

October 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.

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<u>Welcome</u>: 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.

Field Trips:

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

The following are club field trips and leaders:

Sat Oct 13 Congleton Hollow

Elizabeth Prindle

Upcoming Programs:

Oct 17 TBA

CLUB NEWS & INFORMATION

ELECTIONS ANNOUNCEMENT:

Nominations and voting for officer elections will be taking place at the October 17th meeting. If you are interested in any of the positions, please email Elizabeth Prindle and she will send you a job description. You can be elected in absentia, so please also let Elizabeth know if you cannot attend the meeting.

CORC Meeting Minutes September 19, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Elizabeth Prindle, President, welcomed members and guests. There were 43 members and guests who attended the meeting.

Presentation - Suzie Meeker gave a presentation on the Tucson Gem and Mineral Shows. Patricia Moreland and Suzie attended several of the Tucson shows in February of this year. There were over 45 shows in locations all around Tucson. Several tips that club members shared were to book a room early, take a shuttle if parking at a particular show is difficult, and pick up free copies of the show guides to plan out when and where to go. Some of the free shows that feature minerals and are open to the public are the Kino Gem & Mineral Show at the Kino Sports Complex, Arizona Mineral and Fossil Show at the Hotel Tucson City Center (formerly Inn Suites), Pueblo Gem & Mineral Show at the Riverpark Inn Hotel, and the GIGM Show at the Red Lion Inn (formerly Days Inn).

The "Main Show" is held at the Tucson Convention Center on the last weekend of the show dates, and it costs \$13 per person to attend. This is the original show and it is called the Tucson Gem & Mineral Show. The show has speakers on a variety of topics, and there are display cases from museums as well as from individuals. If you google "Tucson gem and mineral shows", there are many links with dates for the 2019 events, which are scheduled from Feb. 1 - 17, 2019. There are a few shows that are wholesale only, and they are clearly marked in the show guide books as well as in online listings.

Field Trips - Elizabeth announced that only club members will be permitted to attend field trips effective immediately. The liability insurance the club carries requires that only club members can attend the trips. New members can sign up on the day of the trip. Any members signing up now automatically have paid their dues for the 2019 year.

The final field trip of the year to Congelton Hollow will be led by Elizabeth. The trip is on Saturday, October 13. Please plan to meet at Ray's Market on the east end of Prineville at 9 a.m. on the day of the trip. Elizabeth passed around several limb casts from Congelton Hollow.

The September field trip to Glass Buttes was attended by over 20 members, and everyone found different types of obsidian. Eric shared some examples of tumbled obsidian and posted tips on how to tumble obsidian on the club Facebook site. Jack shared that the Davis Creek obsidian site in CA is now gated. You need a permit from the BLM to enter, and a claim there is now in dispute.

The club is making an informal trip to McDermitt the week of Sept. 23-Sept 30. Mitchell's Stateline RV Park takes only cash or check, and most club members will be staying there as the motel is NOT recommended. McDermitt is famous for petrified wood, jasper, agate and thundereggs.

Announcements– Jules Wetzel announced that Don Ross will be released soon from Regency Rehab in Redmond. He welcomes visitors. Don is recovering from foot surgery.

Jack Benedict announced that the Highland Rock Shop on Hines Blvd in Burns will be eventually auctioned off. Contact the shop if you are interested in getting on the list to be contacted when the auction takes place.

Marty announced that the club picnic raised over \$700. Elizabeth thanked Ken and Roxanne Lawson for hosting the clinic and having a very successful event.

Sharing – Paul Asman shared some cabs he has made from jasper from Willow Creek, Idaho.

Programs – Our final meeting of the year at the Redmond Senior Center will be on Wednesday, Oct. 17. The speaker is a college geology professor who will present a talk on Oregon opals.

Our final meeting will be in November when we will celebrate with a holiday party. More details to come on date and place.

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

--submitted by Suzie Meeker

Business Cards:

We are more than happy to include members' rock-related business cards in this section.





*Canutts Gems is offering a 5% discount to members showing a CORC membership card

<u>Classified Ads:</u> If you have a rockhound related object you wish to sell, send the announcement to Carley Brantley at carleybrantley@gmail.com. Make sure to include ONLY the specific contact information you want published as part of your ad!

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