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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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- 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.

The Capital Mineral Club membership meeting will be on Saturday, December 4th at 12:00 PM at the Audubon Society Building on Silk Farm Road in Concord, NH.

Thanks to John and Joanne Walsh for bringing refreshments to the November meeting.

Welcome New Club Members

Mary Lou Lavelle, Belmont, NH

Mineral Clubs - Meeting Dates

Saco Valley Gem and Mineral Club: 3rd Thursday 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 SC1C 126, Keene, NH – 7:00 PM
keenemineralclub.50webs.com

Nashua: The Nashua Club is in a period of suspension of many of its traditional activities, but a core group of members plans to continue with some field trips and group participation at the Gilsum Rock Swap.

North Shore (MA): 3rd Friday of each month, St. Paul Episcopal Church, Washington St., Peabody, MA – 7:30 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



These are the minutes of the November 6th, 2010 meeting of the Capital Mineral Club. The meeting was held at the Audubon Society Building on Silk Farm Road in Concord, New Hampshire. Meeting called to order at 1:58 pm by President Charles Forsberg, there were 30 members present, 2 guests Bob Ritchie and his wife Anne. The speaker will do his presentation before the business meeting.

Secretary's report: A motion was made by Don Dallaire to accept the January minutes as posted in the newsletter seconded by John McCrory, the membership passed the motion. With exceptions noted by Charles Forsberg to be corrected.

Treasurers' report: A motion to accept was made by Scott Higgins and seconded by Frances Gill the membership passed the motion.

Correspondence: Email for 2010 Gold and Treasure Show October 16 & 17 2010 Cumberland ME.

Old Business:

Field Trips Bill Brown trip to Alden NY, Jon Herndon Ossipee NH, Gordon Jackson Trip to his properties the Hoyt Hill Mine and the Coleman Mine, Gordon Jackson does the club want to go for a yearly claim at one of the Herkimer diamond locations.

New Business:

January's meeting falls on the 1st motion made by Frances Gill to have the meeting on the following Saturday the 8th seconded by Larry Welker, passed by the membership.

Discussion on Dues structure motion on the floor from Gordon Jackson keep same as has been \$10.00 per person, Kathy Dallaire seconded the motion, passed by the membership.

Delay the presentation of the Budget till the January meeting Scott Higgins made motion Tony Howd seconded motion, passed by the membership.

Donald Dallaire has submitted all the paperwork with the State and we have an extra year to file our financials.

Door Prize donations by Bill Borroughs, John Walsh and Pat Barker

Door Prizes Won By: Anne Ritchie, Mary Lou Lavelle, Jack and Frances Gill, Tony Howd

Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.

Speaker: Bob Ritchie, The making of Spheres.

Respectfully submitted
Steffen Hermanns
Secretary

**Capital Mineral Club
Concord, New Hampshire**

16th ANNUAL VINCENT L. VALADE FIELD COLLECTING & CREATIVE LAPIDARY AWARDS

Eleven Award Categories

BEST FIELD COLLECTING

1. BEST NEW HAMPSHIRE
2. BEST NEW ENGLAND
3. BEST OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND
4. BEST MICROMOUNT
5. **BEST OF SHOW**

BEST CREATIVE LAPIDARY

6. BEST FACETED, SMALL (10mm or less)
7. BEST FACETED, MEDIUM (11mm - 20mm)
8. BEST FACETED, LARGE (21mm or greater)
9. BEST CABOCHON
10. BEST JEWELRY
11. **BEST OF SHOW**

RULES

1. Must have been a **Club member** for the past year to enter.
2. All entries must be **self-collected or self-produced** during the past year. Labeling shall not contain the owners name.
3. Only **three entries** per person per category. However, we encourage you to bring additional pieces to the meeting. For **micromounts** only one entry with collector supplying microscope and light.
4. Only **Club members present** at the award meeting are eligible to enter and vote.

COMMENT

Voting slips will be provided and the entries marked by number and category. Your "best of show" vote will most likely be a repeat of one of your choices. Winners from each category will receive a **Club sweat shirt** and have their **names mentioned** in the January Newsletter. The **Best of Show winners will receive engraved plaques** and a **Club sweat shirt with the year embossed**. The plaques are theirs to keep and display until next year's contest when new winners will be chosen and will keep the plaques until the next contest. This allows a history of winners to develop as the years go by. It is your chance to see the best of this past year and hear the stories behind the finds or creations.

These Awards were set up and started December 1995 by Vince Valade. In 2006, categories 9, cabochon and 10, Jewelry were refined. Starting in 2007 a new category 4, Micromount and category 7 and 8, redefining Best Faceted were added as well as all winners are to receive an engraved label.

Past Winners

BEST OF SHOW FIELD COLLECTING

1995 Vince Valade	Beryl, Golden Beryl Loc.
1996 Steffen Hermanns	Grossular, Eden Mills
1997 Bill & Mary Finney	Beryl, Palermo No. 2
1998 John McCrory	Magnetite, Eden Mills
1999 Ernie Schlichter	Barite, Grand Jct., Colorado
2000 Robert Whitmore	Epidote, Eden Mills
2001 James Tovey	Amethyst Scepter, Hopkinton, RI
2002 Dana Jewell	Fluorapatite, Palermo No. 1
2003 John McCrory	Garnet/ Diopside, Orford, Quebec
2004 James Tovey	Beryl, Tripp Mine, Alstead
2005 Bill Brown	Pyritized Cephalopoda, Alden, NY
2006 Robert York	Calcite in Clam, Ft. Drum, FL
2007 Scott Higgins	Triphylite, Palermo No. 2
2008 James S. Tovey	Calcite, Walworth Quarry, NY
2009 James S. Tovey	Beryl, Tripp Mine, Alstead, NH

BEST OF SHOW CREATIVE LAPIDARY

Bill Brown	23.70 Ct Faceted Bolivian Amethyst
Bill Brown	69.45 Ct Faceted S. American Amethyst
Bill Brown	5.72 Ct Faceted Nigerian Aquamarine
Bill Brown	3.5 Ct Faceted Palermo Gold Beryl (HT)
Bill Brown	22.60 Ct Faceted MtSt Helens Obsidianite
Bill Brown	24.60 Ct Faceted MtSt Helens Obsidianite
Bill Brown	10.30 Ct Faceted Brazilian Citrine
Bill Brown	22.10 Ct. Faceted pink Sapphire
Bill Brown	26.80 Ct Faceted pink Star Sapphire
Brian Bissonette	25.70 Ct Faceted Pink Syn. Garnet
Bill Brown	24.45 Ct Faceted Spider in Obsidianite
Bill Brown	62.65 Ct. Brazilian Quartz with Butterfly
Bill Brown	388.30 Ct. Barion pear cut Smoky, NH
Bill Brown	85.30 Ct. Archimedes cut, Labradorite, MX
James S. Tovey	30.7 Ct. Triangle Concave Cut Smoky Quartz, NH

DECEMBER 4, 2010 YEAR END GET TOGETHER

AUDUBON SOCIETY OF NH BUILDING, 3 SILK FARM ROAD, CONCORD, NH

12:00 - 12:30 **BEGIN**, organize
12:30 - 1:30 **SOCIALIZE**, setup, prepare dinner and relax, have fun!!!!
1:00 - 1:30 **VOTE** on the collecting and Lapidary awards
1:30 - 2:45 **EAT** all the good, and I mean good, food that everyone brings
3:00ish **YANKEE SWAP** - good fun
4:30ish **SOCIALIZE, PICK UP, LEAVE**
DRIVE SAFELY AND HAVE A GOOD HOLIDAY!

BRING DINNER, DESSERT, AND SALAD PLATES; CUP/MUG & SAUCER, UTENSILS, NAPKINS, SALT & PEPPER, POT-LUCK SPECIALTY & SERVING UTENSILS, HOLIDAY CENTER PIECE IF DESIRED. PLASTIC BAG FOR TAKING HOME DIRTY OR WET DISHES ETC. AND A BIG SMILE.

THE YANKEE SWAP Bring a gift of at least \$5.00-\$10.00 value to do with the hobby, gift wrapped. Each participant is given a numbered ticket. You then chose your gift when your number is called. Before you open your gift you can swap with any member called before you. You can not go back to swap your gift once you have passed a person. The first person called, can at the end of the swap, swap with any other. The club adds a mystery gift to a lucky participant. Come and enjoy lots of fun and nice gifts.

DISPLAYS If you can, bring a display of your summers acquisitions. The object is not to show the best, but to stimulate some conversation and make for good socializing. This is separate from the annual "Best Field Collecting Award" & "Best Creative Lapidary Award". Suggested topics might be;

"THINGS I HAVE COLLECTED THIS YEAR"

"THINGS I HAVE CLEANED, TRIMMED FROM THE LAST 10 YEARS"

"ACQUIRED THIS YEAR" "MINERAL OF MT PARADISE"

"MY CHILDHOOD COLLECTION FROM 80 YEARS AGO"

SIGN UP!!!

COME!!!

If you have not signed up for a food item or want to know more about the December meeting you can call Charles Forsberg at (603) 927-4955 or email c_forsberg@conknet.com. Please RSVP if you can. Lets have a good turn out!!

SEE YOU THIS DECEMBER !!!!

NAME	DISH	PHONE NO.	NO. OF
Annette Comeau	Groceries, item (1)		2
Charles Forsberg	Turkey, item (2) + GRAVY		1
Charles Forsberg	Turkey, item (2A)		
Don & Kathy Dallaire	Ham, item (3)		2
Pearl Nadeau	Mashed potato, item (5)		2
Edna Whitmore	Mashed potato, item (5A)		2
Jack & Frances Gill	layered salad & Cranberry sauce		2
Pat Barker	vegetable casserole & a dessert		1
Ellen Oberkotter	couple of pies		1
John & Sharon Walsh	app's (?)		2
Kathy & Larry Welker	Chicken Wings		2
Nancy & Norm Miner	squash casserole & a dessert		2
Gordon & Pam Jackson	?		2

WRITE ON BACK IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED

(1) **GROCERIES:** DRINKS ½ GAL 1% MILK, ½ GAL CHOC MILK, 2 - 2 LITER DIET COKES, 1 - 2 LITER COKE, GAL APPLE CIDER, PINT HALF & HALF (FOR COFFEE), 6 SMALL TUBS MARGARINE, 1 EA TABLE (FOR ROLLS & POTATO), 6 PLASTIC KNIVES FOR MARGARINE, 3 DZ ROLLS (3/4 / PERSON), WITH SOMETHING TO WARM THE ROLLS AND SERVE, 2 CANS JELLIED CRANBERRY SAUCE & SERVING DISH.

(2) **TURKEY:** SIZE OF TURKEY - ½ LB/PERSON, 10 - 12 LBS., SUGGESTION, COOK @ 325⁰, 4 +/- HRS): **STUFFING** (1 LARGE BAG), **GRAVY**, 1 PINT, (ENOUGH FOR 24 PEOPLE).

(2A) **TURKEY:** SIZE OF TURKEY - ½ LB/PERSON, 10 - 12 LBS., SUGGESTION, COOK @ 325⁰, 4 +/- HRS): **STUFFING** (1 LARGE BAG), **GRAVY**, 1 PINT, (ENOUGH FOR 24 PEOPLE).

(3) **HAM:** 1/8 - 1/4 LB/PERSON, SUGGESTION, SLICE INTO 3/8" PIECES (CAN HAVE SLICED AT DELI). REHEAT AT 325⁰ IN PINEAPPLE JUICE AND CLOVES FOR ABOUT ONE HOUR - UNCOVER THE LAST 10 MINUTES.

(4) BILLS FOR ITEMS 1, 2 & 3 SUBMITTED TO CLUB TREASURER FOR REIMBURSEMENT BY ATTACHING RECEIPT TO EXPENSE FORM. IF YOU TAKE ITEMS 1 THRU 5 AND CAN'T MAKE THE MEETING YOU MUST MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE YOUR ITEM FURNISHED.

(5) **MASHED POTATO:** ½ FIST SIZED POTATO PER PERSON, (APPROX 5 LBS FOR 24 PEOPLE).

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(6) ITEMS 1 THRU 5 AMOUNTS ARE ASSUMING APPROXIMATELY 48 PEOPLE.

(7) VEGETABLE AND DESSERT DISHES SHOULD BE ESTIMATED ON SERVING 8 PEOPLE: SUGGESTIONS - SQUASH, PEAS, CARROTS, STRING BEANS; PIES, (APPLE, PUMPKIN, MINCE) BAR COOKIES, FINGER DESSERTS, PICKLES & RELISH, CRANBERRY RELISH, CASSEROLES. OVENS WILL BE HEATED TO KEEP DISHES WARM. WE WILL SERVE AT ABOUT 1:30 PM. FOR THOSE IN THE YANKEE SWAP, BRING GIFT.



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Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events

DECEMBER 4, 2010

Holiday Party: **12:00PM - 4:00PM**

JANUARY 1, 2011

Board of Directors Meeting: **12:00PM**

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**

Speaker: TBD

Refreshments: Gordon & Pam Jackson

FEBRUARY 5, 2011

Board of Directors Meeting: **12:00PM**

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**

Speaker: TBD

Refreshments: John & Frances Gill

MARCH 5, 2011

Board of Directors Meeting: **12:00PM**

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**

Speaker: TBD

Refreshments: Howard & Bea Ewing

APRIL 2, 2011

Board of Directors Meeting: **12:00PM**

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**

Speaker: Matt Fulgram

Refreshments: Pearl Nadeau

Gem & Mineral Shows

March 26-27 2011 --HOLYOKE, MASSACHUSETTS:

Show; Connecticut Valley Mineral Club; Holiday Inn at Ingle-
side, I-91 Exit 15; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; adults \$4, children 12
and under free with adult; minerals, gemstones, jewelry, crys-
tals, beads, fossils, lapidary, demonstrations, exhibits; contact
Lee Champigny, (413) 320-9741; e-mail: pull-
G4fun@verizon.net; Web site: www.cvmineralclub.org

August 27-28 2011 — CONCORD, NH: 48th Annual Gem,

Mineral and Jewelry Festival– Capital Mineral Club, Everett
Arena, Concord, NH, Sat 9am to 5pm, Sun 10am to 4pm,
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