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The Original Central Montana Prospectors Group Big Sky Nugget News

This year has been full of surprise's that's for sure. Lot of new face's as new membership continues to grow. We have had some very interesting changes in our club, foremost is a small name change. We are now officially registered with the state as the "Central Montana Prospectors Group".

We also have update to a new logo, and moved our web server over to 3 Rivers Communications They have agreed to host our website FREE in exchange to have their logo on the bottom of the front page. This is a great deal for our group as it save's us some hard earned "gold". I would like to thank Bobbi Beerman for looking into this for us and making it

happen. I would also note she has been diligently working on our website to improve and refresh it with all our new info and logo's.



We also have made up some new informational flyers for the group to hand out at all our events. We are excited about moving forward with all the info and providing more opportunities for our members. We are updating our outing schedule as we get idea's and people willing to go out for these prospecting trips. Please submit any ideas you might have and

we will gladly put it out for everyone to see and plan for. We are also participating in the farmers Market again this year and have had a great response form those folks. We would like to see some additional members come down to help with the booth when ever possible, as it is a great time and even a greater learning experience.



Prospecting Locally Is It Possible?

Getting out of town for a prospecting event can be hard. Often family obligation take precedents over our recreational plans. The Central Montana Prospectors group is here to help, offering opportunities to prospect locally with Sapphire and Kids Fun bags for sale every week at the Farmers Market or by contacting the Club. This makes it easy for people of all ages and ability levels to examine samplings from Phillipsburg, Ruby Reservoir, our Lincoln claim, and Helena, and in tubs of water under the canopy with supplies provided by the Central Montana Pros-

pector Group. This provides Some nice sapphires, gold, and garnets that were easy picking right out of the gold pan;



giving everyone to opportunity to experience the excitement of prospecting in Montana.

Jim Ployhar gives a demonstration to a large group of Market goers. Jim pro-

vides materials for these demonstration's from his mining claim as well as a vast knowledge in the ways



of mining and prospecting.

Thanks Jim it is good folks like yourself that make a club possible.



Mining in Lincoln

Well the Lincoln outing on the 24th thru the 26th of June was a really good turnout. We had numerous members arriving at different times and days. The weather was pretty cooperative with a slight shower Friday evening and cloudy Saturday. Sunday was real nice with plenty of heat and sunshine. We ventured to the claim and we were successful in retrieving gold bearing dirt to return to the campground to process our treasures. We had several tubs set up with everyone indulging in panning. When they retrieved sufficient black sands we then ran it through the blue bowl for cleanup. Everyone was amazed at the process and the ease of the blue bowl separating the heavies and the gold. We had planned a pot luck for Saturday evening having tacos and fixings with Monkey Bread for dessert. There was an unfortunate incident involving 2 of our



members who went into Lincoln for more food supplies and ended up in an accident flipping their ATV. One was transported to Great Falls via ambulance while the other did not need immediate attendance. He later did and it was determined he had a broken shoulder bone plus numerous scrapes and road rash. Maybe this could be a new invention for retrieving small fragments of gold while skidding along the roadway "Just kidding". It was amazing that neither was hurt too seriously. Our group then banded together for dinner and most were quiet worrying about the

injured members. We then put together our pot luck with other items, as the injured members had the taco fixings. I had 24 Philippine egg rolls, [lumpia] and I fried them up and the Monkey Bread. We also had someone else with hotdogs and a salad. It actually turned out to be a good pot luck



dinner. The outing was a success one and there was one other unfortunate incident involving one of our members. He backed up really fast and slammed into a stump causing considerable damage to his rear bumper. The stump was rather large and it was stated to have come outta no ware. All in all it was a good time. We didn't get rich with a lot of gold but are rich in memories. Someone was offering to do a belly dancing Saturday night, I just forgot to mention it earlier...Ha Ha You know who you are!!



Central Montana Prospectors Group
 Monthly Meetings are the First Thursday of every Month
 Meetings are held at the Eagles Lodge
 1501 9th St. S.
 Great Falls, MT 59405

Sellers Corner
Under Construction
 Please Submit info if you would like your item listed here.

"Miner" Info

Anyone interested in learning more about the activities of the Central Montana Prospectors can go to www.CentralMontanaProspectors.com and contacting either:

- **Troy England**, President
- **Ron Crowder**, Vice President
- Or coming to our **Farmer's Market booth** in Great Falls on Saturdays.

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Gold Info

New York Gold Spot Price (24hrs) Jul 07, 2016 at 01:33 EST

Gold Price Per Ounce
 \$ 1,370.05

Gold Price Per Gram
 \$ 44.05

Gold Price Per Kilo
 \$ 44,048.13

