

THE PETROGRAPH

NUMBER 8

AUGUST 1965

VOLUME 9

$\frac{1}{2}$

THE SHOP IS THE NEWS OF THE DAY

Bill Walsh is the man of the day! That's right. Upon his shoulders was placed the burden of getting a newly designed idea of what a shop for amateur lapidaries should be. He took a lot of ideas from people who were interested enough to present them. Ed Peters, your new treasurer, has been one of the most stalwart supporters. Many of his ideas are incorporated into the "flow" of work as you will note when you visit the shop. Ed has built some cabinetes has worked with a team putting in the needed electrical devises that go to make the wheels spin. If you were to compute the manhours involved with the effort to get things going there would be a stupendous outlay in wages alone not to mention anything about the materials that have been furnished.

Gil Foster, npw your present shop foreman, has done heroic work in the limited time afforded him. He will probably be a little more demanding about the rules and the manner in which you use the grinding wheels. So many people have never learned to carry a stone across the grinder but press down right in the center and thereby "did" a groove into the wheel. This necessitates a dressing of the surface and the oftener this has to be done so the faster a replacement of a grinder is needed. Gil is going to insist that everyone follows instructions

It has been a long hard pull to get this new shop in condition and it is regrettable that it has taken all summer to do the job. There is no doubt that this will be one of the finest ones in the country. All due credit has been given to those who worked last month but we must not forget Leone Coffelt and her father, Ed Coffelt, who have been around taking up the slack and doing all sorts of odd jobs.

THERE WILL BE A ROYAL OPENING OF THE SHOP SOMETIME IN SEPTEMBER. WATCH FOR IT!

Membership Meeting Dates

1965-1966

SEPTEMBER 17th

(Third weekend because shool)
(started late)

OCTOBER 8th

NOVEMBER 12th

DECEMBER 10th

(Christmas Party - Gala Event)

January 14th

FEBRUARY 11th

MARCH 11th

April 8th

(Easter Vacatich comes early)

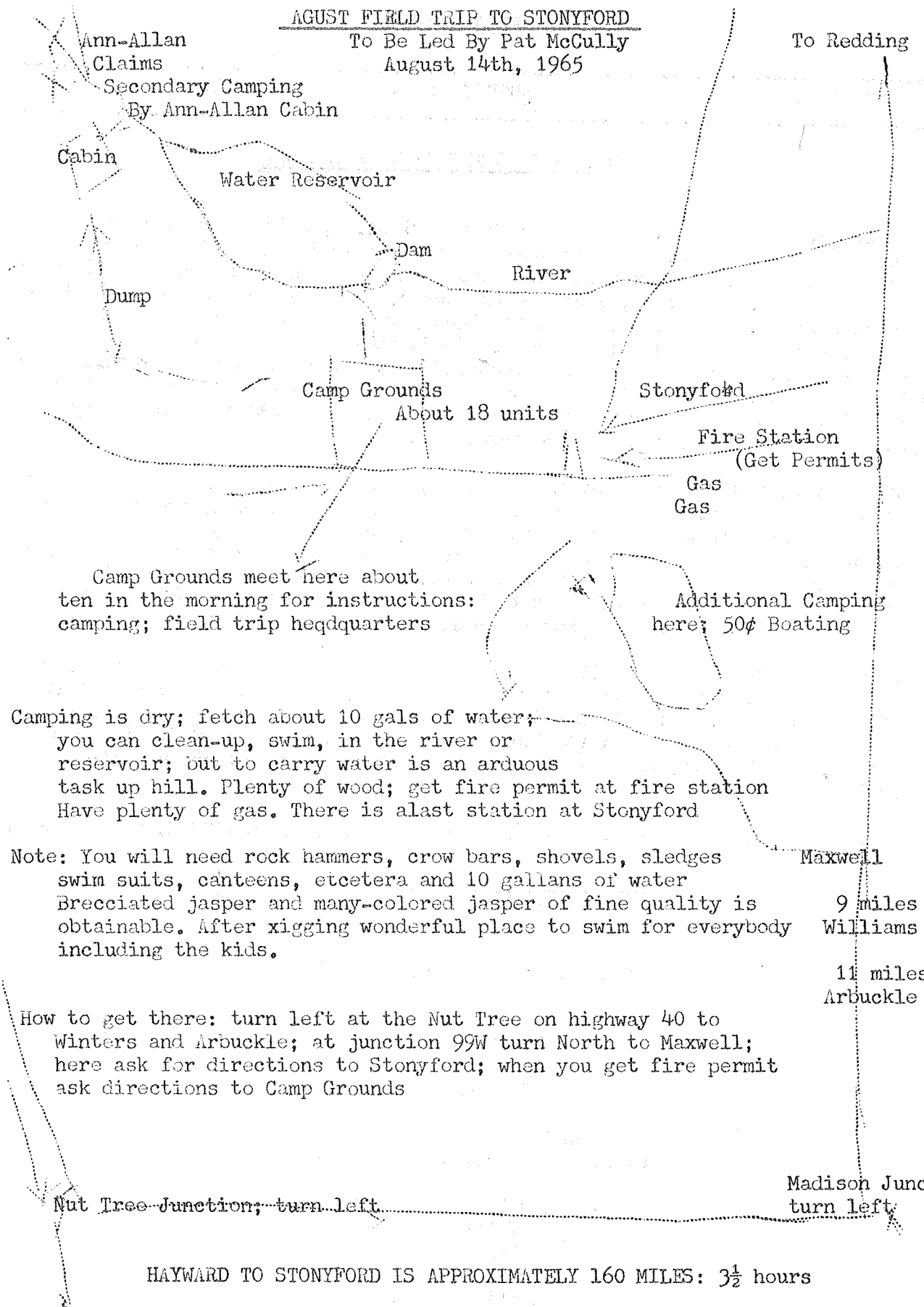
(Desert Field Trip)

May 13th

June ?

AGUST FIELD TRIP TO STONYFORD

To Be Led By Pat McCully
August 14th, 1965



MINUTES EXECUTIVE BOARD
AUGUST 27, 1965

Meeting called to order at 8:15 P. M. by President Korstad. Minutes of pre-meeting read and approved. Treasurer Ed Peters read financial report which was approved. Peters stated he had paid the landlord on the lease agreement and also the second month's rent. All bills oked for payment.

Engbeck stated he had made arrangements for a good used mimeograph: since cost over \$50.00 final approval must come from the membership. Board gave okeh. Federation Director Engbeck was nominated for membership to committee to preserve lands for the Rock Hounds.

Eileen Bergerson, Hostess, turned over \$15.00 to Treasurer Peters. This is an overage from the refreshment fund.....No report from Historian nor Junior Mentor.... Alberta Robertson, Librarian, asked to go over the library with Bill Walker and by next meeting would come up with new rules for borrowing books.....Field trips to Valley Springs and to Coalinga and the show at the latter place...Jean Pfeffer has purchased a rubber stamp as a means of notifying people their dues are due. It will be on the cover of The Petrograph stating that this is the members last issue. No phone calls this year to delinquent members....Phil Clarke is in need of door prizes. Phil will announce donor's names....Show Rules discussed and Gus Mollin said that there was no need to change the rules this year but if anyone felt a desire for some change that this demand should be made in writing.

Old Business: Vern Korstad said he would give a personal call on the woman who is delinquent in payments of mimeograph sometime back...George Warren III was named head of a committee to survey the type and number of new cases to be built. It was stressed the new cases should be akin to the Mollin type...Contract for shop has not yet been signed but it has been agreed with the landlord that items attached to the walls may be stripped out in case a move became necessary. The shop sink still needs the second coat of plastic. Chuck Warren is making doors for the cabinet under the sink. Connections needed for the wheels. The sump is in working order; the saws are ready to go and Gil has men ready to oversee every night except Friday.Open House is suggested to show off the new shop with refreshments and an auction to be a part of the celebration.

The Oakland Museum Committee is no longer interested in a mineral specimen section.....It was MSC (Dowell/Jones) that all monies received from Alameda County Fair be ear-marked for the fund to build new cases.....this to include renovating old cases that seem to have been abused....Renting of cases to the members was discussed and a time-limit was placed on how long a member may hold a case....

New Business: New equipment for the shop was discussed as follows:

1. A gas-oxygen torch for the silver room.
2. New drains for the 3M laps)Lever-lock(
3. Flex shaft with reostat foot control (members use their own burrs.)
4. A phone installation suggested. Korstad to survey.

Meeting adjourned 11:05 P. M.

/s/ Mary Jones - Sec'y Pro-tem.

PROGRAM FOR THE NEXT MEMBERSHIP
MEETING PROMISES TO BE A MUST
" DIAMONDS FROM THE JUNGLES OF GUIANA"
CHERRYLAND SCHOOL - HAYWARD - SEPTEMBER 8TH 8000 P.M.
Bring a friend

THIS PAGE WAS HELD AWAITING PARTICULARS AND MAP OF THE FIELD TRIP FOR THIS MONTH NONE CAME AND IN ORDER TO GET THIS ISSUE INTO THE POST OFFICE IN TIME FOR DELIVERY THAT YOU ALL MAY KNOW YOU GOT TO COME TO MEETING OCTOBER EIGHTH WE WENT TO PREEES WITHOUT FIELD TRIP PARTICULARS

)

HERE'S A NEWSNOTE FROM EILEEN BERGERSEN: So, a good time was had by all on a recent trip to Nevada. In the group were the Bergersens, Fængels, Hazel Peterman, Tewers, and friends who were met by the Goulds of Pahoe City. A little agate and rhyolite was picked up but mostly the group found a wonderful good-fellowship that rubbing elbows in the wide open spaces engenders.

)

You members are becoming lax in the matter of not wearing your badges. You heard people say, "I know that face but I can't put a name to it." New members get to know you if you don't wear your name plate. Even when you've seen a person a number of times and can't remember the name that badge helps to call off the name as you shake hands. PIN 'EM ON

Oh! you lost yours! Just shell out a \$1.25 and you can get another one easily.

SEE JOE ENGBECK

)

THAT INFORMATION SHEET

At the last Membership Meeting there was mystery in the air. The President had worked up a sheet which he had hoped would be filled out but most of you put them aside, even after the Chair announced the particular use to which the sheet was intended. It will help committees get a line on you.

PLEASE BE GOOD FELLERS AND
FILL IT OUT NEXT MEETING....

)

WES GORDON, who made our opening meeting a great success, teaches a class in geology Monday nights at the San Lorenzo High School in the evenings - 7:45. Here's a wonderful chance to enjoy a scientific subject. Wes is wellknown in the field; has appeared in a series on TV.

-0-

THE PRESIDENT HAS A POINT

After a long trek together on a field trip, we usually gather around the camp fire for a "sing" and storytelling. Sometimes a fellow gets carried away and offers an awful Rabelaisian anecdote. This shocks some people and as President don't want be stuffy about it but we might go down the road a piece, as males that is, have a smoke and tell the joke to ~~not only~~ ladies, so minded, may try the same on each other.

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING
June 11, 1965

Meeting called to order at 8:30 PM by President Del Jones who announced that several members had made a proposal that to carry on the Cabochon of the Month as a Perpetual Memorial to Beatrice Engbeck. There will be a small cup given to the monthly winner but at the end of the season a plaque would go to the winner of the most monthly competitions.....This idea will be carried on by donations from the membership.

President Jones introduced Hal Bickerdyke who in turn introduced the guest of the evening, Mr. Jerry Wentling, who gave a graphic description assisted by slides of the White Queen and the Himalaya tourmaline mines. The unsafe condition of the mines precluded field trips.

The President asked for volunteers to help move to the new shop.

Don Wills presented May Meyers with a bronze Life Membership card.

The out-going officers were called forward by the president who thanked them for their support during the year, then, Wes Gordon presented these officers with pins and the new officers for the year were introduced and installed by Wes Gordon.

Del Jones turned the meeting over to the new president, Vernon Korstad who in turn presented his new staff: Bill Walsh, Loren Dowell, and George Warren III, are directors; Louise Palmer, Historian; Federation Director and Editor, Joe Engbeck; Art Zugnoni, Field Trips; Eileen Bergersen, Hostess; Alberta Robertson Librarian; Shop Foreman, Gil Foster; Junior Mentor, Bob McFate; Membership Chairman, Jean Pfefer; Everet Pittenger, Parliamentarian; Publicity, George Andrade; School Coordinator, Joe Duarte; Door Prizes, Phil Clarke; Dorothy Grekel and Connie Durke, Receptionists; Show Rules Chairman, Gus Mollin not confirmed.

The new President was still lining people up to serve on the Show....Pat McCully brought greetings to the new officership and to May Meyers.....Art Zugnoni said he did not have permission to enter the Anaconda Mine while the trippers were in Nevada.....Door prizes were given out and adjournment followed at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

/s/ Mary Jones

(The above minutes were lost among the Editor's mail and should)
(have been in the last month's edition. Pardon it, please.)

WHO KENS NAPOMO

I have written many letters to the owner of the Napomo marcosite claim; no answers either from the Rock Shops in the San Luis Obispo area. I'm not sure there is a Napomo claim anymore. Does anyone know any particulars of this set-up. Has anyone been there recently? Please help me find out about this location. We might make a field trip to the area next year. Any suggestions?

Art Zugnoni

YOUR DUES ARE DUE RIGHT NOW
SEND THEM IN TO JEAN PFEFER, ADDRESS:
7609 Ashford Way, Dublin

SCREENINGS :

SCREENINGS

SCREENINGS

SCREENINGS :

We have the sad news to report that Al Avery is hospitalized at Levine Hospital in Hayward. Al would prefer that cards be sent to him rather than a personal visit. After a such a long drag of time, Al has become restless: he's been there since June Eighteenth. So, send him a card to cheer him up.

-0-

Just learned of the passing of Ross Tweedie. He was once president of the East Bay Society and was with us for several years.

-0-

THE CAB OF THE MONTH WILL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT NEXT YEAR IN HONOR OF THE LATE BEATRICE ENGBECK WHO WITH HER HUSBAND THOUGHT UP THE IDEA TO INSPIRE MORE PEOPLE TO DO THEIR UTMOST IN TURNING OUT FINISHED STONES.....

-0-

Last year's plaque was won by Art Zugnoni after a hard season of competition. Art won three times, which gave him the edge and the coveted prize. It should be stated here that Virginia Owans gave all the boys a run for the money; she got the highest score of all competitors. Now is the time to get yours ready for the first judging night which will be September 17, 1965.

-0-

A member came in the other night to the new shop and announced he wanted to polish a stone. Well, the shop isn't quite ready at this writing and certainly wasn't that night. Asked if he would to stick around and help with some of the readiness factors he replied in the negative. The old wheel-horses are laboring along without too many volunteers.

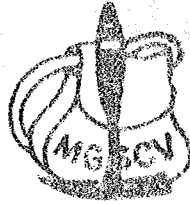
Water will be directly
sprayed on the grinding
wheels which is quite
an improvement over
the old shop meth-
od of moist sponges.
Less reason for
contamination

-0-

A new second hand mimeograph is turning out this copy and ought to speed getting out the club bulletin considerably. One thing the Editor needs above all things is copy ahead of time not just waiting for the dead line.

TWO IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER: your dues are due right now and the first meeting of the membership will be SEPTEMBER 17th, 1965. A conflict developed with the school calendar and we must always concede to it. Keep in mind
September 17, 1965

Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley, Inc.

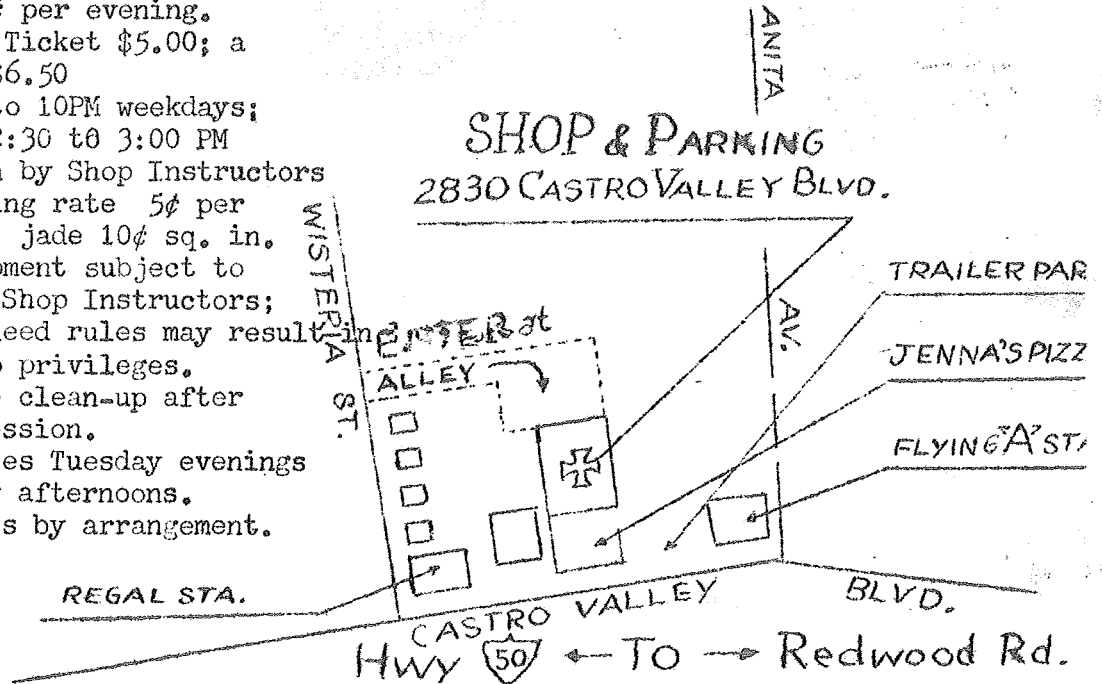


SHOP RULES:

1. (a) Open to all members over 12 years of age.
 (b) Under 12 years must be accompanied by responsible adult.
2. Shop Fee 65¢ per evening.
 Prepaid Fee Ticket \$5.00; a value of \$6.50
3. Open 7:30 to 10PM weekdays;
 Thursdays 12:30 to 3:00 PM
4. Slab saw run by Shop Instructors only. Slabbing rate 5¢ per square inch; jade 10¢ sq. in.
5. Use of equipment subject to approval of Shop Instructors; failure to heed rules may result in loss of shop privileges.
6. Co-operative clean-up after each work session.
7. Silver classes Tuesday evenings and Thursday afternoons.
8. Other classes by arrangement.

BELOW IS NEW SHOP SITE:

ENTER THROUGH ALLEYWAY OFF WISTERIA STREET AND TURN RIGHT AT REAR OF LOT. SHOP IS YELLOW-TILED BUILDING DIRECTLY BEHIND JENNA'S PIZZA PARLOR....LOTS OF PARKING FOR ALL



THE PETROGRAPH
 Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley, Inc.,
 Joe Engbeck, Editor
 164 Begier Avenue
 San Leandro, California

Return Requested



Dr. & Mrs. K. Palmer
 3773 Lorenz Ave.
 Castro Valley, Calif.

TIME VALUE