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Next Meeting:

Tuesday Sept 11th

Orientation Centre, Peterborough Zoo, 7:00 PM

Sept 11th 2007 Meeting Program

IT'S GARNET NIGHT!!!

This is a Show and Tell night. So, bring out your Garnet specimens. Any variety will do from any locality. There will be a short educational Power Point presentation plus information handouts to take away.

We can all learn a little from each other so come out and help make our night educational and fun.

We hope you have all enjoyed the summer break and were able to do at least a little mineral or fossil collecting. We look forward to seeing you all again at our Fall and Winter sessions and hearing about those great collecting adventures.

There will also be a silent auction of minerals and fossils during the meeting so come early and check out the auction table.

A SELECTION OF GARNETS



Grossular
Black Lake Mine
Tbetford, Quebec
50mm x 30mm



Grossular
Jeffrey Quarry
Asbestos, Quebec
57mm x 45mm



Grossular
Chihuahua, Mexico
50mm x 35mm



Grossular
York River Skarn Zone
Dungannon Township
Bancroft, Ontario
58mm x 45mm



Andradite
Marmoraton Quarry
Marmorata, Ontario
50mm x 40mm

MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2007 - 2008

Revision 4 – Sept 2007

Meeting Date	Meeting Activity
Sept 11 th 2007	Garnet Night. We will be having a show and tell session about the Garnet family. Please bring along your specimens of various Garnet species from anywhere in the world and join in the show and tell. A short Power Point presentation on the Garnet family will be available.
Oct 9 th 2007	Nova Scotia and Newfoundland - Mineral Collecting along Canada's East Coast.
Nov 13 th 2007	TBA
Dec 11 th 2007	Year-end Show & Tell Night. Bring along your best finds of the year -- mineral or fossil. Tell us a little about them.
Jan 8 th 2008	Fluorescent Minerals of Franklin & Sterling Hill, New Jersey. Power Point presentation on the Franklin & Sterling Hill mine sites. If you have an ultra violet lamp please bring it along with ANY fluorescent minerals you have.
Feb 12 th 2008	Movie Night – Topic TBA. Show time --- Preparation for our Annual Show
Mar 11 th 2008	TBA
Apr	TBA
May	TBA
Jun	TBA

We need ideas for meeting topics.

The more ideas we get the more we have to choose from and the more interesting our meetings will be.

September 2, 2007 - Marmoraton Quarry, Collecting Trip.

What a great day to go mineral collecting and that's exactly what approximately 15 members of the club did on Sunday at Marmora.

AECON is working in a relatively barren area of the dumps this year, so not much good new material is being exposed. This area is also a bit dangerous for collecting due to steep unstable banks. Therefore we avoided this area and relied on the old piles to the west of the crusher, which have not been disturbed since last year. These piles still produced excellent specimens of garnet and epidote.

Most of the crystal specimens I collected are attached to large pieces of rock, which will have to be trimmed down to a suitable cabinet sized display piece. Fortunately, I have a truck capable of hauling this size of rock home where I can work on them with my diamond saws and hydraulic trimmers to produce reasonably sized specimens.

Tom Jenkins showed me a garnet he picked up that was approximately 6 cm in diameter complete in matrix. I collected a very nice 6 cm x 1.5 cm well terminated epidote crystal encased in calcite, my best find of the day and it should look quite good once I have worked some of the calcite from around the crystal. Other members also collected good specimens of garnet, epidote, pyrite, and actinolite. Next trip to this site is on Sept 29, 2007. Further details will be sent out by email the week prior to the trip.

George Thompson

Mineralogical Record Magazines Wanted.

If you have duplicates of any of the following editions please contact Bob Beckett (705) 748 0178 or see me at one of the monthly meetings.:

1971	Vol 2	#5
1973	Vol 4	#1
1989	Vol 20	#4 & 5
1990	Vol 21	#4
1998	Vol 29	#4
2001	Vol 32	#3

FIELD TRIPPING

Sept 23rd

CCFMS Field trip to St Mary's Cement Quarry in Bowmanville.

Collecting is limited to the first 100 pre-registered CCFMS members in good standing. Current 2007 Club membership cards need to be shown at the quarry gates prior to entry. Arrive before 8:30 a.m. Sign in as soon as you arrive. Safety talk at 8:45 a.m. sharp. Safety gear must be worn. Liability waiver must be signed. Collectors need to be over 16 years old. Time: 9.00 am to 4 pm

* Meet at St Mary's Technical Centre on Waverly Rd South in Bowmanville. Map available on the CCFMS website. Contact: Randy Ernst 416-494-4276 or e-mail remst1004@rogers.com
Website: www.ccfms.ca/Bowmanville.htm

Sept 29th & 30th **Beamsville Quarry (Nelson Aggregates) & Dundas Quarry (LaFarge)**

meet Saturday September 29th, 2007 at the Nelson Aggregate's gate for tag in and safety talk by 8:30 AM and Moxley Road for the Dundas Quarry by 8:30 AM Sunday September 30th, 2007 for sign in and safety talk. Please **NO LATE ARRIVALS** either quarry. There is a **tag in and tag out policy** at Beamsville Quarry and a **sign in sign out policy** at Dundas Quarry (Lafarge). **Orange reflective vest, long pants, safety shoes and hard hats are mandatory at both quarries. Safety glasses should be used also. Valid Club membership card must be shown at sign in.**

Collecting potential: Selenite, Fluorite, Dolomite, Marcasite, Sphalerite & others.

Sept 29th

Marmoraton Quarry - Marmora

Meet at the Sears parking lot on Lansdowne Street at 8:00 am. Trip leaves at 8:00am sharp! Or, meet at the quarry gate at 9:15 am. There is a **sign in sign out policy at this quarry. Orange reflective vest, long pants, safety boots and safety glasses are required.**

Collecting potential: Garnet, Pyrite, Calcite, Marcasite, Pyroxene, Epidote, Quartz, Titanite & others.

Oct 20th

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SHOWS

Sept 15th & 16th "Wonders of the Earth" the 39th Scarborough Gem & Mineral Club Show

Sat. 10-6 & Sun. 11-5. Mid-Scarborough Community Centre, 2467 Eglinton Avenue East, Scarborough
Admission: adults \$3, children \$1. Contact: Gem & Mineral Club of Scarborough scarbgemclub@lycos.com
Website: www.scarbgemclub.ca

Sept 29th & 30th 40th Annual Show & Sale of the Ottawa Lapsmith & Mineral Club

Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5. Nepean Sportsplex (Curling Area) 1701 Woodroffe Ave. Ottawa, Ontario.
Features: 60 Dealers and Exhibitors Gemstones, Minerals, Fossils, Jewellery, Crystals, Beads, Equipment, Carvings, Mineral & Gem Identification, Children's Activities
Contact: Karen Lochhead, Show Chair Tel: (819) 827-3071 E-mail: showchair@olmc.ca Jennifer Latham, Dealer Chair E-mail: dealerchair@olmc.ca
Website: <http://www.olmc.ca/>

Oct 13th & 14th Kingston Lapidary and Mineral Club presents Gem Storm 2007.

Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5. Portsmouth Olympic Harbour, 53 Yonge St., Kingston, ON.
Admission: \$3 per person, \$5 per couple, children under 12 are free with a paying adult.
Contact: Les Moss, 613-384-4439, emoss@cogeco.ca
Website: www.spaceclick.ca/klmc

Oct 19th to 21st Toronto Gem and Mineral Show and Sale presented by 3416798 Canada Inc.

Fri. 4 pm-9pm, Sat. 10 am-7pm, Sun. 10 am-5pm.
Skyway Trade Centre, 65 Skyway Dr., Rexdale, ON. near Hwy. 417 exit to the airport
Features: Precious and semi-precious gemstones, fine quality jewellery, amber, stone beads, unique worldwide crystal specimens, tools, and everything to create your own works of art!
Admission: Adults \$8, Seniors \$7, 12-18 \$5, under 12 free with adult
Contact: Ohannes Bedrossian (514) 989-9800 torontogemshow@CANADA.com
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