



# BIRD TAILINGS

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## IT WAS A HOLLY JOLLY XMAS STEAK FRY

It is best time of year  
Yeah old prospectors ridin in on their sleighs  
Saying hello to everyone they know  
And giving a hug full of love and cheer.  
Many members were visiting and listening to the  
Violin music and hoping for a blessed new year.  
The area was filled with laughter and the presence of a holiday celebration.  
While the cooks and the servers were working at their stations, in full dedication.  
Everyone waited for the dinner bell call, from Herbie, to say come one and come all.  
(lets eat).  
After our bellies shook like of bowl full of jelly.  
Bill and Debbie called out the numbers for the prizes.  
Everyone hoping to be lucky for any surprises.  
Homeward bound we all went, full of the spirit from which all is sent.  
God bless and good prospecting

: ) Sheryal



Irma - Ready to serve!



Good Food, Good Times

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

### General Meetings:

3rd Thursday of the month - 7:00 PM @ Arizona American Italian Club, 7509 North 12th Street, Phoenix, AZ

### Monthly outings:

Held on the weekends following the General Meeting. Guests are welcome to attend regular meetings and outings.

### Board Meeting:

First Tuesday after general meeting - 7:00pm Club Office

### New Member Orientation:

Club Office 7:00 p.m.. See calendar for dates.

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## BOARD & OFFICE DIRECTORY

### PRESIDENT

**Bill Colebeck**

### VICE PRESIDENT

**Karl Weber**

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**Fred Horn**

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**Reeve Kahabka**

### 3 YEAR BOARD MEMBERS

**Bob Wierzal**

**Ron Matlewsky**

### 2 YEAR BOARD MEMBERS

**Jack Engbrecht**

**Steve Dorton**

### 1 YEAR BOARD MEMBERS

**Bill Hunt**

**George Taylor**

### Office Manager

**Pete Baker**

### Newsletter/Website

**Tom Egan**

### **Member Address Change Form:**

**Send to: RRPC, PO Box 56804, Phoenix, AZ 85079-6804  
or email: [rrpc-office@roadrunnergold.com](mailto:rrpc-office@roadrunnergold.com)**

Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

New Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Dues/Fees:**

- Annual dues are due by December 1st of each year.
- Annual Maintenance Fee (AMF = \$20.00) due by December 1st of each year.
- \$20.00 Map Packet Replacement Fee
- \$10.00 badge Replacement Fee

## STEAK FRY RAFFLE WINNERS

- Chuck Horner
- Les Anseth
- Melody Tallis
- Jack Allen
- Roland Chooljian
- Dave Beverly
- Ray Ouellette
- Bill Colebeck
- George James
- Wayne George
- Eddie Mills
- David Martin
- Paul Parker
- Bill Hunt
- Russell Mattison
- Warren Barrett
- Paul Parker

## NEED A RIDE TO THE MEETINGS?

The following members need a ride to the monthly meetings each month. Please contact them if you can provide transportation. If you need a ride to the meetings and want to be added to this list, please email or call the office: rrpc-office@roadrunnergold.com, 602-274-2521.

Chris Williams xxx xxx xxxx – East Mesa  
Bill Smith xxx xxx xxxx – South Scottsdale

## 2010 EXTENSION LETTER FROM PRESCOTT NATIONAL FOREST

Included with this month's newsletter is a letter from Prescott National Forest extending our approvals to operate in the forest for 2010. As the letter says, you must have this letter with you when you operate in this forest (along with your Plans Of Operation and Notices Of Intent).

- Jack Engbrecht

## NEW CLAIMS

Included in this newsletter are two new claims, Rays Right Place on Map #6 and Chris #1 on Map #9. Because both of these claims are in Prescott National Forest, a Notice Of Intent (NOI) for each claim is also included. **This NOI does NOT allow high banking or dredging on these claims.** Because we have had these claims for quite awhile, we decided to get an NOI approval as it is easier and faster to get, while we wait for a Plan Of Operation approval. Please read the NOI, operate in accordance with it and have it with you while you operate on these

claims. Again, no dredging or high banking on these claims, until our Plan Of Operation is approved. You will be notified in the newsletter when this occurs.

Jack Engbrecht

## NEW MEMBERS

The following folks have joined RRPC since our last newsletter. Please welcome them into our club:

Lonnie & Sheila Rowell,	Congress, AZ
Betty & Darrell Woods,	Phoenix, AZ
Les Lennier,	Sun City, AZ
Michael Malach,	Cave Creek, AZ
Richard & Mary Rose Kovalcik,	Sun City, AZ
Todd Engel,	Stevensville, MT
Joe & Tamara Lorson,	Anthem, AZ
Bill Moore & Diane Watkins,	Laporte, CO
Jeremy & Nicole Samuelson,	Tolleson, AZ
Russ & Angie Himley,	Morristown, AZ
Zack & Liz Wright,	Prescott, AZ
David & Karen Bell,	Flagstaff, AZ
Mike Kellym	Phoenix, AZ
Doug McConnell,	Englewood, CO
Brendan & Tatianna Gill,	Apache Junction, AZ
Steve Coombs & Jill Nielsen,	Tempe, AZ
Chuck & Sarah Thiel,	Peoria, AZ

## JANUARY OUTING TO INCLUDE A CHILI CONTEST

January's outing will be held on the Red Basin claims (Map 13) and will include a Chili Cookoff. Bring out your best chili recipe and vie for bragging rights and maybe even a prize.



Check with Sheryal on the day for the outing for more information on the time of the event.

Bowls, spoons and drinks will be provided.

## **THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

- Bill Colebeck, President

Happy New Year! I hope you had a wonderful holiday season and are looking forward to a full and rewarding new year.

For the first time in a long time every Board position is filled. Steve Dorton and George Taylor both stepped up to serve on the Board and were seated at the December Board Meeting. The two major responsibilities for the Board are Claims and Outings. One of your Board's goals for 2010 is to continue to have outings each month that will generate the turnout that we experienced at the September, October and November outings. Thank you, Sheryal Gentles, for all you did to get the ball rolling. Another goal is to refine the budget process. Last year Roland Chooljain, Reeve Kahabka and Pete Baker worked on developing the Club's first budget. Reeve and Pete are now working with the Club's accountant to get the budget figures included in the monthly reports the accountant provides to the Board.

As we reviewed past expenses and budgeted for the coming year the Board became concerned about the steady drain of cash from the Club. Most years the Club operates in the red and we would like to reverse that trend. One way the Club could save money is if more members signed up for electronic delivery of Bird Tailings. If you have email, please send a note to [rrpc-office@roadrunnergold.com](mailto:rrpc-office@roadrunnergold.com) requesting delivery of the newsletter via email.

At the January Board Meeting the Board will be discussing ways to balance the budget. If you have ideas on how we can either cut costs or increase revenues call the office and leave a message sharing your idea.

Last week a member told me she had found a couple of "nice" nuggets on one of our claims. To me any nugget is nice, but she was talking about ¼ ounce nuggets. In October a member showed me a vial with 8-12 nuggets in the ¼ dwt size range that he had found on a Roadrunner claim. For you new members, there is still gold on our claims. It takes work to find it. It takes work to dig it out of the ground. But it is there and it is always a thrill to be the first person to see one of nature's beauties. I hope every member experiences that thrill in 2010.

## **OHV Decal Compliance Enforcement**

We've been advised that the Game and Fish Department will be stepping up enforcement of the mandatory OHV decal requirement that went into effect January 1, 2009.



So, to avoid getting a ticket while out on the claims, be sure you have a current decal on your rig. The decals are good for one year and you will not be issued a renewal notice. It's up to you to make sure you have a current valid decal displayed. The OHV Decal costs \$25 and can be obtained at any MVD office, MVD third-party service provider, or online at [www.servicearizona.com](http://www.servicearizona.com). For more information about the OHV decal process, go to the Game and Fish website: <http://www.azgfd.gov/ohv>

## **CALLING ALL CHARTER MEMBERS**

According to the membership database there are only eleven charter members still active in the Club. Because membership records have been maintained by many people in many ways over the past nearly three decades, we aren't sure eleven is the correct number. Would all of you who are Charter Members please call (602 -274-2521) or email ([rrpc-office@roadrunnergold.com](mailto:rrpc-office@roadrunnergold.com)) the office and leave your name, membership number and phone number. At the end of January we will update the membership database once and for all. Thank you.

## **DUES AND AMF REMINDER**

A reminder that your annual dues and/or AMF fee was due in the club office December 1st. Please be sure to include your membership number with any payments and also include a notation for the purpose of the payment (i.e. DUES and/or AMF).

For those who have paid their annual dues and fees, the 2010 badge decals are mailed out weekly. Remember, you must be current with your dues and fees in order to receive your 2010 badge decal and newsletter.

Your help in the matter will be greatly appreciated and allow the club to continue to operate and serve its members.

# Pictures from the December Steak Fry



Ray Ouellette (Steaks are ready!)



Myrna (Get your buns right here!)



Some lovely music do dine by ...



Dave and Jade (Table Decorations)



Herbie (Its been a great day!)

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTH	GENERAL MEETING	BOARD MEETING	RRPC OUTING/EVENT	LOCATION	Non-RRPC EVENT
<b>Sep</b>	09/17/09	09/22/09	09/19/09	Bumble Bee King	
<b>Oct</b>	10/15/09	10/20/09	10/17/09	Bumble Bee King	10/10/09 Agua Fria Festival
<b>Nov</b>	11/19/09 (Annual Meeting)	11/24/09	11/14/19 Annual Coin Shoot	11/14/09 Leave No Holes	
<b>Dec</b>	None	12/15/09	12/12/09	Saguaro Ranch Park	
<b>Jan</b>	<b>01/21/10</b>	<b>01/26/10</b>	<b>01/23/10</b>	<b>Red Basin</b>	<b>Map 13</b>
<b>Feb</b>	02/18/10	02/23/10	02/20/10	Cass Claims	TBD Gold Show
<b>Mar</b>	03/18/10	03/23/10	03/20/10	Keystone Claims	
<b>Apr</b>	04/15/10	04/20/10	04/17/10	Betty Claims	
<b>May</b>	05/20/10	05/25/10	05/22/10	Turkey Creek Claims	
<b>Jun</b>	06/17/10	06/22/10	06/19/10	Turkey Creek Claims	
<b>Jul</b>	07/15/10	07/20/10	07/17/10	Turkey Creek Claims	
<b>Aug</b>	08/19/10	08/24/10	08/21/10	Turkey Creek Claims	