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Regular monthly meeting

2nd Friday each month at 6:30 pm

(except July & August)

Craft Room, Campbell River Community Hall
401-11th Ave
Campbell River, BC

RIPPLE ROCK GEM & MINERAL CLUB

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MEMBERSHIPS

A single membership is \$15.00 and a family is \$25.00. Memberships may be paid at the General meetings, or by mail to the address on the Bugle cover.

Programs:

The Club meets at 6:30pm on the 2nd Friday of each month (except July and August), in the craft room at the Campbell River Community Centre, 401-11th Ave downtown Campbell River. Guests are always welcome! After each meeting, we have entertainment related to some facet of the lapidary hobby.

Workshop:

The Club has an equipped workshop for lapidary work. New members must take a training course to learn lapidary arts and equipment before regular access to the shop is allowed. There is a minimal charge for the use of the equipment.

Field Trips:

The Wagonmaster organizes several family friendly field trips and camps throughout the year.

Newsletter (Bugle):

The Bugle is the Club newsletter. Its purpose is to inform members about monthly meeting, field trips, camps, activities, and almost anything related to RockHounding and Lapidary skills and equipment.

Code of Conduct (British Columbia Lapidary Society):

I will respect private property and do no Rockhounding without the owner's permission.

I will use no firearms or blasting material in Rockhounding areas.

I will take garbage home or deposit in a proper receptacle.

I will leave gates as found.

I will do no willful damage to materials or take more than I can reasonably use.

I will fill excavations which may be dangerous to other people or livestock.

I will build fires in designated places only, and make sure they are completely extinguished before leaving.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.

I will not tamper with signs, structural facilities or equipment.

I will obey all laws and regulations of forestry and game departments in the area in which I am Rockhounding.

I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources and wildlife.

I will always use good outdoor manners.

I will show respect to other club members.

Word from the Incoming President

First a big THANK YOU to the outgoing Executive.

A further thank you to the Executive that are staying on for another year.

Finally, a thank you to Katherine Jorgensen and my wife Patty for stepping up to serve in the new Executive.

Just wanted to say a few words to the membership to give you all some idea of what to expect in 2025.

Club Meetings 2025

Out-going President Molly and the 2024 Executive set precedent with the last (November) meeting.

I plan to continue the template of a very short Business Meeting (if required) to start the evening, but most importantly will be followed by a Rock, Gem, Lapidary themed 'Presentation' (live and/or multimedia)...and/or a member Buy/Sell/Trade/Show of some sort.

This will start with the January meeting...stay tuned...we will let you know what is happening in advance.

BTW...if you have any request(s) or suggestions for presentations or events, please email them to the 2025 Entertainment Chairperson (Patty Bueckert) pattybueck@gmail.com

Please put something like 'Rock Club' in Subject Line.

I look forward to helping the Club and navigating the Meetings for 2025.
Any concerns and/or suggestions can be emailed to me directly: ken.bueck@shaw.ca

Kind Regards,
Ken Bueckert
Incoming President

Fall/Winter schedule of Openers for the Rock Shop

Mondays	10am –12noon	Steve Cooley	phone	250-287-4388
Tuesday	7pm–930pm	Ian Shepherd	text only	778-269-2655
Wednesday	11am-200pm	Kim Wilson	text or call	778-554-8750
Thursday	11am-200pm	Bonnie DesLaurier	phone	250-923-5050

Floating Openers, Call or text to see if they are available.
Ellen Cadwallader Text please 250-201-6960
John Fisher Call or text 250-338-0204

Christmas Banquet

Ripple Rock buys the ham and turkey. Club cooks prepare the beasts!
Salads, vegetables and desserts are pot lock. If we are lucky there will be an abundance of desserts and a scarcity of vegetables!

Willing dishwashers are few and far in between. Bring your own complete place settings and take them home afterwards to wash them in your own kitchen.

Field Trips

Where to go? Every acre of British Columbia was been walked over by prospectors by the time most of us were born. When they saw something that they thought was their retirement plan, they 'staked' a claim, then registered it with what is now called The Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources. The prospector had to locate each corner of his (there were few female prospectors) claim as best as they could, without the use of GPS technology. The boundaries of old claims listed always have a 'fudge factor' included.

Following is the search page for B C mineral claims. It is found on the internet using Minfile as the code word. This page lets us locate the claim using its name, its map page or using latitude and longitude coordinates. Some of these claims have ores with crystals and polishable minerals. Locations for a Field Trip.



MINFILE Search


Total Records: 16157

Search

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Identification & Location	Mineral Occurrence	Host Rock	Geological Setting	Inventory	Production	Capsule Geology & Bibliography	Import Numbers
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IDENTIFICATION Identification Help 

MINFILE Name Enter a name or partial name

MINFILE Number **To** Enter a number or partial number

Status

<input type="checkbox"/> Anomaly	<input type="checkbox"/> Past Producer	<input type="checkbox"/> Prospect	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
<input type="checkbox"/> Developed Prospect	<input type="checkbox"/> Producer	<input type="checkbox"/> Showing	

LOCATION Location Help 

BCGS Map	NTS Map	
<input type="text"/> 082E001 082E002 082E003 082E004 082E005 082E006	<input type="text"/> 082E01E 082E01W 082E02E 082E02W 082E03E 082E03W	<small>Use Ctrl-Click to select multiple map sheets or Shift-Click to select a range. Use carriage return to input new search string.</small>
OR	OR	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<small>Enter map number or partial number</small>

Select an area or 'bounding box' using two coordinate points

Latitude	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	To	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/> NAD 27
Longitude	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	To	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NAD 83

The first line allows us to search using its name. A search using 'Lucky Jim' brings up 13 claims, including one on Quadra Island and one on the Adam River. Both are one day trips from Campbell River. The location accuracy line for Quadra is 500 meters! The accuracy line for Adam River is 100 meters. Today some maps have the Quadra Luck Jim marked on them, even though the accuracy is 'just in the ball park'. The Adam River Lucky Jim could be on either side of the River and be within the accuracy listed.

The second search line is the Minfile number, not a useful search criteria for most of us. Gold, Gemstone & Mineral Sites written by Rick Hudson quotes the Minfile number with the sites he writes about.

Under location are two other ways to find potential field trip sites. One uses British Columbia Geographic System map number. An internet search of BCGS will give you sites that sell BCGS maps. 092K004 is the map West of Campbell River and North of Strathcona Park.



The outlined box does not include Quadra, but data displayed is Quadra sites!

A wonder of the data world!

A search of this map's area shows 5 registered mineral claims.

One is Steep Island which is now a privately owned island that is now private residence. About 1960 I was there and looked at the trench that was dug. It looked like solid rock!

One is called Dawn. Location accuracy 1km. The Dawn showing is located on the southern half of Quadra Island. The location is somewhat obscure but is located between Heriot Bay and Gowlland Harbour (Minister of Mines Annual Report 1921, page 225).

The next one is Slavin. Adit (a nearly horizontal passage from the surface in a mine), 3 kilometres West from the village of Heriot Bay, 50 metres east from the shoreline in Gowlland Harbour (Property File, 092K012, Plan showing copper prospects in Gowlland Harbour, Quadra Island 1953).

Next is Gowlland Island, On Gowlland Island, in Gowlland Harbour of Quadra (formerly Valdes) Island, a tunnel was driven for 37 metres prior to 1913. Within this tunnel a

shaft 6 metres deep and a raise of 4.6 metres was made. Traces of chalcocite were found.

Last is McIver Lake. A number of coal seams of high volatile bituminous rank coal were found.

None of the above registered claims look like good prospects for field trips.

092f014 covers the area around Black Creek, Merville and West. 13 registered claims are this map code. They are close enough to explore. Gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc are metals found in these claims. Some of them may have ore bodies that might have crystals and polishable minerals.

The last way to use this site's search capabilities is to use latitude and longitude coordinates of any area that looks interesting to you. Use Google Earth to see where you want to explore. In your mind, put a box around the area and record your cursor location at the lower right corner and the upper left corner. Lower right is the South East corner, upper right is the North West corner.



Untitled placemark at the lower right is lat 50 15 55 and long 125 53 57

Placemark upper left is 50 21 48 and 126 00 13

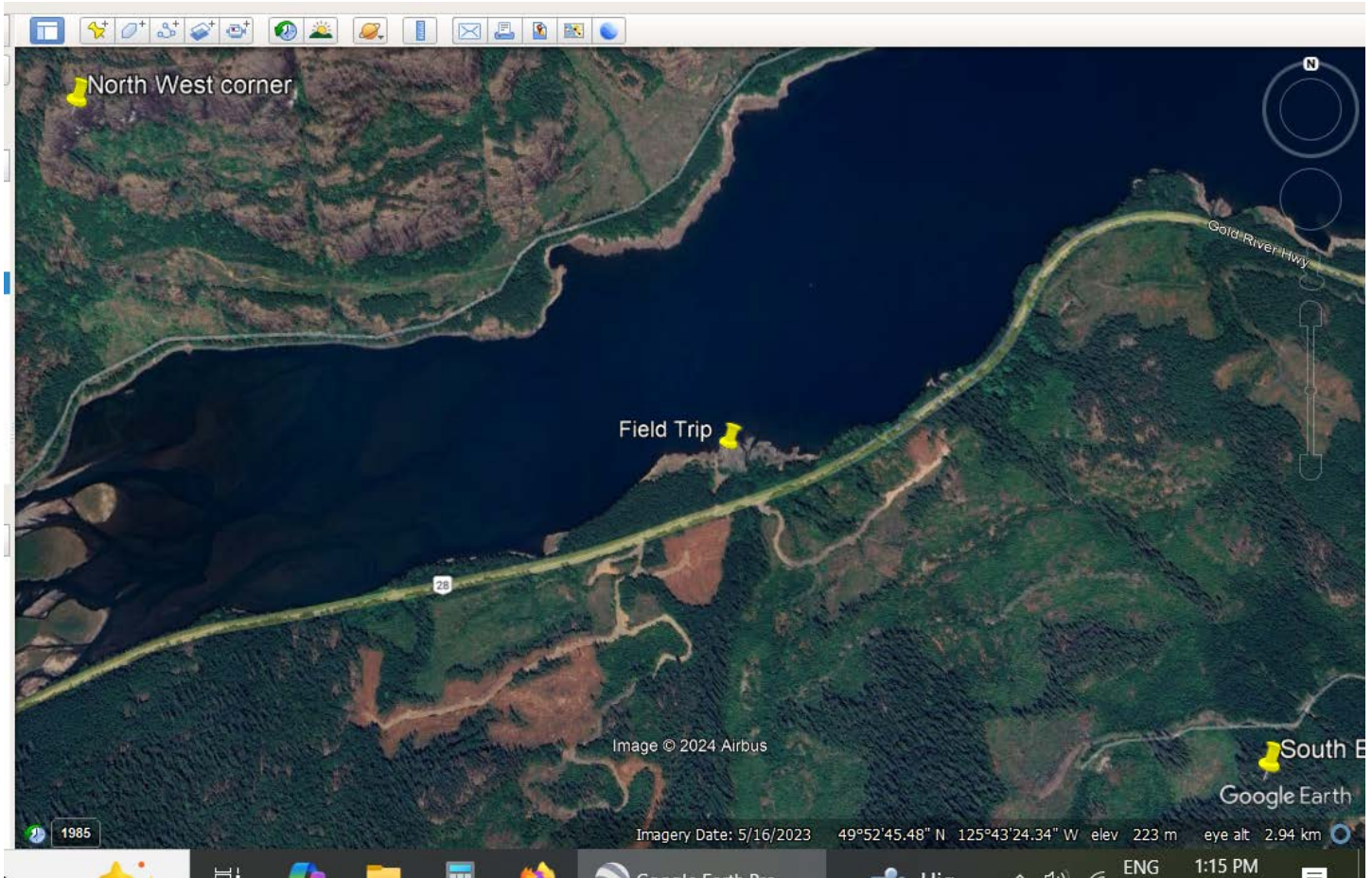
Criteria Type	Criteria Name
Latitude(NAD 83)	50°15'55" to 50°21'48" from 125°53'57" to 126°00'13"
2 records hit	

Click a field header to sort by the field

MINFILE Number	Names	Status	Commodities	NTS Maps	Latitude Longitude (NAD 83)	Deposit Types
092K 043	IRON MIKE HARTT ORECAN IRON JIM IRON MAC IRON BETHEA IRON DICK IRON ROSS	Past Producer Inventory Report	Iron, Magnetite, Copper	092K05W	50 ° 18' 30" N 125° 58' 44" W	K03:Fe skarn
092K 126	DEER O.K. IN	Showing	Copper, Molybdenum	092K05W	50 ° 19' 35" N 125° 59' 29" W	


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Iron Mike is below Highway 16 a little to the left of Keta Lake. Deer is above Highway 16 a bit more to the left of Keta Lake.



<https://minfile.gov.bc.ca/searchresults.aspx?10=49&11=52&12=20&13=49&14=53&15=04&16=>

[Tye](#) [K: Knowledge](#) [KCTS 9](#) [Pltcs](#) [CBC](#) [Chek](#) [Nrwhl](#) [rabble](#) [Albrt](#) [Hakai](#) [Arlo](#) [Wairs](#) [Wkpdia](#) [Break](#) [Other Bookm](#)


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MINFILE Search Results

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Criteria Type	Criteria Name
Latitude(NAD 83)	49°52'20" to 49°53'04" from 125°41'39" to 125°43'38"
0 records hit	

Click a field header to sort by the field

0 records – no registered mineral claims in the area of the field trip.

Field Trip Sunday November 17th

Met in the corner of the Canadian Tire parking lot close to the paint store for a 10am departure

