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Newsletter of the Capital Mineral Club Concord, New Hampshire

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Capital Mineral Club News

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Editors Note:

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

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The Capital Mineral Club membership meeting will be on Saturday, June 11th at Gordon Jackson's house, 94 Burough Road, Canterbury, NH.

There will be a short Board Meeting and Show Committee meeting at 9:00 AM at Gordon's before the regular meeting.

This will be a selling, bragging & social meeting. We will start around 10 am. Anyone who wishes to bring any related material to Give - Swap - Sell or just Brag can set up.

There should be plenty of space under cover (this is a rain or shine event). Coffee and donuts will be available. Lunch will be provided in part by the Club, Hamburgers, hotdogs, soda, chips, water and condiments.

If you would like something else you will have to bring it. This should be a good social event .

Thank you to the Howds for providing refreshments last month.

2016 Club dues are due, please send your membership renewals to Steffen Hermanns. Make check payable: Capital Mineral Club . Dues are \$10.00 per member.

Welcome New Members

Ben Werth , Erin Osterkamp, Dover, NH
 Jennifer, Matthew, Joshua and Benjamin Vachon, Northwood, NH
 Thomas Tetreault, Manchester, NH

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 www.sacovalleygmc.com

Keene: 1st Saturday of each month at Keene State College, Science Bldg. Room SCIC 126, Keene, NH – 7:00 PM keenemineralclub.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 month at 7: 00 P.M. North Country Education Services Center; 300 Gorham Hill; Gorham, NH



The May meeting of the Capital Mineral Club was held on May 14th at the Salvation Army Building in Concord NH. Meeting began at 2:08. The speaker was Kevin Downey, who gave a talk on Colombian minerals. After the presentation there was a short break and the business meeting began at 3:40. Secretary's report approved, treasurer's report read and approved.

Old business - Charlie talked about the field trip list and said it was getting late and time to make some decisions. There will be a collecting opportunity and a cookout at Jon Herndon's place on June 19th. Jon will be providing the meat for grilling and some soda, and encourages others to bring anything else they would like. There is a possibility of going to Moat Mountain on the 18th. On the 11th is the annual meeting and cookout at Gordon's house. The Gilsum Rock Swap is also in June, so it looks to be a busy month. He will send out an email on all of these. Gordon has volunteered to take people to Moat Mountain, with a maximum of eight people per trip. He is also willing to do more trips in September. The opportunity to buy doughnuts seems to be part of his motivation. Bob says he will lead a couple of groups as well, with no limit on participants.

Discussion followed on the proposed change to the bylaws regarding membership. Frances proposed some wording changes for the sake of clarity. The new phrase would read "Those wishing to become members may fill out an application form and submit said form with the signature (optional) of a club member to the club." Her amendment to the amendment was voted on and accepted. Much discussion followed. Amendment voted on and accepted.

New business - Nominating committee formed. Volunteers needed for auditor, vp and director. Mike C. volunteered for director, Frances for auditor, and nobody for vp. Don mentioned he would like to leave the treasurer's position in a few years, and it is a complicated job. He is working on getting an external auditor who can handle the state report, which is growing increasingly more difficult.

Gordon talked a bit about the scholarship and grant program. He feels he is making progress on knowing what teachers need. Mike mentioned that he was contacted by a mom who loves our website and used it with her kids. She found it educational and helpful. A teacher at our meeting told us that as links are added to our site and it is made as user-friendly as possible, teachers will spread the word about us and begin to use us as a resource. She also recommended reaching out to the homeschool community .

Frances passed around the refreshment signup sheet and mentioned she will be gone for a prolonged period of time, and needs people to sign up. Ellen mentioned she is looking for exhibitors for the show in August, both established exhibitors and also anyone new who might be interested. Her email is tworedbarns@hotmail.com. Tony is working on publicity and needs help with a television promo. Gordon reminded the show committee that there will be a show meeting before the picnic on the 11th. Nine door prizes were drawn, and the meeting adjourned at 4:30.

Respectfully submitted
Ellen Oberkotter
Secretary

The Capital Mineral Club will meet on Saturday, June 11th. We will gather between 9:30-10:00 AM at Pam and Gordon Jackson's home, 94 Borough Road, Canterbury, NH.

Please note there will be no live auction at Gordon's but several Silent Auctions. There will be a short Board Meeting and Show Committee meeting at 9:00 AM at Gordon's before the regular meeting.

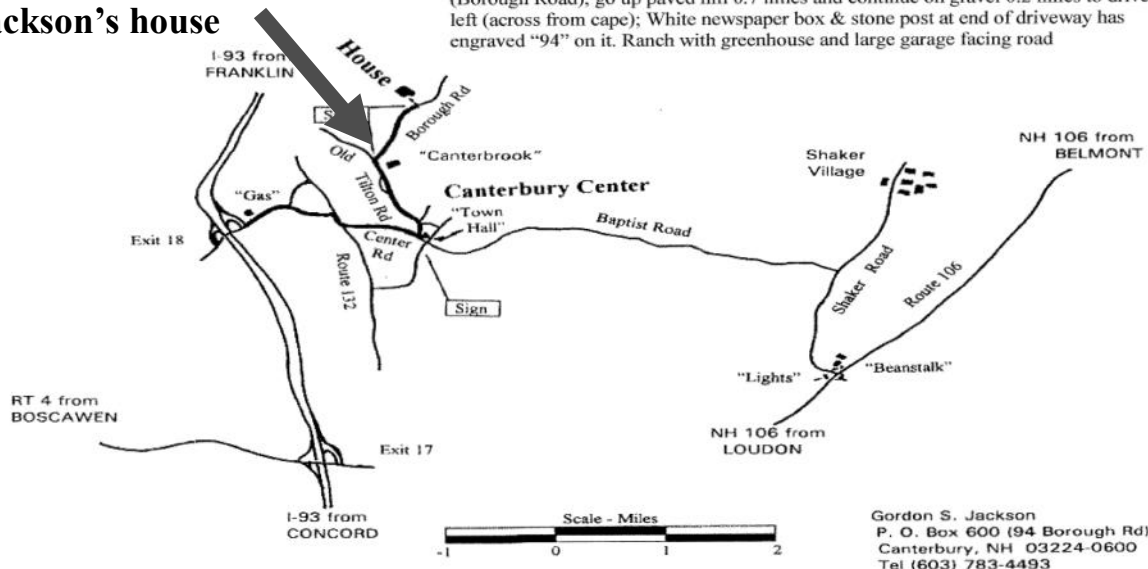
This will be a buying, selling, bragging & social meeting. Anyone who wishes to bring any related material to GIVE – SWAP – SELL or just BRAG can set up. There should be plenty of space under cover (this is a shine or rain event).

Coffee and donuts will be available. There will be a silent auction. The silent auction of about 60 items ending at 11:45am. You must register for a bid number that will be used for both the silent. At the end of the silent auction remove your item and give the slip to the cashier. Remember to be a successful bidder you must win by \$1.00! From 11:45 to around 1:00 pm will be lunch. The Club will have hamburgers, hotdogs, chicken, chips, water and condiments. If you would like something else, bring it. This should be a good social event. At the end we will cash out of the auctions.

Don has been asked to demonstrate how he makes bases for his mineral specimens. There will be a demonstration followed by a do it yourself session afterwards. For those interested bring a specimen you would like to try to make a base for. I would suggest a sturdy specimen for your first try. Fragile specimens need a bit more finesse. The club will provide the materials to do several miniature to small cabinet specimens. If everybody brings a giant specimen we will soon run out of material.

Map to Pam & Gordon Jackson's house

Follow MAP: Take Old Tilton Road from Center (next to Town Hall) go approximately 1.5 miles (about 0.7 miles tar, 0.7 miles gravel) to horse farm (Canterbrook), turn right (Borough Road); go up paved hill 0.7 miles and continue on gravel 0.2 miles to drive on left (across from cape); White newspaper box & stone post at end of driveway has engraved "94" on it. Ranch with greenhouse and large garage facing road



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Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events	Gem & Mineral Shows
<p>March 5, 2016 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: Bill Adams Refreshments: Karla Ruth & Nick Hadshi</p> <p>April 2, 2016 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: Dr. Carl Francis Refreshments: Natalie Undercofler</p> <p>May 14, 2016 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: Kevin Downey Refreshments: The Howds</p> <p>June 11, 2016 Club Meeting: 9:30– 10:00AM Speaker: TBD Refreshments and Hamburg's, Dogs, Condiments, Chips Soda will be provided by the club if you want something else bring it</p>	<p>June 26-27, 2016: Gilsum NH. 52nd annual Gilsum Rock Swap & Mineral Show will be held June 25-26, 2016 RAIN OR SHINE! More than 65 dealers and swappers with gems, jewelry and minerals available for sale or trade.</p> <p>August 13-15, 2016: West Springfield, MA. East Coast Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show, Eastern States Exposition, 10-6 Fri, Sat 10-5 Sun.</p> <p>August 27-28, 2016: Concord, NH: 53rd Annual Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show at Everett Arena, Concord, NH, Sat 9am to 5pm, Sun 10am to 4pm, Contact: Steffen Hermanns steffenh@capitalmineralclub.org</p>