



# TAILINGS

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Organized to foster the development of amateur lapidary and jewelry craftsman, to foster an interest in mineral collecting, to present educational programs designed to improve knowledge, craft skill and to promote public interest in these areas.

Affiliations:

AFMS – American Federation of Mineral Societies [www.amfed.org](http://www.amfed.org)

RMFMS – Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineral Societies [www.rmfmts.org](http://www.rmfmts.org)

ESM -Earth Science Museum [www.earthsciencemuseum.org](http://www.earthsciencemuseum.org)

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America				
Coffee Crew-----	Lianne Birkhold and Robert C. Ervin III-----		Volunteer	
Workshop Manager-----	Steve Dudar-----	201-873-9645-----	Volunteer	
Workshop Foremen -----	Steve Fox, Paul Greminger, Dana Ramsey, Mike Rowe, Jeff Walker, Mark Wenden			

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**ANNUAL DUES**

Individual Membership.....\$ 12.00

Family Membership .....\$ 18.00

(A family consists of people living in your household, at the same address)

Membership dues will be used to fund the Club, to pay for membership in the Rocky Mountain and American Federations. (\$1.50) per adult member and children over 12, and for liability insurance (\$.60 per member)

It's time to pay your 2019 club dues. You may either mail them to the club or pay them at an upcoming meeting. The mailing address is:

Prescott Gem and Mineral Club

PGMC Membership

P.O. Box 3923

Chino Valley, AZ. 86323

Makes checks payable to Prescott Gem and Mineral Club

**Regrettably, the cost of printing and mailing (the newsletters has gone up dramatically in the past few years. To the point that PGMC is forced to raise the cost added to your membership to \$24. If you would like to have the newsletter mailed to you, please add that amount to your annual dues and see Debbie Ramsey. There will be copies of the newsletter available at the meetings for those who wish to pick one up there.**

**Program Meetings: The club meets on the 1st Saturday of the month at 9:30 AM at the Moose Lodge at 6501 E. 6th Street in Prescott Valley, AZ. Lectures, slide shows, guest speakers and videos on a variety of subjects. Board meetings are held at 4:45 PM at the workshop at 430 S. Montezuma Ave. Prescott. Be sure to verify meeting dates and times as occasionally dates and times change. Any questions, call President Colleen Denton at 928-308-3986.**

Future General Meeting Dates:

Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> (NO Meeting, Show)

Sep 7<sup>th</sup>

Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>

Dec 7<sup>th</sup> (Holiday Potluck)

Future Board Meeting Dates:

Aug 21<sup>st</sup>

Sep 18<sup>th</sup>

Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

Nov 13<sup>th</sup>

No BOD Meeting

Anyone planning to attend a board meeting, please call Pres. Colleen Denton, 928-308-3986, to be sure to get on the agenda. Don't forget our **Show and Tell** opportunities. If you have an item or items that you would like to share with the entire club,

**NEW MEMBERS – PRESCOTT GEM and MINERAL CLUB**  
**PGMC sends out a huge welcome to all of our new members!!**

Marie Gallegos \* Peter Cushman \* Michael Fomenko \* Beth Saks \* Baed Schatzman  
& Linda Mast

Here's to many more years of continued rock hounding!!

We roll out the welcome mat to our new members!!

Membership Dues are \$18 for Family. \$12 for Single. Pay by check or cash. Please Contact Debbie Ramsey at debra\_3262hotmail.com or 379-6983 if you have any questions.

**When making payments to Prescott Gem & Mineral Club please make checks out using the complete words. NO ABBREVIATIONS!!!**

BADGES please let Membership know if you are needing a badge. New members are to have attended two or more meetings. Badges are free for new members. Replacements are \$3.50 for Magnetic or \$3.00 for Pin.

- 1. STICKERS are required for all vehicles when going on field trips. Stickers go on the back window top left side. One sticker is free when first joining the club. Replacements are \$1.00 at the meetings. \$2.00 at field trips.

Questions re Membership can be directed to Debbie Ramsey at [debra\\_326@hotmail.com](mailto:debra_326@hotmail.com) or call 928-379-6983.

PLEASE DIRECT ALL CHANGES OR CONCERNS REGARDING INFO THAT GOES INTO THE ROSTER TO MEMBERSHIP. Our wonderful newsletter editor will receive the changes from membership.

Thanks - Debbie Ramsey, Membership Volunteer



## CORRECTION

Prescott Gem and Mineral Club wants to applaud Bianca Bidovska-Miller for stepping up and volunteering to lead the Future Rockhounds of America. We thank you from the bottom of our rock hounding hearts!! There was a little confusion regarding who you actually were, but I think we have it figured out now. Apologies!!

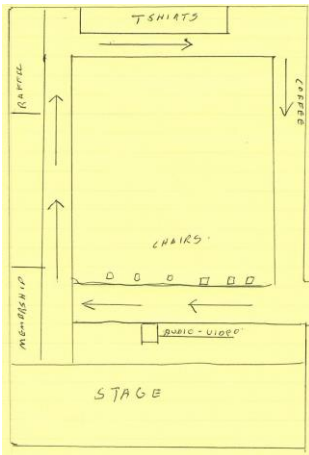
## NEW SIGN IN PROCEDURE AT MEETINGS

Fellow Rockhounds,

Please be advised at the February meeting there will be a new procedure when signing in. Please go directly to the Membership table which has been relocated to the southeast corner of the room to sign in and to pay dues. We are doing this to speed up the process so that the meeting can start on time. The Moose Lodge only gives us a limited time to set up, have the meeting and cleanup and at no cost to the club. Doors open at 9:00 AM please be signed in by 9:30.

See diagram below. Charlotte our greeter will have a copy of the diagram and our independent director will be inside if you need help. Thank you in advance.

Mike Rowe



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## **A WORD OR THREE FROM OUR SHOW CHAIR**

The preparation for the show is going smoothly, Advertising is going great, vendors are excited, volunteers are signed up and anxious to help, **BUT** If you are interested we need extra help in the Geode Section. Friday, Sat & Sun both 9-1 and 1-5 for all 3 days. We really need the help Any day/time would be appreciated. Let me know, or/and Debra Ramsey for any help you can give. This is a fun position . We would be most appreciative. Other than that, all is well and hope to break all records, and keep the title of the "Biggest and Best Show in Northern Arizona" See you all soon.

**Melanie Capps – Show Chair Extraordinaire**

## **VOLUNTEERING AT OUR SHOW**

Volunteers needed for August event at Findlay (whatever it's called ). Volunteering gets you in free for the entire event. Please go to the back of the building and check in with security. If you have not signed up in a particular area but would still like to help and be available your name needs to be put on our Master sign up sheet. This is necessary to get past security.

## **YOU KNOW YOU'RE A ROCKHOUND IF.....**

\*\*\*\*\*You've spent more than ten dollars on a rock.\*\*\*\*\*



### **Sunshine Lady**

If you know of someone that is having surgery, has had a major trauma, is seriously ill or has lost a close loved one, please let me know so that I can send a card from the club.

Our condolences go out to Joan Albrecht on the passing of her husband Bill. He will be missed.

## **FOR SALE (OR WANTED!)**

**Use the column to let other club members know about the great stuff you have regrettably decided to sell. In other words, list whatever equipment or other paraphernalia, rock related only, you have for sale. Send your information to [fluffierox@yahoo.com](mailto:fluffierox@yahoo.com) by NLT the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month for insertion into the newsletter**

Marilyn Campbell 928 499 8284 email [marilyn.b.campbell@gmail.com](mailto:marilyn.b.campbell@gmail.com)

1. Lapidary Dop Station \$25.00
  - Thermostatically controlled pot for melting waxes used for dopping stones.
  - Made of durable plastic.
  - Off-On switch
  - Includes 5 wax sticks
2. Head light and Magnifying Glass \$7.00
  - Hardly used
  - Visor head Loupe
  - Headband magnifier
3. Display Cases with vinyl soft-sided carrying case \$75.00
  - Nylon Web strap handles, side flaps, zippers.
  - 5 sample trays with snap-close view top lids.

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- Trays: 14 1/2" x 8 1/4" x 2 1/4"
4. Used tools, grinding wheels and polishing materials \$25.
- Digging tools
  - Plastic face mask
  - Plastic eye protectors
- Odds and ends of equipment
5. Rock shards




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**A woman living in Prescott has contacted our President and has some home display cases for sale. These are just a few pictures to give you an idea. She is selling them very reasonably. If interested, contact our President Colleen Denton for specifics.**



**Gail Walker - 928-277-0068 or [gawalkeraz@cableone.net](mailto:gawalkeraz@cableone.net)**

**Contributions for the Monthly Raffle**

*We are seeking unique or unusual rocks, specimens and lapidary jewelry for the monthly raffle. Actually, anything*

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*pertaining to rockhounding, such as books, tools, etc. would be appreciated! The more variety we have, the better the participation and buyer gratification. Please label the specimens donated, if possible, with the name of the material and where it was discovered. Thanks!*

Patrick Denton – Raffle/Silent Auction Volunteer



NICK SACCKETTI–VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS

**Up-Coming PGMC PROGRAMS**

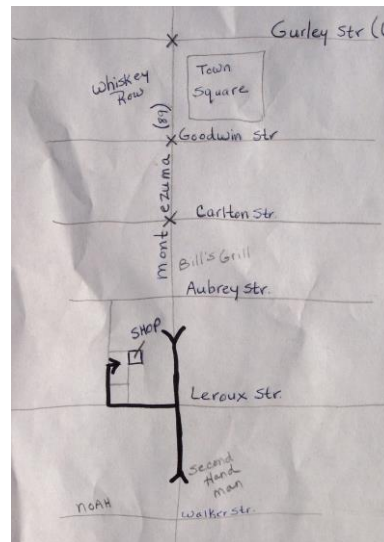
August – SHOW SHOW SHOW!!!

**WORKSHOP HOURS and ADDRESS**

Tues., Wed., Fri., and Sat. from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Tuesday evening by appointment. Contact Dana Ramsey for availability.

**Address:** 430 S. Montezuma (actually on S. Granite), Suite B, Prescott. There is a map on the website and maps will be available at the meeting. Call Steve Dudar 201-873-9645 OR [Stevedudar@hotmail.com](mailto:Stevedudar@hotmail.com) for more information.

Below is a map to help you find the workshop.



Please Note: The workshop will be closed for the weekend of Aug 2-4 because all of you better be at our show; shopping, working or both!!

**FIELD TRIP REPORT**

***YOU MUST BE A PAID UP MEMBER TO GO ON ANY FIELD TRIP, AND HAVE A PGMC STICKER ON YOUR VEHICLE REAR WINDOW!***

***From your field trip guy, Jim Turner;***

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1) Monday, August 5, 2019 for Perkinsville Agate. We will be meeting in Chino Valley just north of Prescott (10 mi) in the Safeway parking lot located at 1031 N. AZ-89, Chino Valley, AZ. We will be meeting at 7:00am and pulling out at 7:30am sharp! The road going out to this site is well maintained. This locale offers great surface collecting of various sizes from tumble material to double fist size rough fine for slabbing and cabbing! It will be August in our Arizona Desert, and we do have a lot of cactus so be sure to wear sturdy jeans, good hiking boots with good ankle support, long sleeve shirt and hats if you are sensitive to the sun. Bring something to snack on and sunscreen and plenty of water. This trip will end at 1:00PM, and is a joint trip with the Rocky Mountain Federation. When finished, you can venture out to Jerome, AZ. It's an old mining town that is a fabulous place to visit with some great restaurants for lunch. There also is the old Gold King Mine & Ghost Town which is a great place to take in some of the old mining history of this great town- there is a fee.

2) On the third Saturday of September (the 21st) will be a trip to the Payson area to find fossils- brachiopods, crinoids, etc. We can also go to Christopher mountain for black and white jasper, peach and white jasper, and you might even find some horn coral! There are many cabins, campgrounds, and distributed forest (free) camping if you want to stay overnight.

3) A joint trip with the Flagstaff Club (Coconino Lapidary Club) is in the works for Luna Blue Agate near Alpine, AZ in October. More information to come on this trip. We will also invite their Club to join us for a trip to lower Burro Creek near Bagdad. We will meet in Nothing, AZ. Camping is available on this trip also.

Happy rockhounding! Jim Turner

**BE SURE AND CHECK OUT THE PRESCOTT GEM AND MINERAL CLUB FACEBOOK PAGE!!**

[https://www.facebook.com/pages/Prescott-Gem-and-Mineral-Club/1634964643402533?ref=aymt\\_homepage\\_panel](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Prescott-Gem-and-Mineral-Club/1634964643402533?ref=aymt_homepage_panel)



### **PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE**

How Excited is Everyone that the show is almost here???? Thank you for all of you who are volunteering at the show this year! It is all of you who suit up and show up that make it such a great success every year and keeps us as the leading contender as the best Gem show in Northern Arizona!!!!!! I am proud of all of you!!!!

If you have registered to attend the Editor's Breakfast or Banquet Dinner at the Prescott Resort for the RMFMS Conference, Registration packets will be available for pick up at the Prescott Resort on Thursday and Friday between 1 - 4pm. If for some reason you cannot get to the Prescott Resort to pick up your packet because you are working the show, Please Contact Colleen Denton or Gail Walker so we can make sure you get what you need before you need it!!!!!! I want to give a Special Shout out to Gail Walker for all of her hard work with helping to organize the RMFMS Conference!!!!

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She has done an Amazing job and I am very Grateful to have been able to work with her on this! Thank you to Les Presmyk as well for handling all the Competitive Case Entries! I am excited to see how all this goes as this will be a new experience for us!!!

Many of you know that Patrick and I have been hosting an Annual "After the Show BBQ" at our home for all the those who Volunteer at the show! This year will be no different! We will be out of town right after the show but I will work on getting those invitations sent out to you all as soon as we return! We are planning on having the BBQ the weekend of September 14th! It is a little later than it has been in the past but it may be a little cooler as well!!!!!!

Some Exciting News! It has been made official that the Junior Rock Hound program will be up and running again as of September! Bianca Bidovska Miller has graciously volunteered to be our new Junior Coordinator! I am Excited to see our Junior families getting involved again!

Final note: For those of you who actually read the minutes will notice that we discussed the membership badges at the July Board Meeting. Please understand that this is a work in progress and we do understand that what was initially decided at that meeting will be revisited and discussed further! We appreciate your patience while we figure out a workable solution that will be best for Everyone in the future!

See you all at the Show!!!!

Colleen Denton

**Note: I would like to remind everyone that when the Presentation portion of our meeting is over, it is still necessary to Adjourn the meeting. I would like to ask that everyone remain seated until the meeting has been Adjourned. It would make it easier for the Secretary who is trying to hear who makes the motion to adjourn and who seconds for the minutes. Thank you for your consideration!**

### **Prescott Gem and Mineral Club, July 6th, 2019 General Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was held at the Moose Lodge, 6501 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Prescott Valley, AZ.

President Colleen Denton called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Denton.

Additional board members in attendance: Nick Sacchetti, Jim Turner, Carolyn Johnson, Mike Rowe, Gail Walker and Linda Loschke. Absent: Deja Jetmir.

Carolyn Johnson gave the Treasurer's Report. Treasurer's Report will be filed.

Nick Sacchetti gave the Programs update. Today's speaker is Anna Domitrovic from the AZ Sonora Desert Museum. Topic is Collecting Minerals Down Under. In 2000 she attended a conference in Australia. Presentation is about a trip to the mines in the Broken Hill District.

Jim Turner gave Field Trips update. Nothing to report. Currently it's too hot for field trips. There is a field trip scheduled for the RMFMS attendees on Monday after the show to the Perkinsville are. Members are also invited to go. Sign up with Jim. Will meet at Safeway in Chino Valley at 7 a.m. with a 7:30 a.m. departure. A memo will be sent out to remind members.

Gail Walker, Club Liaison reminded members to go to the club website and look at the club info. Lots of information there.

Melanie Capps gave an update for the show. Time is short. If you haven't volunteers, please do so today. Debbie has sign up sheets in the hallway. If you decide later, you can call Debbie Ramsey to volunteer. Melanie announced that we will be picking up the items from the container on Tuesday, July 30 from the container. We need 2 additional trucks (which we got, Melanie thanked Gary and Peggy). Items will be taken back to the container on Tuesday, August 6. Melanie reports that Vince is working on the layout for the show and needs to know where to put the RMFMS display cases. Colleen will let Vince know. Ben McNeil and Mike Harris are in charge of table placement. PLEASE DO NOT MOVE THEM ONCE THEY HAVE SET THEM UP. That happened last year and it was a mess to fix. "We're going to be the best show in AZ."

Debbie Ramsey gives the Membership Report: 82 members in attendance. (Quorum established.) No guests. If you're not getting the newsletter, get in touch with Maggi Lieber. Sometimes there is a computer glitch and things

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get dropped. Debbie announces that we no longer have anyone to make badges and no machine either. Board should discuss this at the next meeting.

Mike Rowe, Independent Director has nothing to report. Mike gives an update for the workshop for Steve Dudar. Had 67 hours usage June. He has signup sheet for anyone wanted workshop training.

President Colleen asks if there were any corrections to the June Meeting Minutes published in the July newsletter. Gail Walker makes motion to accept minutes as written; Mike Rowe seconds. Motion passes.

Kathy Myers reminds members of her classes for beading, wire-wrapping and silversmithing. Classes are held at her house and are free for members; you need to provide your own material or purchase from Kathy.

John Munday makes a motion for a break; Robin Albert seconds.. Motion passes.

Meeting takes a break at 9:55 a.m.

Meeting resumes at 10:20 a.m.

Nick Sacchetti introduces Anna Domitrov who gave presentation on Collecting Minerals Down Under. Questions and answers follows. Anna invites member to look at her mineral samples in the back of the room.

John Munday makes motion to adjourn meeting at 10:55; Michael Lynott seconds. Motion passes.

Raffle follows.

Submitted by Linda Loschke

### **Prescott Gem and Mineral Club, - July 17th, 2019 BOD Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was held at the PGMC workshop, 438 Montezuma, Suite B, Prescott, Arizona, and called to order at 4:45 p.m. by President Colleen Denton.

Other officers in attendance were Deja Jetmir, Mike Rowe, Carolyn Johnson, Nick Sacchetti, Linda Loschke, Jim Turner, and Melanie Capps. Gail Walker was absent. Guests Corinna Rowe and Stephanie Allen are in attendance.

Colleen asks if there are any corrections to minutes from June's board meeting. There are no changes. Linda motions for minutes to be approved as written, Nick seconds, the board agrees unanimously to approve minutes as written.

Corinna discusses options for badges for new members and leaves paperwork for the Board to discuss at the end of the meeting. She leaves the meeting.

Nick gives a program update. The rest of the year will be in the newsletter. He discusses some items that he needs for the show next month.

Stephanie discusses some items she is dropping off and leaves the meeting.

Carolyn gives the treasure's report. It will be filed.

Jim gave the field trip update. There are no field trips planned currently. He said there is something in the works for September but it hasn't been worked out yet.

Linda has nothing to report.

Mike suggests to Jim to present snake gaiters to the members at the next meeting for their field trips. Linda says she loves her and they are reasonably priced on Amazon.

Melanie gave a show update. She said she has four sizes for geodes this year. She also ask Nick if he wants a "next show" sign for his booth. The Board discussed the pros and cons of the sign. She tells everyone that the vendors need to pull their name tags out of their packet they receive on Thursday during set up to make sure they can get into the show the following day.

Colleen announces that Bianca Miller will be taking over the Jr. Rockhound program. Mike has asked for a copy of her fingerprint card for the record.

The Board discusses the badge suggestions that Corinna gave at the beginning of the meeting. Colleen motions for the club to purchase paper sticky badges for new members. New members who want to purchase a permanent badge will pay for theirs. Once the list reaches 25 badges (minimum for discount) an order will be placed. Board members or volunteer positions that are listed in the newsletter will receive a free permanent badge. Jim seconds the motion, the motion passes unanimously. With no further business discussed. Deja motions to adjourn, Mike seconds, the Board votes unanimously to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 pm

Submitted by Deja Jetmir, Secretary

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## SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY – 2019

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**2-4—PRESCOTT VALLEY, ARIZONA:** Annual show; Prescott Gem & Mineral Club; Findley Toyota Center, 3201 N. Main; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; Adults \$5, seniors, veterans and students \$4, free admission for children under 12 with a paid adult admission; More than 60 vendors from the Southwestern United States offering rough stones to fine jewelry, demonstrations, displays, fluorescence tent, activities for children; contact Melanie, 3201 N. Main, Findley Toyota Center (formerly PV Event Center), Prescott Valley, AZ 86314, (208) 818-2363; Email: [melaniecapps123@gmail.com](mailto:melaniecapps123@gmail.com); Website: [www.prescottgemmineral.org](http://www.prescottgemmineral.org)

### SEPTEMBER

**20-22—PAYSON, ARIZONA:** Annual show; Payson Rimstones Rock Club Inc.; Event Center Mazatzal Hotel & Casino, Highway 87, Mile Marker 251; Fri. 4-8, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; general admission \$3, free admission for children 12 and under; Vendors offering gems, minerals, fossils, jewelry, slabs, lapidary equipment, tools and equipment, demonstrations, and activities; contact Becky Bagshaw, 8962 W Fossil Creek Rd, Strawberry, AZ 85544-2623, (928) 476-3419; Email: [paysonrimstones@aol.com](mailto:paysonrimstones@aol.com)

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**12-13—SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA:** Annual show; Huachuca Mineral And Gem Club; Cochise College, 901 N. Colombo Ave.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; free; inside and outside vendors, handicapped accessible, free gemstone identification, geode sales and cutting, and activities for children; contact Maudie Bailey, 5036 S. San Carlos Ave., Sierra Vista, AZ 85650, (249) 154-1; Email: [gmbailey@msn.com](mailto:gmbailey@msn.com); Website: [huachucamineralandgemclub@info.com](mailto:huachucamineralandgemclub@info.com)

**19-20—SEDONA, ARIZONA:** Show and sale; Sedona Gem and Mineral Club; Sedona Red Rock High School, Hwy89A and Upper Red Rock Loop Rd.; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$3, free admission for children under 12; contact Bill Schwartz, 75 Sheath Dr, Sedona, AZ 86336, (928) 203-0356; Email: [bschwar13@msn.com](mailto:bschwar13@msn.com); Website: [sedonagemandmineral.org](http://sedonagemandmineral.org)