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NEXT MEETING:

When: Monday, May 4, 2015 Place: Burnside Lawnbowling Clubhouse 274 Hampton Rd. Time: 7 pm Please note early start time!

PROGRAM: Club Auction! Drop off items: 6 pm

Viewing/Auction start: 7 pm

EXECUTIVE MEETING:

When: Last Monday of every month (**no** meeting July, August & December) Place: Club Workshop, 286 Hampton Time: 7:00 p.m.

FIELD TRIP: When: Sunday May 24, 2015 Where: Loss Creek Time: 9 am-5 **Meeting place: Colwood Senior Centre parking lot** Please call Gilles Lebrun if you plan to attend For further details see page 3

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WORKSHOP:

When: Thursday evenings Where: 286 Hampton Rd. Time: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

When: Saturdays Time: 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

NOTE: When classes are being run, the Saturday hours will be from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Check with Brian or Karen.

You must have taken the lapidary course before you can use the machines. If you are interested in taking a course, contact Brian or Karen at <u>vlmsworkshop@gmail.com</u>



Brian at the Lapidary Workshop



Classmates Jeff and Joanne

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well we are moving into the nicer weather and it looks like it will be a great summer for Rockhounding! We hope to have a few events over the summer and will get that in the newsletter for June – please watch for that as we would like a good attendance. As well I would like to thank the Show Committee and Volunteers again for their efforts in putting on yet another successful show!

Cameron Speedie

EDITOR'S MESSAGE

I had the opportunity this past two weeks to take the lapidary class! I am of course madly in love with the process. Vanessa has been a wonderful teacher and the other members and I are having a grand time learning to use the equipment, wonderstruck at the results of our labour. I have been turning over and over in my hands the rocks from my collection dreaming about what I might do with them. This is such a wonderful club I am so pleased to have found you.

Jennifer Good



My first Cabachon! Agate

FIELD TRIPS

May field trip: Loss Creek promises garnets and gold!

Well...perhaps promise is a little strong of a word, but Gilles reports that the garnets are many and there is gold. Come out, bring your gold panning tools, and prepare to find treasure 🙂

April Field Trip: The Muir Creek expedition was a great success. Eight members came out on that beautiful day and found many brachiopods, gastropods and fossilized wood.



Brachiopod



Gastropods

SUNSHINE CORNER Lorena Taylor

Lorena has been making contact with former members and all is well.

Library Report S Burnside/ C Paton

For those of you that don't know! The Library is full of interesting books for members to sign out each month, Minerals, Gold Panning, Lapidary just to name a few. There are Magazines as well Rock and Gem and Lapidary. The Library is open each month Except for December (Christmas Dinner) and May (Auction). Every book in the VLMS Library was donated, many have in memory of someone that has passed away. I encourage members to stop by the Library at our next meeting April 6, 2015 and see if there is a book that interest you. I am usually set up by 7:00 pm each meeting.

Happy Rouckhound reading Sylvan & Christine

May Auction

Gems, Minerals, Jewlery, slabs, all is welcome at the auction.

Please drop off items at 6 pm. Doors will open for viewing at 7, and anticipate auction start soon thereafter.

MEMBERSHIP COMITTEE Margaret Braithwaite

At the last meeting we welcomed Glen Brown as a new member.

Rockhounder magazine's spring issue is out and we will have some available for \$7.25 at the meeting. We also have many undelivered membership cards both from our club and BCLS. Please pick yours up at the meeting if you have not already done so.

SHOWS AND EVENTS

CREATIVE JEWELLERS GUILD OF BC May 10, 2015

2nd Annual Artisan Jewellery Show and Sale

Sunday 10:30am - 6:30pm VanDusen Botanical Gardens 5251 Oak Street, Vancouver, BC Vendor applications are available at: <u>Creative Jewellers Guild</u>

KOKANEE & SELKIRK ROCK CLUBS

June 6 & 7, 2015 Saturday 10:00am - 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am - 4:00pm Castlegar & District Community Complex 2101 6th Avenue, Castlegar, BC Contact: Linda Barber, 250-352-0428 or <u>E mail</u>

RIPPLE ROCK GEM & MINERAL CLUB

June 13 & 14, 2015 Saturday 10:00am - 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am - 4:00pm Timberline School Gymnasium 1681 S. Dogwood Street, Campbell River, BC Contact: Molly Milroy, 250-203-2447 or <u>E mail</u> For more information visit: <u>Ripple</u> <u>Rock Gem & Mineral Club</u>

SHUSWAP ROCK CLUB

12th Annual Open House Show & Sale July 11, 2015 Saturday 9:00am - 4:00pm Toad Hall 1248 Trans Canada Highway, Sorrento, BC Displays, Demonstrations, Games Rock & Mineral Sales, Jewelry & Other Items Free Admission

SURREY ROCKHOUND CLUB Tailgate Sale

July 12, 2015 Sunday 9:00am - 4:00pm Sullivan Hall 6306 152 Street, Surrey, BC Space rental is \$10.00/parking stall (vendors must be a member of a Club affiliated with the BC Lapidary Society) For more information contact: Rita Brooks <u>E mail</u>

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9th Annual Okanagan Gem Show July 18 & 19, 2015 Saturday 9:00am - 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am - 4:00pm Winfield Memorial Hall 3270 Berry Road, Winfield, BC Dealers Demonstrators, Displays, Silversmiths Adults \$4 Children \$2 Under 6 FREE (Accompanied by an adult) Call 250-558-5550 for more information.

THE ZONE TAILGATE SALE

August 22 , 2015 Swan Lake Fruit Stand 7920 Highway 97, Vernon BC

VERNON LAPIDARY & MINERAL CLUB Mall Show

September 4 & 5, 2015 Both days - all day Village Green Centre 4900 27 Street, Vernon BC

FRASER VALLEY ROCK & GEM CLUB

September 19 & 20, 2015 Annual Rock & Gem Show Saturday 10:00am – 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am – 4:00pm Old Age Pensioners Hall 3015 273 Street, Aldergrove, BC Demonstrations, Displays, Dealers Admission by donation Contact: Rozalia Brown, 604-794-7296 or <u>E mail</u>

SURREY ROCKHOUND CLUB

October 17 & 18, 2015 Annual Rock & Gem Show Saturday 10:00am – 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am – 5:00pm Sullivan Hall 6306 152 Street, Surrey, BC Demonstrations, Displays, Dealers

VERNON LAPIDARY & MINERAL CLUB

Mall Show October 23 & 24, 2015 Both days - all day Village Green Centre 4900 27 Street, Vernon BC

PORT MOODY ROCK & GEM CLUB

October 24 & 25, 2015 Annual Rock & Gem Show Kyle Centre 125 Kyle Street, Port Moody, BC Contact: <u>Andrew Danneffel</u> For more information visit: <u>Port</u> <u>Moody Rock & Gem Club</u>

DELTA ROCKHOUND GEM & MINERAL CLUB

November 7 & 8, 2015 Annual Rock & Gem Show Saturday 10:00am – 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am – 5:00pm South Delta Recreation Centre 1720 - 56 Street, Delta (Tsawwassen),

BC

Contact: Mary Cool E mail

- Roseburg Oregon May 2-3
- Everett Washington May 2-3
- Lakeview Oregon May 16-17
- Seattle Washington May 16-17

VLMS CLUB BURSARY

Our club is proud to offer a bursary meant for students of gemology or earth sciences programs, the bursary is worth \$1000 towards classes of this nature. Please see the attached notice and application form. Applications must be received by the executive by May 15, 2015; they will come to a decision by June 15.

For Sale

Rocks & Lapidary equipment for sale. Large and small rough and slabs, also some books. Phone Barbara at <u>778-351-4881</u>.

BCLS Photo Contest

The BC Lapidary Society is having an Amateur Photo Contest. Enter to win one of 13 featured spots in their 2016 Calendar. See the information included in this edition or as an attachment to this email if you are receiving the LN electronically. Submissions must be received by June 30, 2015 to the BCLS.

Happy Mother's Day May 10!

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