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REFRESHMENT LIST:

JULY – MJ HUETTER

AUGUST - CLUB PICNIC

(Starts at 6:00 at Rose Garden in Priest Point Park. Pot Luck. Club will supply drinks, napkins, plates, and utensils. Tailgate swap after dinner is over, unless, like usual, it starts up sooner.)

SEPT – KEITH GREETHAM

OCTOBER - MIKE TANAKA

NOVEMBER – THE HOLMQUISTS

DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS PARTY

BUY...SELL...TRADE

Charley reports plenty of good material is left. Call him at 360-259-3063 and set up an appt. at \$1a pound. (Email is cprice@pacifier.com.)

FOR SALE: RAYTECH FACETING MACHINE, MANUALS, BOOKS, SUPPLIES, EVEN MATERIAL. WILL BE DISPLAYED AT JULY MEETING. HARDLY USED.

This column is offered free to WAMS members to buy, sell or trade equipment or material related to rocks or minerals. See below.

July 24-26: TENINO SHOW – HERE WE GO AGAIN!!!!

AFTER LAST YEAR'S GREAT SUCCESS, WE WIL HAVE ANOTHER 3 DAY SHOW STARTING ON FRIDAY.

WORK STARTS ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT, WITH TABLE AND EQUIPMENT LOADING AT MJ'S OFFICE ON 12TH AND JEFFERSON, DOWNTOWN OLYMPIA, ABOUT 2 BLOCKS FROM THE DOWN DOWN POST OFFICE AND ON THE SAME SIDE OF THE STREET. LOADING STARTS AT 6 PM.

ALL DAY THURSDAY IS SET UP. PEOPLE NEEDED. THURSDAY NIGHT WILL BE THE POTLUCK, SO BRING FOOD AND JOIN THE VENDORS FOR DINNER. DINNER STARTS AT 6.

NEED VOLUNTEERS FRIDAY – SUNDAY. ESPECIALLY AT 5 ON SUNDAY TO TEAR DOWN.

With a tip of the hat and a grateful thank you:

LeAnn has stepped forward to partner with Bob on Friday at our booth.

Jim Thomas for the great presentation on Indian artifacts at the June meeting.

Zoe, Keith and Albert for donating copralites to the club.

TREASURY REPORT: The bank account stands at \$7344.73. Collected \$200 from dealers for show, then wrote a \$200 to the Tenino School District. We have 20 tables and a lot of rock.

LOCAL FIELD TRIPS (PUB. WSMC)

CMS, WSMC = Cascade Mineral Society. Brian Williams (206) 290-2312 email bwaters2011@gmail.com
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BC Wagon masters: Clair Belzer 604-946-8656
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Bellv = Bellevue, Bruce Himko, 425-957-1284
Skagit = Skagit Rock Club: Vi Jones 360-424-8340
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BELL = Bellingham Rock Club Brian Hughes 360-671-7330
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Elb = Ellensburg Rock Dave Master (509) 925-3827
WAMS = Wa Agate & Mineral Club.
Boe = Boeing Rock club Erik Chilson 360-825-3138
Swms = SWest WA Mineral Society Dave Roth 360-295-3567
W Sea = West Seattle Rock Club Brian Waters 206-290-2312
Always call the club rep to confirm all trip data. Some trips have fees to non club members, so they can be a day member and be covered under club insurance. The usual fee is \$.50 a day. Pow Wow requires membership \$3 each a year. WSMC 6100 Road trip rider fee is \$8 to help offset the \$65 vehicle access permit we must purchase. Some trips have no charge.

UPCOMING SHOWS: 2014

July 25-27: TENINO SHOW – BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!!!!!! WE HAVE EXTENDED THE SHOW, STARTING ON FRIDAY. THURSDAY NIGHT WILL BE THE POTLUCK, SO WE NEED FOOD THAT NIGHT. 'COURSE NEED VOLUNTEER LABOR THURS – SUNDAY.

August 8-10: Far West Lapidary & Gem. North Bend Community Center. 2222 North Broadway, North Bend, OR

August 8-10: Port Townsend. Jefferson County Fairgrounds 4907 Landers Street Port Townsend

August 15-17: NFMS Annual Meeting Hermiston Conference Center 415 South Highway 395 Hermiston OR

Sept 13-14: Marcus Whitman Gem and Mineral Society. Walla Walla County Fairgrounds Community Center Building 3636 Orchard Street Walla Walla WA

Sept 13-14: Clallam County Gem. Vern Burton Community Ctr 308 East 8th St. Port Angeles WA 98362

Sept 20-21: Southern Wa Mineralogical Society. Castle Rock Fairgrounds A Street & Cowlitz River Castle Rock WA 98611

Oct 25-26: Clackamette Mineral Club. Clackamas County Fairgrounds 694 NE 4th Ave Canby OR

FIELD TRIPS: Mineral Council.

07/13/14 Spk: Lolo Pass @ To be determined. Smokey quartz. Dig tools, hard rock.

08/02/14 Shltn: Salmon Creek. I-5 park and ride Toledo. Agate, petrified wood, pseudo coprolites. Be prepared for wading. Shovel.

08/16/14 NWOS: Greenwater. 9:00 Enumclaw Ranger Station. Agate, jasper. Dig, hard rock.

09/06-7/14 POW: Red Top 8:00 Camp (W fork M fork jct) Dues, see above. Agate, geodes, jade, jasper

9/13/14 NWOS: Little Naches. 9:00 Enumclaw Ranger Station. Thunder eggs. Dig, hard rock.

10/04/14 MSVL: D.P. Mine & H.T. Creek. 9:00 Money Creek Camp. Ore picture jasper. Lt hard rock, light dig

11/08/14 MtBaker: Blanchard Mt. 9:00 I-5 240 exit gas station. Stilpnomelane & chert. Hard rock.

INTERNET ROCK SITES

1. www.orerockon.com - Pacific NW field trips, equip buy/sell, misc.
2. www.wrightsrockshop.com Has everything.
3. www.agateswithinclusions.com. The name sums it up.
4. www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Forest/2031/ . Terry's Oregon Rock Page has info on Oregon collecting.
5. Information on collecting in Eastern Oregon during the Madras Pow Wow: Write Eula Dillard, 145 E. 179th, Spanaway WA 98387 or call 253-847-2755.
6. www.wyodinator.org and www.thermopywy.net/bhbf for dinosaur excavation trips.
7. <http://mineral.galleries.com/minerals/byname.htm>
Part of Amethyst Galleries, Inc.'s web site, this is a listing of all the minerals in that company's (extremely extensive) database. More than a mere list, however, each entry is linked to its own page, giving info. such as the mineral's chemical composition, history, physical characteristics, and so on.
8. <http://www.goodearth.com/virtcave.html> The virtual cave site offers a directory of all caves in the US that are open to the public.
9. <http://www.luckystrickemine.com> Info from Prineville, OR rock dig site.
10. <http://www.the.gemshop.com>. The Gem Shop in Cedarburg, Wisconsin hold claims to central Oregon rock sites.
11. www.rockhounds.com This is a great site! Every aspect of rockhounding is addressed or it gives you a link.
12. www.stonetrails.com/ORlocs/ORlocs.htm Oregon rock sites Replace OR with WA...you'll get Washington sites.
13. <http://www.kinglseynorth.com>. **Buy grit in bulk.**
14. www.fs.fed.us/ - Fees and required permits for access to Federal lands.
15. General interest sites: www.rockhounds.com, www.fireagate.com, www.awesomegems.com
16. Be sure to go to our website (See top of Page 1). There are numerous links to other sites.
17. WEBSITES FOR DINO LOVERS
<http://dsc.discovery.com> Look for games and videos
<http://www.paleoportal.org>
<http://www.msnbc.msn.com> Look for technology and science.
<http://www.geo.ucalgary.ca>
<http://www.scienceschoolhouse.com>
18. <http://www.jescoproducts.com> **Buy grit in bulk**

OFFICIAL BLM REGULATIONS REGARDING COLLECTING:

You can collect a reasonable amount of rocks and minerals from BLM lands, but a permit or fee may be needed if you exceed certain amounts as described below. Note that the collecting limits for petrified wood are slightly different.

A REASONABLE DAILY COLLECTING AMOUNT

No BLM permit or fee required.

- fits in a car trunk or is a partial pickup truck load and,
- weighs less than 250 pounds

- and the material is not for commercial use.

(For petrified wood see below)

MORE THAN A REASONABLE DAILY AMOUNT

Requires a permit and fee from BLM.

- is a full pickup truck load or,
- involves more than one trip (or partial load) and,
- weighs more than 250 pounds
- or the material is for commercial use,
- or explosives or power equipment is used.

PETRIFIED WOOD:

Collecting petrified wood is free up to 25 pounds per day, plus one piece, but no more than 250 pounds per year. Pooling of quotas among two or more people to obtain pieces over 250 pounds is prohibited. A permit is needed for amounts over these limits.

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CODE OF ETHICS

I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.

I will keep informed on all laws, regulations and rules governing collection on private lands and will observe them.

I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.

I will use no firearms or blasting materials in collection areas.

I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind, such as fences, signs, building, etc.

I will leave all gates as found.

I will build fires only in designated or safe places. I make sure they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.

I will discard no burning materials--matches, cigarettes, etc.

I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.

I will cause no damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.

I will support the Rockhound Project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless or how found.

I will cooperate with Field Trip Leaders and those in designated authority in all collection areas.

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Minutes for June 2, 2015

Box score: Attendance 26 adults, 1 Junior, 3 guests (Adrian, Amanda and Ron.)

Show and Tell:

Zoe – Concretions from Fox Island
Don – Serpentine, North Cascades. Sanora Sunset, North Mexico.
Adrian – Auglite, concretion.
Ralph – Crystals, pseudomorphs.
John – Eastern WA Saddle Mountain petrified wood.
Rachel – Limb casts and petrified wood from Saddle Mountain.
LeAnn – Agate from yard. River pebbles.
Clarence – Decorative belt buckle.
Teresa – Big piece of quartz?
Richard – Fossilized shark teeth.
Dana – Crescent City beach agate.
Keith – Assortment: geodes, rutile agate, petrified wood, flourite, copper, desert rose, black tourmaline needles, poppy jasper and garnet.
Chuck – Plume agate from Madras.
Bob – Polishing small pieces, seam agate, petrified wood, picture jasper.
Kathleen – Petrified wood.
Jim – Photographs of fossils, flint knapper and petrified wood slap. Showed imprssive results of spraying lacquer on rocks.
Bob – Saddle Mountain petrified wood.

Winners: Chuck and Zoe.

MJ announced the Shelton tailgate show in August.
Dan reviewed the upcoming show on July 24-26. He said 4 vendors had paid. LeAnn volunteered to partner with Bob on July 24. Club members Zoe, Albert and Keith donated copralites to the club inventory.
Ron Pratt announced he was moving and left pictures of rock equipment for sale. Looking for a good home.
A great program was given by Jim Thomas on local Indian Artifacts.

Respectfully submitted by Acting Secretary M.J. Huetter.

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