

# October Outing To Our 20 Acres

Our October outing was held at our "20 Acre" Property. We arrived on Friday afternoon and set up our camping rigs. After unloading all my stuff, we set up the wet sluice and relaxed. I was able to help Ian get parked and leveled when he arrived, then settled into my chair for a while. There were a few regulars out there already. The weather was perfect. Warm enough to be comfortable, but not at all hot. As Friday evening progressed, we ate dinner and set up the campfire. I think there were 10 of us to stay the night. It didn't get very cold overnight (mid 50's).

In the morning several others showed up. There were quite a few new people checking us out. We defined the property boundaries for everyone and sent them off to do some prospecting. Throughout the day the wet sluice got a workout and some gold was found. We had the panning tub set up for everyone to use and practice.

One of the neighbors came by to introduce himself and meet us. He has the property a little west and south of ours and is actively mining on it.

Also, Mike from the Meadview RV Park came by. He has discounts for club members on RV, trailer, and tent spaces and on his cabin rentals. ([rv-park.com](http://rv-park.com))

Lunch was at 12 PM and we had plenty of food. Everyone seemed to have got the message about how a Pot-Luck works. Thank you to everyone!!

After lunch some dug dirt for processing, some metal detected, and some of us just socialized. I think everyone had a great time.



**The Wet\_Sluice In Action**



**Re-Circulating Pump For The Sluice**



**Lunch On Saturday**



**Cooking The Sloppy-Joes For Lunch**



**Lunch Food Spread**



**New & Old Members & Visitors**

Saturday night we had a few more stay overnight. There was a campfire and a lot of fun for everybody. Overnight it was just a bit warmer than Friday was.

Sunday morning broke with cool sunny weather. We had a small campfire both mornings. Russ was on top of things getting it started. Thanks Russ.

I was up with daylight and had the coffee pot on first thing. I was fixing my breakfast when my phone rang with my grandson Dan and Joe (his God-Father) saying they were at the water tanks asking for further directions (glad I was up that early).

Joe's father purchased a new detector for himself and got a great deal on a second one so he gave that one to Joe. They were "Duck Dynasty" detectors. Even the coil is camouflaged. He better not set it down or he may not be able to find it again.

After getting Joe some help with his new detector, we sent him and Dan out to try it out. After about an hour and a half, they returned with their treasure of some nails, cans, bolts and nuts. At least we know the machine works on some metals!!!

New members, old members, and visitors showed up before brunch. Some ran material through the sluice and panned it out. It was good to see the kids interested in the process. Someone counted 8 kids this weekend.

Brunch at 10 AM. There was plenty of help this time to cook and clean up afterwards. Great food and great company. Thanks to everyone for your help. This is what keeps our outings the best of any club in our area.



**Everybody Gets Their Fill At  
GSSN Outings**



**Panning Out The Concentrates**

After eating, we started to get things ready to pack and go home. With all the help, I was on the road home by 12:30.

Big thank you to Ian (Our "Lame Duck" President) for coordinating our outings and all the work he does. Many outings he doesn't even get a chance to go out and prospect.

We talk after every outing and discuss what we did right and what we did wrong. There aren't many things that go wrong but we try to make the next outing even better. Any input from you would help. If you have any ideas to make the outings or the club better, please let us know. Two or three of us should not have to do all the thinking for the club. It should be a joint effort of all members.

**As always: If You Weren't There  
You Missed Out Big Time!!!!  
George.....**