



# Voice of the Dinosaur

## Newsletter of the Kawartha Rock & Fossil Club

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### LAST REGULAR MEETING

**Jun 14, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President, George Thompson with 22 members present.

**DATE CHANGE:** Our meeting date has been *permanently changed to the second Monday of the month*. Full details will be presented at the next meeting

Bob Beckett submitted a motion in writing, to change the voting date for our club executive, in accordance with all the rules for a change to our Constitutional By-Laws.

Discussion and voting will take place at our next meeting Monday Sept. 12th.

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### NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Date: **MONDAY**, Sep 12, 2016

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: New Activity Centre, Peterborough Zoo

**No Speaker:**

Bring in your mineral samples and fossils from all your collecting trips this summer.

Respectfully  
Robert Montgomery  
Secretary KR&FC

# 2016 Summer Mineral Collecting

By Ulli Kullik

## Ore chimney trip report

First, thank you Peter Le Baron for getting the permit to visit the site

Also, thanks for showing us the Jade on the highway (a green lens). We were all excited about that.

A very mixed report:

First we had an injury, a few cracked ribs and a very brave lady walking with that pain 600 meters to the car. She is fine now.

Collecting was kind of bad. When we left last year there was plenty left to collect, but since then, it has disappeared. I was disappointed with that but there was nothing I could do about it.

The good thing is that the site offers a lot more than just collecting.

There is a shed full of old drill cores. No taking, just looking please!!!

3 of us walked the full length of the conglomerate. I've never looked at anything like it. Photos cannot capture how fascinating it is, but I tried.

There are a lot of leftovers from the mine buildings to explore.

We found mills and furnaces and other foundations.

Hard to capture with all the trees taking over.

I hope the group was not too disappointed



## Malone Trip Report (Saturday, Aug 27)

What a great trip that was!!!

I had the o.k. from Mr. Hollbrook to visit his place to collect at the Bonter Marble Quarry and the Sovereign Gold Mine.

A few days before the trip, I found the owners of the back dumps (it is a different property). Very nice people, and there was no problem getting permission to collect on those dumps as well. I wanted badly to go back there.

I drove a few times to Malone to find them and in the process of knocking on doors, I stumbled onto the owners of the Malone Stocklosar Marble Quarry.

Got the o.k. to collect there as well- must have been my lucky day!

Now I had 3 different sites to collect within a 2 km radius.

We met at the gate - George, Mark, Bill and I.

Weather was great.

One thing though, NEVER go on a field trip without a Hornet and Wasp blaster. It sure comes in handy, but that is a different story.

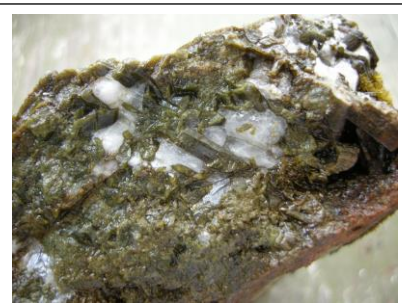
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## Malone Bonter Quarry (former Pinchin Quarry)

We started at the back dumps and the owners came by for a short visit.

Collecting was great, lots of goodies. A few sample photos show Vesuvianite (group is 4 cm across) Axinite group on matrix and Epidote.

Next we stopped at Mike's cottage and gave him some good samples we found. He is building a wall with mineral specimens from his property.



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## Sovereign Mine (former Crescent Gold Mine)

From the cottage, we proceeded to the old gold workings. Two of us had never seen them before. I wanted to show them the hole where you can look in from one end and out the other.

We went down and George commented "I would not chisel at that ceiling....Oh what is that?!?"

We did not have to chisel. What he found was taken down very carefully with small tools. Very fragile.

It is an after mining mineral. Gypsum, weathering product after Pyrite. Great to know!

(pics on page 4)





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## Stocklosar Marble Quarries in Malone

Not to mixed up with the South Stocklosar Quarries in Madoc, to look for Brucite. We found Brucite and some Serpentine. Then it got really hot and we parted company. I think we all left happy, I know I did.



Now one question: Can you ID the next 3 photos?

I took them on this field trip.

If not, I'll let you know at the next meeting.



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## 2016 FIELD TRIPS

Field trip list -short version. Specific details will be emailed shortly before each trip.

All of these trips are open to KRFC members.

If you have any questions (Registration, tools to bring, location.....) please contact

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**\*\*\* REMEMBER TO REGISTER with the right person/club and BRING YOUR CLUB CARD**

Happy Hunting

**\*\*\*\*\* Trips subject to cancellation if member registration is too low \*\*\*\*\***

3rd September Kingston club Eganville  
Contact is Kerry  
[littlebro53@yahoo.com](mailto:littlebro53@yahoo.com)  
Or text  
(613) 770-2132

17<sup>th</sup> September Marmora KRFC (some openings remain)  
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24<sup>th</sup> September Kingston club TBA

15<sup>th</sup> October Marmora KRFC  
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22-24<sup>th</sup> October Herkimer NY Kingston Club

28<sup>th</sup> Tatlock Quarry Perth area KRFC  
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## Rock Swap- Special Social Event

Sunday, September 25th, 2016

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location: G.A Brethen Colliseum, 45 Elm Street, Norwood Fairgrounds, Norwood, Ontario.

Directions: From the traffic lights on Highway 7 in Norwood, travel one block south on County Road 45, then east three blocks on Alma Street. Turn left onto the Fairgrounds. Just follow the signs.

Doors open at 9:00 am, everyone who wants table space be there before 10:00 am.  
Admission is free, and there is no charge for the table space.

It would be appreciated if participants would donate a specimen to be used in our March 2017 Show silent auctions, to show your appreciation for the table space and hosting of this event.

Participants can sell, buy, trade, give away or just show off their rocks. The general public is welcome.

There will be tables available at 9:00 am on a first come, first served basis, but it is recommended that you reserve your space in advance to avoid disappointment.  
As of August 28, we already have 5 new participants with tables reserved.

For table reservations contact Mark Stanley, [fulgurite@bellnet.ca](mailto:fulgurite@bellnet.ca), 705 749 8610.

The tables are the standard 8 feet long, but half tables are available as well.

Bring your own lunch.

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## COMING EVENTS

Saturday-Sunday, September 17 & 18 “Wonders of the Earth” –the 47<sup>th</sup> Scarborough Gem & Mineral Club Show. Saturday 10am to 6pm, Sunday 10am – 5pm. Don Montgomery Community Centre, 2467 Eglinton Ave. East, Scarborough. Admission adults \$5, children \$1. Discount coupons available

For more info check [www.scarbgemclub.ca](http://www.scarbgemclub.ca)

Saturday-Sunday, September 24 & 25 50<sup>th</sup> OLMC Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewellery Show & Sale. Saturday 10am – 6pm, Sunday 10am – 5pm. Carleton university Fieldhouse, 1125 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa. Admission- 65+ \$5, adults \$8, student \$6 (with ID), 13-17 yrs \$2, 12 and under are free

For more info check Ottawa Lapsmith & Mineral Club website [www.olmc.ca](http://www.olmc.ca)

Friday-Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> – Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ancaster Gem, Mineral, Bead & Jewellery Show. Friday 9:30am – 5pm, Sat & Sun 10am – 5pm. Ancaster Fairgrounds, 630 Trinity Rd, Ancaster. Admission \$8, 2-day pass \$14. Children 12 & under are free

For more info contact 519-448-1236 or 1-800-360-2813

Saturday –Sunday, October 15 & 16. 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Kingston Gem Storm. Saturday 10am – 6pm, Sunday 10am – 5pm. Portsmouth Olympic Harbour, 53 Yonge St, Kingston. Admission \$3, children 12 & under are free.

For more info contact Les Moss 613-384-4439

## Ongoing Events

### Robert Hall Originals Open Houses:

Annual “12 Days of Christmas” Open House: November 17 – 28  
Hours: Mon-Fri 9am – 5pm, Sat 10am – 4:30pm, closed Sundays  
138 Sugar Maple Rd, St George ON

For more info contact 519-448-1236 or 1-800-360-2813 or check [www.roberthalloriginals.com](http://www.roberthalloriginals.com)

### Rock, Gem, Mineral, Fossil & Meteorite Identification Clinics at the ROM:

Wednesdays, October 19 & December 7

Hours: 4pm – 5:30pm

Royal Ontario Museum School Groups Lunchroom, President’s Choice entrance on Queen’s Park, doors nearest Museum subway stop

For more info contact 416-586-5186 or visit museum website at [www.rom.on.ca](http://www.rom.on.ca)

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## EDITOR’S RANT

Another summer has come and basically gone, and at the time of this writing, I haven’t been out once since early June, and that trip wasn’t too eventful. The ridiculous heat, the lack of rain to wash blast piles, a few camping trips and working 6 days a week really slows my collecting down. At least a few members were willing to make some trips and I’d like to thank Ulli for sending me a report about them. With my prep equipment in

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the garage, because of the humidity, I haven't even done any of that all summer. Oh well, with the fall comes cooler weather and hopefully next month I'll have had a successful trip or two to write about. Until then, make note that our meeting days have changed from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday. Time and location remain the same. -KK