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
RMFMS – Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineral Societies  www.rmfms.org
ESM – Earth Science Museum  www.earthsicnemuseum.org

**Officers of the Club/Committee Chair Persons/Volunteers**

President--------- Colleen Denton----- 928-308-3986------Term Concludes 2020  BOD Member
VP Programs-------- Nick Sacketti---- 928-379-6848------Term Concludes 2019  BOD Member
VP Field Trips------ Jim Turner .......... 928-308-6535 ------Term Concludes 2020  BOD Member
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Asst. Secretary------ Vacant -------------------Volunteer
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Independent Director--Mike Rowe------- 239-887-1113 ----Term Concludes 2020 BOD Member
Club Liaison-------- Gail Walker------- 277-0068---------Term Concludes 2020 BOD Member
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Greeter------------- Charlotte Picasso  928-632-7781------Volunteer
Sunshine Lady-------Gail Walker-------- 928-277-0068-----Volunteer
Raffles/Silent Auction  Patrick Denton--- 928-308-3986-----Volunteer
                             Kara Erway ------ 928-300-9065-----Volunteer
Web Master---------- Lynne Duncan----- 379-6021--------Volunteer
T-Shirt Sales-------- Doris Edelman----- 928-925-9255------Volunteer
Future Rockhounds of--- Bianca Bidovska-Miller... 310-489-2719 ------ Volunteer
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 ($6.00 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:
Oct 5th
Nov 2nd
Dec 7th (Holiday Potluck)

Future Board Meeting Dates:
Oct 16th
Nov 13th
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!!
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.

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Questions re Membership can be directed to Debbie Ramsey at 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

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

A WORD OR THREE FROM OUR SHOW CHAIR

Show Chair.... still resting

Melanie Capps – Show Chair Extraordinaire

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YOU KNOW YOU’RE A ROCKHOUND IF…..

****You have amethyst in your aquarium.****

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.

Gail Walker - 928-277-0068 or gawalkeraz@cableone.net

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 by NLT the 25th of the month for insertion into the newsletter

WANTED
Would love to purchase a used CabKing 6” Wheels, or a Diamond Pacific Genie Gem Maker, in good used condition (can’t afford any major repairs.....)
Thank you. Lynn & Lynn Squires
squires1973@aol.com Or phone or text message 661-904-4793 "

FOR SALE
Kathy Ruggiero kruggs58@gmail.com
B & I Manufacturing Furlington Gem Maker
Craftsman General Purpose Motor $100.00 or best offer
6” Trim Saw $40  Eileen Chalfoun  (928) 899-1330 or echalfo@prescott.edu

Ricardson’s Ranch Type Geode Polisher
It works great and I have a lot of the grinding and polishing discs. I modified it by making a vacuum stand to suck up the dust. Contact Tim Pinkerton at crystalkid50@gmail.com or by phone at 928-445-0762 or cell at 206-251-8248. Asking $200.00

ROCKY YARD SALE
Rough Rock, equipment and storage sale, all rock has been collected from the last 50 yrs from the collections of Jim Pape and Earl Bolken. Examples are Botswana agate, Blue Lace, Laguna, Ocean Jasper, AZ and Wyoming Petrified wood, Dryhead agate and much more. Free Mesquite turned lamp base with every purchase while supplies last.
Saturday October 26th, 7 am to 2 pm at 7857 East Loos Drive  Prescott Valley.

Contributions for the Monthly Raffle

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

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The program for October's meeting will be historian Jim Turner, who will tell us the history of Prescott prospecting. Jim will bring his usual entertaining style, and will have some of his books with him, including some now out of print, so don't miss this one!

In November, our speaker will be Wayne Ranney, who will be presenting the Geology of the Verde Valley. In December is our Holiday Potluck! Come hungry!!

**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 for more information.

Below is a map to help you find the workshop.

![Map of workshop location](image)

**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!**

We had perfect weather in the forest last Saturday to gather fossils near Payson. The area rang with exclamations of finds by new and longtime members alike. Then a nice picnic and a gathering to talk. Afterwards, some members went on to the rock show in Payson at the casino.

Mark your calendars and call or text Jim Turner to confirm a spot on the trip to the Red Cloud and Geronimo Mines for Saturday, October 19 in conjunction with the R-Team Rockhounds from Tucson, Arizona. The cost is $35.00 per member, per mine- one mine each day. **Children are free- but YOU are responsible for their safety. I must know if you are going by September 30, please.**
We will have first access to new material pulled out, so finds should be really good! We are also getting access to some other areas in the vicinity and those minerals, which were not open in the past. High clearance vehicles are a must, but not 4 wheel drive. Self contained camping is free (no water or other services). Bring your ultraviolet flashlights to look for fluorescent minerals Saturday night!

Happy rockhounding! Please let me know of good sites for the club to go to~ Jim Turner

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


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**PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE**

With the Show over and getting into the 4th quarter of the year, we have Elections to look forward to! Dana Ramsey has volunteered to be our Election Chair Person this year! Thankyou Dana for taking on this responsibility!!!! The positions up for election are: VIP for Programs (Nick Sacckett will be terming out), Secretary (Deja Jetmir will not be running again), and Treasurer (Carolyn Johnson). If you would like to be more involved and Nominate yourself, or you would like to Nominate another for any said position, please notify Dana Ramsey! Remember, if you want to Nominate another person, that person does need to approve of being Nominated!

A short description of Positions:

**VIP for Programs:**
The Vice President for Programs makes arrangements for programs, demonstrations or speakers of subjects of interest to members for each monthly Club General Meeting.

**Secretary:**
The Secretary is responsible for taking minutes at the monthly Club General Meetings and Executive Board Meetings. Maintains all Club minutes and Club Rosters in binders for historical purposes. The last month’s information should be filed at the front of the binder. Records should be kept in separate binders (i.e. a binder for General Meeting Minutes and a binder for Board Meeting Minutes) or in separate divisions in one binder. These binders will be stored in the locked cabinet in the storage container located at the Prescott Rodeo Grounds.

**Treasurer:**
The Treasurer is an elected position and is a member of the Board of Directors. The position is a 2-year term. The Treasurer has the responsibility and authority of PGMC funds, including the receipt and disbursement of those funds. To protect the Club’s funds, the Board reserves the right to assign the responsibility for certain funds to

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Debbie Ramsey asked about how well the club is known. She mentioned her free jewel classes and asked John Munday for more information about them.

Keith spoke about his class at Yavapai College and the families might be traveling. He said the field trip to Perkinsville with the RMFMS went great. September 21 will be a trip to Payson for fossil hunting. Then in October they are planning a trip to the Red Cloud Mine north of Yuma. There is a $25 fee for the mine. Call Jim if you are interested in going.

Gail gave a report on how the conference went with the RMFMS. She said she got to meet a lot of other people and did some good networking. She reminded everyone that they could go on the RMFMS website and look up the other clubs for when members might be traveling. They could join on field trips and such by reaching out to the clubs.

Mike Rowe let everyone know that there are three positions up for election in November. The treasurer, secretary and VP of Programs. The VP of programs has termed out and will need a new volunteer. The secretary will not be seeking reelection and the treasurer is still not sure if they will run again.

Bianca let everyone know that she was having her first Jr. Rockhound meeting today. She would like to get emails for all of the families rather than calling them. She would like to see if the Payson trip will be good for children. She will get with Colleen about it.

Steve Dudar gave the workshop report. He explained how the shop worked for the new members. This last month had 35 hours of use with 16 unique members making up those 35 hours of use.

Keith spoke about his class at Yavapai College and all of the other classes available that the Rock Club scholarship will pay for. See Carolyln for more information about the scholarship. Colleen clarifies that the scholarship only covers the general classes and John Munday clarified that you don’t have to be a member to apply for the scholarship. Kathy Myers stated that her free jewelry classes are ongoing. See her for more information.

Gary Pope notified everyone that Clyde would be at the next meeting to visit with everyone. Max Hatch let everyone know about how well the club is known. He’s heard from people as far as New York that have heard of the PGMC.

Debbie Ramsey gave the member report. There are 107 signed in members and 8 guests. She welcomes new members and guests in attendance.

Melanie gave the show update. She said there was record attendance with 5,731 attendees. She gave the breakdown of all of October 2019.
the different sections of the show. The total gross earnings for the show was $42,061 and net profit was $18,889. She thanked everyone for their help and called Steve Dudar up to present him with a check for all of his help and hard work. Carolyn gave the treasurer’s report and it will be filed. Colleen thanked all the show volunteers and reminded them about the BBQ at her house Sept. 14. She told everyone about using the sticky badges for a couple of months and then the name badges will be revisited. Dana Ramsey motions for break. Jeff Walker seconds. The membership votes unanimously to break at 10:24 a.m. The meeting resumes at 10:42 a.m. and Bob Boyd gives a talk about rockhounding in Utah. After the talk, Colleen asks if there were any corrections to last month’s minutes. Steve Dudar motioned to accept the minutes as written, Linda Loschke seconded, the membership voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written. Steve Fox motions for adjournment. Jim Turner seconds. The membership votes unanimously to adjourn at 11:20 a.m.

Submitted by Deja Rabone, Secretary

**Prescott Gem and Mineral Club, - September 18th, 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 Rabone, Mike Rowe, Carolyn Johnson, Nick Saccketti, Linda Loschke, and Melanie Capps. Gail Walker and Jim Turner were absent. Patrick Denton and Steve Fox were in attendance as guests. Colleen asks if there are any corrections to minutes from August’s board meeting. There are no changes. Linda motions for minutes to be approved as written, Mike seconds, the board agrees unanimously to approve minutes as written. Nick gives a program update. The presenter he purchased worked well at the last meeting. Jim Turner will give a talk in October on the history of prospecting in Prescott. Nick said that no one has approached him yet about taking over the position. Linda has nothing to report. Mike Rowe said he has not heard anything about anyone volunteering to run for the open positions on the Board. The Board discussed what happens if no one volunteers. The Board feels confident that they will have volunteers for all of the positions. Nick made a suggestion about splitting the programs position to an equipment person who sets up at each meeting and the VP of Programs who would be a Board member and coordinate the speakers. Melanie has nothing to report. Carolyn gave the treasurer’s report. It will be filed. She announced that all but one AZ One accounts have been closed. The last one that contains only $5 and Carolyn is not listed on that account, so she has to get one of the Board members who is listed to close it out. Steve Fox made a presentation about purchasing land and building a workshop to use on the land using the Club’s funds. The Board asked questions and made suggestions before bringing it to the membership. The Board asked Steve to spearhead a committee of five people to investigate the possibility of buying land and building on it. At the next meeting, the Board will explain the committee ask for volunteers to join. With no further business discussed. Mike motions to adjourn, Carolyn seconds, the Board votes unanimously to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:19 pm

Submitted by Deja Rabone, Secretary

**SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY – 2019**

**OCTOBER**

4-6—ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO: Annual show; Jay Penn; Expo NM State Fairgrounds, 301 San Pedro Dr. NE, Creative Arts Bldg.; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-5; free admission; 60 dealers offering mineral specimens, rough, slabs, jewelry, cabochons, beads, and fossils; contact Jay Penn, (505) 883-4195; Email: Jaypenn246@gmail.com; Website: [http://abqfallshow.wixsite.com/abq-fall-show](http://abqfallshow.wixsite.com/abq-fall-show)

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11-13—MOAB, UTAH: Annual show; Moab Points & Pebbles; Old Spanish Trails Arena, 3641 S. Highway 191; Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; free; 60th Annual Show, vendors selling items related to lapidary arts, geology, rocks, gemstones, fossils, demonstrations, field trips, and activities for children; contact Jerry Hansen; Email: moabrockclub@live.com


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; Website: 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; Website: sedonagemandmineral.org

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

JANUARY 2020
3, 4, 5—FLAGG GEM AND MINERAL SHOW: Phoenix Areas largest Gem and Mineral Show. About 120 Vendors selling jewelry, gems, beads, fossils, minerals, lapidary supplies and many other things. FREE Parking FREE Admission. Mesa Community College, Dobson Rd. North of the Superstition Freeway (Route 60), Mesa , Arizona. Southwest Parking Lot. www.flaggsshow.info for more information and directions

10-12—GLOBE, ARIZONA: Annual show; Gila County Gem & Mineral Society; Gila County Fairgrounds, 900 Fairgrounds Rd.; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults single $3, adult couples $5, free admission for children and students; Dealers offering various materials, demonstrations, displays, activities for children ; contact Jodi Brewster, PO Box 487, Miami, AZ 85539, (623) 810-9780; Email: jodibrewster66@gmail.com; Website: www.gilagem.org

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