT 3rd, 2022:**

**Annual Picnic- September 3, 2022**

**Will be Held at Turner Property, 804 Blackburn Road, Dawsonville, GA 30534**

**Board Meeting: 12PM**

**Will start serving at 1:00 P.M.**

**Terry Wilman is making pulled pork and chicken – Please bring a covered**

**Dish BRING SOMETHING BESIDES JUST YOURSELF!!**

**General Meeting will start at 3:00 P.M.**

**End of year Raffles around 4:00 P.M.**

**Bring a chair**

**CLEAN-UP WILL BE AUGUST 27TH ONLY ATTEND IF YOU CAN WORK…BRING GLOVES AND BATTERY TOOLS WE WILL BE PUTTING TIN ON FRAMES**

**Officers and Committees**

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| **OFFICERS** | | | |
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| **President** | **Rodney Kocher 813-924-8403 o2binbed@aol.com** | | |
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| **Treasurer** | **Ann Nemeth 740-294-1358**  **rcart4@hotmail.com** | | |
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| **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** | | | |
| **Member** | | **Robert Samples 770-374-8026 Samplesr88@gmail.com** | |
| **Member** | | **Randall Cowart** | |
| **Member** | | **Rodney Lung 352-531-9346 lungster67@yahoo.com** | |
| **Member** | | **Celeste Wilkerson 706-265-5293**  **armydragonwidow@yahoo.com** | |
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| **Hunt master** | | **John Burton** | |
| **WEGM Agent** | | **Ray Sparks** | |

**MAIL DUES TO:**

WEGM  
P.O. Box 910

Dahlonega, GA 30533

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

**WE ALSO NOW ACCEPT ZELLE PAYMENTS**

**Send to rcart4@hotmail.com**

**Check WEGM Website and Facebook group for more updates and announcements.**

**Drawings**

**Red ticket door prize:**

**Silver round #3668 William Simmons**

**Blue tickets**

**Bag of Ore # 2854 Mark Nesbitt**

**Bag of ore # 2845 Terry Willman**

**Bag of ore # 3668 William Simmons**

**NUGGET # 2533 Bill Quick**

**Green tickets**

**Bag of ore # 3668 William Simmons**

**Bag of ore # Barbara Lawson**

**Bag of ore# Rodney Lung**

**NUGGET # Barbara Lawson**

**Yellow tickets**

***BAG OF ORE # Rodney Lung***

***BAG OF ORE # Christine Strickland***

***BAG OF ORE # Barbara Lawson***

***NUGGET Rodney Lung***

**NOTE WE WILL CLEAN UP PICNIC AREA AND BE PUTTING TIN ON FRAMES ……. THERE WILL NOT BE ROOM FOR ANYONE THAT CANNOT WORK DUE TO LIABILITY THAT SOMEONE COULD GET HURT ……..**

**I WILL BE SERVING LUNCH TO THE PEOPLE THAT ARE WORKING ……PLEASE IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO USE A POWER TOOL OR WALK AROUND PICKING UP TRASH OR LIFT OVER YOUR HEAD PLEASE DON’T ATTEND THIS…..**

These are the new WEGM T-shirts for the men and ladies. All shirts are $15.00 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.



Men’s Shirt Colors: Black, Tan, Grey, Hunter Green, Camo

Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large, 2X.

Camo shirts do not have a pocket.

**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

WEEKEND GOLD MINERS PROSPECTING CLUB, INC.

**GENERAL MEETING –** August 6th,2022

Vice President Barbara Lawson call the General meeting to order Aug 6th 2022, General meeting to order. Welcome all members to the meeting.

Birthdays for August New member # 1940 Theresa Fenelon #2533 Bill Quick #0859 Robert Sample # 1900 Nancy Healy HAPPY BIRTHDAY … Anniversary; Randall and Dana Cowart 1yr, Prayers for # 0858 James Stefanko and Robert Russell Families as they have passed away …. Brenda Shed, she is in hospital with a broken hip.

Motion to approve minutes of August meeting as printed in the newsletter. Mark Nesbitt #2854 made motion to approve. #3615 Randall Cowart seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed and carried.

**Treasurer report** given by Rodney Lung in absence of Ann Nemeth for July 2022.

Beg Bal…. ………...$ 27649.47

Income……………. $ 8127.22

Disbursed…………. $ 6557.24

End Bal……………... $ 29,219.45

Savings account…$15,895.99

#2845 Terry Newman made motion to approve treasure report, #2854 Mark Nesbitt seconded. All in favor, motion passed and carried.

**Membership Report:** Rodney Lung gave August 2022 report as follows.

New members 5

New members YTD 38

Transfers 02 @ $30.00 each

Last number issued #3697

Total new membership fees $500.00

Logo items $40.00

KEY $10.00 Total Collected $610.00

#2854 Mark Nesbitt made motion to accept the August membership report. #3615 Randall Cowart second. All in favor, motion passed and carried.

**OLD BUISNESS**.

Picnic; #2845 Terry Wilman volunteered to cook the meat for the picnic. It will be potluck members are asked to bring a covered dish or something to share with. Celeste Wilkerson has volunteered to oversee the picnic.

August 27th will be cleanup day & repair day at Turner at 10am. #3216 Lee Dewitt has donated enough metal to do one of the frames. Should anyone else have any metal to donate it would be appreciated. Metal roof last and save the club the cost of replacing the canopies every couple years.

Silver rounds: these are given out with the red tickets. In the newsletter it was stated that we could get 2021 silver eagles,24 of them for $479.52 This was a bogus ad. #2610 Ray Sparks did find Walking Liberty rounds 1oz if we buy 20 can be purchased at $25.32 plus $19.45 shipping or ½ rounds at $14.25 shipping $7.97. Membership voted for ½ oz at $500.00 for 40 coins, free shipping

**NEW BUISNESS**

Special meeting: the meeting was turned over to the Election Chairman. Bylaw Amendment Ballots were presented to the membership. Meeting ballots and mail in ballots were counted. All results are included at end of this newsletter.

#2533 Bill Quick made motion to adjourn August general Meeting. #2854 Mark Nesbitt seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: Sept 3rd at Turner for annual picnic

Board meeting 12:00pm

General meeting 3:00pm

Prepared by Heidi Lung WEGM Secretary

**ELECTION RESULTS**

**BYLAW CHANGES**

**ARTICILE ll Section 1**

**AMENDED:** Management shall be vested in the members acting through the board of Directors and control of this organization.

**In Meeting votes** For- 17 **Against** -2 **Mail in votes Fo**r -7 **Mail in Against-** 1

**Total** **24** For **3** Against

**ARTICILE V, Section 1, Paragraph:**

**AMENDED:** The entire management and business of the club will be vested in the Board of Directors elected from among the members and shall be elected at the Annual November Meeting

**In Meeting votes For** 19 **Against** -0 **Mail in Votes For** -7 **Mail in Against**- 1

**Total Votes For 26 Against - 1**

**ARTICILE Vl, Section 1, Paragraph D**

**AMENDED:** The membership Director and Newsletter Editor shall be appointed for a term of two years,

By a majority vote present at the November meeting.

**In meeting Votes**  **For**- 19 **Against** -0 **Mail in Votes** **For** - 7 **Mail in Against** – 1

**Total Votes** -**For**- **26**  **Against 1**

**ARTICILE Vl, Section 2, Paragraph C, subparagraph 2**

**AMENDED:** With regards to the corporate insurance( liability, honesty blanket bond,etc...) Renewal of the land leases and the maintenance of the leased property, cost of which may be mor than$1000.00.,

Approval of the Board of Directors is required and approval of the majority of the voting members present at the general membership meeting. This vote must be on written ballot, with ballots being given to members in good standing with voting privileges. The Talley of the votes will be recorded in the minutes and reported to the general membership in next newsletter.

**In Meeting Votes For**- 18 **Agains**t-1 **Mail in Votes** For- 7 **Mail in Against** -1

**Total Vote For** -**25**  **Against** -2

**ARTICLE Vl, Section 2, Paragraph C subparagraph 2-2**

**AMEMDED:** The Treasurer must submit, to the Board of Directors, a proposed budget by the meeting prior to the annual meeting

**In Meeting Votes For-**19  **Against** -0  **Mail In Vote**s For-7 **Mail In Votes Against**- 1

**Total Vote For- 26 Against-**1

**ARTICILE Vl, Section 2 Paragraph C ,subparagraph 2-2a**

**AMENDED:** The Board must present the proposed budget to the membership at the annual meeting.

**In Meeting vote** **For**- 19 **Agains**t-0 **Mail in votes**  **For**-7 **Mail in Votes against**-1

**Total Votes For-**26 **Against- 1**

**ARTICILE Vl, Section 2 Paragraph 2-4**

**AMENDED:** Club financial record must be examined prior to the Annual meeting” once every three years by a registered CPA.

**In Meeting Votes For -16 Against -2 MAIL IN VOTES FOR-6 MAIL IN AGAINST -2**

**TOTAL VOTES FOR- 22** **AGAINST-4**

**ARTICILE Vll, Section 1 Paragraph A**

**AMENDED**: The Annual Meeting will be held in November. Board of Directors shall be granted the power to move annual meeting should it be necessary based on the vote of the membership present at the October meeting at the meeting

**IN MEETING VOTES FOR**-19  **AGAINST**-0 **MAIL IN VOTES FOR**- 7 MAIL IN VOTES **AGAINST**- 1

**TOTAL VOTES FOR**- 26 **AGAINS**T 1

**ARTICILE Vll, Section 4, Paragraph G subparagraph 1**

**AMENDED:** Upon the beginning of the election portion of the annual November Membership Meeting, the President shall turn the meeting over to the Chairman of the Election Committee. The Chairman of the Election Committee shall preside over the meeting until all ballots have been cast. The Chairman will return control of the meeting back to the President. Once the ballots have been counted, the President will announce the final results.

**IN MEETING VOTE FOR-19 AGAINST-0 MAIL IN VOTES FOR-7 MAIL IN VOTES AGAINST-1**

**TOTAL VOTES FOR- 26 AGAINST-1**

**ARTICILE Vll, Section 4, Paragraph G subparagraph 13**

**AMENDED: Newly elected Officers and Directors will assume their duties on the first meeting of the next calendar year**

**IN MEETING VOTE; FOR- 19 AGAINST-0 MAIL IN VOTES FOR-7 MAIL IN AGAINST- 1**

**TOTAL VOTES FOR- 26 AGAINST-1**

**BOARD ELECTION:**

Introduction of Members running for office. William Quick for Vice President, Board of directors Randall Cowart, Robert Samples. Robert Sannuti not present. At this time the membership was asked for new volunteers or nominations for open positions. Barbara Lawson was nominated for her current position of Vice President . Nominated for the position of secretary were Heidi Lung and Dana Cowart. All agreed to run. #2854 Mark Nesbitt made motion to accept this nomination. Ballots were distributed to the general membership. Votes were given to Vice President Barbara for breakdown of the votes.

**Office of Vice President Ballots cast at meeting Mail in Total**

**#2533 Bill Quick 12 0 12**

**#2980 Barbara Lawson 10 2 12**

**OFFICE OF BOARD MEMBER Ballots cast at meeting Mail in total**

**#3615 Randall Cowart 18 0 18**

**#0859 Robert Samples 16 2 18**

**#3641 Micheal Sannuti 3 1 4**

**Office of TREASURER Ballots cast at meeting Mail in Total**

**#3044 Ann Nemeth 22 2 24**

**OFFICE OF SECRETARY Ballot cast in meeting Mail in Total #3247Heidi Lung 9 1 10**

**#3615 Dana Cowart 6 0 6**

**#2533 Bill Quick withdrew his name for Vice President. Welcome the returning Vice President Barbara Board members Randall Cowart & Robert Samples, Treasurer Ann Nemeth and Secretary Heidi Lung.**