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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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The Capital Mineral Club membership meeting will be on Saturday, October 6th at 2:00 PM at the Salvation Army Building on Clinton Street in Concord, NH

This months speaker is Ted Johnson will be presenting a program on the historic pegmatite and minerals at Branchville, Connecticut. During the meeting there will be a silent auction of 30+/- specimens etc. from the John McCrory collection (If this works well I'll try to have this happen at most meetings). We will for the first time in my memory be presenting the Show prize to the winner, a Club member! The display theme will be Connecticut minerals.

A Festival report will be presented.

This months refreshments will be provided by Pam Jackson.

Also thanks to Sarah Sniffen for bringing refreshments to the September Meeting.

There will be a Show Committee meeting at Gordon Jackson's (94 Borough Road, Canterbury, 783-4493, email gsj8544@aol.com) on Oct 12 at 6 pm. Pizza and soda will be available for \$5.00 per participating individual. Please let Gordon know if you will attend so the right amount of pizza can be ordered. Feel free to bring your own food or just come to take part in the meeting.

Welcome new club members:

Richard A Currier from Concord, 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 SCIC 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 May 5th, 2012 meeting of the Capital Mineral Club. The meeting was held at the Salvation Army Building on Clinton Street in Concord, New Hampshire. Meeting called to order at 2:02 pm by Vice President Martha Martel, Gordon Jackson late. There were 24 members and three guests present.

Meeting Minutes: Motion made to accept made by Martha Martel; seconded by Larry Welker; passed membership.

Treasures Report: Don Dallaire read the treasures report. Motion was made by Pat Barker; seconded by Jonathan Herndon; passed by the membership.

Correspondence: From Julie McCrory's wife wrote a letter to the club to see if the club would like to get what's left of his collection. They will be moving out of their house and do not have room for it all. Gordon Jackson, Don Dallaire, Bill Brown, and Martha Martel few will go to see what there is and how inventory what is there and what we want to do with it.

Presentation: Ken Carlsen gave his presentation on Minerals and their Stamps.

Old Business: Gordon spoke on the different positions responsibilities. So far we have nominated Secretary Steffen Hermanns; Treasurer Donald Dallaire; Gordon Jackson Vice President; and President Peter Cram Auditor; and John Cordero; Director. Motion made to accept nominations less VP position, by Frances Gill; Martha Martel seconded; passed by the membership

Grant Scholarship: No applicants yet for this year. Need more publicity to get the word out about the scholarship, Mike Cordero will help with this to get some type of poster.

New Business: 2013 Mineral Festival vote on having the show, motion made to continue the show by Steffen Hermanns; seconded by Martha Martel; passed by the membership. Pam Jackson made the suggestion to move meetings to 12:00 or 1:00

Field Trips: Martha Martel has checked into Herkimer this and found that only Ace of Diamonds does seasonal 10x10 plots for \$9.00 per day. Still waiting on others to call Martha back. Website called www.herkimerhistory.com. Motion to acquire a plot made by ; seconded; passed by membership. July 7th rain date 8th trip to Hoyt Hill and Colman Mine which is the mine to club owns the mineral rights to; Directions will be posted on the website. Dig and Dine at the Gulch June 16th rain date 17th Jon Herndon.

WebSite Update: New website will go live this week.

Door Prizes: Thanks to Pat Barker, Martha Martel and Bill Brown for donating some door prizes. Pearl Nadeau, Peter Cram, Charlie Forsberg, Donald Dallaire, Mike Undercofler, Annette Comeau and Natalie Undercofler.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:42pm

Respectfully submitted

Steffen Hermanns
Secretary

Capital Mineral Club
Concord, New Hampshire

These are the minutes of the September 1st, 2012 meeting of the Capital Mineral Club.



The meeting was held at the Salvation Army Building on Clinton Street in Concord, New Hampshire. Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm by Vice President Martha Martel in Gordon Jackson's absence. There were 22 members and one guest present.

Meeting Minutes: May minutes will be tabled until the October meeting

Treasurers Report: Don Dallaire read the treasurers report a motion was made by Bill Adams, seconded by Martha Martel, passed the membership, show report next month. Preliminary attendance at the show was 900

Show Chair People: Gordon will give show report next meeting. Concord Youth Hockey helped with the setup again this year a thanks go out to them with a donation of \$200.00 towards their hockey league. Send thank you card.

New Business: New Major here at Salvation Army need to use the side door from now on. Need to remove trash. Put notes on bulletin board for meeting attendance. No Alcohol in building. Want to put in a Screen for presentations.

New Memberships: Richard A Currier from Concord, NH, Bill Burroughs made motion, seconded by Martha Martel, Passed by the membership

Door Prizes:

Donald Dallaire gave a presentation on the Basics of creating a Mineral Collection.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:45pm

Respectfully submitted

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Secretary

**Capital Mineral Club
Concord, New Hampshire**

2012 Festival report

As always we have had good response from Club members in setting up and breaking down and clean up, though we get a little thin on Sunday night. This is something you can feel proud of and I want to say thank you to all those who helped. We have become skilled enough to have the show setup completed by noon and in time for the workers/dealers lunch which I make sure there will be enough cookies. I want to believe as the Club continues, that our set-up will be even more skilled.

The electrical system again will need additional work and Jon Herndon has agreed AGAIN to take this on. Jon makes sure the electrical system is maintained up to snuff and we don't run into a big problem at the show.

We had an attendance of 901 paying adults and approximately 121 people, 12 and under. The dealers that I talked to had a decent show. We have 31 retail and 3 wholesale dealers which makes us the largest Club show in New England, but to insure happy dealers, we still need to make the attendance grow. This year, through the efforts of Annette Comeau, we had ads in the Union Leader, Concord Monitor and the Concord Insider and plan to do the same and possibly more next year.

We provided our own hourly gift coupon of \$10.00 (12 drawings) at the suggestion of Charlie Forsberg which makes the system run smoother and easier to manage. Five dealers returned the coupon for a refund.

Like always, we continue to have displays that get comments of high praise (Bob Whitmore, Display Chairman), as does the Saturday night barbeque (Don Dallaire, Cook-Out Chairman). The Show will move forward next year because this tired, old Show-Chairman has been replaced by the Board. I am pleased to say Annette Comeau has accepted and will be the 2013 (50th Show) Show-Chairman. Annette already has some new blood Chairing some of the areas and several good ideas. Now is the time for the Club to show their support and help out. If we continue to break down the tasks (many hands make light work) and share the work load, 2013 (50th Festival) will be our best!

Gordon Jackson

As we prepare for the 2013 Gem, Mineral, and Jewelry Festival, we are fortunate to have a few people interested in filling the following positions:

BBQ Chair: Don Dallaire, Dealer Chair: Carlos Gristani is considering, Display Chair: Ellen Oberkotter is considering
Club Table Chair: Bob Whitmore, Electrical System Chair: Jon Herndon has been asked, Publicity Co-Chair: Tony Howd

Show Website Chair: Peter Cram, Ticket Chair: Mike Cordero

Gordon Jackson, Scott Higgins, and Steffen Hermanns also dedicate much time and energy into other aspects of making our show successful.

We still need volunteers to cover the following areas:

Chair in charge of covering electrical cables, Club trailer chair, Publicity co-chair

people to help the publicity co-chairs with advertising tasks, People who can make calls

people who are familiar with computers and want to learn data entry to add to our database

every member possible to download a pre-made poster to distribute prior to our show to any community bulletin boards

every member possible to help set up the show, help at the show, help clean up

Every volunteer is assisted as much as they need to be to learn the various positions.

This is our only fundraiser, and we need everyone's help to lighten the load on the few people who have been burdened with all the tasks required in preparing for a show. The more volunteers we have, the lighter the work load is for all of us.

Reasons to Volunteer

Connects you to other members and helps develop a special camaraderie within our club.

Studies have found volunteering helps you stay physically healthy.

Build new skills, sharpen existing skills, and gain experience to add to your accomplishments (especially on a resume which will give you an advantage and will set you apart from other job applicants).

Volunteers give back to the club and help strengthen it.

Volunteering is an opportunity and an adventure.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Comeau crocom05@gmail.com

2013 Show Chair



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WWW.CAPITALMINERALCLUB.ORG

Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events

OCTOBER 6, 2012

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**
 Speaker: Ted Johnson China
 Refreshments: Pam Jackson

NOVEMBER 3, 2012

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**
 Speaker: Meteorites
 Refreshments: TBD

DECEMBER 1, 2012

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

JANUARY 7, 2013

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**
 Speaker: Michael Dyber
 Refreshments: TBD

FEBRUARY 2, 2013

Club Meeting: **TBD**
 Speaker: **TBD**
 Refreshments

MARCH 3, 2013

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**
 Speaker: **TBD**
 Refreshments **TBD**

Gem & Mineral Shows

October 20—ALBANY, NEW HAMPSHIRE:

Saco Valley Gem & Mineral Club; Albany Town Hall; Rte. 16; Sat. 9-5; adults \$2; auction, mineral specimens; contact Jonathan Herndon, 110 Ossipee Mt. Rd., Center Ossipee, NH 03814, (603) 539-3884; e-mail: jherndon1@roadrunner.com; Web site: sacovalleygmc.org

October 20-21 2012 — BRISTOL, CONNECTICUT: 40th

annual show; Bristol Gem & Mineral Club; Beals Community Center, 240 Stafford Ave.; Sat. 9:30-5, Sun. 10-4; adults \$5, seniors \$4, children under 12 free; contact David Korzen-dorfer, 208 Westledge Rd., West Simsbury, CT 06092, (860) 651-9980; e-mail: bristolgem@hotmail.com; Web site: www.bristolgem.org

October 27-28 2012— WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND:

Show, "Dinosaurs & Crystals"; Rhode Island Mineral Hunters; Community College of Rhode Island - Knight Campus, Rte. 113, 400 East Ave.; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; adults \$6, seniors \$5, children under 10 years free; contact Tony Cesana, 85 St. Paul St., North Smithfield, RI 02896, (401) 766-9076; e-mail: a_cesana@cox.net; Web site: www.rimh.us

August 24-25 2013 — CONCORD, NH: 50th Annual Gem,

Mineral and Jewelry Festival— Capital Mineral Club, Everett Arena, Concord, NH, Sat 9am to 5pm, Sun 10am to 4pm, www.capitalmineralclub.org, steffenh@capitalmineralclub.org