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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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Editors Note:

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

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- 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.

The Capital Mineral Club meeting is **Saturday March 11, 2023** at the **Sno-Shaker's** building in **Canterbury, NH.**

Plan is to start arriving around 12:00 and meeting to start at 1:00.

The speaker for this month is **Martin Kippley** who will be doing a presentation about Radiation and Radioactivity.

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

New Members:

No new members.

**2023 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.**

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: (in person and Zoom) 1st Saturday of each month at Winchester, NH at the ELM Community Center. 79 NH Rt.119 . It's the big white house set far back from road on east side of road. 7PM the first Sat. of the month. www.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 each month at 6:30 PM at the Great North Woods Welcome Center, 25 Park Street, Lancaster, NH.

January meeting minutes.



The January meeting of the Capital Mineral Club was held on January 14th, 2023 at the ShoShakers Club House in Canterbury, NH.

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 PM with 31 members present.

A presentation was given to the membership by Don Dallaire on "A Safe Level Walk in France".

The business meeting was called to order at 2:17 PM with 31 members present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

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

Tabled to the February meeting as it was our Christmas Dinner.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MOTION TO: Accept the treasurers report as read by Crystal Czaja.

By: Martin Kipley **SECONDED:** Dave Ogden

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 31 in favor – 0 against.

OLD BUSINESS:

All memberships are due by the end of January. Please send them to Steffen Hermanns.

Trailer – The trailer is almost completely insulated. Steffen is working on flooring and ceiling. The next step will be the bench construction and organization. The estimated time of completion is spring.

Field Trips – The following suggestions were brought up: Tripp Mine, Ossipee Trip, Palermo, Hoyt Mine (which the club owns), Consolidated, Fossils in Vermont, and Herkimer NY trip. We also need a volunteer to be Field Trip Coordinator.

NEW BUSINESS:

Future Rockhounds of America – There were 11 attendees at today's meeting. They would like to thank everyone for the donations. The next meeting, they will be studying fossils again. The FRA members will be helping at the show at the children's table. A discussion was held on mineral identification books for the FRA and a motion presented to the membership as below.

MOTION TO: To purchase 20 Peterson's mineral identification books for the children's program.

By: Martin Kipley **SECONDED:** Don Dallaire

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 31 in favor – 0 against.

February Meeting – The February meeting will be our workshop as usual. We will also have a silent auction with tools that others no longer need, but that new members might like to start with. Please bring in minerals to identify, tools, and anything you would like to show or ask the membership.

Palermo Mine Trip – This will be March 5th, 2023 and is to see ice sculptures in the mines. Hike in required. Meet at the gate at 9 AM if you would like to go.

Officer Elections – Every officer's term is up and we will need to elect new officers. Officers need to be members in good standing. We will need an Election Committee to help find candidates. Please contact Steffen Hermanns to volunteer for the committee or to run for a position. If you are on the Election Committee you will not be expected to run for office. Present officers are not allowed to be on the Election Committee. Steffen will send out an email with more information on the positions and responsibilities. Steffen will be running for Vice-President so he can support the new President in their duties. Elections will be in March.

MINERAL SHOW:

MOTION TO: Present the Mineral Show in 2023 at the Everett Arena in Concord.

By: Don Dallaire **SECONDED:** Dave Ogden

DISPOSITION: Voted on and carried by membership 31 in favor – 0 against.

The Southeastern New Hampshire Mineral Show is April 29 - 30, 2023 at the Elks Lodge in Dover, NH.

Grant Committee – A meeting will be held after Tucson.

Show Meeting – There will be a show meeting in the coming months. We will need show committee volunteers again. Steffen Hermanns has resumed the roll of show chairman at this time.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

DISPOSITION: Meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM

**Ages 9-15****Future Rockhounds of America****March 11th, 11am-12pm, Sno-Shakers Clubhouse**

Agenda: Collecting 101. We will discuss curating, labeling and storing our collections as well as ways to strategically think about collecting. Time permitting, we will discuss field trip requirements, safety, and ethics.

Feel free to bring in 5-10 specimens from your own collection that need curating and labeling.

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Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events	Gem & Mineral Shows
<p>MARCH 11, 2023 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: Martin Kippley</p>	<p>April 1-2, 2023 Connecticut Valley Mineral Club Castle of Knights Meeting House 1599 Memorial Dr., Chicopee, MA</p>
<p>APRIL 8, 2023 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	<p>April 15-16, 2023 37th Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show Brick South-Thompsons Point Portland, ME</p>
<p>MAY 13, 2023 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	<p>May 5-6, 2023 North Shore Rock & Mineral Show Topsfield Fairgrounds 207 Boston Road Topsfield, MA</p>
<p>JUNE 10, 2023 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	<p>May 19-21, 2023 New England Mineral Conference Sunday River Resort 97 Summit Road, Newery, ME</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER 9, 2023 Club Meeting: 12:00PM Refreshments: Speaker: TBD</p>	