

SE Massachusetts Mineral Club



OutCroppings

December 2022

Incorporated April 8, 1970

Meetings held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm
(excluding July and August)

Meetings are held at the Rockland Eagles Hall
29 Park Street, Rockland, MA 02370

Next Meeting January 12, 2023

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**Another Sad Moment.
Long Time Club Member Ed Alusow passes away.
Ed was a good man and member. His address 37 Abington Ave.
Plymouth, MA 02360**

Come digging with us!



A Message from President Walter Schell

Happy Holidays!

Our President, has been very busy at home tending to his wife. He plans to be at the January Meeting. See you there.

Walter,

A Message from the Editor

Greetings!

Happy Holidays to all. The Holiday Meeting was a complete success! Plenty of food, gifts and raffles! **Now on to the AUCTION! Keep April 1st open! WE need people to volunteer!**

.Larry

[SEMMC Facebook Page](#)

We have scheduled the Auction!

Date – April 1, 2023

**Place - American Legion Post 405
291 Mill St. Raynham, MA 02767**





We need VOLUNTEERS! Please call an officer or an E Board member!

Keep in touch with our [Facebook Page](#) to get the sudden additions to the digging schedule!

Up Coming Digs

Winter and Holidays limit our digging. But there are many things you can do. Sort and take care of new acquisitions. Photograph and share with Club and family. Talk about your searches! Enjoy!



Field collecting trips are open to SEMMC members only, as our insurance policy covers members only. Please bring your SEMMC Membership card with you.

All participants of field trips are required to contact trip leaders at least 48 hours in advance of trip date.

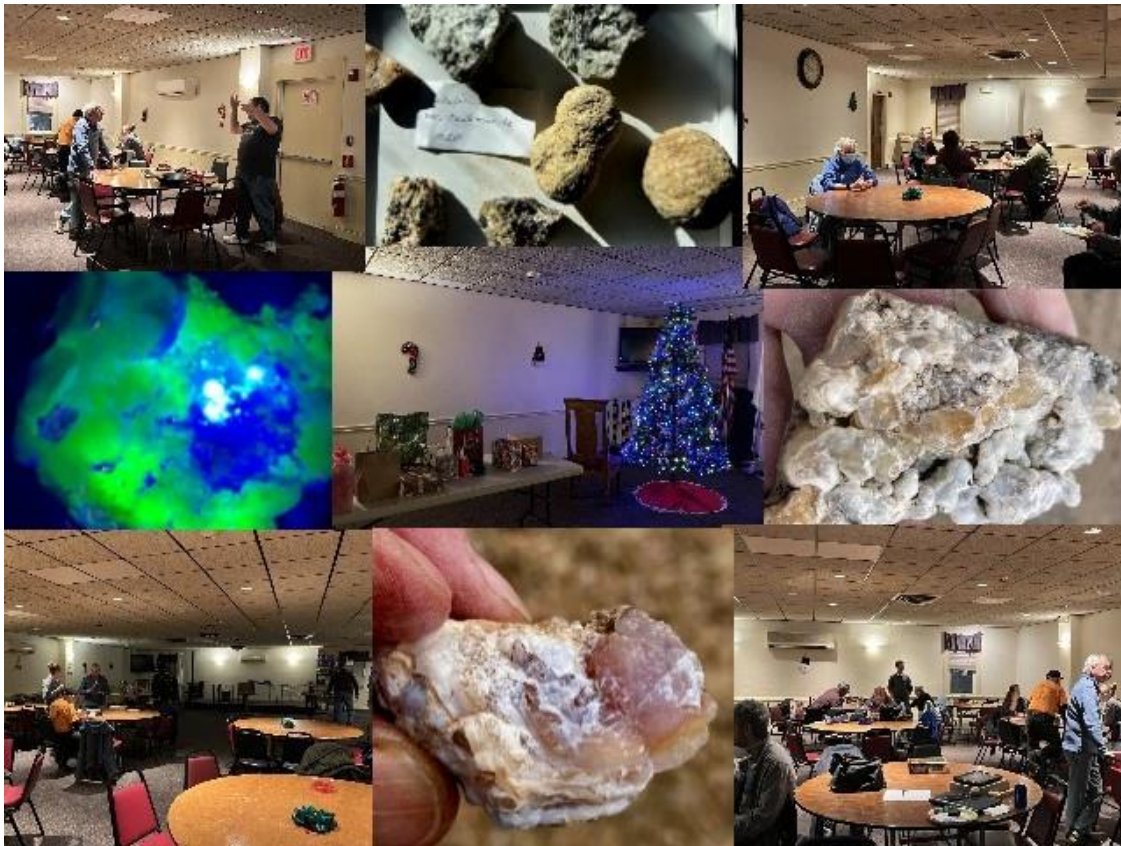
Schedules may change. Please contact the host to confirm date, time

and details.

Some trips may be eliminated, added, or altered depending on weather and other circumstances.

However, please remember we do have a club claim in Fonda, NY and it is open year-round, weather permitting.

The Club Rules for our claim can be found on the website.





Ron Swart sending Specimens from out west to be shared with members at the meetings. Don't miss out!





Dan has a place in Arizona that has some nice Agates.

Club Diggings 2022

The Club scored great specimens on the many trips we took this year!
There is a Club outing for everyone. Come on out and join in!





Plus many more rocks and minerals are given up to the raffle that supports the **Scholarship Fund!**

**January is Superlative Month
Best in MA, Best in Each NE State
Best in the Rest of the Country!
Come show off your “Stuff”!**

SUPERLATIVES

Bring specimens found in the years 2020-2022. There will be the following categories.

- Best finds: 1. Rhode Island
2. Connecticut
3. Massachusetts
4. New Hampshire
5. Maine
6. Vermont

The winners of these categories will then qualify for best find of the year!

Other categories (do not qualify for best find of the year)

- best fossil
- best find outside of New England
- best find outside the United States
- best lapidary

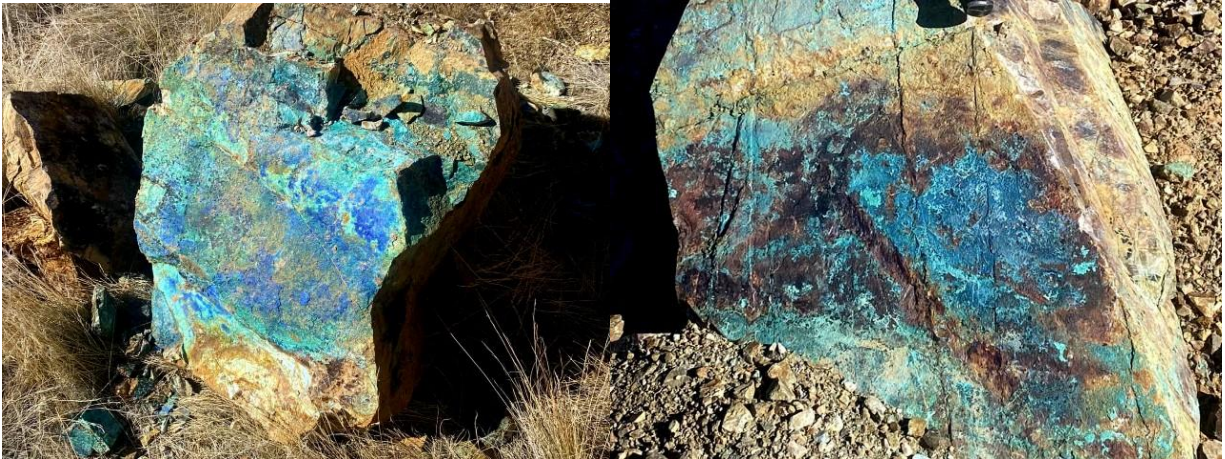
* if any categories are missing, please let me know!



Members bring specimens to distribute to all that want them.



Come and see!



**The Club owns a Herkimer Diamond Claim
Would you like to own your own?**



A few members of the Club have their own Claims!
Come down to a meeting and ask us, How can I own one too?



When traveling around the country
And you want a place to prospect,

Go to

www.mindat.org

Member's Corner

Welcome New Members!

Shirts are in!



So your choices are...

SMALL - pink with black ink OR orange with black ink

MEDIUM - pink/black OR blue/white;

LARGE - pink/black OR blue/black

X LARGE - pink/black OR blue/white

XX LARGE - blue/white

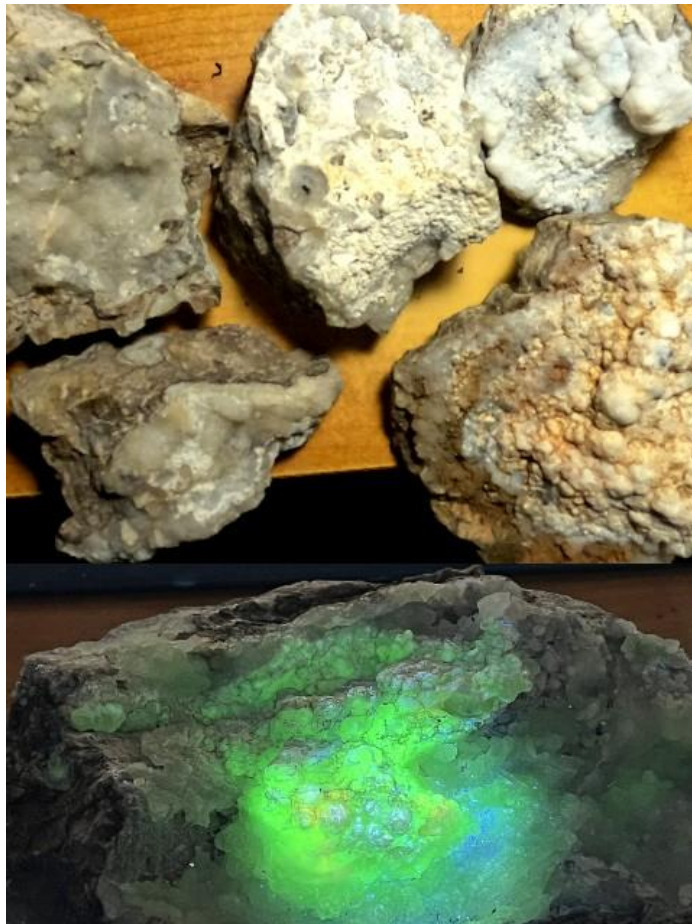


January is Awards Month

Best of Mass, Best of each NE State, Best of Rest of Country

Come to the January Meeting! Some new specimens in from Arizona!

Free to attending members! We share our finds with fellow members!



Officers and E Board 2023

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Southeastern Massachusetts Mineral Club



Memberships are Due in August!

\$20.00 per Family per year Dues

And for that money, you are a fully insured Club Member, access to a wealth of mineral knowledge, Club digs, are held at some of the best quarries in New England, 10 scheduled Meetings per Year, September to June where knowledge and information are exchanged freely. New members learn the What, Where, How and When. Come to the next meeting and see.

Come Join Us and find out!

Scouting for new spots

We are always looking for new areas to collect from. If you are sitting at home with nothing to do, log on and find out about the history of mining in your area. Many old and abandon quarries and mines still exist throughout our region. Also there are many “ancient” sites that hold evidence of the indigenous peoples that were living here and quite possibly Viking Settlements that were here before Columbus in 1492. Take a look and see what you can find. Send me any info you have and I will publish it so all Club Members will know.

Larry

Membership Form

Dues are as follows:

-Individual Membership \$15.00 Yearly Dues with e-mail newsletter-

-Family Membership * \$20.00 Yearly Dues with e-mail newsletter-

*** Family Membership must list all family members as of September 1 of the membership year.**

Return with your payment made out to SEMMC, Inc.

Date _____

Name(s) _____

Children _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____

Zip code _____

Phone(s) _____

Email address _____

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