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Newsletter of the Capital Mineral Club

NH Sno-Shakers Clubhouse

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Capital Mineral Club News

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The Capital Mineral Club meeting is **Sunday December 12th 2021** at the **Sno-Shaker's** building in **Canterbury, NH.**

Plan is to start arriving around 11:30 to 12:00 for preparation of food.

Editors Note:

The **deadline** to get info to me for publication will be the **3rd Saturday** of every month

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- CMC Website:
www.capitalmineralclub.org
- Website designed and maintained by:
Peter Cram & Steffen Hermanns
- If submitting material to the newsletter the editor requests that it be sent in Microsoft Word format. This will help in getting the newsletter together.

Welcome New Members

No New Members

Mineral Clubs - Meeting Dates

Saco Valley Gem and Mineral Club: 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Tin Mt. Conservation Center, Albany, NH – 7:00 PM

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/398593197423304>

KMC: (in person and Zoom) 1st Saturday of each month at Winchester, NH at the ELM Community Center. 79 NH Rt.119 . It's the big white house set far back from road on east side of road. 7PM the first Sat. of the month. www.keeneminerclub.50webs.com/

North Shore (MA): 3rd Friday of each month, Hamilton Wenham Community House, 284 Bay Rd, South Hamilton, MA – 7:45 PM

Boston Mineral Club: 1st Tuesday of each month, Harvard University Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford St., Cambridge, MA – 7:30 PM www.bostonmineralclub.org

Southeastern NH Mineral Club: 2nd Wednesday of each month, St John's Methodist Church, 28 Cataract Ave., Dover, NH – 7:00 PM senhmineralclub.org

Presidential Gem and Mineral Society: 2nd Friday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Great North Woods Welcome Center, 25 Park Street, Lancaster, NH.

November meeting minutes.



The November meeting of the Capital Mineral Club was held on November 12th, 2021 at the Sno-Shakers Club House in Canterbury, NH. This was the club's annual cookout and mineral auction.

The business meeting was called to order at 1:09 PM with 18 members present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

MOTION TO: Accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter.

By: Richard Orsillo **SECONDED:** Howard Ewing

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 18 in favor – 0 against.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MOTION TO: Accept the treasurers report as read by Crystal Czaja.

By: Don Divers **SECONDED:** Peter Cram

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 18 in favor – 0 against.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trailer – The deposit in the amount of \$3000 was paid and delivery is to be expected in 2-3 weeks. At that time the trailer will be delivered to its site at the Sno-Shaker Clubhouse.

Grant Program – Committee will get ideas to present the membership in future meetings. The committee members are Gordon Jackson, Don Dallaire, and Crystal Czaja.

Field Trips – There will be additional trips to Palermo next year. Please send any other suggestions for trips or coordinating with other clubs for trips to Steffen Hermanns. The new field trip coordinator will be John Walsh. More information will be discussed at our January meeting.

Board Meeting – A Board Meeting will be scheduled for January.

Christmas Party – This will be held Sunday, December 12th, 2021. Volunteers are still needed to help the meal, mineral contest, and Yankee Swap. Heidi Chaney has been sending updated emails weekly with what is needed for the meal and the Yankee Swap. The gift should be around \$10 – 15. The rules will be posted in the newsletter. Gordon Jackson will help Lish Nelson with the mineral contest.

NEW BUSINESS:

Deaths – A long standing member, Tony Howd, passed on October 13th, 2021. He widow, Diane Howd, has donated a small collection of minerals to the club. Ellen Mohnkern is organizing and labeling it all to be used for our June auction and cookout.

The Sno-Shaker Club is having a Taco Night to raise funds, everyone is welcome to stay and enjoy.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

By: Don Dallaire **SECONDED:** Angela Pratt

DISPOSITION: Meeting ended at 4:17 PM

DECEMBER SOCIAL TIME SCHEDULE– THE FUN TIME!

START AT **11:30** to 12:00 as necessary. Two ovens are available.

12:00 to 1:00 Begin organizing, socializing, preparing.

Set up your field collecting, lapidary items prior to 1:00 when voting will begin.

1:00 to 1:30 vote on the collecting and lapidary specimens.

Your votes will be tallied and the winners announced around 3:00.

1:30 to 3:00 begin to Eat (to maintain some order you will be called by your table to get your food).

When you go for dessert and are participating in the Yankee swap, get a gift and ticket.

3:00 to 4:00 Yankee swap

4:00 to 4:30 Clean up, socialize and get ready to leave.

YANKEE SWAP RULES & PROCEDURE

- (1) If you want to participate in the Yankee swap, bring a gift of \$10.00 value or more and wrapped and place it on the table provided..
- (2) **Pick a gift and ticket** after dinner and before dessert. You must put the second ticket in the bucket which will be used to call you to the swap and for the grand prize. (Drawn tickets will be placed in a second bucket for the grand prize drawing).
- (3) When your number is called you will come up. Your gift will **remain unwrapped** until you have completed the Yankee swap process. **Keep your ticket** for the grand prize. And if you are lucky you will be the first person called. It might be helpful to bring a chair unless you would like to stand during the swap process.
- (4) If a person in line has a gift you want --- take it and give them your unopened gift for them to unwrap.
- (5) Proceed to end of line --- no more swapping allowed.
- (6) If you do not swap, go to the end of line and open your gift.
- (7) You **cannot back track** or exchange more than once.
- (8) The person whose **number was chosen first** will have the opportunity to go down the line after everyone has opened their gift and make one swap with anyone as they proceed down the line --- **only one swap**, no backtracking
- (9) At the end of the swap a ticket (hopefully yours) will be drawn for the grand prize.
- (10) **SWAPING SHOULD BE DONE WITH A SMILE, GOOD FUN AND OFTEN!**

26th ANNUAL VINCENT L. VALADE (12/12/21) FIELD COLLECTING & CREATIVE LAPIDARY AWARDS RULES & PROCEDURE

FOUR AWARD CATEGORIES

BEST FIELD COLLECTING

- A. BEST NEW HAMPSHIRE
- B. BEST OUTSIDE NH
- C. BEST OF SHOW

BEST CREATIVE LAPIDARY

- D. BEST FACETED GEM
- E. BEST CABOCHON
- F. BEST OF SHOW

1. Must have been a Club member for the past year.
2. All entries must be self-collected or self-produced within this year.
3. Labeling shall not contain the owners name.
4. Only two entries per person per category.
5. Only Club members present are eligible to vote.

Voting slips will be provided, all entries will have a number.

<p>BALLOT Capital Mineral Club Field Collecting & Creative Lapidary Awards (Pick a number)</p>
<p>BEST FIELD COLLECTING:</p>
<p>A. BEST NEW HAMPSHIRE _____ B. BEST OUTSIDE NH _____ C. BEST OF SHOW _____</p>
<p>BEST CREATIVE LAPIDARY :</p>
<p>D. BEST FACETED GEM _____ E. BEST CABOCHON _____ F. BEST OF SHOW _____</p> <p>(Best of show should be a repeat of one of the above)</p>

Winners for each category will be mentioned in the January news letter. Best of Show winners will be given an award at the January meeting. And their name listed in each December newsletter.



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 WWW.CAPITALMINERALCLUB.

**2022 Club Dues are due, please send your membership dues to:
 Steffen Hermanns, 7133 Oak Hill Road, Loudon, NH 03307
 Make check payable to Capital Mineral Club.
 Dues are \$10.00 per member.**

Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events	Gem & Mineral Shows
<p>DECEMBER 12, 2021 Club Meeting: Holiday Party 11:30AM Refreshments: Speaker:</p>	<p>March 26-27, 2022 Connecticut Valley Mineral Club Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show Hadley, MA</p>
<p>JANUARY 8, 2022 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	
<p>MARCH 12, 2022 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	
<p>APRIL 9, 2022 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	
<p>MAY 14, 2022 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	