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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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The Capital Mineral Club membership meeting will be on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 PM at the Audubon Society Building on Silk Farm Road in Concord, NH, a board of directors meeting will be held at 12:00 PM before the regular business meeting.

The speaker this month will be Jim Nizamoff he will be giving a presentation on the Para-genesis of Pegmatites. Mineral of the month will be pegmatite minerals.

Refreshments this month will be supplied by Charles Forsberg.

### 2009 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE! MEMBERSHIP RATES:

Adult Single \$10 per year; Family \$15 per year;

Please make checks payable to the "CAPITAL MINERAL CLUB" and submit or mail them to: Steffen Hermanns at the address above. If you have not paid your dues, this will be your last newsletter.

### Editors Note:

The deadline to get info to me for publication will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month

- My e-mail address: [steffenh@comcast.net](mailto:steffenh@comcast.net)
- CMC Website: [www.capitalmineralclub.org](http://www.capitalmineralclub.org)
- Website designed and maintained by: Robin Edgewood-Reece & Steffen Hermanns

We wish to inform you of a Club Field Trip to the Ace of Diamonds in Herkimer, NY on the weekend of June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Club members wishing to attend will need to make their own accommodations in the area, there is camping at the collecting site and various motels around the area. It will also be the members responsibility to get there. The club will pay for the admission fee for each member. The Mount Mica and the Emmons Mine in Maine On July 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> is booked full, further details of overnight arrangements will be discussed at the meeting.

### Slate of Officers for 2010 presented by the nominating committee:

President: Robert Whitmore  
Vice President: Charles Forsberg  
Treasurer: Donald Dallaire  
Secretary: Steffen Hermanns  
Director: Gordon Jackson  
Auditor: Carlos Gristani

### Welcome New Members:

Peter Cristofono-Salem, MA  
Linda Frahm-Salem, MA  
Jim & Kerry Reynolds-Dover, NH

Martin Kippley will be bringing perky boxes and 2x2x 1-3/8 boxes for sale at the May meeting, This is the last chance for them prior to the August show.



A meeting of the Board was held at 12 noon, By-Law changes were reviewed and accepted. Audubon facilities and display cases as well as new display cases for the club show were discussed. June and July Field Trips were discussed. New Membership requests were reviewed and recommended for acceptance.

These are the minutes of the April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009 meeting of the Capital Mineral Club.

The meeting was held at the Audubon Society Building on Silk Farm Road in Concord, New Hampshire. The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by President Robert Whitmore. There were 25 members and 1 guest in attendance.

#### Reports:

- ◆ Bill Burroughs made a motion to accept the Secretary's report of the February meeting, seconded by Gordon Graham; unanimously moved by the membership without amendment.
- ◆ The Treasurer's report was read by Donald Dallaire, Martin Kippley made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read, seconded by Gordon Graham. The Treasurer's Report was approved by the membership.

#### Old Business:

- ◆ By-Laws revision has been finalized and will be presented at the May meeting for member approval. All members will receive an electronic copy by next meeting.
- ◆ Last months meeting was a disaster as we did not have the usual room. This meant that we could not have our presentation as planned. Bob Whitmore has now secured a written contract from the Audubon stating that we will always have our regular meeting room and have our Christmas Party in the Big room.
- ◆ The club is looking for volunteers to help the Audubon set up and maintain the animal display case located in the hallway. Anyone interested should contact Bob Whitmore.
- ◆ Discussion about Kevin Downey possibly doing a joint presentation in the Fall for both Audubon and CMC members.

Scholarship: Since the only applicant this year is no longer at UNH, the Club will retain this years Scholarship and double check with UNH to make sure there are no other applicants.

Field Trips: The July 18th and 19th trip to Maine is pretty much full and overnight arrangement still need to be worked out, currently there are 21 people signed up to go. Steffen Hermanns will be setting up the trip to Herkimer NY for the June 6th weekend. Then a day trip on the first weekend in August to Greens Farm in CT, this is a Garnet collecting site.

#### New Business:

- ◆ Gordon Jackson will have a Club Trailer Prep Party on June 13th from starting at 9:00 am, this is to prepare all of our Show supplies for the August show.
- ◆ Steffen Hermanns has volunteered to be the 2010 Club Show Chairman.
- ◆ A nominating committee was formed to find candidates for next years open officer positions, the committee members are Martin Kippley, Jon Herndon and Scott Higgins. The proposed slate will be presented and voted upon at the May meeting.
- ◆ Martin Kippley Has not found any adequate display cases for the club to use. Jim Tovey brought up off the shelf display cases that could be purchased for a few hundred dollars. There is discussion about just designing our own. Jim and Steffen will research a design that will work for us.
- ◆ Carlos Gristani wanted to know when the club display case contents will be changed out next, this should happen in May.
- ◆ New Membership applications were presented for the following people: Peter Cristofono, Linda Frahm, Jim & Kerry Reynolds. Gordon Jackson made a motion to accept the applicants, seconded by Bill Burroughs so moved by the membership
- ◆ Bob Whitmore brought up that the proposed mining Bill in the senate has been tabled until January of 2010. Bob, Jim Tovey and Andrea Brownell of Ruggles Mine will attend the meeting. Bob and Jim presented and discussed their points of interest and concern over the proposed bill.

Door prize winners: Natalie Undercofler, Pearl Nadeau, Jon Herndon, Anna Wilken, Dana Jewell. Some door prizes were donated by Peter Cram and Mike Undercofler

Monthly program speaker: Unfortunately our speaker Pat Barker was a no show therefore we put on the presentation that was planned for last month. A DVD presentation given by Frank Melanson at the 22nd Annual Rochester Mineral Symposium on Baia Mare, Romania: Its Mines and Minerals. We will look forward to having Pat give here presentation at a later time.

Meeting was adjourned at about 4 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steffen Hermanns  
Secretary

**Capital Mineral Club**  
**Concord, New Hampshire**

The 46<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**Capital Mineral Club**  
**Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Festival**

**Saturday, August 29, 2009**

**9:00AM to 5:00PM**

**Sunday, August 30, 2009**

**9:00AM to 4:00PM**

“Always the weekend before Labor day”

**Adults \$4.00**

**Children 12 and under with parent**  
**Free and given a mineral specimen**

**Everett Arena**  
**15 Loudon Road**  
**Concord, NH**  
**(1500 feet east of exit 14, I-93)**

**Minerals - Crystals - Lapidary**  
**Faceted Gems**  
**Books - Magazines - Fossils - Jewelry**  
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## ADVERTISE THE FESTIVAL

Remember to PASS THE WORD!! Your word is one of the best advertisements we have. Pass out flyers. Talk the Festival up. Talk to your local school. And lastly, come to the Festival. Help for a few hours. Many hands will make the Festival easier for all. Since there won't be a meeting before the Festival, as with our September Festivals, we need to sign up for ticket sales, wholesale sign in & Club table and on Friday set up day or before. I will have sign up sheets e-mailed a week prior to the Festival as a reminder.

There will be about 34 dealers and everything seems to be moving along. Hopefully this year we will have established a permanent dealer layout which will make the task a little easier. This will be our third year at the Everett Arena. I think the Club has done a good job representing itself to the community and hopefully with each passing year our Festival will become even better.

## Club Trailer Work Party

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Saturday, June 13, 2009

Jackson's, 94 Borough Road,  
 Canterbury, NH (783-4493)

This year we plan to install air vents which will require removing the display cases and the electrical system from the trailer. Inspect and repair the display cases if required. Clean the rugs that cover our electrical system and wash and wax the trailer. Work will start at 9:00 am. Hopefully we will have as nice a day as last year and as good a time. The coffee pot will be on - donuts will also appear. We should be done around noon. Bring your own lunch - a grill will be provided. Mustard and ketchup is here. After lunch we can talk - look at - and brag about minerals. Yes, Pam says flowers too.

Gordon Jackson

## Mineral Clubs - Meeting Dates

**Saco Valley Gem and Mineral Club:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at the Tin Mt. Conservation Center, Albany, NH – 7:00 PM  
[www.sacovalleygmc.com](http://www.sacovalleygmc.com)

**Keene:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at Keene State College, Science Bldg. Room SCIC 126, Keene, NH – 7:00 PM  
[keenemineralclub.50webs.com](http://keenemineralclub.50webs.com)

**Nashua:** Last Wednesday of each month at the Nashua Public Library, 2 Court Street, Nashua, NH – 7:00 PM  
[webpages.charter.net/carlosg/Index.htm](http://webpages.charter.net/carlosg/Index.htm)

**North Shore (MA):** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, St. Paul Episcopal Church, Washington St., Peabody, MA – 7:30 PM

**Boston Mineral Club:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, Harvard University Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford St., Cambridge, MA – 7:30 PM  
[www.bostonmineralclub.org](http://www.bostonmineralclub.org)

**Southeastern NH Mineral Club:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, St John's Methodist Church, 28 Cataract Ave., Dover, NH – 7:00 PM  
[senhmineralclub.org](http://senhmineralclub.org)

**Presidential Gem and Mineral Society:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of month at the North Country Education Services Center; 300 Gorham Hill; Gorham, NH – 7:00 PM

**Micromounters of New England:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 170 Old Westford Rd, Chelmsford, MA - 9:00AM; [micromountersofnewengland.org](http://micromountersofnewengland.org)



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**2009 Club Dues are due please send your dues to Steffen Hermanns**

**CAPITAL MINERAL CLUB MEETINGS**

**MAY 2, 2009**

Board of Directors Meeting: **12:00PM**  
Club Meeting: **2:00PM**  
Speaker: Jim Nizamoff  
Para-genesis of Pegmatites  
Refreshments: Charles Forsberg

**JUNE 6, 2009**

**Weekend**  
Field Trip Ace of Diamonds, Herkimer, NY

**JUNE 13 2009**

Show Trailer Prep Party **9:00AM**  
Gordon & Pam Jacksons House

**JULY 18,19, 2009**

**Saturday and Sunday**  
Field Trip Poland Mining Camp  
Mount Mica, Emmons Mine

**AUGUST 1, 2009**

**Weekend**  
Field Trip Greens Farm, Garnets, CT

**SEPTEMBER 5, 2009**

Board of Directors Meeting: **12:00PM**  
Club Meeting **2:00PM**  
Speaker TBA  
Refreshments TBA

**GEM & MINERAL SHOWS**

**May 2 - 3, 46th annual retail and wholesale show; North Shore Rock & Mineral Club; Topsfield Fairgrounds, Coolidge Hall & Trade Bldg., Rte. 1 N. Topsfield, MA; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; contact Joe Weisberg, (781) 861-6653; e-mail: [mw29@verizon.net](mailto:mw29@verizon.net); Web site: [www.nahant.com/nsrnc/](http://www.nahant.com/nsrnc/)**

**May 8 - May 10, Augusta, ME, 20th Annual Maine Mineral Symposium, Senator Inn and Conference Center, Augusta, ME 207-287-7178, contact [woodrow.b.thompson@maine.gov](mailto:woodrow.b.thompson@maine.gov)**

**May 16, Auburn, MA, Micromounters of New England, 2009 Annual Mini Symposium, Guest Speaker Laszlo Horvath presenting Rare Earth Minerals of Mont Saint-Hilaire, Contact Joe Mulvey 603-880-4018 [www.micromountersofnewengland.org](http://www.micromountersofnewengland.org)**

**June 27-28, 2008, Gilsum, NH - 45th Annual Rock Swap. Gilsum Elementary School and Community Center. Robert Mitchell 603-357-9636 [gilsum-rocks@gmail.com](mailto:gilsum-rocks@gmail.com),**

**July 18-19 North Conway NH, 45th Saco Valley Gem & Mineral Club Annual Show! Note new location & date Community Center downtown 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Sunday, Silent Auction Saturday, Dealer information: Bob York, 603 356 4424 e-mail: [quartzhunter@aol.com](mailto:quartzhunter@aol.com)**

**August 29-30, Concord, NH - 46th Annual Gem and Mineral Festival presented by the Capital Mineral Club, Sat. 9 - 5, Sun., 9 - 4, Everett Arena, Concord, NH, Adults - \$4.00, 12 and under free**