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The Rock Slab News

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The Searchers next meeting:
Oct 10th, 2023 7 p.m.
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

The President's Message

Hello Searchers!

On September 16, the Make and Take bead bracelets were enjoyed by the Older Adults at the Anaheim Downtown Community Center. Thank you to Nancy Bird, Jamie Cassidy-Curtis and Charolette Spaulding for their help and donation of beads. I brought polished rocks and those were scooped up, as well. By participating in Center events, the club "pays for" its room time at the Center.

The never-used Dale Palas 18 inch Lorotone Lapidary Saw was moved into the Workshop. Rick Webber was the transport vehicle driver, David Nelson, Steve Boarden, Caleb Guyer and Anthony Palumbo did the heavy lifting. The Workshop attendees appreciate that effort very much.

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A hearty thank you to the 2022-2023 Board of Directors. Here are some of the milestones the club directors, with help from members, accomplished over the past 11 months:

Membership increased from 122 to 158! (Debbie and Bob Tanner)

New Searchers' business cards (Jenny Rohl)

A successful 2022 Show: profits of \$8000, new Show floor plan, ability to take Square payments, new tablets and hot spot purchased (Show Committee led by Margaret Hogarth)

Zoom of the General Meetings and Board meetings (Robin Larzelere)

Website updated with new design, and better Search Engine Optimization (John O'Neill)

Draft of a **Club brochure**

Imaginology, Children's Festival, Older Adults Health Fair Charity events (Veronica Purpura, Robin Larzelere)

High-Grade sale added to General Meetings to increase club income (Caleb Guyer, Jim Thorpe)

Four new lapidary saws delivered to the Workshop (Caleb Guyer)

Policy for accepting donated equipment, rocks and minerals (Steve Duncan, Margaret Hogarth)

Four estate donations picked up and sorted (Steve Duncan, Robin Larzelere)

Sincerely, Robin Larzelere, President



Searchers Club Meetings

Board Meeting- **October 3rd at 6:30 P.M.**

Member Meeting- **October 10th** in the Anaheim Community Center

Minutes - Board Meeting, Tuesday September 5, 2023

August 1, 2023 Meeting In person, Downtown Anaheim Community Center 6:35 PM

Attendees: Robin Larzelere, Jamie Cassidy-Curtis, Jenny Rohl, Margaret Hogarth, Bill Hogarth, Caleb Guyer, Nancy Bird, Rick Weber, Gwen Sharp Absent: Sue Gevedon

August 1, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes, August 8, 2023 General Membership Meeting minutes – approved as submitted Searchers Club business card, final draft for approval. Add :00 and 10:00 PM and then approved for printing.

Great Western 24-inch saw progress report. None right now. 18" saw is broken and needs a new screw drive.

Linda Horn, Jimmy Petterson, and Jenny Rohl have agreed to be the nominating committee.

Dale Palas \$2150 check for 18-inch saw purchase has been cashed. Need to pick up saw and move to either storage or workshop. Rick will help move the saw to the workshop.

Use tax on Highland Park saws needs to be paid, Jamie will take care of.

\$50 Target gift card from Saddleback Home School donated by Robin L. for "Kid's Searchers group".

The board voted to Zoom every other meeting starting next month.

Informal meeting with Christine Hunt. Christine is moving to the Older Adults Activities Director position in the same building, there will be a new director for the Center.

Health Fair in September – Charlotte Spaulding, Jamie Cassidy-Curtis will attend. Make stretchy bracelets with seniors.

3 additional keys made for storage unit. \$3 per key.

1st VP – Programs – Gwen Sharp:

September Speaker, Richard Edly; October speaker, Renee Newman.

2nd VP – Field Trips: Bill Hogarth and Rick Webber November 11-12, Rowley Mine; October 18-23, turquoise trip with Yucaipa club; December, Top Notch Claim with Jeremy Barnhaus.

Show Chair: Margaret Hogarth, writing grant to the city for April show.

Show Chair: Rowley Mine, Arizona November 11-12.

Minutes – General Meeting, Tuesday, September 12, 2023

1. Call to Order: The meeting began at 7:00 PM by Robin Larzelere
2. Rockhound of the Year Award: Nancy Bird presented Jenny Rohl with the CFMS Rockhound of the Year Award. A pin and a certificate were presented.
3. Walt Parking Lot Sale: September 24 from 9:00 -11:00 AM Parking lot sale behind Walt's shop, highlighting rough and slabs.
4. Senior Event: September 17 at the Center. We will do beaded stretchy bracelets. Jamie, Sharon and Robin will do the booth.
5. Field Trips: October 17-20, Turquoise collecting in Nevada with the Yucaipa Club. November trip to Rowley Mone and December to Top Notch Claim with Jeremy Barnhaus.
6. Workshop: Three new saws are here and the bookcase has a new home.
7. Show: \$5 garb bags next year. Need more help at the show.
8. CFMS: Fall meeting is in Visalia. Next year the AFMS/CFMS will hold a joint show in Ventura.
9. Meeting adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

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Searcher Presenters and News

October Speaker: Renée Newman

The Diversity of American Gems, Western States

The distance from Anaheim to the Oceanview mine in San Diego County is only 75 miles. There you can dig for tourmalines, kunzites, morganites, and aquamarines, and take a jeep tour of Chief Mountain where you can see the currently active mines. Historically that area was important. From 1898 until 1911, it was the world's largest producer of tourmaline and it is still producing high quality material like what you see in the brooch by Paula Crevoshay. All the tourmalines in it are from the Stewart Lithia Mine. Renee's PowerPoint will also include gems from other sources in Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, and other parts of California. However, it will focus on the most notable ones such as jade, benitoite, sunstone, opal, turquoise, chrysocolla, Four Peaks amethyst and fire agate.



Speaker Bio:

Renée Newman developed her interest in gems in the early 1980's while conducting tours to Asia, South America and the South Pacific. Her passengers wanted to know how to judge the quality of the gems they saw. After searching in bookstores and libraries for this information, Renée discovered that little had been written on the subject of gem quality evaluation, so she decided it would be worth creating books with photos that showed how to judge gem quality.

After receiving a graduate gemologist diploma from the GIA, she was hired as a gemologist at a wholesale firm in downtown Los Angeles. It provided hands-on experience grading diamonds and selecting colored gems and pearls for their jewelry. Armed with trade experience and gemological credentials, Renée decided to create books that showed readers how to visually evaluate the quality of gems. Her first book, the *Diamond Ring Buying Guide*, was published in 1989. Since that time, she has written thirteen more books on gems and jewelry. They are used as gemology course textbooks, sales training tools, appraisal references and consumer guides. The books will be available for sale at the meeting for a discounted price. Bring cash or check. For more information about Renée and her books go to www.reneenewman.com.



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Presentation:

Discovering Southern California Minerals and Gemstones, Richard Edley. Richard has two active claims near Barstow. Both of them are for turquoise. He also has one near Julian where he is mining emeralds with citrine in them. Some of the emeralds also have red hematite in them.

He suggested that you hire someone to help you file a claim with BLM since it is a complicated process. You put a discovery monument on the claim to mark it.

Searchers Field Trip **October 21-22, 2023**

Location: Castle Butte

Leader: Bill Hogarth

Join us on Saturday, October 21, 2023 as we explore the Castle Butte area.

This is a short alternate for those folks who are not doing the 5-Day, 5-Mine Trip in Nevada. We will be exploring the Castle Butte area with petrified palm, agate, jasper and perhaps some bloodstone. The Sierra Palona Travertine mine is NOT on the itinerary this time. While any vehicle can reach the camping area, the rockhounding will require high clearance vehicles, 4x4 recommended. For any who don't camp, this is a great day trip or lodging is available in Boron or Barstow.

Saturday and Sunday, meet at 8:30 a.m. on Clay Mine Road, where the road makes a 90 degree turn (<https://maps.app.goo.gl/EhNBCuYthhLzvc7d6>). Our campsite is marked with a star on the map, just before Aerial Acres. All vehicles can reach our meeting spot. This is a dry camping site without any amenities. Please bring all food and water that you may need and dress in layers appropriate for the weather.

On Sunday, meet at 8:30 a.m. at our campsite on Clay Mine Road. We will be exploring nearby jasper-agate sites.

Recommended equipment: Rock pick, gloves and spray bottle.

Directions: Proceed to the 15 freeway north. Pass the Cajon pass. Take exit 141 to Highway 395 north. Proceed to Kramer Junction. Take Highway 58 west towards Mojave. Take exit 188, Clay Mine Road, turn right. Proceed about 5 miles and look for the Searchers signs. We will be camping off of Clay Mine Road, before Aerial Acres, where the road makes a 90 degree turn. **Our campsite is marked with a star on the map.** Allow 2-1/2 hours from Anaheim; it is about 130 miles.

If you plan to attend, please contact: Bill Hogarth, whogarth@gmail.com, 909-264-1122. Text or call

There will be a potluck on Saturday night, campfire will be allowed if the winds are low.

A very nice little video on Agate Formation.

<https://www.instagram.com/reel/CxoYVldNqEr/?igshid=NzZhOTFIYzFmZQ%3D%3D>

Saw Oil Available

The club supplies saw oil at a good price. It is located at Jim Peterson's home. Bring your own 5 gallon container. The cost is \$65 for 5 gallons to members. \$75 for non-members.

Call 714 904-8573 and make a check payable to "Searchers"

Upcoming Fields Trips



November Field Trip

The November field trip will be the weekend of November 11-12 to two pay-to-dig sites in Arizona; the Rowley Mine and the Prism/ Blue Cube mine. We will be hounding for many lapidary and mineral specimens including chrysocolla from thin skin to 70# blocks, wulfenite, mimetite, galena, diableite and lots of barite in dumps from Rowley and abundant purple/blue/green fluorite, barite, and amethyst in float and seams from the other mine.

Field trip leader: Caleb Guyer in Silver Subaru

To sign up contact at Caleb.guyer@gmail.com with your name, phone number, and group size.

Rowley mine Saturday: \$30 per person

We will meet at 7:45am at exit 102 (Painted Rock Road) off interstate 8 in Arizona

We will leave for the mine at 8:30am sharp

Prism/ Blue Cube mine Sunday: \$20 per person

We will meet at 8:30am at exit 81(Salome Road) off interstate 10 in Arizona

We will leave for the mine at 9:15am sharp



Photos are Rowley mine material.

Places to stay

There are multiple hotels available in Gila,Az

There is dry camping at the Painted Rock Petroglyph Site

Hookup sites at the SONORAN DESERT RV PARK

What to bring:

Cash to pay the mine owners each day

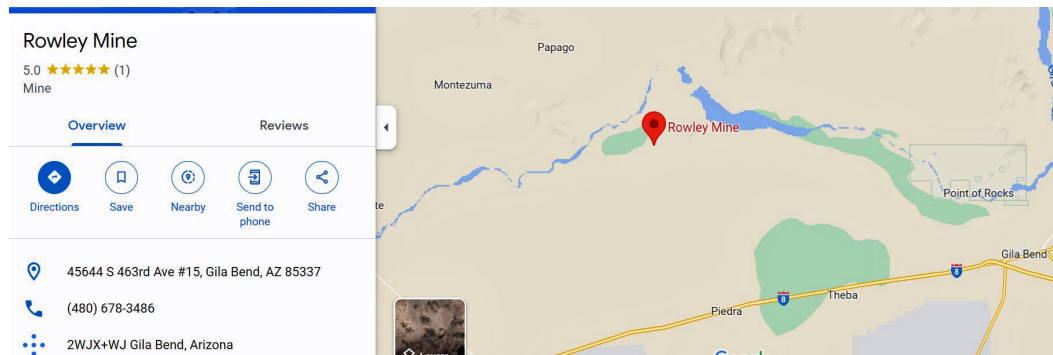
Hand trowel, spray bottle with water, rock pick, rock hammer, safety glasses, work gloves, hat, water, snacks, sun block, sun umbrella, extra bags for rocks, and whatever will help you have a comfortable stay.

For Saturday buckets, shovels, picks, rakes, spray bottle

For Sunday minimum of a 3# sledge. Preferably bigger bars, an even heavier sledge and/or chipping hammers

For any questions or need more info feel free to email me.

No 4x4 required you can drive up to both sites



For field trip information contact: Bill Hogarth or Rick Webber

| Preliminary Searchers 2023-2024 Field Trip Schedule | | | |
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| Date | Location | Leader | Notes |
| 10/18 to 10/23/2023 | Arizona | Yucaipa Gem and Mineral Society | fee to dig tailings 6 mines lizbrackensmith@gmail.com |
| 11/10-11/12 2023 | Arizona | Caleb Guyer | Rowley Mine and nearby amethyst |
| 12/16-12/17 2023 | Mojave | Rick Webber | Top Notch area near Afton Canyon |
| January | | | |
| February | | | |
| March | | | |
| April | | | |
| May | | | |
| June | | | |

The 2023 December 16-17 Searchers Field Trip will be to the Top Notch area

south of Afton Canyon. It is in the Mojave Trails National Monument, with dispersed camping at the North Cady Campground. Doug Flaug has generously shared his detailed Google Drive Top Notch Map with the Searchers. Materials to be found: fluorite, jasper and geodes. Rich Webber is the trip leader: richwebb3245@att.com.



Long Range Trip Report 2023

The long range trip this year was not for the faint of heart. 2800 miles of driving, 6 states, temperatures as high as 113°, pouring rain, muddy roads, and too many rocks.

3 vehicles started the trip, Jimmy Peterson with Ester, Steve with Marcia, and John O’Conner with his sister Lisa and Murphy the dog. The first night in Santa Nella was really just to break up the drive, but we did go to Pea Soup Andersens. Searcher Bruce Raush joined us here (he was moteling it) he joined us daily until the 2nd day of Glass Buttes, after which he continued his journey to Nor Cal. The next night we were at the Buckhorn Campground near Black Butte Lake. Temperature was 105 so jumping in the lake was very pleasant. This is also where the naked boy showed up, a young man who was obviously high (and badly sunburned) wandering around talking to himself. We saw him several times, the last time he had decided he had no more use for clothes. He got reunited with his friends who took him home to sober up, and hopefully put on some aloe vera. The temperature made us change our plans a bit, we decided to collect in the mornings, and drive in the afternoons. The collecting on Stony Creek was fair, we found a few river tumbled jasp/agates, but not much. Stony Creek might have potential if you worked hard at it. Leaving Buckhorn John broke his rear window, and decided to stay and get it fixed and join us later.



Jimmy and I continued to Canyonville Oregon, a nice little county run campground (Charles V Stanton County Park) on the Umpqua River. Again having the river near us to jump into was nice, as my truck thermometer read 113° on the way to Canyonville. The next morning we collected the Umpqua gravels in the morning, one site was now private property, and another we couldn’t find, but we did find some petrified wood in the one gravel we did search.



From here we went to the Peach Beach Campground in Goldendale Washington, a nice shady campground on the Columbia River. The shade was appreciated as the temp was still 106°. Doug and Inez joined us here, coming from their new home in Washington. The next day we collected at the China Hollow mine and the Beers Mountain mine in Biggs Junction, Oregon. This was a pay dig, run by Jay from Sherman County Rocks. Jay is a nice guy, and a typical rockhound so we all had fun exploring his mines and picking out some pieces to buy. Everyone got all the nice picture jasper they wanted. We also saw all the fine material he had back at his shop, as well as his cool saw.

We spent another night at Peach Beach, which included buying some peaches from the orchard next door. They let you taste several types of peaches and nectarines, but their Sweet Dreams peaches may be the best I have ever tasted.



The next day we proceeded to Glass Buttes after a quick stop at Richardson’s Rock Ranch to see what rocks they had that we just couldn’t do without. Richardson’s no longer allows digging at their place, but has a giant selection of rocks to pick through, some local, and some exotics purchased at Quartzsite and Tucson. There is a LOT of rocks here.

For field trip
information

contact: Bill

Hogarth or Rick

Webber

At Glass Buttes we spent 5 night dry camping. There was both good news and bad news. The good news was that the hot temperature finally broke, as we had cool weather, and even some rain as the tail end of the tropical storm which hit So Cal moved north. The bad news was from John who called to say that his transmission had failed and the trip was over for him.

We had the honor of celebrating Jimmy's 93rd birthday at Glass Buttes. Jimmy was my hero when I met him 20 years ago, and he still is today.



We collected Glass Buttes for a couple of days. I have decided that the rainbow obsidian from Davis Creek is better, with brighter colors, but the silver and gold sheen, as well as the double flow mahogany is much better here. Everyone was able to collect a lot of top notch material at Glass Buttes.

We also collected Maury Mountain, which still has potential, but you will need to spend more time and work it harder that we did to really do well. We collected Congleton Hollow for limb casts, and the same story holds true. By the time we had driven from Glass Buttes we only had a few hours to collect here. Everyone found a few small limb casts, but to do this site justice you would need to spend more time and work at it harder than we did. We also got rained on pretty hard at Congleton Hollow, which made us rethink our next day rough camp at Stinking Water, and we decided to proceed directly to Homedale Oregon in the morning.



The good news is we seemed to outrun most of the thunderstorms, the bad news is that Jim and Darshini Williamson had planned to join us at Stinking Water and now we wouldn't get a chance to see them. And to add insult to injury, as we drove past Stinking Water the day was sunny and clear (go figure) but I understand that there were thunderstorms later that day, so we may have made the right decision.

In Homedale we stayed 5 nights at the Snake River RV Resort, which is pleasant and directly on the Snake River. While here we collected Owyhee picture jasper, Graveyard Point Plume agate, and Succor Creek picture jasper. The Succor Creek day involved probably 70 miles of rough dirt roads which had not been travelled by anyone for a while as evidenced by the 3 foot weeds growing between the tire ruts. And since it had rained hard the day before, there were some big muddy puddles. Add to this some steep climbs and descents, and at the end let's just say I felt that I had earned my Certificate of Off-highway Driving Competence from The Doug Flaugh School of Off-highway Driving. All joking aside, Doug did his usual excellent job of navigating us in the wild. We got to see country many people never get to see. We could look for as far as the eye could see and see no other people, and basically no other roads. It was pretty spectacular. Add to this the excellent collecting and this was a rock-hounding day to remember.

We actually collected Graveyard point for 2 days, one with Doug leading us to sites he knew of, and then the last day our trip was led by Norman Vincent, a local Homedale rock-hound who we met while camping at Glass Buttes. It was nice of him to offer to show us around, and then to share some of his favorite sites. We all left with quite a bit of nice Graveyard Point material. Another nice thing was that former Searchers Jay and Kim Erb, who have moved to Idaho, were able to join us for this second day of collecting at Graveyard Point, and for the pot luck afterwards.



After Homedale, Doug and Inez returned to their Washington home. We have talked about a potential Washington trip led by Doug sometime on the future, which would be good. Jimmy and I then headed south. Our first stop was Jackpot Nevada where we could have looked for snakeskin agate or limb casts, but to be honest we were a little burned out and decided it would be a rest day.

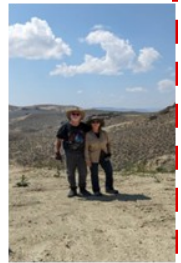


We then went to the RV park in Delta Utah. We decided to skip the Dugway geode beds, and collect the Joy agate fields, where we all found some agates. We also looked for Picasso stone near Joy, and found the site, but the material was not that great.

After Delta we had planned 2 more nights dry camping at Star Springs campground near Hanksville Utah, but decided instead to head home early and look at a couple of sites on the way. Jimmy led us to a snowflake obsidian site (by memory) and we collected some nice material. This was up on top of a mountain and the wind was howling, almost blowing Ester away. We then looked for another Picasso Marble site, but after several failed attempts Marcia and I headed to Mesquite, where we would spend our last night. Jimmy continued to look, and being Jimmy, found the Picasso site and collected a couple of pieces including one for me which was nice.

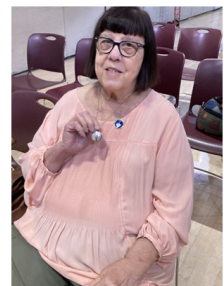
All in all this was a BIG rockhounding trip, everyone got some very good collecting done, and saw some amazing country. How good was the rockhounding? I had to buy more 5 gallon buckets several times, and came back with 13 buckets of material, most of which was very nice.

Final thoughts on the trip: we have been doing these extended trips in the summer, which kind of makes sense because there are no club trips during the summer. But this trip showed that with the changing climate this is not the best time to travel. The next extended trip I plan will not be in the middle of summer. Also a 3 week trip may have been a bit much, and 2 weeks may be the sweet spot. It was also unfortunate that we didn't get more participation from club members. Hopefully many of you will participate in the standard weekend trips this coming year so you can get used to field tripping. Then maybe you can join us on one of these major adventures, they are challenging, but wonderful.



Steve Duncan

A Little of the September Meeting



Photos by David Yturralde

Upcoming Special Rock sale in November

This is just advance notice that there will be a quality rock sale in November in Santa Ana, more details will be available next month. I am talking this sale up because the quality of the material is very good, and the prices will be very fair, so you won't want to miss it.

There are still a few pieces of equipment left from the same lot, details are below. If you are interested in any of the equipment let me know. All equipment is working, we can double-check when you pick it up, but is also sold "as is". This is the last time I will send you info about this equipment, I promise not to fill your inbox with spam ☐. I really do this as a public service to the Rockhound community.

Regards,
Steve Duncan

- 6" flat lap with many laps-\$100
- 8" flat lap with a few laps-\$80
- 4 wheel 4" grinder \$160
- 3 wheel plus polishing pad 6" grinder \$200
- Coarse grinding wheel \$40
- 16" saw \$900 (new lower price)



8" flat lap



6" flat lap



4" grinder/polisher



6" grinder/polisher



Grinding wheel



16" saw

Upcoming Shows



American Opal Society proudly presents
53rd Annual OPAL, GEM & JEWELRY SHOW

October 28th & 29th, 2023
Saturday 10AM - 6PM
Sunday 10AM - 5PM

!Fabulous New Location!
Velvet Rose Event Center
300 S. Flower St., Orange, CA 92868

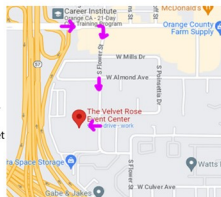
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Garden Grove, CA 92842-4875
Contact: Veronica Purpura (714) 501-9959
info@opalsociety.org http://opalsociety.org
(dealer inquiries welcome)

DIRECTIONS: exit Chapman from the 57 towards Orange. Take Flower Street and follow. Make a right into the venue just after passing Larkspur Drive. Parking lot is in the back.



53rd Annual Opal Show
October 28-29, 2023
Velvet Rose Event Center

Opal photo compliments of Len Cream

GEM DIEGO SHOW IS BACK!

San Diego's Finest Gem Show
October 28-29, 2023

Liberty Station Conference Center
2600 Laning Road San Diego, CA 92106

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SATURDAY, Oct. 28
9:30 A.M. – 5 P.M.

SUNDAY, Oct. 29
10 A.M. – 4 P.M.



San Diego Mineral & Gem Society
www.sdmg.org

Upcoming 2023 CFMS Gem Shows

For a more complete listing of shows go to web-site: www.cfmsinc.org

October 7-8, 2023 – Grass Valley, CA

Nevada County Gem and Mineral Society
Nevada County Fairgrounds, 11228 McCourtney Rd., Grass Valley 95949
Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM
57th Annual Earth's Treasurers Show: 25+ vendors, gem and mineral exhibits, Gold panning, lapidary arts demonstrations. Kids Corner, food and ice cream trucks. Admissions – Adults \$4, Children ages 12 and under free with a paid adult, Military with an "active military" I.D. Free, FREE PARKING
Contact: 4vanclan5@att.net

October 7-8, 2023 – Signal Hill, CA

Long Beach Mineral & Gem Society
Signal Hill Library, 1800 E. Hill Street, Signal Hill, CA 90755
"Gems on the Hill" Annual Show
Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM
Contact: (562) 253-1390, lbmineral-gemsociety@gmail.com
Website: <http://www.facebook.com/LBMGS>

October 7-8, 2023 – Anderson, CA

Shasta Gem and Mineral Society
67th Annual Gem and Mineral Show
1890 Briggs Street, Anderson, CA 96007
Hours: Saturday 9 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 9 AM – 4 PM
FREE! 67th Annual Gem and Mineral Show, Jewelry, Crystals, Minerals, Fossils, Gemstones, Silent Auction, Exhibits, Kids Area
Contact: sgmsrocksred-ding@gmail.com
Website: <http://shastagemandmineral.org>

October 8, 2023 – Fallbrook, CA

Fallbrook Gem and Mineral Society
123 W. Alvarado St. (show on street a& in parking lot), Fallbrook CA 92028
Hours: 9 AM – 4 PM
Rock Fallbrook! Over 40 mineral gemstone, jewelry and fossil vendors at the annual Fallbrook Festival of Gems & Minerals. Gem ID, Bargain Booth, Wheel of Fortune, kids activities, food booth, and a GIANT raffle of some gorgeous items. Free admission and free parking.
Vendor applications due August 1, 2023. Email info@fgms.org if you're interested.
Contact: (760) 728-1130, info@fgms.org
Website: <http://www.fgms.org>

October 14-15, 2023 – Redwood City, CA

Penninsula Gem and Geology Society AND Sequoia Gem and Mineral Society
Redwood City Community Activities Building, 1400 Rosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA 94061
Hours: 10 AM – 5 PM
Contact: (650) 575-3144, cci@pacbell.net
Website: <http://sequoiagemandmineralsociety.org>

October 21-22, 2023 – Santa Rosa, CA

Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society
Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404
Hours: Saturday and Sunday – 10 AM – 5 PM
Annual show featuring 35 vendors, gold panning, florescent mineral display, children's activities, raffle prizes, on-going silent auction, member displays. FREE Parking
Contact: (707) 849-9551, jole-ne4srmgs@gmail.com
Website: <http://srmgs.org>

October 28-29, 2023 – San Diego, CA

San Diego Mineral & Gem Society
Liberty Station Conference Center/ Point Loma Nazarene University, 2660 Lanir, San Diego, CA 92106
Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM
Contact: luannz@att.net
Website: <http://SDMG.org>

October 28-29, 2023 – Orange, CA

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Velvet Rose Event Center, 300 S. Flower St., Orange, CA 92868
Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 6 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 5 PM
53rd Annual Opal, Gem & Jewelry Show
Rough & cut opals and gemstones, jewelry, supplies. Hugh drawing. Free demonstrations.
Contact: (714) 501-9959, info@opalsociety.org
Website: <http://opalsociety.org>

November 3, 4 & 5, 2023 – Eureka, CA

Humboldt Gem & Mineral Society
Humboldt Gem & Mineral Society 68th Annual Show
3750 Harris St., Eureka, CA 95503
Hours: Friday 9 AM – 6 PM, Saturday 10 AM – 6 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 5 PM
Live Demonstrations, Games for the kids, Geode Cutting, Vendors with Gemstones, Rocks, Lapidary Tools & Equipment, Fossils and Jewelry

September Birthstone Sapphire



STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

This Searchers Gem and Mineral Society was formed for the purpose of banding together a group of congenial persons for the purpose of:

- Studying mineralogy and the earth sciences by means of association with other mineralogical societies and with their members.
- Presentation of public exhibitions, lectures, and similar programs.
- Field trips for exploration, study, and collecting of specimens.
- The encouragement of interest among young people and the fostering of interest in mineralogy and the lapidary arts.
- The procurement and maintenance of collections of minerals, mineral products and related pictures, writings, and other information thereof.

All other means which are appropriate to the accomplishment of the primary objectives above set forth.

To help achieve our purpose, The Searchers Gem and Mineral Society is committed to providing a social environment in which all members and guests are treated with respect and dignity. Each member has the right to attend meetings, club functions, club programs, and to interact with other club members in a non-threatening professional atmosphere that promotes equality and prohibits discriminatory practices, including harassment. We expect that all relationships among members and non-members who interact with our club will be business-like and free of bias and harassment. The activities listed below are not supportive of the Searchers purpose and are therefore strictly prohibited. Any member or guest who exhibits any of the behaviors listed below may be subject to consequences, including termination or denial of club membership.

1. Abusive or threatening language towards a member or guest.
2. Rude or offensive actions or language directed to a member or guest.
3. Verbal or physical harassment of a member or guest.
4. Actual or threatened violence toward any individual or group.
5. Conduct endangering the life, safety, health or well-being of others.
6. Hate speech, bullying or taking unfair advantage of any member or guest.
7. Bringing into a Searchers event dangerous or unauthorized materials such as explosives, firearms, weapons or other similar items.
8. Verbal or physical disruption of Searchers meetings or events.
9. Theft of Searchers property.

Failure to follow the Searchers Bylaws or Standing Rules.

All Searchers members should report prohibited behaviors as outlined above to the Searchers Board of Directors. Upon receiving any such report, the Board will promptly investigate and take appropriate action.

Searchers Gem & Mineral Society

General Information

Check our website for unexpected changes in schedule!

www.searchersrocks.org



General Meetings: 7 PM, 2nd Tuesday of each month, Jan - Nov
Board Meetings: 6:30 PM, 1st Tuesday of each month, Jan - Nov
Workshop: Thursday 5:30 to 10:00 PM and Saturday 2:30 to 7:00 PM

Location: Anaheim Downtown Community Center
 250 East Center St.
 Anaheim, CA 92805

Mailing Address: Searchers Gem & Mineral Society, Inc.
 P.O. Box 3492
 Anaheim, CA 92803

Website: www.searchersrocks.org

Membership Dues: Individual \$35
 Each additional household member is \$10

Valid Jan.1-Dec.31 The dues are prorated for new members. If new members sign up from October to December, their dues are good for those months, plus the entire next year.

Bulletin: Submissions due 3rd Friday of the month via e-mail to: editor@searchersrocks.org.

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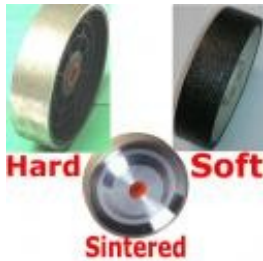
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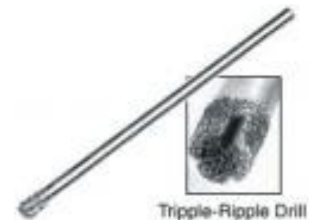
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