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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 will meet is **Saturday June 8, 2024** at 11:00 at the NH Sno-Shaker's Clubhouse on 70 Clough Pond Road in Canterbury, NH.

Cookout at clubhouse Saturday June 8th starting at 11am Steffen will send out food preference email so we can get an accurate account of how much food to get, the club will provide burgers, dogs, chicken and water.

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

Deb Marcou, Dunbarton, NH
Allan Kauders, Alstead, NH
Eric Bozoian, Nashua

**2024 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.**

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
- 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.

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.

May meeting minutes



The May meeting of the Capital Mineral Club was held on May 11th, 2024 at the ShoShakers Club House in Canterbury, NH.

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 PM by President Kathleen Welker with 24 members present.

A presentation was given to the membership by Don Dallaire on "New Mexico Mineral Symposium".

The business meeting was called to order at 2:033 PM by President Kathleen Welker with 24 members present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

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

By: Heidi Chaney **SECONDED:** Jim Young

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 24 in favor – 0 against.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MOTION TO: Accept budget for the year as presented by Crystal Czaja.

By: Mike Cordero **SECONDED:** Jim Young

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 24 in favor – 0 against.

OLD BUSINESS:

Palermo Trip: As the conditions the day of the trip were raw and a bit rough, there has been a make-up date of May 12th, 2024.

Club Trailer – Progress is still being made. They are purchasing additional internal siding and rafter studs to better support the roof. Plans are to have it completed by the show in August.

NEW BUSINESS:

T-shirts for Annual Mineral Show – If anyone has any thoughts on t-shirts to sell at the show, please forward them to Steffen Hermanns. He will put them together and preset them at the June meeting for discussion.

June Cookout – We will begin set up at 12 PM. There will be no meetings for either group, but the FRA will receive the badges they have earned. The club will supply the proteins and we ask the membership to bring accompanying dishes. Please reply to the email that Steffen will send out so we know how much protein to get and what dishes you are bringing.

Show Announcements - The Annual Gilsum Rock Swap will be the weekend of June 22nd – 23rd, 2024.

Field Trips:

Heidi Chaney will send the field trip email to Steffen Hermanns and he will forward to the membership. Please reply to Heidi Chaney and not Steffen Hermanns.

If you are not getting the newsletter or an email from Heidi Chaney, please let Steffen Hermanns know.

MOTION TO: To spend up to \$50 and purchase a First Aid Kit for the trip leader to carry on trips.

By: Heidi Chaney **SECONDED:** Mike Cordero

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 24 in favor – 0 against.

MOTION TO: As the Hayes Ledge trip total cost is \$225 for the first 25 attendees request the club to front the funds until Heidi Chaney collects funds from the attendees.

MOTION AMMENDED: To have the club pay for the trip.

By: Heidi Chaney **AMENDED:** Don Dallaire **SECONDED:** Doug Peck

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 24 in favor – 0 against.

Confirmed trips:

Tripp Mine - 6/22. 10 minimum or we have to cancel.

Hayes Ledge - 7/13 - Some will stay overnight and visit the Maine Mineral Museum on 7/14.

Planned but not yet confirmed:

Consolidated Mine - 8/4

Mt Mica - 9/8

Ruggles Mine - 10/6

There is a possibility for a trip next year to either the Natural Science Museum or Yale, the board will continue discussions.

Children's Program – Future Rockhounds of America, there were 5 FRA attendees who learned about micro mounting. Each mounted 5 micros and went home with supplies to do more on their own.

Mini Miners, there were 4 attendees and they worked on the joint show exhibit with the FRA members.

All went home with new specimens.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

DISPOSITION: Meeting ended at 2:34 PM



June 8, 2024 **12:00pm* – Youth Programs**
Capital Mineral Club, Sno-Shakers Clubhouse
70 Clough Pond Rd, Canterbury NH

June Meeting – badge presentations at the club picnic

Ages 9-15 Future Rockhounds of America

Time to celebrate! Many of the Future Rockhounds will receive the badges they earned through their hard work over the last few months. Presentation will occur during the club picnic.

Ages 5-8 Mini Miners. Note the later start time.

Please bring the specimens you wish to enter into the group exhibit and come join the picnic!

Questions: FRACapMin@gmail.com

Board of Directors minutes

The April meeting of the Capital Mineral Club Board was held on May 11th, 2024 at the Sno-Shakers Club House in Canterbury, NH.

The meeting was called to order at 11:02 AM with the following members:

Kathryn Welker – President
Steffen Hermanns – Vice President
Crystal Czaja – Treasurer
Angela Pratt – Secretary
Gordon Jackson – Board
Sarh Medeiros -Board

Scholarships: Crystal Czaja will be starting on reformatting the application forms and rules for submission after she completes the early tax reporting and our yearly budget to present at the next meeting.

Donations: The two MINDAT pages we sponsor each year were paid for at a total cost of \$240 annually.

Elections: Elections are usually held in June. The secretaries term is up for the second time and but we have no volunteers or nominees so Angela Pratt will retain the position another term.

Show Budget: The budget for the show will remain the same as last years.

Club Marketing: Focus more on Social Media and put more content on our Facebook and YouTube channel. Share with schools earth science departments and possibly do jointly with the Southern New Hampshire Mineral Club.

Show Trailer: The trailer budget remains the same as last year at \$2500.

Speakers Budget: The speaker's budget remains the same as last year at \$200 for each speaker for a total cost of \$1600.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

DISPOSITION: Meeting ended at 11:55 AM



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Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events	Gem & Mineral Shows
<p>June 8th, 2024 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: ANNUAL COOKOUT</p>	<p>June 22-23, 2024 Gilsum Rock Swap Gilsum, NH</p>
<p>September 14th, 2024 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	<p>July 20-21, 2024 43rd Annual Champlain Valley Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show Burlington, VT</p>
<p>October 12th, 2024 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	<p>August 9-11, 2024 East Coast Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show Eastern States Exposition West Springfield, MA</p>
<p>November 9th, 2024 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	<p>August 24-25, 2024 Capital Mineral Club Show Everett Arena, Concord, NH</p>
<p>December 14th, 2024 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker:</p>	