

Minutes of the 5/21/02 Westside Board Meeting

Dave Sanders opened the meeting at 7:40PM

There was no treasurer's report

The minutes were approved as printed in the Council Reporter

Wagonmaster's report:

*Ed Lehman reported that the turn out for the last two field trips was very good. At least 65 people on the Saturdays and 50 on the Sundays.

*The field trip to the 6100 road will likely have more people than transport. The fee to enter the Weyerhaeuser tree farms is \$65 per vehicle for a year.

*The field trip to Mt. Higgins has been canceled due to our inability to secure access.

*Vi Jones provided a handout with information on the Lake Wenatchee trip ([go to link](#))

New Business:

*Vi Jones reported on her meeting with the Forest Service. The Finney Creek Adaptive Management Area plan was discussed. Many roads into the area may be closed. This is an area where rockhounds have collected agate, crystals, hematite, and fossils. We need to make sure the FS knows about this recreational resource to prevent loss of access.

*Newhalem will be having its "Science Days" on 6/17-18. A number of presentations on the geology and ecology of the North Cascades will be made.

*Marc Kleckner will no longer be able to serve as secretary due to a family illness. Norma Kikkert volunteered to be secretary pro-tem.

*Ed presented a bill for copier toner. He will send it to Kathy.

Meeting adjourned,

submitted by Glenn Morita

Kalama Field Trip Report

by Bruce Himko

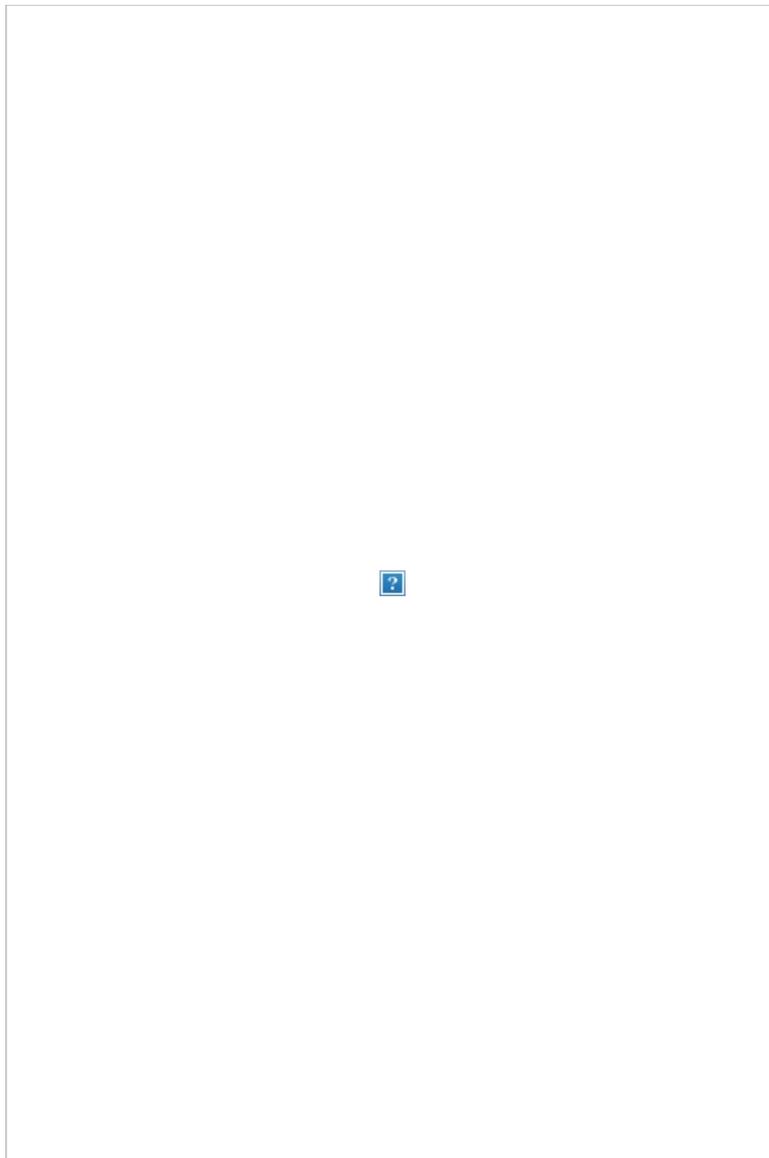
The rock hounding was just as good as the weather. We had a new system to get people in through the gate, instead of the hour-plus it took last year, it only took about ten minutes.

We had a person who found a full un-cracked geode that was about twenty lbs and looked like an alien egg. We had people who found large five to ten lb pieces of jasper.

We also had people who found large pieces of crystal chunks and plates, and of course some carnelian agate. I found a piece of moss agate about five lbs, this puzzles us because it has not been found in this area before.

If anyone did not leave with at least a half of a bucket full they just did not do any digging.

The pot luck dinner on Saturday night was very good, a big thanks to all, and a big thanks to Ed for the pancake breakfast Sunday morning.



This photo is of a group digging to open up one of the older spots, about 5 1/2' deep to the layer! All of the pictures are of this particular area, near the Beaver Pond.

Photo courtesy Ed Thomas

