



W.A.M.S.



Rockhound Rumblings

September 2022 **President's Rambles**

Greetings to all. Hopefully everyone has enjoyed another HOT summer. It has been a little warmer than I care for, but I am also not ready for the wet season.

We had a good turnout for the Annual Picnic. It was good to see everyone once again after a few years of not being able to have one. Again, a thank you to Susan and Tom Robertson for allowing us to hold it at their place.

WE have some great field trips coming up. This weekend I am headed over to Ashwood for the trip to McDonalds And Friends Ranch. Then in September we have a trip going to Hampton Butte on September 9-11th.

Our Fall Rock Show will be held on September 16-18th at the Polk County Fairgrounds. It is a great show to see your favorite vendors and look over a vast array of material.

We are at that time of the year where we need to think about electing new officers for next year. We are needing someone to fill the Vice President's and Secretary's positions. If you have belonged to the club for more than year you are eligible for the position. Anyone that wants any more information please contact me at richardilg12@gmail.com

Well, that's about it for the moment, see you at the WAMS meeting on September 1st at 7 PM.

Best Regards

Richard Ilg

WAMS General Meeting July 7,2022.

Mimi, vice president, is stepping in for Richard president and the librarian. Mimi opened the meeting at 7:05pm.

The board members present; Mimi, Larry & Anne, Suzette, Dave Maxwell, Woody, Ken & Bonnie, Barbara, and Tom.

New people; They introduced themselves and said what they like about rocks. Welcome. Please get involved. Join our field trips and come to the picnic and show.

Old Business; Motion to approve June minutes. Seconded. Passed. Treasure report; Presented by Dave. Motion made to approve as presented. Second. Passed. New bills to be paid. Motion made to pay them. Seconded. Passed. Club picnic, chair Victoria presented signup sheets for the various needs. The picnic will be for members and their families held at Tom's home. His address is posted on the club's web site. Brisket and pulled pork are the main dishes, sign up to bring side dishes. Setup will start at 10am; hanging out starts at 11am, eat at noon goes till 4pm with clean up. There will be rocks and etc. for sale.

Larry talked about the need for people to volunteer in the various position. This is how the club survives. We need two people to lead the kids program. There are lots of material out there to help with ideas. Terry and Linda are willing to assist you with getting started or with questions. The kids' class will start before the regular meeting at 6:30pm.

Ken, Show chair; The next rock show is September 16 thru 18th,2022 at the Polk County Fairgrounds. This event will be outside near building "C" in the grassy area. There will be lots of venders. So please volunteer to help with whatever is needed and to support the venders. There will be a spin the wheel for the kids.

Barbara: field trip chair; planned field trips. First one is July 22, with the Mt. Hood Rock Club. It is on rough roads (maybe car pool after you get there). One of the places is White Fir thunder eggs beds. Joe is leading one to Friends ranch for eggs, McDonald for variety of rocks on August 20 thru 21. Ken is leading one to Hampton Butte in September. For details go on our WEBB page. Share and tell; There were lots of beautiful rocks collected by kids and adults. Questions of "what is this rock?" to this is where I found my rocks. Thank you for sharing.

Mimi; subbing for the librarian; Question was raised "do we take books donated from club members?"

Rice Rock Museum is free to club members just show your name tag. You will need to register to go. They have a Website for you to get all the information you need. It is an amazing place to go and enjoy, and be overwhelmed by the variety of rocks there are.

New Business; Mimi was going to hand out a membership pages for us to verify the info and to let her know your information is ok to publish. There were 20 new members added so she will add them and try again next time. I think we forgot to get people to bring rocks for the various raffles for the September 1st. Club meeting so maybe at the picnic? Raffle rocks were raffled. Motion made to close meeting at 8:15pm. Seconded. Passed. Minutes typed by suzette

OREGON COUNCIL TO PARTNER WITH BLM ON NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY

After three very successful reclamation efforts in 2019, 2020 and 2021, I am happy to inform you that the Council will continue our remediation work at Hampton Butte in 2022. As you probably know, this collection area is famous for green petrified wood and has been extensively dug for many years. In cooperation with the Prineville Bureau of Land Management, and in an effort to demonstrate best rockhounding practices (AFMS Code of Ethics), the Oregon Council is again sponsoring a work party at Hampton Butte on [Saturday, September 24](#), 2022 from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm. This date coincides with National Public Lands Day and this project is the Council's effort to promote good stewardship at our collection sites. We will be filling and leveling disturbed areas using shovels and rakes. Fortunately, the ground is soft and most of the digs are less than 24" deep. Let folks who are interested know they will need to bring their lunch, water, field gear (hats, gloves, boots) and be prepared for the variety of fall weather (hot or cold) you can experience in the high desert. There is limited dry camping at the site, probably space for six to eight rigs (campers, trailers). Meet at the Brothers Rest Area on Highway 20 (MP 42.8) east of Bend @8:00 am or at the site @9:00 am. We will be observing any required COVID mitigation protocols, however the site is outside so distancing should not be a problem.

Attached is a flyer and two location maps which you can print and hand out to your club members at their future meetings. We want to encourage as much participation as possible, so please forward the project information to your club's newsletter editor and field trip coordinator for email distribution.

As always, you can reach me by home phone @ [541-677-9341](tel:541-677-9341) or cell @ [541-733-8814](tel:541-733-8814) or by email at CougDog6@q.com. Participation T- Shirts will be distributed for those who can attend. Everyone had a great time at our 2021 event, so I hope to see you at Hampton Butte!

Thanks for your help with this effort,

Dave Williams
OCRMC President



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OREGON COUNCIL OF ROCK AND MINERAL CLUBS **HAMPTON BUTTE WORK PARTY**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

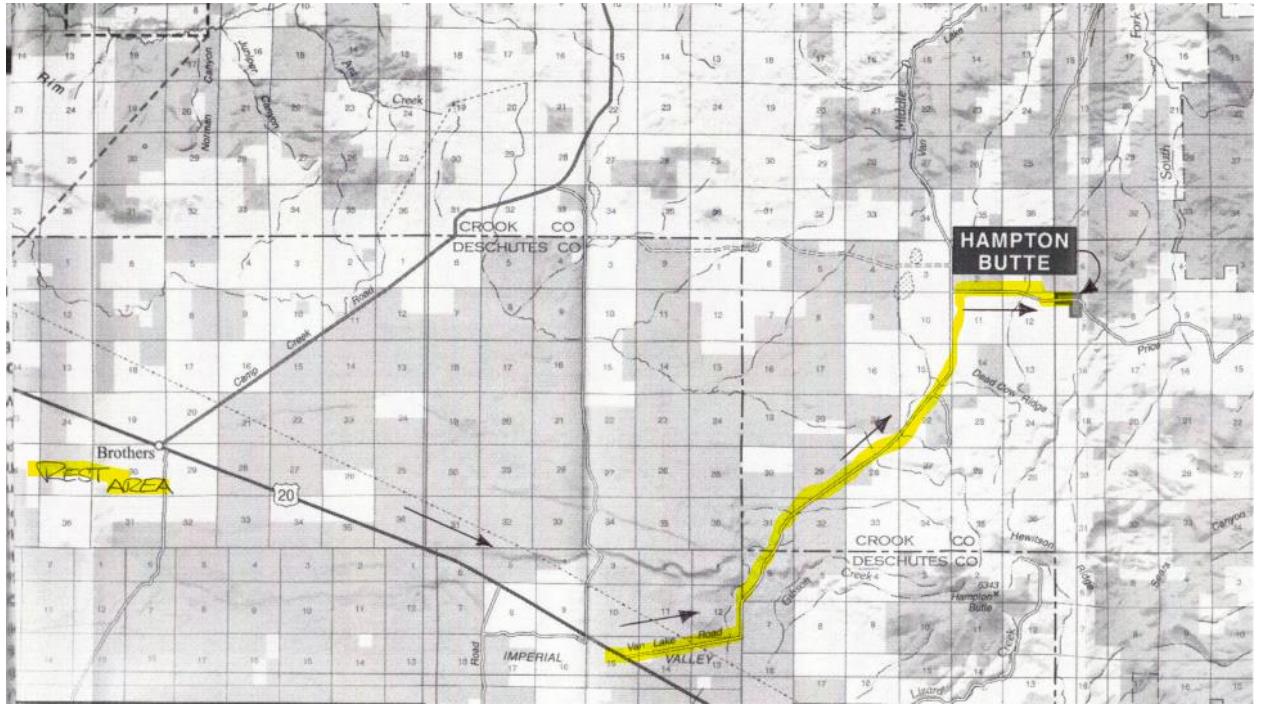
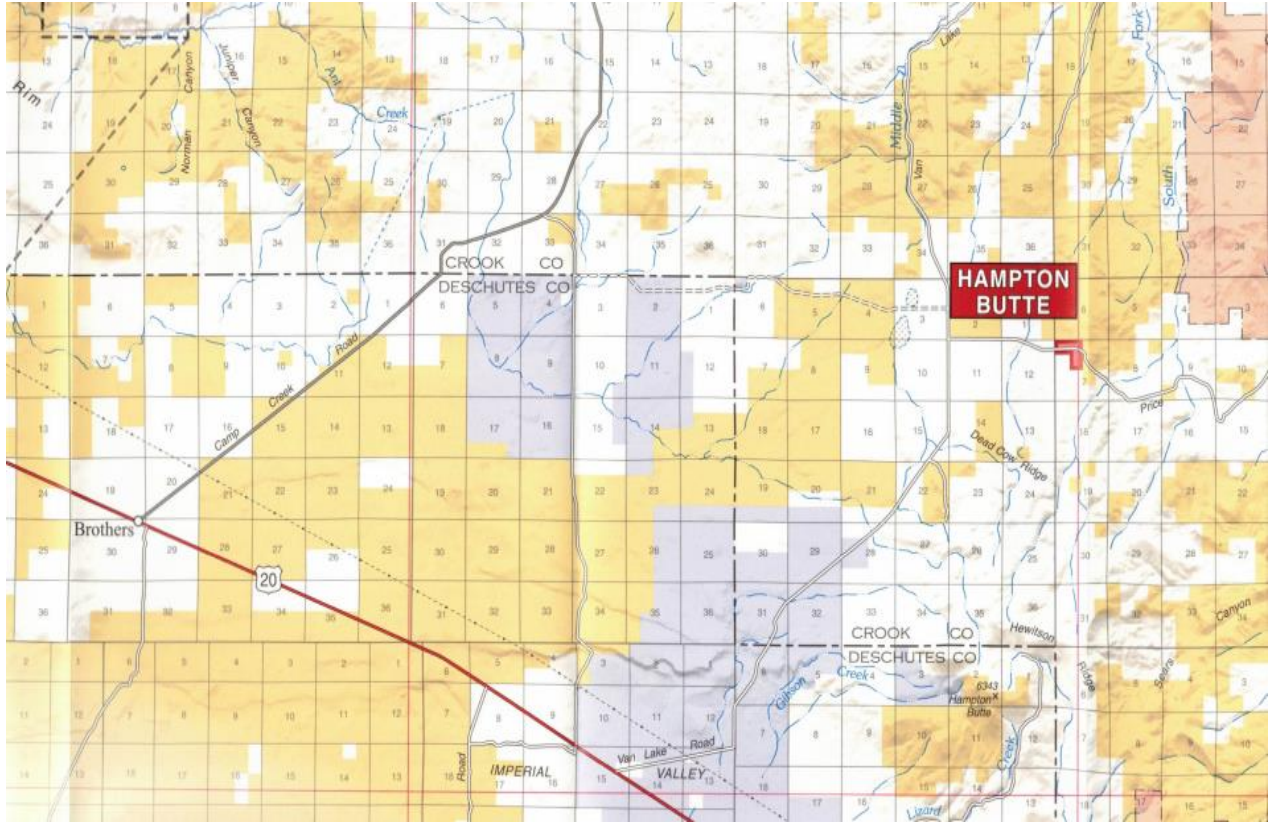
ALL MEMBER CLUBS ARE INVITED TO HELP WITH
SITE RESTORATION ON NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS
DAY

QUESTIONS - DAVE WILLIAMS - IGNEOUS80@Q.COM

OR 541-677-9341 (NO TEXTS)

Meet at the Brothers Rest Area on Highway 20 (MP 42.8) east of Bend @8:00 am or at the site @9:00 am. Bring lunch, water and your field gear. Be prepared for hot or cold high desert fall weather. You will also need a long handle shovel and short tine rake. We will fill and level earlier digs. The ground is soft and the holes are less than 24" deep. We will be observing any COVID mitigation protocols for the safety of participants.

Directions – Take Highway 20 east to Van Lake Road. Turn north and follow Van Lake Road 10.5 - 11 miles to SE Price/Twelve Mile Road and turn right. Follow Price Road about 2 miles to the site. It is 22 miles one way from the Brothers Rest Area to Hampton Butte.





Willamette Agate and Mineral Society, Inc.

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Membership Application

New Renewal

Individual Membership Name _____

Couple Membership Name _____

Name _____

Junior Member(s) Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Mailing Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Phone (home) _____ (work) _____ (Cellular) _____

Email 1* _____

*If you have more than one email for your membership/family, please indicate which one to mail the newsletter too.

Email 2 _____

1. I (we) would like to receive the WAMS monthly newsletter by email (color) or by USPS mail.
2. I (we) would like to receive the Federation newsletter by email or by USPS mail.
3. I (we) would like to receive an email for WAMS announcements, event updates and field trip information.
4. I (we) are interested in being a WAMS officer/or chairperson.
5. I (we) are interesting in helping with the annual rock and gem show.
6. I (we) are interested in volunteering for work parties and/or event committees.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Membership Dues:

Individual	\$15.00
Couple	\$24.00
Junior(s)	\$2.50

Please return this form by mailing it to the address above or bringing it to the monthly meeting and giving it to the treasurer with your dues. Thank you. Renewals are due by the first meeting of the current year. Members that are considered delinquent will not be able to participate in any WAMS functions or continue to receive the monthly newsletters. Members joining after July 1st will only pay half price.

To be filled in by WAMS treasurer

WAMS - Received By: _____ Date _____

Payment method: Cash (or) Check Ck# _____ Amount: _____

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Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Salem 50+ Senior Center, 2615 Portland Road NE, in Salem, Oregon. Executive Board meetings are held with upcoming meetings announced at the general meeting, and all members are invited to attend. **W.A.M.S.** was organized to stimulate interest in the study and collection of agates, minerals, gems, and fossils, and support lapidary work, education, scientific study of natural earth sciences, and charitable purposes within the meaning of Section #501(C)(3) IRS

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