



# TAILINGS

NOVEMBER 2020 EDITION

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 3923, Chino Valley, Arizona 86323

[www.prescottgemmineral.org](http://www.prescottgemmineral.org)

\*\*\*\*\*

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)

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

President-----	Colleen Denton----	928-308-3986-----	Term Concludes 2020	BOD Member
VP Programs-----	Wayne Augusto-----	413-566-8763-----	Term Concludes 2021	BOD Member
VP Field Trips-----	Jim Turner-----	928-308-6535 -----	Term Concludes 2020	BOD Member
Secretary-----	Denise Blankinship----	917-331-4641-----	Term Concludes 2021	BOD Member

Asst. Secretary-----	Lianne Birkhold-----	916-923-0434-----	Volunteer
Treasurer-----	Carolyn Johnson-----	815-207-0081-----	Term Concludes 2021 BOD Member
Independent Director--	Mike Rowe-----	239-887-1113 -----	Term Concludes 2020 BOD Member
Club Liaison-----	Gail Walker-----	277-0068-----	Term Concludes 2020 BOD Member
Past President/Director---	Linda Loschke -----	928-225-6110 -----	Term Concludes 2020 BOD Member
Show Chairman-----	Melanie Capps-----	208-818-2363-----	BOD Member
Newsletter Editor-----	Maggi Lieber-----	520-831-4860-----	Volunteer
Membership-----	Corinna Rowe-----	239-887-1114 -----	Volunteer
Membership Assistant-----	Vacant -----		Volunteer
Photographer/Historian-	Dayle Wilson-----	928-445-9167-----	Volunteer
Scholarships-----	Kara Erway, Elizabeth Wagner, Colleen Denton -----		Volunteers
Educational Liaison----	Nick Sacchetti-----	928-379-6848-----	Volunteer
Hospitality-----	Dayle Wilson-----	928-445-9167-----	Volunteer
Greeter-----	Vacant-----		Volunteer
Sunshine Lady-----	Gail Walker-----	928-277-0068-----	Volunteer
Raffles/Silent Auction-----	Vacant		
	Kara Erway -----	928-300-9065-----	Volunteer
Web Master-----	Colleen Denton & Gail Walker.....		Volunteers
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		

**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)

Membership dues are assessed on a calendar year basis and are due in January each year. 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**

**Our monthly newsletter is emailed to our members. If you would like it physically mailed via USPS, the cost is \$24/year. Any questions on membership, please email Corinna at [ckrowe1@icloud.com](mailto:ckrowe1@icloud.com) or stop by the membership table during the break at our monthly meeting.**

**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:

Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Future Board Meeting Dates:

Nov 18<sup>th</sup>, 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!!**

Gary Howland

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

**UPCOMING PGMC ELECTIONS**

**THE ELECTION IS COMING IN NOVEMBER! THE CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

**PGMC 2020 ELECTIONS**

It's not too late to put your name on the ballot for the 2020 election for the positions listed below. Nominations are open until the November general meeting. You may nominate yourself or someone else (with their approval). **Nominations** should be directed to Linda Loschke, Ph. (928) 225-6110 (text or phone) or email me at [lindaloschke@gmail.com](mailto:lindaloschke@gmail.com).  
**Open Positions for the PGMC November 2020 ELECTION:**

**PRESIDENT** – The President provides overall leadership for the club. With the Executive Board, the President defines and promotes the long-term goals and objectives of the club. The President presides at the monthly general and board meetings.

NOVEMBER 2020

**VICE PRESIDENT for FIELD TRIPS** – The VP for Field Trips is responsible for the planning and coordination of the monthly field trips to collect rocks, minerals and fossils. The VP for Field Trips, or his designated Trip Leader, should be familiar with the collection site and all pertinent rules of collecting at that site.

**INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR** – The primary duty of the Independent Director is to be well versed in the legalities and governance of the club. This includes, but is not limited to, the Club Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, Robert's Rules, 501c3 federal and state status and requirements and nonprofit status and certification with Arizona Corporations Commission.

**CLUB LIAISON** – This position is the liaison to the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies (RMFMS), the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS), local Chambers of Commerce (CofC) and any other club or society. The Club Liaison reads monthly publications of said organizations and reports activities of interest to the board and general members.

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

\*\*\*\*\*You begin wondering what a set of the Mineralogical Record is worth\*\*\*\*\*

### **A MESSAGE FROM ONE OF OUR MEMBERS!**

I started classes again in mid September. I'm still sanitizing and masks can be worn. I teach beading, wire wrapping, and silversmithing and am always up for a challenge. I do not charge for any of my classes, just ask that you reimburse me the cost of any of my supplies that you may use. So, if you're looking for something to do that does not expose you to a lot of people, give me a call.

928-533-4689

Thanks, Kathy

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

Looking forward to see more of you at the next meeting. They are setting up so you can feel safer with the distancing. Important meeting. We will be voting for new officers. Hope to see you there.

Melanie - Show Chair

208-818-2363

[melaniecapps123@gmail.com](mailto: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.

Remember to stay up to date by reading your PGMC Newsletter plus the Newsletters from the AFMS (American Federation of Mineralogic Society) and the RMFMS (Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogic Societies)

**Gail Walker - 928-277-0068 or [gawalkeraz@cableone.net](mailto: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](mailto:fluffierox@yahoo.com) by NLT the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month for insertion into the newsletter**

1.) Ultra Tec V2 faceting machine and Lap wheels. Comes with a custom-made cloth cover and a custom made lap holding box. Laps are as follows:

Crystalite 1200 grit new \$137 ea.

Crystalite 3000 grit new \$137

Crystalite 1000 grit new \$130

Crystalite Last Lap new \$140

Raytech (Dimafast) 1200 grit new \$110

Raytech 1800 grit new \$104

Ultralap 600 grit new \$50

Ultralap 180 grit new \$50

33 clear plastic new \$17

Imperial Diamond 100 grit new \$? (Can't Find)

MD&R 23-1200 Copper new \$? (Can't Find)

MD&R Tin new \$250\* +3 more. \*with this one the one. we found on-line had measurements of 1/2" hole & 1/8" thickness. Ours has a 1/4" hole and 1/4" thickness.

The machine we found on-line sold for \$2,800. We are asking \$3,500 for all. (Will not split set)

2.) Poly Metric OMF concave faceting machine. Practically brand new (only used at most 5 times). Machine came without instructions or tools. New machines cost about \$2300. We are asking \$2000.

We will sell a package deal both machines and laps for \$5000.

Must pick up in Chino Valley. Serious inquiries only.

More information please contact either Crystal @928-925-2221 or Pam @928-636-9188.

Thank you.

---

### Eight Inch Flat Lap with Accessories

Asking \$600

Crystalmaster 8 flat lap with three aluminum laps with Ameritool diamond sanding disks attached (grits: red, 600; blue, 1200 & orange, 3000) all used. Also an eight inch rubber plate that is unused. Also a Crystalite final polish crystalpad 8 inch no hole PSA (pressure sensitive adhesive).

"No hole" refers to the surface of the lap. It is a continuous surface with no hole utilizing a 1/4-20 screw that threads into the flat lap unit.

I will also throw in three six inch aluminum laps of various diamond grit. I have a good number of them, all used, of various grits. All still have life. Take your pick.

- 1/4 hp motor for durability and long life

- Variable speed control 0 – 2000 RPM (grind fast, polish slow)
- Accepts either 1/2” arbor hole or 1/4-20 thread screwback mounted discs or laps
- Flexible and variable water spout - water flow can easily be directed to the cutting area. Water spout can be attached directly to a water source or to an external pump.”

This machine currently retails from Kingsley North for \$1,020.10 for the basic unit, only the machine, and \$1,485 for the complete set, which includes the machine and four aluminum laps with various diamond plates attached and a few other items.

Interested parties are welcome to come and inspect the machine and try it out.

Cash is preferred. Check is okay. If you want to pay by check, you can take deliver once your check clears my bank. No credit cards. If you call, please leave a message if I don't answer.



### **Twelve Inch Slab Saw with Accessories**

Lortone 12 inch slab saw, model No. LS12, with ½ HP motor and MK Gemking saw blade. This is an auto feed slab saw. Asking \$1,000.

The saw has been very well maintained and is in excellent working condition. The saw comes with the original blade I bought with the saw. The blade has worn very little and has considerable life left in it, which will be obvious upon inspection.

In preparation for selling the saw I thoroughly cleaned it. The saw is currently ready for inspection and test cutting.

The saw comes with four gallons of used but clarified and very clean oil and half a gallon of unused oil.

I can deliver the saw to your residence if need be. Transport pretty much requires a pickup truck or a trailer. And the saw must travel without oil in it, which is not a problem. Once purchased, I will remove the oil from the saw for transport.

Filling the saw with oil takes just a few minutes.

Cash would be preferred. If you want to write a check, that's fine. I will accept your check. You can take deliver on the saw once the check clears my bank. No credit cards.

I will deliver this saw as far as Tucson.





If you're interested or have questions, call, text or email Dan Hunt.  
(928) 533-7237  
[danhunt0009@gmail.com](mailto:danhunt0009@gmail.com)

### **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!*

### **Up-Coming PGMC PROGRAMS**

For the PGMC meeting on November 7th, we have Gary Carter back to speak to us about minerals from the country of India. Gary's presentation will include his ideas on building a good mineral collection with tips on how and where to purchase specimens, how to get the best sale prices and details of his personal collection. Gary will be bringing some samples from his collection so this promises to be an interesting and fun time.

### **WAYNE AUGUSTO – VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS**

**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)

NOVEMBER 2020

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](mailto:cwalthew1@msn.com) or Gail Walker - [gawalkeraz@cableone.net](mailto:gawalkeraz@cableone.net)

## WORKSHOP HOURS and ADDRESS

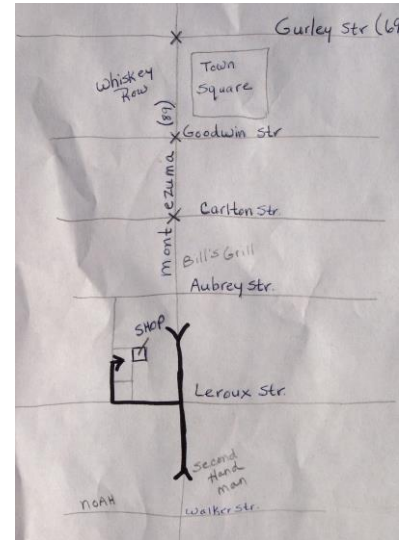
The reservation system for the workshop is still in place.

There are currently **no set shop hours**.

Please email or call Steve Dudar [stevedudar@hotmail.com](mailto:stevedudar@hotmail.com) or 201 873-9645 for a shop time reservation.

I will do my best to accommodate all requests.

Thanks,  
Steve Dudar



## FIELD TRIP REPORT

From your Field Trip Guy;

We had a nice turnout for the Obsidian Adventure in ROCTOBER! 16 people gathered quite a bit of material, in a nice thinned out forest under blue skies. That was followed by a gathering of members, lunch, and some friendly banter and talk.

Our next trip will be with the Sedona Club:

"Prescott Gem and Mineral Club is fully invited to join the Sedona Club for its field trip to Gray Mountain on Saturday, Nov 21st -- here is the meeting scoop":

Date: Saturday, November 21st-- **Meeting Place: McDonalds Parking Lot (next to Safeway parking lot so lots of room) East Flagstaff, Address: 4930 N. US-89, at 10:00 AM. We will depart about 10:15, so please be on time!** (distance from Prescott is about 2 hours) Take I-17 North to I-40 East to Exit 201; cross over the freeway, and turn right on route 89- McDonalds will be on your right, just past the Flagstaff Mall/Safeway.

High clearance vehicles recommended, 4 wheel drive preferred! You'll be driving in rough sandy desert paths for about 10 miles, crossing washes, one way. Bring water, lunch, appropriate hiking shoes, anything you need for desert environment, peak average temps at that altitude for that year range 55-60 degrees, so dress in layers!

Materials found: petrified wood, jasper, moqui balls (iron oxide-sandstone nodules)

See you there

Jim Turner, VP Field Trips.

Your input is requested: **1)** A multiday lower desert camping trip to several shallow open pit mines? Motels are some distance away, but within an hour or so drive. Only after the weather cools. What could be better than a campfire, grilled something, stars in the sky above, an adult beverage, and friends to swap tales of rockhounding? **2)** Fossils? We have some

NOVEMBER 2020

of the best shallow ancient seabed areas here in Arizona. **3)** Some days in southern Utah? Awesome material up there. Again, your Club, your call, 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!***

## Message from your President

Can you believe it is already that time again? Elections are upon us! We have the positions of President, Independent Director, VP of Field Trips, and Liaison up for election this year! We are still following CDC Guidelines which means at this point, we are allowed a maximum of 50 people at the meeting. If this Mandate changes before the meeting allowing us to have more in attendance, you will receive an email notice from Maggi Lieber so please do keep an eye on your inbox between now and the meeting for any important updates. It is very important that we have a Quorum in order to be able to take any vote so **Please Plan** on coming to the meeting and making your voice heard! For more information about this year's elections and nominations, be sure to view the message from Linda Loschke who is serving as our Election Chair this year! Thank you Linda!

\*Note: I included me email address and phone number below for any RSVP for this next meeting!

On a personal note, I am glad to be home from Montana! It was an Amazing experience, though it is always so nice to return home! I have missed you all and look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

Thank you,  
Colleen Denton (President)  
cwalthew1@msn.com  
928-308-3986

**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 3rd, 2020 - General Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: Moose Lodge, 6501 East 6th Street, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314

Additional Board Members in attendance: Wayne Augusto, Jim Turner, Mike Rowe, Linda Loschke, Melanie Capps, Denise Blankinship.

Not in attendance: Gail Walker, Carolyn Johnson.

Meeting called to order by Acting President Jim Turner at 9:30 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Acting President Jim Turner.

Carolyn Johnson, Treasurer Report - Update provided by Jim Turner.

Wayne Augusto, VP of Programs Report - Today's program will be a video on AZ Geology. - Upcoming Programs: Gems of India and others to be scheduled. - NOTE: Please contact Wayne with any Speaker or Program recommendations.

Jim Turner, VP of Field Trips Report - Mingus Mountain trip was very interesting. - The location of the October 17th trip will be determined one week prior, depending upon weather. - Other future trips to be scheduled. See PGMIC website for further information.

NOVEMBER 2020



Gail Walker, Club Liaison Report - no report at this time.

Mike Rowe, Independent Director Report - no report at this time.

Melanie Capps, Show Chair Report - no report at this time.

Steve Dudar, Workshop Manager Report - A new Workshop air conditioner has been installed. - Shop activity: 28 active hours supporting 3 unique people. - Access to the Workshop is scheduled by appointment only. Please see the PGMC Newsletter for contact information.

General Minutes October 3, 2020 - Question: Max Hatch asked if a special raffle should be scheduled given the months General Meetings were not held. The Board will discuss the suggestion. - NOTE: Please donate jewelry cardboard boxes for use in storing rock specimens.

Corrina Rowe, Membership Report - Today's Attendance: 34 members (Quorum established) with 4 guests. 201 total members. - Badges: Please see Membership for ordering. Magnetic badges are the default, but badges with a pin backing can be ordered if needed. -

September General Meeting Minutes approved as written. (John Munday motions, Linda Loschke seconds)

ANNOUNCEMENTS - General Meeting Social Distancing Space: The Moose Lodge has approved our meeting space to be expanded into the back section of the building that is usually closed off.

Board Elections will be held during the November General Meeting for President, VP of Field Trips, Club Liaison and Independent Director. If you are interested in supporting the Club in one of these positions, please contact Linda Loschke. A 10% quorum is required for the Board Election to be held.

NOTE: Volunteers are needed to support Membership and Raffle activities.

NEW BUSINESS / QUESTIONS Junior Rock Hounds: Per the Board, the Junior Rock Hounds program will be disbanded until further notice. Expectations are it will resume sometime in 2021. (Kathy Meyers Motions, Barbara Jones Seconds)

Yavapai College Scholarships: Scholarships for Lapidary 1 and 2 will be disbanded until further notice given that YC is not currently holding classes. Scholarships for geology are still available. (Kathy Meyers Motions, Barbara Jones Seconds)

Question: Does the membership need to vote to approve the 2021 Gem show? Per Mike Rowe, the Toyota Center contract was a multi-year contract and was approved by the membership. As a result, no new vote is required.

Mingus Gem & Mineral Club in Cottonwood: All PGMC members are invited to attend all club meetings. Held on the 1st Thursday at 6PM at the Clarkdale Elks Hall.

General Minutes October 3, 2020 Free Jewelry Classes: Kathy Myers-Keller provides free classes in her home in beading, wire wrapping and silversmithing. Held 7 days a week upon appointment. Supplies are available for purchase. Contact information is located in the PGMC Newsletter.

New Member and Visitor Introductions

Meeting Break at 10:03 am. (Heidi Augusto motions, Linda Loschke seconds) Meeting Resumes at 10:25 am.

Program: Video on AZ Geology Raffle: Held.

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 am. (Heidi Augusto motions, Darcy Carolan seconds)

Submitted by Denise Blankinship, Secretary

## Prescott Gem and Mineral Club October, 2020 - BOD Meeting Minutes

### SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY – 2020

**9-11—BUCKEYE, ARIZONA: CANCELED** Annual show; West Valley Rock & Mineral Club; Buckeye Arena, 802 N 1st St.; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-2; Adults \$3, free admission for children under 13; Outdoor show with vendors selling rocks, gems, jewelry, minerals, fossils, beads, slabs, cabs, gold panning, scavenger hunt and rock painting; contact Lara Serbin, 11442 S Wilson Ln, Goodyear, AZ 85338, (602) 405-2926; Email: [lara@serbinstudio.com](mailto:lara@serbinstudio.com); Website: <http://www.westvalleyrockandmineralclub.com/>

**10-11—SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA:** Show and sale; Huachuca Mineral and Gem Club; Cochise College, 901 N. Colombo Ave.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; free admission; Vendors selling minerals, gemstones, and jewelry, gem identification by a certified gemologist, displays,

NOVEMBER 2020

demonstrations; contact Maudie Bailey, 5036 S. San Carlos Ave, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650, (520) 249-1541; Email: gmbailey@msn.com;  
Website: huachucamineralandgemclub.info

**Editor's Note: One of our past members, Terry Kloke, will be vending at this show and will have about 16 pounds of druzy gem silica chrysocolla from Bagdad AZ from 1965**

**At this time the shows that are listed have not been canceled. However, as the show time gets closer, depending upon current conditions, they may be. So, before traveling to any shows, please confirm that they are indeed still a go.**

**Thank you for your understanding.**