



July, 2016

“It’s in our name . . . It’s what do we do . . . We collect rocks!!!!”

The **CENTRAL OREGON ROCK COLLECTORS** (CORC) is an informal group dedicated to sharing the rock hound hobby. We meet for field trips, collecting rocks, monthly programs, and related activities. You do not have to be a member to attend. However, if you are interested in joining, yearly memberships are only \$20 for individuals, or \$25 for families. At the end of this newsletter is a form for joining the CORC.

Visit **OUR WEBSITE** at <http://www.corockcollectors.com>

PRESIDENT: Debbie J. Reynolds	dsdr1500@yahoo.com
VICE PRESIDENT: Al Liebetrau	liebetrauam@msn.com
TREASURER: Marty Betsch	mbetsch@bendbroadband.com
SECRETARY: Suzie Meeker	suziej49@gmail.com
NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Jules Wetzel	jjwetzel@bendbroadband.com
FIELD TRIP COMMITTEE CHAIR: Elizabeth Prindle	pointingatthemoon@bendcable.com
PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIR: Sue Liebetrau	liebetrauam@msn.com
NORTHWEST FEDERATION REPRESENTATIVES: Del and Clara Walker	cdwalker@q.com
WEBMASTER: Karen Cameron	karecame@gmail.com

Welcome: Rockhounding is best when it is shared. We welcome visitors to our meetings, anytime. If anyone has any interesting adventures or unusual materials that they would like to share, we would love to hear about them.

The Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month, March through October, the November meeting is a potluck holiday get-together on a Sunday. No winter meetings.

Regular meetings are held at the Redmond Senior Center, 325 NE Dogwood Avenue, Redmond, starting at 7:00 pm until 8:30 or 9:00.

June Meeting: A large number turned out to hear Julian C. Gray, Executive Director of the Rice Northwest Museum of Rocks and Minerals, spoke about Crystal Recognition. He showed slides and explained the relationship of mathematics and geometry to crystal formation. His talk was very informative. For more information on the museum, please go to

<https://ricenorthwestmuseum.org/>. Business meeting and door prizes followed.

- Suzie Meeker & jr

Field Trips: Note the change for July 17.

The second time around for the field trip to Richardson's made for a successful trip. Ten club members braved hot temperatures to dig for thundereggs. Most members went to the blue and red beds, and experienced diggers shared tips with the new members. Everyone went home with numerous thundereggs.

-Suzie Meeker

July 17: The Sunflower Flats Trip on the Warm Springs Reservation didn't work out. A trip to the Ochoco tube agate site is available instead. Let's plan to meet at the Ray's parking lot in Prineville at 9:00 AM. I will lead everyone out to the site. Basically, we will be going out Hwy 26. We will be turning right onto Hwy 22 towards Walton Lake. Just past the Ranger station, we will turn left on FS 2610. The turn off to the site is the first left just past the intersection with FS 300. Tumbling size material can be picked up easily off the surface, but larger pieces must be dug. Bring picks and/or shovels. The ground is soft and sandy, similar to that at White Fir.

-Don Ross

July 29-31 NFMS/AFMS show in Albany, Oregon. If you are attending the Albany show, according to the NWMS May newsletter, a trip to Hollywood Ranch (petrified wood & carnelian) is planned daily July 29 – 31 at 8 am.

<http://www.amfed.org/nfms/FederationShow.asp>

Aug 3-6 NFMS/AFMS field trips originating from Prineville. August 7th will be a swap meet and live auction instead of a field trip. More details to come.

Aug 27 - 28 Delintment Lake area, ammonites (overnight).

Oct 8 - 9 Warm Springs Reservoir/Beulah Lake (overnight).

Contact: Elizabeth Prindle, Field Trip Chairperson at pointingatthemoon@bendcable.com

Programs:

July 24 meeting: Club potluck picnic and silent auction, short business meeting. **Tom and Debbie Klug hosting. 11:30 til all are satiated, 3152 SW Metolius Place, Redmond,**

Oregon. Marty Betsch will be calling members a week before to get a head count and to suggest potluck dishes needed.

August 17 meeting: Elizabeth Prindle will present her collecting experiences.

Contact: Sue Liebetrau, Program Chairperson at liebetrauam@msn.com

June 15, 2016 Draft Meeting Minutes:

Executive Meeting: The Vice President, Al Liebetrau, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. In attendance: Marty Betsch, Karen Cameron, Al Liebetrau, Suzie Meeker, Elizabeth Prindle, Deb Simon, Del Walker, Clara Walker, and Jules Wetzel.

The May secretary's report was in the CORC Connections newsletter. The club is developing letterhead which can be used to thank program speakers. Marty Betsch, Treasurer, reported that there is \$1800.38 in the treasury. Marty will remove people from the mailing list who have not paid their dues for the current year.

The dates of the upcoming shows at Prineville, Madras, Sisters and the NFMS/AFMS show in Albany were discussed. The club members are encouraged to attend the shows which replace the June field trip. Al will not be able to do the fluorescent display at the Prineville show due to lack of time for preparation. The Prineville field trips are planned for Friday Richardson's Rock Ranch, Saturday the Lucky Strike mine, and Sunday McDonald's Ranch or Friend's Ranch. Clara and Del Walker have prepared a club display for the Prineville show and will have club flyers on hand.

The July field trip is scheduled for July 17, and the location is tentatively set at the Warm Springs Indian reservation to collect Sunflower Flats jasper. A Plan B is being developed in case it is not possible to get permission to go to the Indian Reservation.

The club picnic is July 24 at Tom and Debbie Klug's home in Redmond, and more details will be included in the next club newsletter. There will be a brief business meeting at the picnic.

The presenter for tonight's program is Julian Gray on crystals, and the August presenter is Elizabeth Prindle on her collecting adventures. Clara and Del will report on the Federation show at the August club meeting.

Don Ross is following up on creating a display at the Redmond Library, and Oregon specimens will be requested from Club members. Elizabeth will be developing a field trip waiver form that can be added to the membership form which will be signed yearly.

Advertising in the CORC Connections newsletter was discussed. Marty is going to follow up with five vendors in the area to see if they would be interested in free advertising in exchange for offering club members a discount. Clara is working on creating club membership cards.

Developing a club Facebook page was discussed. It was decided to bring the matter to the club and see if there was approval. Suzie Meeker and Karen Cameron will work together on the project to see what is involved.

The board members discussed setting a deadline for articles to be submitted for the newsletter. It was decided that one week after the club meeting would be the deadline for articles to be submitted to the newsletter.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

General Meeting: President Deb Simon called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Debby Simon introduced herself as the President and welcomed guests to the club. The guests introduced themselves. Over 40 people attended the general meeting. The club website is located at www.corockcollectors.com and includes past newsletters, information on upcoming field trips and resources.

Presentation: The program presenter was introduced.

Julian C Gray, Executive Director of the Rice Northwest Museum of Rocks and Minerals, spoke about Crystal Recognition. He shows slides and explained the relationship of mathematics and geometry to crystal formation. His talk was very informative. For more information on the museum, please go to <https://ricenorthwestmuseum.org/>

Sharing: Due to lack of time, members were not able to share rockhounding experiences this month.

Business:

Treasurer's Report – approximately \$1800 in the treasury.

Secretary's Report – accepted as posted in the CORC newsletter

NW Federation of Mineralogical Societies Report - Clara Walker reminded club members about the Federation Show that will take place in Albany, OR on July 29-31. This show is the annual NFMS/AFMS Show and it is hosted by the Willamette Agate & Mineral Society. More information on the Federation Show can be found at <http://www.wamsi.org/content/2016-nfmsafms-show> . There will be field trips following the Federation Show that will meet first in Prineville the following week. Most are free digs that start at 7 a.m.

The Prineville Pow Wow will take place on June 16-19. Clara and Del will bring a display case to showcase rocks from the club. The field trips for the Prineville show are planned for Richardson's Rock Ranch on Friday, Lucky Strike Mine on Saturday, and McDonald's Ranch or Friend's Ranch on Sunday. The club will have a display case at the Prineville show organized by Clare and Del Walker.

The Madras Pow Wow will take place on June 23-26. The Sisters Rock Show is from July 1-4. Don Ross is organizing a display case of Club members' rocks at the Redmond Library from July 1-Sept 30 with the help of Al and Sue Liebetrau.

Field Trips – Elizabeth Prindle encouraged club members to attend the Prineville and Madras Pow Wows which also have field trips. For more information on the Prineville Rockhound Pow Wow, please go to <http://prineville.rocks/> There is no charge for admission. Field trips require a one-time \$10 membership fee. For more information on the Madras Pow Wow, please go to <http://www.allrockhoundspowwowclubofamerica.com/#!/madras-flyer> Admission is also free. There is also a membership fee for their field trips to private ranches.

The July 17 Club field trip is planned for Sunflower Flats jasper at the Warm Springs Indian Reservation. **This has been changed to a Tube Agate dig in the Ochocos. See the Field Trip section.**
-Ed.

Programs – Sue Liebetrau reported that the July program will be the club picnic on July 24, 2016, at Tom and Debbie Klug's house in Redmond. There will be a silent auction. In addition, members can bring rock related items to sell at the picnic. All members are requested to bring a side dish. Please see the newsletter for more information and directions.

The August presenter will be Elizabeth Prindle about her collecting adventures.

The club approved developing a Facebook page for the club. Club stickers with the club logo are available to members in black and white as well as in color. Information for the club newsletter is due by June 22.

Door prizes were distributed, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Welcome New Members

Sharon and Ray Jensen
Mike and Neda Kimberlin
Ken and Royanne Lawson

Take time to introduce yourself and get to know them.

Editorial: I've started cleaning my big saw this week – scoop the muck out of the saw bed and into a double paper bag and bucket – what a stinking mess. I am very glad this chore doesn't come around too often. We did get time to attend the Prineville show, from my perspective it seemed the number of vendors was down somewhat and the prices had gone up. I did find some slabs at a fairly reasonable cost that should make nice cabs. We were too busy to go to any field trips offered. If anyone did, I would sure appreciate a short write up and maybe a photo or two.

As Del Walker has often said, clubs thrive with volunteers and die from the lack of same. Please offer to step in wherever you can volunteer.

Classified Ads:

If you have a rockhound related object you wish to sell, send the announcement to Jules Wetzel jjwetzel@bendbroadband.com and we'll post it. Remember – this newsletter goes on our website. If you don't want your address, phone number or email address posted, submit your ad with only the specific contact information you do want published.

CENTRAL OREGON ROCK COLLECTORS (CORC)
2016 MEMBERSHIP FORM

DATE: _____

NAME: _____

NAMES OF ADD'L FAMILY MEMBERS (+AGES IF UNDER 18):

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Amount Paid: _____

How did you hear about CORC? (*new members only*)

NOTE: Annual dues are \$20/individuals and \$25/families. If you are paying by check:
Make your check out to **Central Oregon Rock Collectors** and mail it to:
Attn: Marty Betsch, 61561 Eastlake Drive, Bend, OR 97702.
