



# CRYSTALS AND CABS

## Newsletter of the Capital Mineral Club Concord, New Hampshire

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### Capital Mineral Club News

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The Capital Mineral Club membership meeting will be on Saturday, June 6th at 10:00 AM at Gordon Jackson's house, 94 Burough Road, Canterbury, NH.

This will be a selling, bragging & social meeting. We will start around 10 am. Anyone who wishes to bring any related material to Give - Swap - Sell or just Brag can set up.

There should be plenty of space under cover (this is a rain or shine event). Coffee and donuts will be available. Lunch will be provided in part by the Club, Hamburgers, hot-dogs, soda, chips, water and condiments.

If you would like something else you will have to bring it. This should be a good social event .

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**Welcome New Members  
Elyrah Rayne, Portsmouth, NH**

**June 6th meeting will be at Gordon Jackson's house, where there will be a live and a silent auction as well as a barbecue and pot luck lunch. Anyone who has not yet seen Gordon's mineral collection should do so - it is quite inspiring.**

**Editors Note:**

The **deadline** to get info to me for publication will be the **3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday** of every month

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- If submitting material to the newsletter the editor requests that it be sent in Microsoft Word format. This will help in getting the newsletter together.

**Mineral Clubs - Meeting Dates**

**Saco Valley Gem and Mineral Club:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Tin Mt. Conservation Center, Albany, NH – 7:00 PM [www.sacovalleygmc.com](http://www.sacovalleygmc.com)

**Keene:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at Keene State College, Science Bldg. Room SCIC 126, Keene, NH – 7:00 PM [keemineralclub.50webs.com](http://keemineralclub.50webs.com)

**North Shore (MA):** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, Hamilton Wenham Community House, 284 Bay Rd, South Hamilton, MA – 7:45 PM

**Boston Mineral Club:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, Harvard University Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford St., Cambridge, MA – 7:30 PM [www.bostonmineralclub.org](http://www.bostonmineralclub.org)

**Southeastern NH Mineral Club:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, St John's Methodist Church, 28 Cataract Ave., Dover, NH – 7:00 PM [senhmineralclub.org](http://senhmineralclub.org)

**Presidential Gem and Mineral Society:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of month at 7: 00 P.M. North Country Education Services Center; 300 Gorham Hill; Gorham, NH



The May 2015 meeting of the Capital Mineral Club was held on May 2nd at the Salvation Army building in Concord. 38 people were in attendance. The meeting began at 2:00 and opened with a presentation on topaz in the White Mountains of NH, given by Don Dallaire. Many specimens of this beautiful mineral were on hand to look at.

After the presentation the business meeting began. Tony Howd asked to have the minutes accepted with the correction that the meeting at Gordon's house in June will be at ten, not two. Motioned and passed. Don gave the treasurer's report, Jon Herndon motioned to accept, Doug Peck seconded, passed.

Old business - the garnet trip led by Bill Brown went well. It turned out to be a beautiful day and everyone found garnets. Bill might lead this trip again in the fall.

At the recent Board meeting, they discussed subsidizing the field trip to Poland Mining Camps, and decided to provide a hundred dollars for each member going. Enough people have signed up to go that we will get the Camp discount as well, which makes the cost more manageable. The Board decided that the trip to Harvard will be next year, probably in April, as it just isn't fitting into this year's calendar well. We discussed grants, and Gordon Jackson is planning on talking to one of the schools to see what we can do for them. A sampling of children's books about minerals was on a table in the back, to show the types of things we could give to grammar schools. Doug brought up a potential scholarship candidate and was directed to the club website, where applications can be downloaded.

It was mentioned that items for the newsletter and calendar need to be in by the second week of the month in order to allow for formatting.

The work on getting speakers lined up for next year is nearly completed.

New business - Frances is leaving the country soon and wants to fill the refreshment slots before she leaves. The list went around. She will send each volunteer an email with directions.

Mike Cordero said the cost for Poland Mining Camps will be \$200 per person, which includes room, board and mining trips. He is hoping to schedule the third week in July, and recommends anyone with questions contact him via email.

Gordon said he had a mix of old business and new. The nomination committee presented:

Steffen Hermanns, President  
Mike Cordero, Vice President  
Ellen Oberkotter, Secretary  
Mike Noel, Director

All positions would be for two years. Gordon moved that the slate be accepted, multiple seconds, passed with no discussion. Gordon will be going to local elementary schools and checking with the state as to how best to donate the books to the various schools. Questions include the number of schools we can donate to, and whether the classrooms or the libraries would get the books. He will work up a proposal, probably by September.

The May meeting is the one where we decide whether or not to hold the yearly show in Concord. Gordon does not want to be chairman of this, although he stated that the show is a good thing because it holds the club together well, and we make most of our income from it. It was voted to do the show this year. Flyers were handed out for everyone to pass out and display. Mike mentioned that WMUR would promote our show if we contact them early, perhaps a month in advance.

The silent auction will be first. The club will have a grill going and will provide meat and chips. Everyone bring potluck to share. From 1 to 3 is a live auction, primarily of specimens from Dana Jewell's collection. From 3 to 5 everyone is invited to stay and socialize.

If anyone comes to the meetings and wants a name tag, let Gordon know and he will make you one.

Drawings for the door prizes were held and won by Anna Wilken, Steve Kidder, Terry Crowell , Bill Ernst and Ellen Oberkotter.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen Oberkotter  
Secretary

The Capital Mineral Club will meet on Saturday, June 6th. We will gather between 9:30-10:00 AM at Pam and Gordon Jackson's home, 94 Borough Road, Canterbury, NH.

This will be a buying, selling, bragging & social meeting. Anyone who wishes to bring any related material to GIVE – SWAP – SELL - or just BRAG can set up. There should be plenty of space under cover (this is a shine or rain event).

Coffee and donuts will be available. There will be a silent and voice auction mostly from the collection of Dana Jewell & Ingebord Burggraf. The silent auction of about 60 items ending at 11:45am. You must register for a bid number that will be used for both the silent and live auctions. At the end of the silent auction remove your item and give the slip to the cashier. Remember to be a successful bidder you must win by \$1.00! From 11:45 to around 1:00 pm will be lunch. The Club will have hamburgers, hotdogs, chicken, chips, water and condiments. If you would like something else, bring it. This should be a good social event. After lunch the live auction of another 60 or so items will begin (Don Dallaire, auctioneer) . This should run from about 1:00 to 3:00 depending how SLOOOW Don is or maybe FAAAST. At the end we will cash out

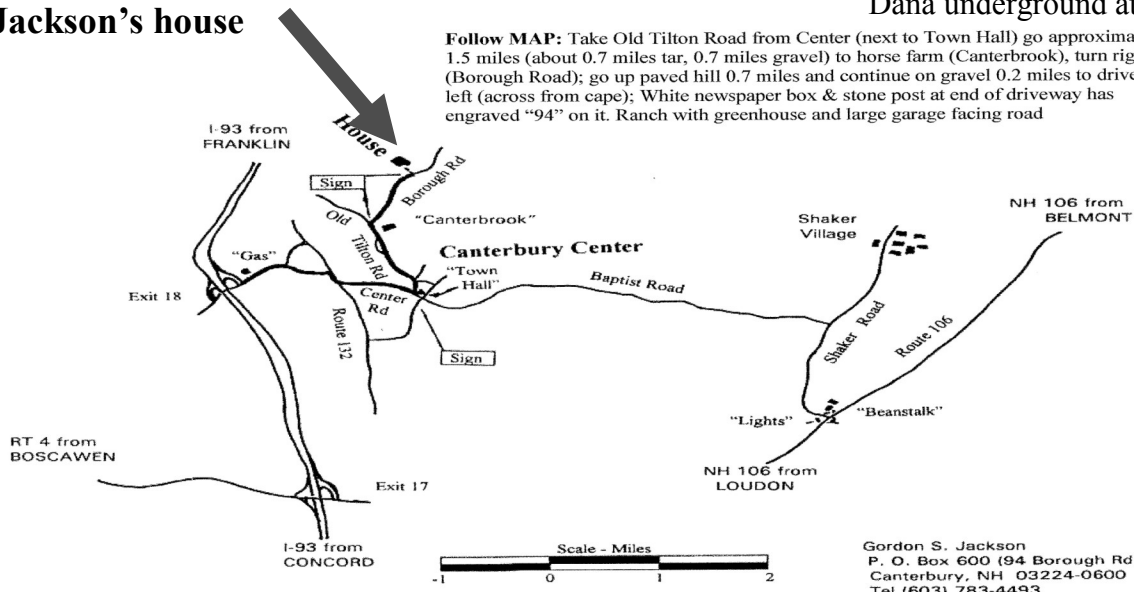
### Dana Jewell & Ingebord Burggraf

Dana and Inge are well known to most of us. They were avid collectors and collected extensively not only in New England but beyond. Dana & Inge collected in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Canada and even Austria. They were always persistent collectors and came up with many fine specimens. Dana was known to practically go through a mine dump as if a vacuum cleaner had performed the task. Specimens they collected range from micros to cabinet size. There will be many excellent specimens to bid on.



Dana underground at Palermo

### Map to Pam & Gordon Jackson's house





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**2015 Club Dues are Due, please send your membership renewals to Steffen Hermanns and make check payable to Capital Mineral Club, Dues are \$10.00 per member.**

**Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events**

**FEBRUARY 2015**

NO MEETING SCHEDULED

**MARCH 7, 2015**

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**  
 Speaker: Bill Ernst, Fluorescent Minerals  
 Refreshments: Mike Cordero

**APRIL 4, 2015**

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**  
 Speaker: Tom Mortimer  
 Refreshments: Natalie Undercofler

**MAY 2, 2015**

Club Meeting: **2:00PM**  
 Speaker: Don Dallaire, Topaz of New Hampshire  
 Refreshments: Jeff Divers

**JUNE 6, 2015**

Club Meeting: **9:30– 10:00AM**  
 Speaker: TBD  
 Refreshments: Hamburg's, Dogs, Condiments, Chips and Soda will be provided by the club if you want something else bring it

**Gem & Mineral Shows**

**June 28–29 2015: Gilsum, NH.** Gilsum Rock Swap & Mineral Show, Gilsum Elementary School grounds, Rt. 10. Info—Rob Mitchell, 603/357-9636, or [gilsumrocks@gmail.com](mailto:gilsumrocks@gmail.com).

**July 11–12 2015: Bethel, ME:** 54th Annual Western Maine Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show, Telstar High School, Rt. 26, Bethel, ME Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4  
 Info: [oxfordcountymineralandgemassociation.blogspot.com](http://oxfordcountymineralandgemassociation.blogspot.com)

**August 7-9, 2015: West Springfield, MA.** East Coast Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show, Eastern States Exposition, 10-6 Fri, Sat. 10-5 Sun

**August 29-30 2015: Concord, NH: 52nd Annual Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show** Capital Mineral Club, Everett Arena, Concord, NH, Sat 9am to 5pm, Sun 10am to 4pm, Contact Gordon Jackson: [gsj8544@aol.com](mailto:gsj8544@aol.com)  
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