Tailings

November 2019 edition
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Organized to foster the development of amateur lapidary and jewelry craftsmen, 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.rmfps.org
ESM – Earth Science Museum www.earthsicencemuseum.org

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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: Future Board Meeting Dates:
Nov 2nd Nov 13th
Dec 7th (Holiday Potluck) 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_326@hotmail.com or 379-6983 if you have any questions.
Payment of dues are coming up. 2020 dues are for every member, even the new members. Pay early!!!
Avoid the rush. Families are $18 Singles are $12. Checks or cash, no cards.
When making payments to Prescott Gem & Mineral Club please make checks out using the complete words. NO ABBREVIATIONS!!!

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 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

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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

Nothing new...still resting...I'm saving up energy, looking at the 35 vendors on the waiting list...and more coming in....its amazing how this shows reputation is spreading. Farthest one so far is New York. OYE!...keep creating your "awesome" pieces.

Melanie Capps – Show Chair Extraordinaire

YOU KNOW YOU’RE A ROCKHOUND IF.....

***You spend hours and hours in the ugliest room in your house.***
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 regretfully 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

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Trim Saw $40  Eileen Chalfoun  (928) 899-1330 or echalfoun@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

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

NICK SACCKETTI–VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS

Up-Coming PGMC PROGRAMS

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!!

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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.

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!

Wow, the trip to the Red Cloud and Geronimo Mines was a great success! 25 people from PGMC (which included a few from the Payson Club); and the Tucson club added another 10! A big thanks to Pattie Rose for organizing this trip. Remember, we are going again on December 14! We will meet at 8:00 A.M. at the junction of Lake Martineez Road and Red 999Cloud mine road. Google maps will show you how to get there!! It is off the highway 95. Again, there is YUMA WASH to contend with. High clearance, 2 wheel drive is okay. If you missed the last trip, sign up again and join us!! My phone is 928 308-6535, just call or text. All the information is in previous newsletters.

Our November trip (the 3rd Saturday is the 16th) will be to find some seriously nice JASPER, in an abundant area. This is about 16 miles west of Hope, AZ or just 2 miles east of Brenda, AZ in the Bear Hills on route 60. Steve Dudar (who showed me the site) tells me it is high in silica, so it is shiny even before polishing. This should cab very well, the colors include: paisley, moss, red, yellow, and purple- with stripes and clouds. We will meet at 8:00 A.M. at Congress Junction, in the Family Dollar Store parking lot, Route 89 and 71. That is almost the halfway point of the 100+ mile trip. Sign up, this is going to be an awesome day: nice weather and sunshine, easy walking; and, if you want to some hill climbing, you might find selenite, agate, and fluorite up by the lava dam. Need I say bring your camera or phone?

The Lower Burro Creek trip will be in January or February as soon as I can explore that area. Let me know where you want to go, please!

Happy hunting, Jim Turner

Please let me know of good sites for the club to go to- Jim Turner

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November is upon us which means it is Election time!!! The positions up for election are: VIP for Programs (Nick Saccketti 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, we will be accepting further Nominations at the meeting! 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 various members of the Club’s Board of Directors. The Treasurer prepares financial reports for the Club Officers and Members.

We will also be needing a new Volunteer for the Scholarship Committee as Carolyn Johnson will be stepping down from that position!

On a Final Note....The Donation bin for the Holiday Potluck coming in December will be at the meetings between now and December! Donations for the Raffle at the Holiday Potluck are normally Gift Quality and it could be a piece a jewelry that you made, a nice specimen to be added to a collection, a finished Cabochon that you made, some type of Literature pertaining to Gems and Minerals, etc.... If you have not made a donation yet, feel free to bring your item/s to the next few meetings or the day of! The general rule of thumb so that Everyone can receive a Gift is for each person who attends the Potluck, there should be one gift. So, for each "couple," that would mean two...one per person! Let's make this year Extra Special!!!!!!!!

We will see you all at the meeting,
Colleen Denton

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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, October 5th, 2019 General Meeting Minutes

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

Call to order at 9:31 a.m. by President Colleen Denton.

The Pledge of Allegiance is conducted.

Additional board members in attendance were: Nick Saccketti, Deja Rabone, Gail Walker, Jim Turner, and Mike Rowe, and Carolyn Johnson.

Board members absent: Linda Loschke and Melanie Capps

Nick gave the program’s update. Jim Turner will be giving a talk on the History of Gold Prospecting in Prescott. Nick reminds everyone that his term is expiring and asks for a volunteer to run for his position.

Jim Turner gave a field trip update. He stated that the Red Cloud Mine Trip signups were closed and there would be a second trip in December due to the limited amount of people that can be in the mine at one time. He gave info on the upcoming trips and gave tips on items for people to bring with them to the trips. Information on the trips will be sent out as they happen.

Gail reminded everyone to use the RMFMS website when planning trips so members can make contact with other clubs and go on field trips with them.

Mike Rowe has nothing to report.

Dana Ramsey gave the workshop update. There were 101 hours logged by 40 unique members. 18 new members were trained on the machines this past month as well. A total of $200 was collected this past month from just slab cutting alone. They are still waiting on the new machines which are on backorder.

Reminder that elections were next month. Dana asked for volunteers for the three positions that were open. No one volunteered for treasurer or VP of Programs. Denise Blankinship volunteered to run for Secretary and her name will be added to the ballot for next month. Colleen pleaded for the members to volunteer. Max Hatch mentioned that the bylaws tell how to cover open positions. Colleen also noted that Carolyn would like to step down as the lead for the scholarship committee so they will need a volunteer for that as well.

Colleen asked if there were any corrections to last month’s meeting minutes. John Munday motioned to approve the minutes as written. Gail seconded the motion; motioned passed unanimously.

Steve Fox made a presentation regarding his desire to use the Club’s funds to purchase land and build a workshop that the Club will own. The idea was discussed, and it was decided that Steve will head a committee of volunteers to investigate everything that will go into buying, building, running, etc. of the proposed workshop. Dana Ramsey motioned for a committee to be formed to investigate the possibility of building a Club workshop. Gail Walker seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously. Steve will provide an update at the January meeting.

Cathy Myers gave info on her free jewelry making class. Keith talked about his classes available at Yavapai College. Noted that next month begins Spring Semester registration.

Debbie Ramsey gave the member update. 88 members signed in. She welcomed new members and guests.

John Munday motions for break. Mike Rowe seconds. The membership votes unanimously to break at 10:25 a.m.

The meeting resumes and Jim Turner gives a talk.

John Munday motions for adjournment. Mike Rowe seconds. The membership votes unanimously to adjourn at 11:47 a.m.

Submitted by Deja Rabone, Secretary

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Prescott Gem and Mineral Club, - October 16th, 2019 BOD Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held at the PGMC workshop, 438 Montezuma, Suite B, Prescott, Arizona, and called to order at 4:50 p.m. by President Colleen Denton.

Other officers in attendance were Mike Rowe, Carolyn Johnson, Nick Sacckett, Gail Walker, and Jim Turner. Melanie Capps, Linda Loschke and Deja Rabone were absent. Dita Couch and Peggy Vax were in attendance as guests.

Colleen asked if there were any corrections to last month’s Board meeting minutes. Gail motioned to approve the minutes as written. Nick seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Colleen opened the meeting to Peggy and Dita who are both interested in sharing the position of VP of Programs. The Board discussed how to handle two people in one position. They figured one would be primary and have voting abilities and the other would be an alternate for when the primary could not be at a meeting. They expressed their desire to work as a team and not split the duties. Nick said he would help them until they were comfortable.

Nick then gave the programs update. There is one more talk left this year and then in December it will be the Christmas Potluck.

Carolyn gave the treasurer’s report, it will be filed. She mentioned that the AZ One account is now closed. She also stated that at the next month’s Board meeting the budgets will be discussed. Mike Rowe motioned to have all receipts the treasurer receives to be scanned in an electronic archive and then the paper receipts given to the secretary to file in the archives. Jim Turner seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Jim Turner gave the field trip update. He spoke about the Red Cloud Mine trip and gave info on upcoming trips.

Gail Walker gave an update on her attempt at finding a new badge maker for the club. She talked about a few vendors and gave pricing information. The Board discussed. Gail motioned to go with Laser Etched Badges as the provider for the rock club badges. Jim Turner seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Colleen made note that she is still working on the website and is waiting hear back from Lynn Duncan.

Mike would like an announcement before the election for volunteers to join the audit committee which should form in December. It needs at least three members. The Board also discussed the audit procedure. Gail Walker motioned to have Mike reach out to Linda James a CPA to inquire about pricing for a professional audit. Mike Rowe seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Jim Turner relayed a request from Rick Hansen to investigate the possibly sponsoring the athletics at the local high schools. He stated that depending on the level of sponsorship, a banner would be placed on one or more fields for the season. Mike Rowe expressed concern over where the money would be spent that was used for the sponsorship at the school and if it would be in line with the club’s charter. Nick mentioned that you can donate to different causes at the schools and because he volunteers with some of the schools he will reach out and see what other types of sponsorship are available that will be more in line with the charter of the club. Nick will bring his findings back to the Board to discuss and then bring to the membership. Nick also mentioned that he would like to try to get more volunteers to go out to the schools to try to get more members for the club.

The Board discussed the committee that is being formed for the purpose of looking for properties to build a workshop on. They discussed devising a letter with all the requirements to present to the Board for approval to give to the committee to give them guidance on what they should be focusing on. Colleen volunteered to draft the letter to present to the Board. Jim Turner was asked to be the liaison between the committee and the Board, and he agreed.

With no further business to discuss, Mike Rowe made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Gail Walker seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM

Submitted by Deja Rabone, Secretary

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SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY – 2019

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.flagshow.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