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Capital Mineral Club News

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The Capital Mineral Club membership meeting will be on Saturday, September 3rd at 2:00 PM at The Salvation Army Building, Concord, NH.

Thank you to Gordon and Pam Jackson for hosting the June Meeting and letting us use their house. There was a short Board Meeting and Show Committee meeting at Gordon's before the regular get together and then the barbecued and auction was after.

2016 Club dues are due, please send your membership renewals to Steffen Hermanns. Make check payable: 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

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- Website designed and maintained by:
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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.

Welcome New Members

Kimberly Harris, Rutland, VT. , James Salimena, Fairfax, VT.

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 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

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 month at 7: 00 P.M. North Country Education Services Center; 300 Gorham Hill; Gorham, NH



Presents the 53rd Annual
Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show

Saturday, August 27, 2016 9:00AM to 5:00PM

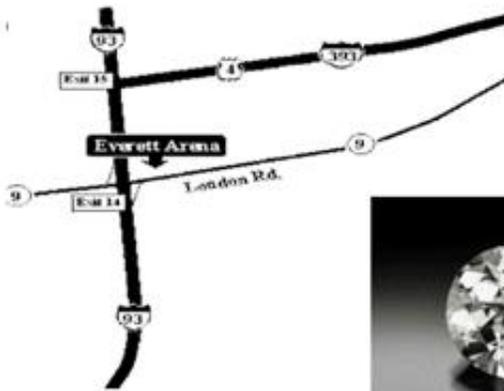
Sunday, August 28, 2016 10:00AM to 4:00PM

At Everett Arena, 15 Loudon Rd.

Concord, NH

Admission: adults \$5.00

children under 12 free with adult



Topaz

Greens Ledge

Milan, New Hampshire

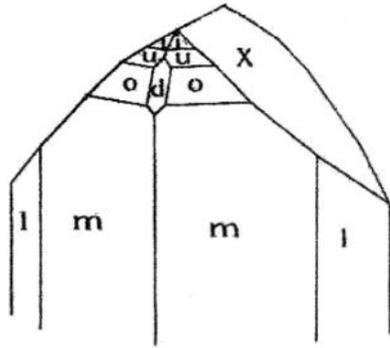
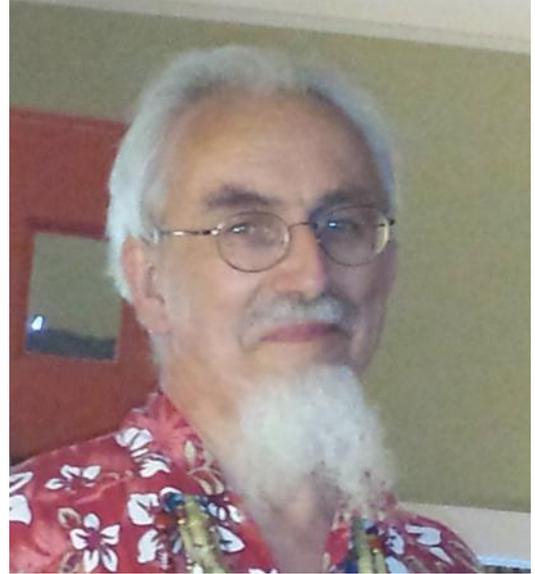


**Gems-Jewelry-Minerals-Fossils-Carvings-Displays-
 Demonstrations and much more!**

The Capital Mineral Club is a 501 (c) (3) organization that supports education in geology, mineralogy and related subjects.

Al Falster returns as our speaker for the September meeting. He is the Research Technician for the Maine Mineral & Gem Museum mineralogical laboratory. Formerly he was at the University of New Orleans in the same capacity for many years. Al has been author or co-author on many mineralogical papers published in various magazines and scientific journals.

Last time his presentation on crystallography gave us an understanding of the concepts of crystal axes and forms.



Topaz crystal drawing

Pegmatites are the source of many gem crystals as well as well formed crystals of other minerals. Those crystals that we love to find often occur in pockets or vugs. These voids allow space for the crystals to form. The problem is locating the pockets. Al's presentation will give us hints on how to read signs in the pegmatite that tell us where a pocket might be.

The topic for September is
“Pocket Indicators”



Right; Topaz pocket,
SouthBaldface Mountain, Chat-
ham, NH
Left: Smoky Quartz pocket,
Bald Mountain,
Stark, NH

Coming Talks:
October- Jim Young -Feldspar
November: Dr. William “Skip”
Simmons “Big Crystals-Little
Crystals”



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Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events	Gem & Mineral Shows
<p>September 3, 2016 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: Al Falster, Pocket Indicators Refreshments Mary Bubnis</p>	<p>September 3-4, 2016: Augusta, ME. Rockhounters 27th Annual Gem & Mineral Show Maine State Armory, Western Avenue.</p>
<p>October 1, 2016 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: Jim Young -Feldspar Refreshments Winnie Harding</p>	<p>September 10-11, 2016: North Adams, MA. 53rd Annual Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show, Eagles Hall #310 515 Curran Highway, Rte 8, Sponsored by The Northern Berkshire Mineral Club.</p>
<p>November 5, 2016 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: Dr. William "Skip" Simmons "Big Crystals-Little Crystals" Refreshments Charles Forsberg</p>	<p>October 15-16, 2016: Bristol, CT. 44th Annual Gem & Mineral Show Bristol Gem and Mineral Club, 240 Stafford Avenue.</p>
<p>December 3, 2016 Club Meeting: Holiday Get Together 12:00- 4:00PM Chair: Charles Forsberg</p>	<p>November 5-6, 2016: Old Greenwich, CT. 28th Annual Show and Sale hosted by the Stamford Min- eralogical Society, Eastern Greenwich Civic Center, 90 Harding Rd.</p>
<p>January 7, 2017 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: TBD Refreshments TBD</p>	<p>November 19-20, 2016: Worcester, MA: 40th Annual Mineral Show by the Worcester Mineral Club, National Guard Armory, 701 Lincoln St.</p>