



Official Beehive Rock & Gem Club Monthly Newsletter.

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# Beehive Buzzer

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by [Katelyn Livingston](#) August 7, 2023.

Happy Birthday August friends! This month's stones are Peridot, Spinel & Sardonyx. Peridot is formed in extreme conditions and can be found in hardened lava here on earth as well as in meteorites from space. Spinel has become a popular alternative to rubies. They have been mistaken for rubies throughout history; it has even been discovered that Edward prince of Wales (1367) crown ruby is in fact Spinel and not ruby. Sardonyx was worn by Roman soldiers to protect them in battle. Many of them wore Sardonyx rings with mages of Mars carved into them.

by **Debbie Larsen** on July 9, 2023

Hi Happy Rockhounds,

Looks like this has been a busy summer for everyone. Have enjoyed the trips so far this summer. The weather has held out nicely, which has been amazing! Looking forward to the trip to Cary, Idaho this month. We will find some fun different rocks there. I have enjoyed getting to know all of you new members! Those of you that I haven't met yet please come over to me and let me know who you are. Everyone else please introduce yourself to anyone you don't know yet. We have a great group of people in our club. See you soon! Debbie



## September 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting -We will have our yearly **Big Auction!!**

Please look through your rocks and rock related items to donate! It could be slabs, rough rocks, cabs, jewelry, lapidary equipment, tools, camping equipment, etc. Bring them that night between 5:30 & 6pm.

### November meeting

Don't forget to collect and put aside Rocks you have Found that \* **Look Like Something**\* Example: heart, shell, ice cream cone, hand, dog, etc.

Also bring, what is “**Your Best Find of the Year**” to the November meeting.

### Photos

Have you been taking pictures this year of the club get togethers! Send Darrell McRoberts any pictures you have taken that you think would be fun for the club to see at our yearly slide show for the November meeting.

Text/email them to Darrell at 801-317-7000 or rocksrus2@hotmail.com

# This Month's Club Meeting.

**When?** August 22, 2023.

**Where?** Golden Hours Senior Center - 650 25th St, Ogden UT 84401.

**What time?** 6:00pm we will have our meet and greet and silent auction (Bring some cash) & 6:30pm our meeting and potluck will begin.

## **Program: FOR THE LESS WELL-TRAVELED ROCK-HOUNDERS**

After a yummy **Pot-Luck Meal** we will be treated to **displays and discussion on Rocks from Other Countries.** (Yes, it is true - other countries also have rocks!) And while it is true that some of the most famous gemstones are also found here in the U.S.: The Emerald Hollow Mine in North Carolina, Rubies in N.C., S. C., Montana and Wyoming, and Arkansas's Crater of Diamonds State Park, (which is the only diamond producing state in the U.S.) some beautiful gemstones are only found in other areas of the world.

Georgina DuFour, Jay Fackrell, and Rich Dunaway will share some of their favorite examples of "Fabulous Foreign Finds"!

And I know we will all find it Fascinating!

We will join together for a potluck! You all bring the best food!!! The Club will supply the meat dish, drinks and paper products. Everyone else bring a side dish to share.



Thanks! Looking forward to gathering together for a nice meal.

## August Club Field Trip - Cary, Idaho



We are excited about the Beehive Club Field Trip to Cary, Idaho on 8/19/2023. We will be looking for Green Moss Agate, White Ribbon & Lace Agate and more! 4WD vehicles will be required to access the rockhounding site.

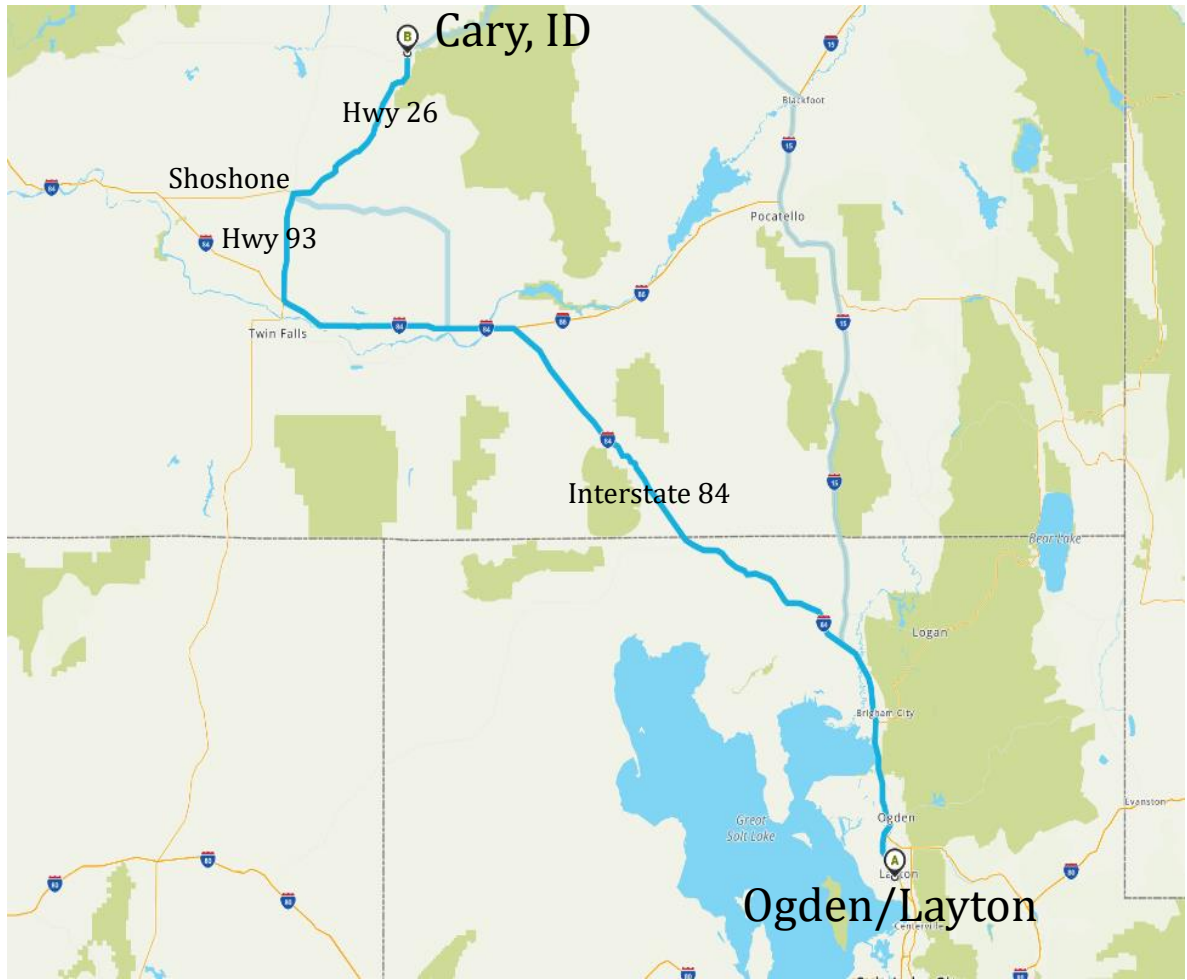
Allow 4 hours driving time from the Ogden/Layton areas to reach Cary. This allows for approximately a ½ hour for stops along the way.

Meet at the Exxon Station in Cary located the intersection of Hwy 20 and S. Main St at 10am on Saturday 8/19. We will leave for the site promptly at 10:30 so don't be late.

Some of us are going to be camping at the Little Wood Campground from Friday to Sunday across from the rockhounding site on Little Wood Reservoir Rd. If you are planning to camp there please contact Tom Larsen at 801 390 8270 so we can coordinate that event. The campsites are free and are next to the Little Wood Reservoir. We will be trying to get the group site so we can all camp together.

For people that want to stay in a nearby motel I hear that there is one in Bellview, ID called High Country Motel. Contact them for reservations.

I have attached a map showing the best way to get to Cary. **If you plan on going on the field trip or have any questions please text Tom Larsen 801 390 8270.**





# \*September 23rd Extra Trip for the Beehive Rock Club-Rio Tinto Kennecott Mine Tour\*

Hi Everyone,

We will be going to the Rio Tinto Kennecott Copper Mine Tour. Time: **10am on Saturday September 23rd** We need to order tickets by August 18th. **Text Debbie Larsen right away if you plan on going. 385-319-2808** Tickets are \$6. Bring exact change for your group. Pay Debbie Larsen. You will be responsible for your ticket once you are put on the list.

**FYI: This trip is for 6yrs & up.**

Join Rio Tinto Kennecott at its Visitor Experience at Bingham Canyon Mine. Learn about the history of this amazing mine and see first-hand the gigantic scale of its operation, vehicles, and artifacts. Discover how ore gets refined to become copper, an essential element in today's technology. The Visitor Experience is dedicated to educating the public about the key role mining plays in modern life, safe mining practices and responsible environmental stewardship.

Founded in 1903, Kennecott's Bingham Canyon Mine is one of the largest man-made, open-pit excavations in the world. The operation is so immense, it can be seen from space. The mine operates 24 hours a day, 356 days a year. With over 20 million tons of refined copper ore produced in the past 120 years, it is one of the top performing mines in the world.

What to know before you go:

Be prepared for the weather, the Visitor Experience is completely outdoors. The weather at the mine is sometimes different than the rest of the Salt Lake Valley. On sunny days, it will be hot. Bring water, sunscreen, and sun protection. If it looks like it may rain, please consider a jacket or umbrella.

Minors under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Stay inside the designated visitor area (always fenced or otherwise).

Use of drugs, alcohol or smoking/vaping are strictly prohibited. Firearms, knives, and other weapons are prohibited on all Rio Tinto Kennecott property.

We will be taking a shuttle to the mine overlook.

It is a self-guided tour. There are many exhibits for you to see and read about the mine, its history, and operations. You are welcome to take pictures of your visit, however professional photography is not allowed.

## Gift Shop

The Bingham Canyon Lions Gift Shop, located in the visitor parking area, sells an assortment of items. From copper jewelry and trinkets to educational excavation kits, visitors of all ages are sure to find something special to take home with them. While there is a vending machine available with drinks, food is not available for purchase.

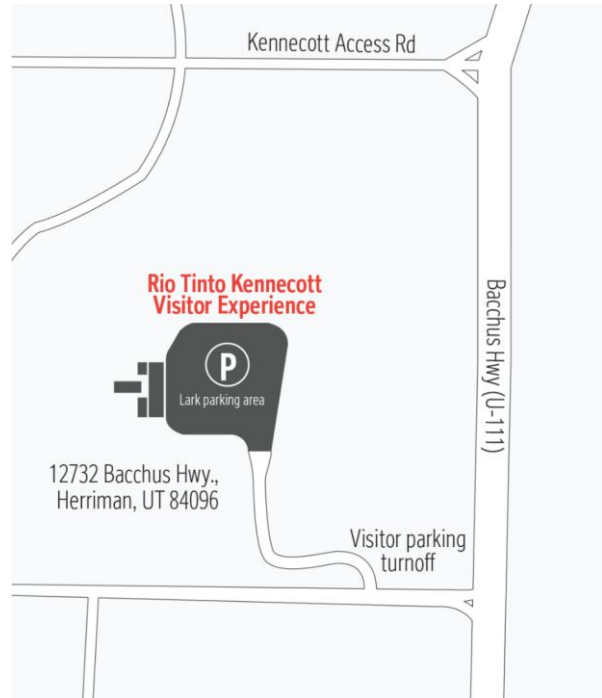
**\*We will meet at the Lark visitor parking lot at 9:30am. Be on time! We will be taking a shuttle and if you aren't there it will unfortunately leave without you.**

Address:

Lark visitor parking

12732 Bacchus Hwy.

Herriman, Utah 84096



## September 30<sup>th</sup>-Metal Detecting Trip



Meet at Golden Hours Senior Center at 9am. We will leave from there to an area close to town. Bring your metal detector and tools in the picture.

Text Jay Atchison 208-682-0952 if you will be going on the trip.





## Last month's meeting



We would like to thank **Jay Atchison** for showing us all the cool things you can find with a **Metal Detector**.





# July's Nephi and Birds Eye Field Trip















## 2023 Field trip Schedule

August 19 - Cary, Idaho -Green Moss agate, Ribbon agate, etc.

September 9 - Topaz Mountain area- Blue Opal Thunder Eggs, Green Manganese Opal, Wonder Stone, Apache Tears, etc.

September 23- Rio Tinto Kennecott Copper Mine Tour

September 30- Metal Detecting trip

October 12-15 - The Henry Mountains!

# Need to Contact Us?

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