

Northern Nevada Preppers Meeting 9/7/13

1. Mission Statement: We are a family orientated Preppers group to learn and support each other as we prepare for natural and manmade disasters. We encourage others in becoming self-reliant.

- **Disclaimer:**

This is a family based group supporting a self-reliant life style and we come together in the spirit of cooperation to assist others in being prepared for natural or manmade disasters. This group was developed following the principles and guidelines of the American Preppers Network. We welcome families and individuals who want to learn the skills necessary to prepare for and care for themselves and their families in the event of a disaster or something as simple as a minor issue. We are not a militia. We do not promote anti-government behavior or rhetoric. We do not condone hate groups, taking up arms against American citizens or violating the law. We do not hope for and promote anarchy or the end of the world and apocalyptic events. We welcome families who want to learn to be prepared. We have no other agenda.

2. Introductions and Sign In –

- **Add your name to the email list only if you want to be added to the group's private email messages.**

3. New attendees only if any

- **Who you are? (Be mindful of OpSec and your personal information)**
- **What level of Prepping are you operating at?**
 - How long Prepping?**
 - What kind of Prepper. Short term? Long term? Loss of job? Natural Disaster? Economic Collapse? Societal Collapse? TEOTWAWKI?**
 - What have you completed?**
 - What are you working on?**
- **If you have any special skills or past experience or something you are training in?**
- **If comfortable, include what preps have you made and what items are interested in getting help in?**
 - Food**
 - Water**
 - Medical**
 - Communications**
 - Defense**
 - Mobility?**
 - Bug in location?**
 - Bug out location?**

4. Reading of minutes from prior meeting. (Notes are posted on the file repository site from the last meetings)

- **The last meeting was held at the private residence of our member, Steve Sherman who conducted a lecture and demonstration of solar energy for home. We also had solar devices and examples on hand for people to work with.**
- **Steven Johnson conducted a class on alcohol stoves with many different stoves available to demonstrate and for people to ask questions about.**

5. New business and updates from old business.

- **The Ham Radio Preppers Net is meeting on Wednesday nights at 8PM using the linked repeater system and covers all our general areas. It has been well received and is gaining in popularity.**
- **The personal defense firearms training event has been put together and posted.**
- **Vic Bausell, Co-Leader, Reno Area is moving forward with the planning of a winter camp. We have approximately 15 members wanting to do this. Las Vegas is working on their show if interest as well. Vic is scouting areas at the half-way point.**
- **Preparation updates. *Open discussion item for the group to speak up and participate.***
 - i. **What have you added to your preps that you want to share with the group, i.e. water storage, food items, medical supplies, transportation, shelter, etc?**
 - ii. **What deals did you find, i.e. food deals, storage items, special supply item sales?**
 - iii. **What projects are you working on or do you need help with one?**
 - iv. **What new preps are you starting, i.e. water, food, canning, medical, etc?**
- **Special projects or events being worked on?**
 - i. **We are aware of two members who will need a work party to install manual well pumps as we did at another member's property.**
- **Information sharing; i.e. ideas, skills, purchasing deals, how-to instruction?**
- **APN requests to anyone? Public requests? Media interviews? Meeting sites or new ideas for locations?**

6. Presentation of lecture series -

**Security – Personal, Home and Traveling: A three part series delivered in whole.
Instructor: Frank Freeland, NNPG Co-Leader & Fernley Area Group Leader**

7. Meeting wrap up and conclusion.

- **Does the group want to continue meeting?**
- **The Las Vegas Preppers want to conduct a joint winter camp out. Our poll is still open for those that want to weigh in on this event. Vic Bausell our Co-Leader for the Reno area has took lead on this event and is in the process of organizing this for us.**
- **October will cover reloading ammunition and hopefully a class on self-hypnosis to manage pain.**
- **We will have a defensive shooting class conducted by our Security Expert in September. We also need additional range qualified military and LEO's to serve as Range Safety Officers for the event. We will limit the event to 3 shooters to 1 RSO.**
- **The Fall Camp Out will be October 26th and 27th.**
- **We are still working on the HAM radio nets being produced and made available for playback.**
- **Future meeting training ideas can be posted on the Meetup site under the discussion board. Training ideas are:**
 - i. **Medical – We have not found someone qualified to officially instruct CPR with all the necessary equipment to the group and have not found an outside source that can meet our price-point \$20 per person.**
 - ii. **Weapons – Is everyone CCW licensed and does anyone need a firearms course? If so, we have an NRA licensed instructor who will travel in the area to accommodate instruction.**
 - iii. **Bugging In – Concluded in July. When should we schedule the next one? Possibly a January bugging in drill?**
 - iv. **Security – Scheduled in September. One Lecture, one event.**
 - v. **Canning and Harvesting Events – October and November will have events posted by Jo, Co-Leader, Reno Area.**
 - vi. **Communications – Wednesday nights at 8:00 PM on the SNARS linked repeater system. We are able to cover all of our areas with this system. Please continue to work on gaining your HAM operator licenses. License study course available on line at reasonable cost at: <http://www.hamradiolicenseexam.com/> The HAM radio clubs also have HAM Cram sessions with times being posted on our site.**
 - vii. **Wilderness Survival – Nothing Scheduled.**
 - viii. **EMP Preparation – Nothing planned.**
 - ix. **Pandemic Preparation – Completed in June.**
 - x. **Group assistance – Nothing planned. Due to the size of the group and the intention of giving support to fellow Preppers in the area we will need to start putting together a team that can take lead on developing**

Group Member Emergency Assistance Kits. These would be small kits to be delivered to members in case of localized disasters or emergencies. These kits will contain some food, water, medical, light gear and enough to keep our members going for a couple/few days until they can get on their feet. This can be posted for open discussion on the Meetup Discussion Board. Jerry produced a great starting point list of items.

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