

OCRMC

April 2025 News Letter

Counsel News

General:

We mourn the loss of Hidemi Kira our Vice President and the driving force behind the Public Lands Day Clean Up at Hampton Butte.

We are now in need of someone to become Vice President of the council. Our web master is also stepping down so we do need help with the web page. We do have a couple of brave souls that are looking into it but if you would like to volunteer PLEASE let us know.

Let's welcome the American Lands Access Association (ALAA) to the council. The council is also a member of the ALAA at this time. Please go to their web site and see what they have to offer.

If anyone knows people in the southern Oregon clubs please put a bug in their ear about joining the council. At this time we have no input from the Far East and southern part of the state and would love to have it. Even if they send an email for the meetings and we can pass on info that way.

As of the meeting the McDermitt public comment period was due to close on the 31st of March but now has been extended to 25th of April.

The US Geological Survey is 146 years Old (March)

The Dept of Interior is 176Years Old (march)

If anyone or any club would like to put together a show case to be judged for the Oregon Council Trophy Competition during the October Hillsboro show; please go to the council web site and read the rules and fill out an application. The council would like more people to do this so we can get more exposure for different areas and clubs.

If anyone would like to get more involved in what happens on BLM lands go to BLM.gov and click on get involved. You must apply and it's a great way to help.

Next Meeting:

June 28 2025 in Madras Oregon during the Madras Rock and Gem Show at the Jefferson County Fair Grounds at 1:00 pm

Capital Rock Display

Current Club displaying Due to construction at the Capital the case is closed. Hopefully it will be open in April. But it might just get pushed back again.

Next Club to display: Tualatin Valley Rock and Gem Club is slated to be the next club to show.

National Public Lands Day and Clean-up:

Sept 27, 2025 the date and the clean up again will be at Hampton Butte.



Blue Crayfish (from dept of Interior)

Upcoming Rock Shows and Sales:

April 18-20 Polk County Fairgrounds Rickreall OR, Willamette Agate and Mineral Society

May 2-4 Kliever Armory 10000 NE 33 Dr. Portland. Put on by Mt Hood Rock Club

May 3-4 Douglas Co Fair Grounds Roseburg. Put on by Umpqua Gem & Mineral Club

June 13-15 Reedsport Community Center, 451 Winchester Ave. Put on by Lower Umpqua Gem and Lapidary Society.

June 19-22 Prineville Pow-Wow, Prineville Fair Grounds.

June 26-29 Madras Rock and Gem Show, Madras Fair Grounds. Madras Rock and Gem Club

Aug 1-3 Mill Casino (Salmon Room) Coos Bay. Put on by Far West Lapidary and Gem Society

Sept 26-28 Willamalane Adult Activity Center, Springfield. Put on by Springfield Thunder Eggs Rock Club

General Info:

Petersen Rock Gardens will be Opening from Wed thru Sunday 10 to 4 from the 22nd of March. Memorial Day they will open every day of the week 10-4.

If you have more info on show and events please send them to me and I will include them. If you need to change info already posted just let me know.

For crook county rock hounding, it's muddy in some areas and snow in others. There are a few areas that are drying out. It's still early.

Field trips for Prineville Pow Wow will be Friday: Fallen Tree, Sat (2 trips) Bear Creek and Hampton Butte, and Sunday will be the Tube agate Claim.

I'm attaching the newest **American Lands Access Association ALAA** newsletter (in pdf format)

The 4th annual Spectrum Sunstone Mine Extravaganza will be on June 14th and 15th.

New Fossil Theft Alert March 2025

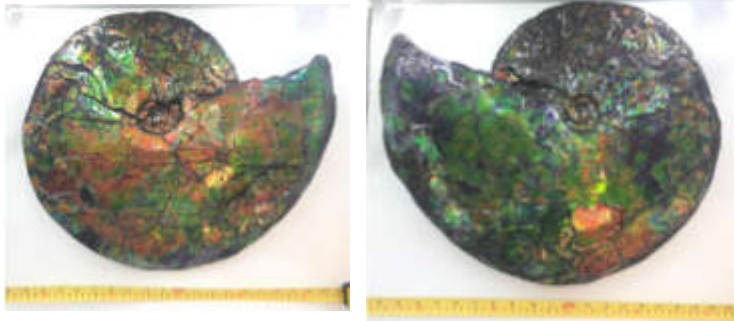
Multiple Specimens, reported by Dr. Frederic Lacombe

I am writing to inform you about the theft of two Canadian Ammonite specimens that occurred last year in Tucson. These specimens were securely stored in the property of the Granada Gallery. Unfortunately, it was broken into, and the ammonites were stolen.

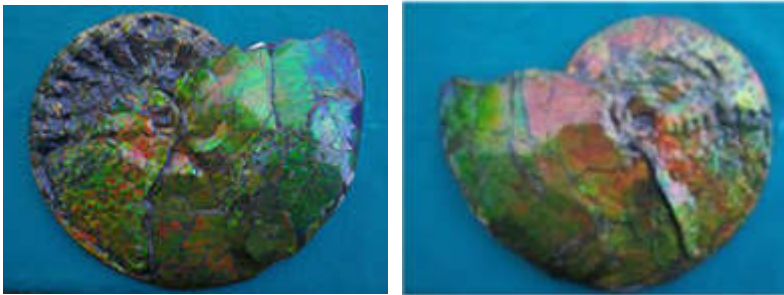
Details of the Stolen Specimens:

Description: Two high-quality Canadian Ammonite specimens, known for their vibrant iridescence and unique coloration. Photographs of the stolen specimens are included for your reference. Given their distinctive appearance, they should be easily recognizable.

19.5 inches / 49.5 centimeters, inventory number: 2023-9



14 inches / 35.5 centimeters, inventory number: 2023-4



If you happen to come across these specimens or have any information regarding their whereabouts, please contact me directly or reach out to F. Lacombat at flacombat@interprospekt.com or via whatsapp at +33 6 19 03 43 24.

Your assistance in this matter is highly appreciated. Thank you for your attention and support.

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