



## July 2018 Newsletter

**“It’s in our name . . .**

**It’s what 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. A membership form is on our website.

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

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**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.**

## **Field Trips:**

Our 2018 Field Trip Co-chairs are Ken Lawson and John Moreau.

The following are club field trips and leaders:

Sun Aug 12	Club Picnic	Ken and Roxanne Lawson, hosts
Sun Sept 9	Glass Buttes	Don Ross and John Moreau
Sat Oct 13	Congleton Hollow	Elizabeth Prindle

## **Upcoming Programs:**

July 18	Don Ross	Rock Painting
August 12	Club Picnic	Silent Auction, good food, social gathering
Sept 19	Member experiences in Tucson, how to “do” the Tucson show	
Oct 17	TBA	

## **CLUB NEWS & INFORMATION**

### **Minutes for the CORC Meeting June 20, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Roger Whitman, club Vice President, conducted the meeting. Everyone was reminded to sign in for door prizes and attendance. Approximately 43 members and guests were present.

**Announcements** – The August Picnic on Sunday, August 12, will replace the regular meeting for the month of August. The picnic will be held at the home of Ken and Roxanne Lawson in Redmond. The club provides hamburgers and hot dogs, and everyone is asked to bring either a side dish or a dessert. Details will be announced at the regular July meeting on July 18.

The Northwest Rockhound Retreat is held every year in Oregon during Labor Day Week at Hancock Field Station which is halfway between Antelope and Fossil. Classes are offered on lapidary, faceting, wire wrapping and other related topics. Please see <http://northwestfederation.org/NwRockHoundRetreat.asp> if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity. This program usually fills quickly, so please sign up soon if you are interested.

Janice Van Cura, Treasurer from the Prineville Pow Wow, spoke briefly to club members. She thanked all who helped at the 2018 Pow Wow, and she listed several job/volunteer openings that currently are available:

- Memberships for field trips and dealer registration (comes with a stipend)
- Field trip help
- Assistance with Friday night potluck
- Assistance with Saturday night auction

If you are interested, please send an email to Pow Wow officers. More information can be found at their website found at [prineville.rocks](http://prineville.rocks). They are also on Facebook.

Del Walker thanked all club members who helped set up at the Pow Wow and then helped break down.

The Madras Rock Show will take place on June 21-24. Don Ross will be selling at the show and offered two to three slabs for free to club members who stop by. The rock shop Nature's Bling in Sisters has fossils in plaster of Paris that can interest young children. Nature's Bling is under new ownership.

**Programs** – This year's meeting programs are as follows:

**July 18** – Crater Rock Museum by Jack Benedict and rock painting by Don Ross

**August 12** – Club picnic at Ken and Roxanne Lawson's house. Members may bring rock related items to sell. The silent auction helps raise club funds.

**September 19** – Members' experiences with the Tucson Gem and Mineral Shows

**October 17** – to be determined

**November** – club holiday party and potluck. Date to be determined. Members may bring club related items to sell.

Please contact Don Ross if you have ideas on possible programs or you are willing to share your expertise.

**Field trip report** – Approximately 48 people attended the very successful June field trip to the Alex McDonald ranch outside of Madras. (See below for photos from the trip.) Samples of petrified wood, angelwing agate, and thundereggs were shown. There are no field trips scheduled in July and August. The remaining trips for the year are:

**Sunday, September 9** – **\*\*Change of location\*\*** Trip to Glass Buttes for obsidian. There are locations with gold sheen, silver sheen, mahogany, green, pumpkin, double flow, and rainbow obsidian that the club will be visiting. The trip will be led by Don Ross and John Moreau.

**Saturday, October 13** – Congleton Hollow for agate limb casts led by Elizabeth Prindle.

**November** – Annual Club Holiday party and Potluck – details to be announced.

**Federation Report** – Clara Walker has name tags for new members. She announced that 125 club flyers were distributed at the Prineville Pow Wow, and she thanked club members who helped man the display case at the Pow Wow. She welcomed members and guests, and guests were invited to introduce themselves.

**Program** – Al Liebetrau presented a very interesting talk on fluorescents. All minerals and rocks reflect light, but certain rocks and minerals reflect light energy that we can see. The use of ultraviolet light (UV) is needed to see the fluorescence. Al brought many different samples of rocks that are fluorescent under different types of UV light.

Door prizes were distributed, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by Suzie Meeker, Secretary

Field trip Photos – McDonald Ranch









Did you get some great photos during a recent rockhounding adventure? Send them in to be included in the newsletter!

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