



August 2019 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 meetings. However, you **MUST** be a member to participate in field trips. Yearly memberships are \$20 for individuals, or \$25 for households. A membership form is on our website, which includes a liability release for field trips.

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

Regular meetings are held at the Redmond Grange, 707 Kalama Avenue, Redmond, starting at 7:00 pm until 8:30 or 9:00.

NOTE – No regular club meeting this month. Please plan to attend our annual summer picnic. Details below.

Club Picnic – Saturday, August 24 - 850 SW Rimrock Way, Redmond

The annual club picnic will be held at the American Legion Park in Redmond on Saturday, August 24. Set up time is 10-11 a.m. with plans to eat around 12 noon. The club provides hamburgers, hot dogs, cold drinks, and paper goods. Everyone is asked to bring either a dessert or a salad or side dish. Please bring a folding or camp chair. Club members are welcome to sell rock-related items; vendors, please bring your own shade and tables. The highlight of the event is the Silent Auction. Please consider donating rocks or related items so that they can be sold at the auction. This is the only Club fundraiser of the year. Checks are accepted; bargains galore!!

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Executive Board Minutes from July 17, 2019

Attending the meeting were: Deb Simon, president; Marty Betsch, treasurer; Suzie Meeker, secretary; John Moreau, field trip chair; and Clara and Del Walker, Federation representatives. The meeting was held an hour before the regular club meeting. The proposed revision to the Club By-Laws regarding the removal of members was discussed. The Board agreed to bring the revised version to the general membership meeting in September for approval after publication in the newsletter. [Please see the Proposed Revision to Section 3e of CORC By-Laws in the newsletter.] The Board also discussed the pros and cons of purchasing Directors and Officers insurance. This would be in addition to the liability policy that the club already has. The discussion was tabled until September. Junior memberships were discussed, and the Board agreed to bring the proposal for junior membership to the general membership meeting directly following the Board meeting. Additional items discussed were the club picnic and the creation of an annual budget.

Proposed Revision to Section 3e of CORC By-Laws

- 3e. **Removal of members** – After following the procedures as outlined in Roberts Rules of Order, a member can be expelled from the club by a unanimous vote of the Executive Board for:
- 1) Any flagrant or continued violation of the By-Laws or
 - 2) Any disruptive or unlawful conduct that violates the rights and privileges of other members or property owners

DRAFT Minutes from CORC Meeting on July 17, 2019

Welcome and Introductions – Deb Simon, Club President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and welcomed all. New members and guests were introduced. There were approximately 34 members and guests in attendance. Deb reminded all that no food or drink was allowed in the Grange Hall. All attendees were asked to sign in for the door prize drawing later in the evening.

Program – Al Liebetrau presented an informative and entertaining program on “Documenting Your Collection”.

Treasurer and Secretary Reports – Marty Betsch gave the treasurer’s report. Funds go to paying room rental, liability insurance, and refreshments at meetings and club parties. Suzie Meeker reported several corrections to the June club meeting minutes: minutes in the newsletter will be noted as Draft minutes until the club votes to approve them; any ideas for future programs should be directed to both Deb Simon and Don Ross; the minutes will include only actions or decisions made at the general membership meeting; and no extra copies of last year’s Federation directory are available. If you want a new directory, the cost is \$10. Please see Clara Walker. The club voted to approve the June meeting minutes as amended.

Election –Patricia Moreland was elected the Club’s new Vice President.

Club picnic – The club’s annual picnic will be Saturday, August 24, at the American Legion Park in Redmond. Set up starts at 10-11 a.m. with plans to eat around 12 noon. The park does provide electricity. Please bring chairs and folding tables if you have them. Shade structures would also be helpful. The club provides drinks and ice, hotdogs and hamburgers along with condiments and paper goods. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Helpers are needed to cook on the two gas BBQ’s. You are welcome to sell rock-related items; please bring your own shade and tables. The highlight of the picnic is the Silent Auction, which is the club’s only fundraiser of the year. Please bring rock-related items to donate. Marty, club treasurer, will accept checks or cash.

The NW chapter of the Fluorescent Society is meeting that same weekend at Al and Sue Liebetrau’s house. They have invited everyone to come to their house after the picnic around 3:30 to 4 p.m. Al and Sue have an amazing collection on the lower level of their home in Powell Butte. It is not to be missed!! And it is an opportunity to also view some amazing rocks that fluoresce. [A map to Al and Sue’s home will be provided at the picnic—Ed.]

Announcements – The Rice Northwest Museum of Rocks and Minerals near Portland hosts its annual Summerfest on the first weekend in August. [More information can be found at <https://ricenorthwestmuseum.org/>]

Club members attended many of the three annual Central Oregon rock shows from mid-June to the beginning of July.

Junior Memberships – The club reached consensus that junior memberships would be available to children under 18 such as grandchildren or friends of the family. The cost would be a one-time payment of \$5. Forms would need to be signed for liability and supervision of the children. The next step is the development of the forms before formal approval.

Field trips –

Sunday, September 8 – CHANGE OF LOCATION – The Whistler Springs trip has been changed to Bear Creek due to lack of quality collecting material at Whistler Springs. There is petrified wood at Bear Creek with a couple of large visible logs. Please plan to meet in Bend at the Costco parking lot near the tire center at 9 a.m. High clearance vehicles are recommended as there are dirt roads leading to the site.

Saturday, October 12 – Mile Post 32 near Post for petrified wood, crystals and leaf fossils.

Fall trip to McDermitt – Dates to be determined. McDermitt has a large variety of minerals and is on the Oregon/Nevada border. There is a private campground in the small town. There is now a gate on the east side of McDermitt on the reservation blocking the Quinn River access.

Federation News – Clara and Del Walker shared news from the Federation. The annual meeting of the Northwest Federation will take place in Lewiston, Idaho, on October 18-20, 2019. Camping reservations are being taken now at a reduced price. [For more info, please see <http://northwestfederation.org/FederationShow.asp>].

Program – Program ideas are needed for September. If you have any ideas for future programs, please contact Deb Simon or Don Ross.

The meeting concluded with door prize drawings and ended approximately at 8:45 p.m. If you won a door prize, please bring one to donate at the next regular meeting.

--Submitted by Suzie Meeker, Secretary

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