

# THE GOLDEN FROG



**A spectacular turn-out for our very first CLUBHOUSE GEM & MINERAL FAIRE!**

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**PROGRAMS**  
Rich Lundin

**A Message from  
Our 2021 PRESIDENT...**

It looks like the curse of 2020 might be behind us and we can finally get back to having some fun!

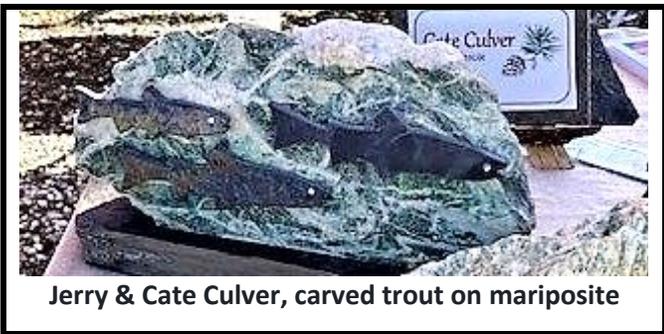
We were so excited to have nine new members voted in at our April Meeting! Welcome Aboard!

Now its time to rally the troops and get classes organized!

Email me if you have a class idea, class request or would like to teach us all something new...we are ready!

**Anna Christiansen,  
2021 President**

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Jerry & Cate Culver, carved trout on mariposite

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**MAY 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting Info**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, MAY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- Meet & Greet at 11:00 a.m.
- General Membership Meeting 11:15 a.m.
- opt: Board Meeting TBA

Don't Forget Your Mask and  
**PLEASE, DO NOT ATTEND IF:**

- You are sick.
- You have been traveling.
- You have been exposed to Covid.
- You have Covid.

1<sup>st</sup> ever CLUBHOUSE MINI GEM & MINERAL FAIRE



Perfect Weather



Great Vendors



Happy Guests

# GENERAL MEETING MINUTES from APRIL 18, 2021

Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society  
General Membership Meeting  
April 18, 2021

Meeting called to order at 11:35 a.m. by President Anna Christiansen

## Pledge of Allegiance

**Members Present: 26      Guests: 4**

Guests introduced themselves and expressed their interests in the world of geology etc.

## Minutes for March 21, 2021:

Review and Approval tabled until May 16, 2021 meeting

**Treasurer's Report:      Lynn Becker**

- Lynn reported on bank balances, expenses and income from the Gem Show.
- Anna announced the need for a volunteer to take on treasurer's duties. Anna suggested the possibility of a committee to carry on the treasurer's responsibilities. Discussion tabled until May 18 meeting.
- Rich Lundin made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Claudia Brackett seconded the motion. Motion passed by a majority.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Federation Report:      Phyllis Kyle**

- Applications for Camp Paradise are being accepted. Price includes room/board (3 meals a day) and classes.
- All classes are open to attendees. Camp Paradise applications are located on the desk located in the front of the clubhouse.
- Placerville Gem and Mineral club have 12 display cases available for free. Contact Phyllis with possibly obtaining a case for display.

**Field Trips:      Bob Young**

**Gabbs Nevada: April 26 – April 27**

- Gabbs is located 30 mile east of Fallon. This is an overnight trip with accommodations in Fallon; a one-hour drive or camping is available. Meeting Place: Grimes Point at 9 am. Hound for jasper, agate and petrified wood.

**Ely Nevada Rock Show:      Bob Young**

June 26 – June 27

- Bob will email members with details.

**Materials Purchase Report:      Brad & Bob**

- Several Club members were approached by a community member regarding the club's possible interest in purchasing equipment and rock specimens that have been in storage since 1986. The club has offered a bid to purchase. Negotiations are ongoing.
- The Board of Directors approved an amount for purchase of the collection. The outcome will be announced at the May 16 meeting.

**Historian/Sunshine:      Anna Christiansen**

- Loretta Pagni remains at Avalon Care Facility in Sonora. She can have visitors and has expressed she would enjoy having visitors.

Mail to: Loretta Pagni  
c/o Avalon Health Care  
19929 Greenley Road  
Sonora, Ca 95370

**Road Maintenance:      Lynn Becker**

- The Club paid the Meacham Ranch Road Maintenance fee of \$500.00. All Meacham Ranch community home owners contribute. The fee is every other year that pays for the road base that fills in the pot holes and makes the road friendlier.

## Cont...GENERAL MEETING MINUTES from APRIL 18, 2021

### Shop Report: Bill Bruce

- A couple of saws are down. There continues to be issues with other saws and equipment that are being repaired.
- There is a request for another volunteer to become a shop steward.

NOTE: There is a required training class to become a shop steward. Contact Bill with your interest.

### New Members: **WELCOME!**

- John & Helen Patterson
  - Patsy Gonzalez
  - Dominquez Felipe
  - Stewart & Claire Mathison
  - Rodger and Sandra Perez
  - Marie Schembri
- All the candidates for membership were voted in by a majority. Each member gave a reason for their interest in joining.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Gem Faire /Tailgate: Anna Christiansen

- Anna thanked Lynn Becker for organizing the recent very successful Gem/Tailgate event and all the club volunteers that worked the show. The venue was successful and planning will begin for a future event.

### Program Chair:

- Rich Lundin will be the Program Chair to replace Tom Harrington. Rich is requesting suggestions from club members for speakers, topics etc.

### Classes: Anna Christiansen

- Anna reported that classes can be offered at the club house.
- There is a need for members to teach, she put a request for members to schedule classes to teach. Contact Anna with your interest to teach and share your talents with others.

### Monthly Pot Lucks: Anna Christiansen

- A discussion on returning to the club pot lucks. The discussion ended with a wait and see how club members feel about having a group feed.

### Club Rock Purchasing Opportunity:

- New members were informed of the availability of purchasing rocks from the piles surrounding the club house at .50/lb.

### Member's Farewell Presentation:

- Tom and Kathy Harrington were presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for Tom's dedication to being the Program Chair and Kathy's dedication to the Friday Night Dinners and her kitchen expertise.
- Tom and Kathy will be relocating to Colorado to be with kids and grandkids.

## Thank you, Tom and Kathy!

Meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m. by President Anna Christiansen.

### Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Debby Brooks, Secretary  
Calaveras Gem and Mineral Society



**GORGEOUS SPECIMEN**  
By Ron & Sandi Kilcrease

## WHO'DA THUNK IT!



**Check out the long line of cars on Meacham Ranch Road!**

The Covid virus prohibited our 2020 Gem Show and was about to destroy our 2021 Show, too ...until an enterprising group of members decided to hold a **Mini Gem Faire** at the Clubhouse. No one could have ever imagined that the result would be so, so... **ENORMOUSLY WELL-ATTENDED** and **MAGNIFICENTLY BENEFICIAL!**

We could be on a path to a totally new way to present a yearly show to our community.

Lynn Becker said she couldn't decide if she should laugh or cry as the cars full of shoppers just kept coming!

Brad Becker and crew prepped our empty lot to handle about 30 parking spaces, which for a normal tail-gate event would have been over-kill.

Our guests didn't seem to mind a bit as they parked their cars all the way to Hwy 4 and braved the dusty road to the clubhouse. Although the remaining single lane did cause a few temporary traffic jams, everyone took turns peaceably.



**Our Food Vendor was Great!**  
Everyone was fed and tummies were happy. Great Job, Lynn!

Our Mini Faire had everything our Big Show offers: Club Rock Sales, Silent Auction, Prize Drawing, Kids Activities, terrific vendors and even Display Cases inside the clubhouse. Big Thanks to all our club members who helped to make our one day show a huge success.

**KIDS GAMES**



**ROCK SALES & SILENT AUCTION**



**DISPLAY CASES**



**DISPLAY CASES**



**ANNA CHRISTIANSEN**



**MARILYN BODLE & MURRAY SMITH**

**HARD ROCK CAFÉ**



Sorry. Names did not arrive with any of the photos.

# MAY 2021

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
						1 SHOP 10-2
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 SHOP 10-2
9 MOTHER'S DAY	10	11	12	13	14	15 SHOP 10-2
16 Meeting 11 a.m.	17	18	19	20	21	22 SHOP 10-2
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 SHOP 10-2
30	31 MEMORIAL DAY					

### MAY BIRTHDAYS

Joan Saiz	1
Patti Summers	2
Kirk Rasmusson	2
Candy Kirk	6
Murray Smith	8
Marcia Thompson	14
Mariah Woodruff	15
Candice Cowen	17
Brandon Atchley	19
Harold Connerley	25
Betty Egger	29
Donica Salazar	29

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 1 - 2, 2021**  
**~Kennedy Mine ~ Gem and Craft Show**  
 by Amador County Gem & Mineral Society  
 Saturday: 10 am – 5 pm    Sunday: 10 am – 4 pm



**Mariposa Gem & Mineral Club**  
**TAILGATE SALE &**  
**ROCK SWAP**  
 on JUNE 19<sup>th</sup>  
 In The Parking Lot!