



TAILINGS

MAY 2020 EDITION

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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

RMFMS – Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineral Societies www.rmfmts.org

ESM -Earth Science Museum www.earthsciencemuseum.org

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America				
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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 Marlene Sullivan. 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:

Mar 7th, 2020 - CANCELED

Apr 4th, 2020 (Silent Auction) - CANCELED

May 2nd, 2020 - CANCELED

June 6th, 2020 (Spring Fling)

July 11th, 2020

Aug – NO MEETING _ SHOW!!!

Sep 5th, 2020

Oct 3rd, 2020

Nov 7th, 2020

Dec 5th, 2020

Future Board Meeting Dates:

Mar 18th, 2020

Apr 15th, 2020

May 20th, 2020

June 17th, 2020

July 15th, 2020

Aug 19th, 2020

Sep 16th, 2020

Oct 21st, 2020

Nov 18th, 2020

Dec – Date to be announced

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 Marlene Sullivan at 586-855-0305 or marlenesu@hotmail.com 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 about Membership can be directed to Marlene Sullivan at marlenesu@hotmail.com or 586-855-0305

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 – Marlene Sullivan - Membership Volunteer

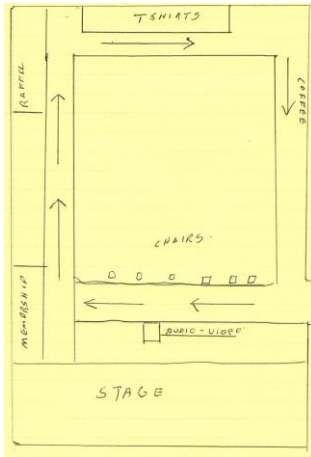
SIGN IN PROCEDURE AT MEETINGS

Fellow Rockhounds,

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 MESSAGE ABOUT A GREAT OFFER FROM ONE OF OUR GENEROUS MEMBERS!

I'd like to start classes again the first week of May, if life is close to being more normal. I'm sanitizing the house, as all of you are. I only have two people at a time taking lessons. Give me a call to make an appointment. I have classes in the morning or afternoon six days a week.

928-533-4689

Thanks, Kathy

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

You still think pet rocks are a pretty neat idea

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A WORD OR THREE FROM OUR SHOW CHAIR

How are you all? It's totally frustrating for me....yes we are having a show....oh no, can't have it. Oh wait, it's back on. We'll know by Friday. Nope. Still can't have it.

Well you can, but maximum attendance can only be 10 people at a time. I am just as frustrated as you all. Not going to fret about it. Won't change anything. Oh well. I will let our "totally in the know" awesome newsletter editor Maggi let you all know if it's a yes or no. Also, the Event Center has to give us the yea or nay. I have until July 1st to 15th to get the answer. So ya all keep a positive attitude and talk to your higher power for what is best

Thank you for understanding and your patience with this unusual situation
Melanie - Show Chair

What I would like is for who wants to help out to email Debra Ramsey (debra_326@hotmail.com)

Let her know what positions you want to volunteer for. The leaders I am assuming will be the same as last year.

If not, we need to know. The show is July 30th (set up) to Aug 2nd. Set up is Thursday, July 30th, 8AM till Noon (Vendors will be allowed in to set-up at Noon)

This is what we need.

Demo's Linda L.

Front Ticket Desk - leader and worker

Identification Table - Nick S.

Raffle Table – Maggi

Bag Sales-Dori

Exhibit Cases-Steve Dudar

Security - Jeff Walker

Kids Area- Colleen

Fluorescent Tent- Nick S

Geodes-Paul Coyne

Set Up and Tear Down- everybody and anybody.

Membership - Marlene/Debra

So please help us out. A lot of vendors have called me saying this is their last chance for a show. Their other shows have been cancelled.

We appreciate any help you can give.

Melanie - Show Chair

208-818-2363

melaniecapps123@gmail.com

this will make it easier to contact me



Sunshine Lady/Federation Liaison

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

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Hope all is well with you and your families.

Because we haven't had a membership meeting, it's important for our members to know that the behind the scenes the board is still operating.

We have filed the State and Federal reporting forms, the insurance is in place and the rent for the shop is being paid.

Hope by July we are back in business and getting ready for the show.

Thanks,

Mike Rowe
Independent Director PG&MC

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

Lapidary Rough Rock Sale

I have a variety of rock including, Mexican, Brazilian, Montana, Botswana, Lake Superior, Queensland agates. Petrified Wood, Picture Rock to name a few. Material is trim saw size up to 14 inch saw size. All are in a large mixed boxes. Each box is \$10 each, weighs approx. 40lbs and are sold as is. I am downsizing because we are moving, so all must go.

Jim Pape 928-308-284

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

WAYNE AUGUSTO – VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS

Up-Coming PGMC PROGRAMS

At this time there are no programs scheduled. Once this health crisis passes and we can return to our day to day lives, we will get programs back on the schedule.

Wayne Augusto
VP of Programs

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WORKSHOP HOURS and ADDRESS

Sorry folks, but the workshop is still closed. I am still checking on the shop twice weekly, all is good. Hopefully we can open **soon** and get back to working on lapidary.

Thanks Steve Dudar

FIELD TRIP REPORT

Wow, what a crazy time in the world. I have been thinking of you ALL and missing our meetings and field trips! I have been doing some high country exploring, looking for 'cool' places; however, sad to say - no field trip for May. Or June either as per usual.

For the future, there is some nice (but not really jewelry quality) malachite and possible azurite not too far from the Drake Cement plant. Also on another trip north of Williamson Valley there is an area of gorgeous pure white quartz, quartz with mica, and even a nice purple quartz. We cannot forget a trip to acquire some beautiful onyx. In the fall, we must go back to the south and west of Prescott for more agate, this time in blues and greens, possibly yellow? (Have to do some slicing to see) We have trips to look forward to!! Please stay safe and healthy, make some jewelry or just polish some stone. Your ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

Jim Turner, VP Field Trips

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

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

**AND DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE CLUB WEB PAGE
WWW.PRESCOTTGEM MINERAL.ORG**

If you have any photos you think would be good for the club website (Field Trips, Special Meetings, Workshop, etc) email them to either Colleen Denton - cwalthew1@msn.com or Gail Walker - gawalkeraz@cableone.net

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PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

I can't believe we are already in May! I don't know about all of you, but I sure am missing all of your beautiful faces and look forward to being able to resume all of our activities hopefully sooner than later! As things stand right now, we will continue with the halt to all club activities. As far as behind the scenes clerical work, the board is still keeping up with necessary business via email and telephone where needed. There may be delays in membership renewal checks and such being deposited, but rest assured that they are being taken care of despite the challenges at this time.

Our Annual Gem Show is still scheduled to happen at this point and we are still needing to secure volunteers to work the show. It would be better to have volunteers in place with the possibility of canceling and not being needed versus waiting to see what happens with the virus and not having the volunteers to work thus not being appropriately prepared for the show. So, please contact Debra Ramsey via email with what area you would like to volunteer in. Any changes or updates about the show status will come via email from Maggi Lieber only!

On a side note: Some of our members received an email with my name mentioned in it this past month that was a scam. It was not sent from my email and my account was not hacked. Be aware that any and all club news or business will come through Maggi Lieber ONLY! If you receive any emails or other correspondence that is not from Maggi, please delete, disregard, DO NOT OPEN it!!!! Ours is not the only club that experienced this. The RMFMS sent out a notice that their was at least one other club that was having the same situation! Pay attention everyone. There are a lot of scammers who will try to take advantage of this time.

Special shout out to Jeff Walker who created a wonderful video showcasing out lapidary workshop! You do such good work! The link to view the video should be available in this newsletter as well as on our website for your viewing pleasure! Thank you Jeff for all of your work!

I hope you are all well and hope you are staying safe! We will see what things look like for June!!!
Many Blessings,
Colleen Denton
President

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 April 2020 - General Meeting Minutes - CANCELED

Submitted by Denise Blankinship, Secretary

Prescott Gem and Mineral Club April 2020 - BOD Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Denise Blankinship, Secretary

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SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY – 2020

At this time no shows are being shown as upcoming. Once we have passed the current health crisis and shows are back on the schedule, they will be listed here.

Thank you for your understanding.