



# 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.rmfmms.org](http://www.rmfmms.org)

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

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Workshop Foremen -----	Steve Fox, Paul Greminger, Dana Ramsey, Mike Rowe, Jeff Walker, Mark Wenden			

2021 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE PAYABLE NOW. Anyone not paid up by March 7 will be removed from the active roster and will no longer receive the newsletter or other club notifications. A big thank you to the 70+ members who have already paid their dues!

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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)

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 Cris Trout at [mrytrout@yahoo.com](mailto:mrytrout@yahoo.com) or stop by the membership table during the break at our monthly meeting.**

**Program Meetings: The club meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 9:30 AM at the Moose Lodge at 6501 E. 6<sup>th</sup> 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 Jim Turner at 928-308-6535.**

Future General Meeting Dates:

Apr 3, 2021

May 1, 2021

June 5, 2021

July 3, 2021

Aug No Meeting SHOW!!

Sep 4, 2021

Oct 2, 2021

Nov 6, 2021

Dec 4, 2021

Future Board Meeting Dates:

Apr 19, 2021

May 17, 2021

June 21, 2021

July 19, 2021

Aug 16, 2021

Sep 20, 2021

Oct 18, 2021

Nov 15, 2021

Dec 14, 2021

Anyone planning to attend a board meeting, please call Pres. Jim Turner 928-308-6535, 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!!

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

\*\*\*\*You put a web page about rocks on the internet\*\*\*\*

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PAST PRESIDENT!**

With it looking like a strong possibility that the show in August will be going on, I would like to put it out there that we will be in need of someone to be in charge of the Kid's Corner as well as plenty of volunteers. I have been doing the Kid's Corner for the past few years and am still unsure I will be here in August for the show. Also, if for some reason I am here, it would be lovely to be able to volunteer in a different capacity this year! Just getting the word out now so you all can have it in your mind!

## A MESSAGE FROM ONE OF OUR MEMBERS!

I am continuing my classes in 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. I'm still sanitizing and masks can be worn.

928-533-4689

Thanks, Kathy

## A WORD OR THREE FROM OUR SHOW CHAIR

It's looking better and better each day. The show is progressing smoothly. The April meeting you will have the Show Cards to pass out to everyone you know and shows you attend.

Also, Debra Ramsey will have the sign-up sheets on the table for you to sign up for your favorite place(s). Be ready for an exciting show with lots of goodies.

Melanie - Show Chair

208-818-2363

[melaniecapps123@gmail.com](mailto:melaniecapps123@gmail.com)

this will make it easier to contact me

## 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

### FLUORESCENT/BLACK LIGHTS FOR SALE

To purchase one of these light contact Bill Freese at [bfreese77@cox.net](mailto:bfreese77@cox.net)

The 5 watt **short-wave** fixtures are \$120 for the basic model kit with ZWB3 glass, two inexpensive protected batteries and a charger and free phosphor sheets.



The **Premium model** kit includes: Hoya glass, two better batteries and free phosphor sheets for \$160

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The long-wave flashlights are \$50 for the 4/2 watt or \$60 for the 6/3 watt



This flashlight is available in two versions: a 6-watt (grey body) version and a 3 watt (black body) version. Both lights use a high quality LG ultraviolet 365nm LED (LEUVA33U70RL00). They are a favorite among fluorescent gem, rock and mineral collectors for their portable size and excellent UV output.

The **S2+ 4-watt (black body)** is driven with forward current of 1050 mA, so the wattage is about 3.8-4, and the radiant flux is approximately 2W. The other 1.8 watts of energy is dissipated as heat.

The **S2+ 6-watt (gray body)** is driven with forward current of 1750 mA, so the wattage is about 6, and the radiant flux is approximately 3W. The other 3 watts of energy is dissipated as heat. This is approximately THREE TIMES the amount of UV as the original Convoy S2+ flashlight that had the Nichia LED. This LED is not only stronger, but more efficient.

The flashlight set comes with two 2,500 - 3,000 mAh Rechargeable Li-ION batteries and a simple-to-use Li-ION smart charger. The charger provides a safe charging rate of around 300 mA. The charger has fold away US style prongs, but it will operate on 100-240 volts AC and 43-63 hertz. It will take an hour or two to top off the battery after occasional use. If mostly discharged, the battery will need to charge for up to 12 hours. While the battery is charging the LED will be red. When the battery is fully charged, the LED turns a solid green and the battery should be removed from the charger.

\$70 for the C8 Convoy with 2 Rechargeable Li-ION batteries and charger



Our Convoy C8+ UV has several important differences from a standard Convoy C8 white light. It is custom-manufactured by Convoy exclusively for sale in the USA by William Gardner/Way Too Cool, LLC, and WTC dealers. This flashlight includes a ZWB2 filter glass pre-installed. It uses a high quality LG ultraviolet 365nm LED, the same one found in our [Convoy S2+ UV flashlights](#). The C8 has a 1500mA buck driver driven at 7.4VDC (when used with two RCR123A/16340 rechargeable batteries OR with two 18650 rechargeable batteries).

Testing shows that the C8 light is slightly more powerful than the Convoy 6/3 offered by Way Too Cool Dealers. This new flashlight appears to be brighter than the 6 watt Convoy S2+ UV flashlight because the reflector is larger and is shaped differently (and there is a larger filter glass). It is able to fluoresce a sample of Greenland fluorescent sodalite at a distance of approximately 80 feet. The light has a 1-3/4" diameter head and a polished reflector that focuses the UV output to an intense, but smooth "spot" with a range of 80 feet for finding specimens up close or quite far away. The intensity of the beam is strong enough to cause fluorescence in materials that do not fluoresce very well under the normal UV A tubes used

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in standard UV lamp fixtures.

#### Handheld UV Flashlight - \$25

Our newest model is an inexpensive unit that can use two different kinds of batteries. The Handheld UV Flashlight will operate with three (3) AAA batteries using the included holder. The light will also operate on a single 18650 lithium rechargeable battery. No batteries normally included.



### 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!*

### CLUB OFFICER/BOD/VOLUNTEER INTRODUCTIONS

#### DAIVD EAGLE – INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR



David Eagle has a Masters degree in Mathematics and a Bachelors in Physics, as well as the world's first degree awarded in Nanotechnology (MS). He has been collecting rocks and minerals all his life. Recently, he has taken more interest in fluorescent rocks, and hopes to expand his collection in this area. David is retired from the computer science world. He started as a programmer at Texas Instruments, and eventually became an independent contractor performing systems analysis. David also enjoys disc golf and karaoke.

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## MELANIE CAPPS – SHOW CHAIR EXTRAORDINAIRE



Born in Seattle Washington to a military family. We moved every 2-3 years. My mom would collect a "rock" from wherever we went, She would tumble it (them) and put into a glass carafe. I still have that carafe and it really brings back memories.

In 2005 I started wire wrapping and have not stopped. I had not dabbled in the lapidary aspect until this year. I let everyone do the hard work, then I would buy the cab and wrap/sell it. Last year I went to Kanab and purchased a few "treasures", brought them home...now what do I do?..

I had Steve Dudar teach me the ins and outs of cutting/polishing/fine tuning the specimens... OK, now I see what you all are excited about.

Start to finish...rewarding experience.



### 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.

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 [gawalkeraz51@gmail.com](mailto:gawalkeraz51@gmail.com)

## Up-Coming PGMC PROGRAMS

We have the silent auction in April so there will be no speaker for this meeting. The presentations will be on temporary hold after April while the board decides how/who/when to compensate speakers for their presentations.

Thank you.

### 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)

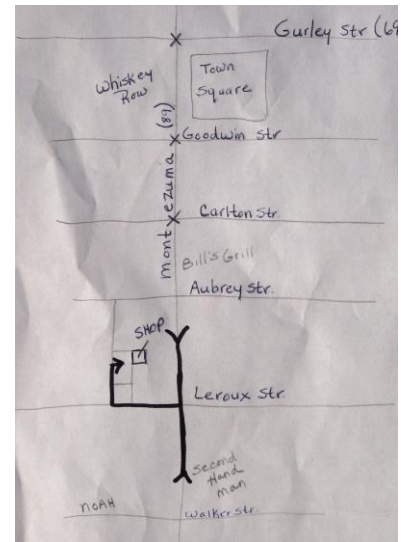
AND DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE CLUB WEB PAGE  
WWW.PRESCOTTGEM MINERAL.ORG

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

## WORKSHOP HOURS and ADDRESS

Until further notice, we will continue with "by request" hours and training. The process for requesting will continue as follows:  
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



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## FIELD TRIP REPORT

On March 20, we had a very successful club field trip to Fossil Creek Rd., where we collected beautiful black agate, flame colored jasper, and botryoidal chalcedony and druzy, mostly lavender colored, but also some pink and white. 30 members joined us in 15 vehicles! We had to do a bit of bushwhacking to get up to the collection area, but everyone made it up there, and from what I gathered, everyone found great specimens and went home happy! After collecting at the Fossil Rd. site, some of us made a side trip to see fumeroles from ancient volcanic action. These were formed when hot volcanic gases rose up through the volcano's cinder cone and hardened the volcanic ash, Then, as millenia passed, the softer volcanic ash eroded away, leaving the dramatic cone-shaped shells of the fumeroles. Holes can be seen where (presumably) hot gases vented from the fumeroles. Quite an amazing sight!



And now for April:

I am planning a field trip to southern Utah, based in the Kanab area.

The dates are Friday, April 16, , April 17, and returning on Sunday, April 18.

The plan is to meet up at the Moose Lodge in Prescott Valley at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, April 16

We will then caravan to Kanab, Utah. This should be about a 5-hour trip.

I will make sure every vehicle has a working radio. This is important on a road trip this long where we can easily get separated.

Once everyone has checked into their motel, or hooked up in their RV campground, we will meet in the parking lot of the Quality Inn at the south end of Kanab on Rte 89.

Then, since folks will be somewhat tired from the 5-hour drive, I have checked with the Moqui Cave Museum, which is on Rte 89 north of Kanab, and they will be open and happy to see us. There are fossils, Indian relics, and in the back of the cave there is an exhibit of fluorescent minerals under black lights.

Saturday will be a day of collection, septarian nodules near Orderville, then petrified wood near Glendale.

On Sunday morning, George and Sharon Lane have been kind enough to offer to show us some gate collection sites near Red Canyon UT.

If we have time, somewhere in this busy schedule, we can take a look at the Pink Coral Sand State Park. It's beautiful and worth a look. Perhaps Friday afternoon or Sunday morning before heading back home to AZ.

I urge anyone interested in this trip to make RV park, campground, or motel reservations soon!

I have had good experiences at the J&J RV Park and at the Quality Inn on the south end of town. There are many other RV parks, campgrounds, and motels to choose from in the Kanab area as well.

I hope to see many of you up there!

If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact me.

Mark Wenden

VP, Field Trip Leader

[wenden1622@gmail.com](mailto:wenden1622@gmail.com)

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

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# A FEW WORDS FROM OUR NEWEST LIFE MEMBERS

We want to thank the Club for giving us Life Memberships at the March meeting. It has been a pleasure working with club members over the years and greatly appreciate this honor.

Paul and Linda Loschke

## *THE PREZ SEZ!!*

Hey, Rockhounds! We are gearing up for the silent auction at this Saturdays' general meeting (no speaker is scheduled) - you will not want to miss this! A big "thank you" must go out to Steve Dudar and Gary Pope for all the work they did in putting labels on the mineral specimens for the auction. If you donate an item of your own for the auction, you may put your name on it if you wish and possibly get a special 'thank you' for your fine work and gift to the Club. You may remain anonymous as well, it is your choice. Some lapidary equipment will be up for your bid as well. There will be no raffle. Doris and Sheldon will have the new (and a very few vintage) hats and T-Shirts ready for you at the back table for this meeting. PLEASE NOTE, our 'Spring Fling' will be during the next months' (May) general meeting instead of June - a yummy in the tummy & fun for all will be accompanied by a special presentation from our very own Denise Blankenship and her Father. 'Christmas in July' is something new for the July 3rd general meeting as we did not have our usual Christmas in 2020 because of COVID. The webpage is going to be updated by a new and very experienced webmaster, who also does the Payson area [rimstonesrockclub.org](http://rimstonesrockclub.org) website. She understands rockhounding websites, security issues, and comes to us highly recommended- so watch for that coming in April. If there is something you want incorporated into the Club site, please contact me with your ideas, and I will run it by the board.

Again, please use the [presidentpgmc2021@gmail.com](mailto:presidentpgmc2021@gmail.com) for email correspondence (I check it daily, and sometimes 3x/day). This email was created to keep Club records. You are of course welcome to call me personally anytime at 928 308-6535 (my phone only takes messages between 9PM to 8AM). COVID restrictions have been relaxed by order of the Governor of Arizona. If you feel comfortable wearing a mask, please do- and come join us for a great auction, coffee and cookies!! See you at the meeting.

Jim Turner - 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 March 6th, 2021 - General Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: Moose Lodge, 6501 East 6th Street, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314 Board Members in attendance: Jim Turner, Wayne Augusto, Mark Wenden, Bob Boyd, David Eagle, Melanie Capps, Colleen Walthew and Denise Blankinship. Not in attendance: Carolyn Johnson Meeting called to order by President Jim Turner at 9:33 am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Lifetime Membership award given to Linda and Paul Loschke for their years of service and contributions to the club. Thank you!!!! Kathy Myers offers classes at her house. Free to all members. Includes Wire Wrapping, Beading and Silversmithing. Materials available for fee.

REPORTS Treasurer Report, Carolyn Johnson - Submitted by Jim Turner - Financial report provided and will be filed. Denise Blankinship confirmed that the 2020 Financial Audit Report is fully completed.

Programs Update, Wayne Augusto. - Today David Eagle will present: "Minerals Used in Radio Metric Dating" April: RFMS State Director Jodi Brewster - May: Clarence and Denise Blankinship will present: "Working Underground in the White Pine Copper Mine - NOTE: Please contact Wayne with any Speaker or Program recommendations.

Field Trip Update, Mark Wenden - March: Will be to the Camp Verde area on Fossil Creek Road for jasper, agate and druzy. A detailed trip email will be provided. - April: Two night trip to Kanab, UT for Septarian Nodules, Agates and Petrified Wood. Club Liaison Report, Bob Boyd - Territorial Days will be on June 12 - 13. The Club will sponsor a booth. - Fall Fest will be on October 3 - 4. The Club will sponsor a booth. The Chamber of Commerce has re-opened and our Club rack cards are loaded.

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The RMFMS / AFMS annual conference will be held in June 17th - 20th in Big Piney, WY. Typically there are daily field trips and other activities. Contact Bob for details. Membership Report, Chris Trout - Today's Attendance: 55 members (Quorum established) including 0 new members and 4 guests. - Badges: Transitioning to using a new Club label machine that will allow the Membership team to create badges as needed. - NOTE: Membership payments are accepted at Club meetings. Otherwise, please pay for dues via a check, mailed to the Club's PO Box. - NOTE: To have a Club name badge ordered, please see Membership. Magnetic badges are the default. If needed, badges with a pin backing can be ordered.

Past President Report, Colleen Walthew - Jim Turner will be attending the RMFMS / AFMS annual conference as a Club delegate. Ideally we need a 2nd delegate. Please consider volunteering to be a delegate and enjoy multiple rock hounding trips. See Jim Turner if interested. Per Jim Turner, would like to setup the Club booth to highlight Arizona specific rocks. For the Show, we will need a Kid's Area Coordinator. Please consider volunteering.

Independent Director Report, David Eagle - Nothing to report at this time.

Show Chairperson Report, Melanie Capps - The Show is on!!!! - Jim Turner is exploring alternatives for collecting entrance fees. Show volunteers will be needed in order to fully support the Show. PLEASE consider volunteering.

Workshop Manager Report, Steve Dudar - Shop Activity: 32 active hours with numerous slab cutting requests. Six new people completed training. - Evaluating equipment alternatives to support Face Polishing. - NOTE: Access to the Workshop is scheduled by appointment only. A 3-hour training session is required prior to using shop facilities. Please see the PGMC Newsletter for scheduling information. - NOTE: Please donate jewelry cardboard boxes for use in storing rock specimens.

OLD BUSINESS - February General Meeting Minutes approved as written. (Dana Ramsey motions, Jeff Walker seconds and the Club approved the motion)

NEW BUSINESS - There will not be any extension of the Club's Annual Dues. They are due as of the today's General Meeting. - Thank you to Corinna and Mike Rowe for their support as Membership Lead and Independent Director. Club founding member, Keith Horst, is a retired Lapidary Arts instructor. Yavapai College will be offering Lapidary II starting March 22nd. Class is limited to 9 seats. Currently there are 2 available seats remaining. Jamie is an awesome Lapidary instructor.

A Silent Auction will be held during the April General Meeting. It will include some Lapidary equipment, rock specimens, jewelry and other items donated for auction. Meeting Break at 10:15 am. (Mike Rowe motions, Debbie Ramsey seconds)

Meeting Resumes at 10:32 am. Program: David Eagle presents: "Minerals Used in Radio Metric Dating" Meeting adjourned at 11:05 am. (Bob Boyd motions, Wayne Augusto seconds)

Raffle: Held

Submitted by Denise Blankinship, Secretary

### **. Prescott Gem and Mineral Club – March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 - BOD Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Location: Moose Lodge, 6501 E 6th St, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314 Board Members in attendance: Jim Turner, Wayne Augusto, Mark Wenden, Melanie Capps, Bob Boyd, David Eagle, Colleen Walthew and Denise Blankinship Not in attendance: Carolyn Johnson Meeting called to order at 4:45 pm February Board Meeting Minutes approved as written with correction of March presentation was done by David Eagle, not Bob Boyd. (Colleen Walthew motions, Mark Wenden seconds, Board approves)

Programs Report, Wayne Augusto - April: No presentation due to silent auction. - May: Clarence and Denise Blankinship on "Working Underground at the White Pine Copper Mine" - June - Spring Fling - July - Jodi Brewster on "RMFMS Meet and Greet"

Treasurer Report, Carolyn Johnson (provided by Jim Turner) - Update provided and will be filed.

Field Trip Report, Mark Wenden - March: Fossil Creek Rd in search of Agate and Jasper with the potential of Druzy inclusions. - April: Two night trip to Kanab, UT for Septarian Nodules, Agates and Petrified Wood. - May: Poland Rd near Mayer for Crystalline Epidote.

Club Liaison Report, Bob Boyd - Potentially able to attend the RFMS conference as the 2nd club delegate. - Insurance Rider(s) ordered for both the Show and Shop. The Club will sponsor a booth for both Territorial Days (June 12 - 13) and Fall Fest (October 2 - 3). Bob will contact Dale Wilson to gain clarity on the process and the available spots for both events. This will be discussed at the next General Meeting. - Chamber of Commerce reported that 540 people looked at our information and 268 clicked to view Club details.

Independent Director Report, David Eagle - Searching for a resource to maintain our Club website.

Show Report, Melanie Capps - Provided past Show records to be filed. - Challenging to combine Rack and Show Cards into a

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single card. As a result, they are remaining separate at this time. - The Show currently has 6 open slots available. Colleen Walthew, Denise Blankinship, and Mark Wenden will assist Melanie in reviewing and selecting vendors.

Past President Report, Colleen Walthew - Nothing to report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS / QUESTIONS - Membership / Liability Form: A Family Membership is required for family members to attend Club Field Trips. In addition, all family members must be named on a signed Club Liability release form. –

Club Cash / Mail Management: Wayne Augusto will pickup mail from the Club's mailbox and deliver to our Club Treasurer. Colleen Walthew will continue to deliver cash (raffle, apparel, etc.) received during the General Meeting to our Club Treasurer. - Checking Account: The Club does not have a credit card. However, anyone having check writing should have a debit card. The Board will review Club banking account access and ensure debit cards are appropriately provided. Club Policy Procedures will be updated to clarify.

Website Maintenance: Jim Turner is searching for a resource to maintain our Club website.

Show Entrance Fee: Jim Turner is evaluating payment options. All options need to ensure that the Club itself is not collecting credit card information.

Club Apparel: All stock is in!! Excess stock will be stored in the Club's storage.

Spring Fling: Historically scheduled for the month of June. Potentially will be moved to May.

Speaker Fees: Need policy alignment regarding Speaker fees. Topic tabled until April Board Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm. (Colleen Walthew motions, Bob Boyd seconds and the Board approves)

Submitted by Denise Blankinship, Secretary

## **SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY – 2021**

### **April 2021**

**7-18—TUCSON, ARIZONA:** Wholesale and retail show; JOGS International Exhibits; Tucson Expo Center, 3750 E Irvington Rd, Tucson, AZ 85714, 650 S Hill St, Suite 513; daily 10-6; Buyers: Free Guests: \$20; JOGS Tucson Gem & Jewelry Show brings together international wholesalers, manufacturers, and designers of jewelry, gem dealers, and stone cutters, showcasing new designs and new ideas. Exhibitors bring the best selection and largest stocks to choose from.; contact Yelena Masenko, 650 S Hill St, Suite 513, Los Angeles, CA 90014, (213) 629-3030; Email: [info@jogsshow.com](mailto:info@jogsshow.com); Website: [jogsshow.com](http://jogsshow.com)

### **June 2021**

**12-13—ESCONDIDO , CALIFORNIA:** Annual show; Palomar Gem and Mineral Club ; California Center for the Arts Escondido , 340 N Escondido Blvd ; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$5; Vendors selling gem and minerals, 30-35 dealers, activities for children ; contact Justin Engelmeyer ; Email: [Justinengelmeyer@gmail.com](mailto:Justinengelmeyer@gmail.com)

**18-20—BIG PINEY, WYOMING:** Annual show; Sublette County Rock Hounds; Sublette County Fairgrounds, 10937 Highway 189; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; Adults \$2, free admission for children; The annual Sublette County Rock Hound's Gem & Mineral Show 2021 is host to the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies and the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies 2021 conventions. View dealers, demonstrations, exhibits, and enjoy field trips and food concessions.; contact Jim Gray; Email: [jimgray@wyoming.com](mailto:jimgray@wyoming.com); Website: <https://rmfms.org/index.php?page=events-club-show>

**At this time the shows that are listed have not yet 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 and also check to see what requirements are in place for attendance.**

**Thank you for your understanding.**

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