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Newsletter of the Capital Mineral Club

NH Sno-Shakers Clubhouse

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The Capital Mineral Club will meet is **Saturday February 8, 2025** at 11:00am - 12:00pm for the FRA and Mini Miners, 12:00pm for general membership socializing at the NH Sno-Shaker's Clubhouse on 70 Clough Pond Road in Canterbury, NH.

Jon Herndon will be giving an updated presentation on Boulder Hunting in the Ossipee Mountains starting at 1:00pm. Bring your best Ossipee Specimens. The regular Business meeting will shortly follow the presentation.

Members are encouraged to bring side dishes and deserts. Feel free to bring your favorite beverages.

Thank you to those who supplied refreshments at the last meeting.

Welcome New Members

Autumn Chase - Franklin, NH, Curtis, Krystal & James Denison - Milford, NH
Laura Kellier - Concord, NH, Peter Newbern - Newbury, NH
Brian & Peggy Pride - Belmont, NH, Kenneth & Miriam Simmons - Northfield, NH,
Esther Walker - West Lebanon, NH

2025 Club Dues were due by Jan 1, 2025, 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.

Editors Note:

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

- My e-mail address: steffenh@comcast.net
- CMC Website: www.capitalmineralclub.org
- CMC Facebook: [Capital Mineral Club](#)
- 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.

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: MC2 Charter School, 310 Marlborough St. #115, Keene, NH. 1st Sunday, Oct through May, 1:30 pm, (September meeting is a potluck picnic.) (Door on right side of bldg. Do not park in the vacant lot next door. Vehicles apparently are towed, including Sunday.

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.



The January meeting of the Capital Mineral Club was cancelled in honor to the recent passing of our long time club member and founder Robert Whitmore whose visitation was held on the same day as our regular meeting. Below is his Obituary.



Robert W. Whitmore of Weare New Hampshire passed away on December 23rd, 2024. Born on October 20th, 1936, the son of William and Margaret (Lange) Whitmore. Leaving behind Edna, his wife of 66 years. Also leaving behind his 3 children Linda, Michael, and Carol, his 2 grandchildren, and his 3 great grandchildren.

Robert worked at Foster Grant, Hussy Molding, and Batesville Casket Company doing maintenance and electrical. Robert owned and operated The Palermo Mines, discovering 6 new minerals or occurrences having one named Whitmoreite in his honor.

Robert also had two books. One was named The Pegmatite Mines known as Palermo and the other Gems and Journeys stories of Bob Whitmore. Robert enjoyed traveling as much as possible. Some destinations were Madagascar, France, Germany, Myanmar, Egypt, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Brazil, Argentina, Chili, China, Morocco, Namibia, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and Alaska.

Calling hours will be held at the French and Rising Funeral Home 17 South Mast Street Goffstown New Hampshire 03045 on Saturday January 11th from 1:00pm – 4:00pm. In lieu of flowers please send donations to a charity of your choice. The family will have a celebration of life at a later date.

February 8th 2025, 11:00am Youth Programs
Capital Mineral Club, NH Sno-Shakers Clubhouse
70 Clough Pond Road
Canterbury, NH 03224

February Meeting
FRA ages 9-15:

This month, we will be exploring Maps and Computer Resources.

Mini Miners ages 5-8:

This Month, we will be talking about Gemstones and Bling.

Any Questions
FRACapMin@gmail.com

For more information on the FRA program please visit the following website

<https://www.juniors.amfed.org/home>



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Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events	Gem & Mineral Shows
<p>February 8th, 2025 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Speaker: Jon Herndon, Boulder Hunting in the Ossipee Mountians</p>	<p>March 8-9, 2025 53rd Meridan Gem Show Francis T. Maloney High School, 121 Gravel Street, Meriden, CT Website</p>
<p>March 8th, 2025 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Speaker: TBD</p>	<p>March 22-23, 2025 Connecticut Valley Mineral Club 1599 Memorial Dr., Chicopee, MA Website</p>
<p>April 12th, 2025 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Speaker: TBD</p>	
<p>May 10th, 2025 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Speaker: TBD</p>	