

SE Massachusetts Mineral Club



OutCroppings

July, August, 2023

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 September 14, 2023

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Come digging with us!

A Message from the Editor

Greetings!

Summer's here and the time is right for digging. Rain and cool weather hasn't stopped our members from getting out and collecting. New officers and EBoard members look to improve Club functionality. Financial issues have been cleared up and we are all set as a Club. We want to bring more members to meetings and outings. New Members come down and join us.

Larry

August is Dues Month \$15.00 Single Membership, \$20.00 Family Membership. Membership Form on back page!

[SEMMC Facebook Page](#)

[SEMMC Website](#)

Up Coming Digs

Spring is here and collecting season has started. Keep up with Club news about upcoming digs! If you wish to add a site let someone know and we can set it up.

Members can sign up for digs on our website and reminders and directions are sent to you! If you have issues go to our Face Book page. You can find someone to help you out.

Adventures are still on going! Make sure to Stay in touch!

Make sure to ask what safety equipment you will need to have. Get all the details! Safety is our top concern. Know what to expect, and what is expected from you.

The Club picks up about 50% of the cost of the digs. Actual amounts, for any trip can be found out when you book the dig as prices per site vary. Some sites allow power tools, some do not. Most sites can be dangerous due to loose rock, pits, cliffs, and water hazards. Be prepared! Do not disturb any wildlife you come across as spring and summer are young rearing time.

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

On public land or beaches, ALL are welcome.

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. Keep in touch with our **Facebook Page** to get the sudden additions to the digging schedule!



Free polished Stones Thanks to SEMMC!

Club Diggings 2023

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!

Tripp and Clark Mine, Hewitt's Mine, Moat Mountain, Emma's Fossil Pit, Keatings Quarry, Mt. Mica, **HERKIMERS, our own Claim!** The list grows longer and longer every year. Can any new members put us on some new spots?

Info about all the dig sites can be found at the meetings, so please join us. Anyone wanting **info on our Herkimer Claim should contact Martin Gilar, Walter Schell, or Diamond Bob.** Know what to expect, and what is expected of you, along with where all the Club's tools ect... can be found.

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Other Mineral Shows!

I am hoping anyone who knows of a Mineral Show will send me the info so I may publish it here!

[Mineral Shows Across USA](#)

Education, the shortcut to better rock and mineral collecting!

There is no better way to improve your collecting! Knowing the minerals you are seeking, where to collect them, and recognizing what you have, is so important to the collector. We have a number of “Experts” more than willing to help you in your quest for collectables. Club meetings are the place to start. Plenty of free specimens from members, along with the raffle, where more great “stuff” can be yours if you get lucky!

[YouTube!](#)

A wealth of knowledge at your fingertips!

You want to know where to go? What to find, and where to find it?

Go to Youtube, type in your search and learn from those in the field.

[Opal Hunting!](#) **[Panning for Gold in New England!](#)**

[Fossil Hunting!](#)

For every video listed here there are many more to choose from!

When traveling around the country

And you want a place to prospect,

Go to

www.mindat.org

Other sites to visit!

[Google Earth](#) **[Geology.com](#)**

[Fluorescent Mineral Society](#)

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

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

\$15.00 per Single Person

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. 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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