

**LIST OF WSMC FIELD TRIPS FOR 2012 - (May be altered during the year. Please check back often.)**

The WSMC sponsors field trips through various rock clubs in the state. These trips offer the general public as well as the experienced rockhound the opportunity to collect a wide variety of materials from agate and jasper to crystals and fossils. Experienced guides familiar with the sites are on-hand to help find good quality material. Check with the local clubs in your area for further information. **AREAS CURRENTLY CLOSED TO COLLECTING: LUCAS CREEK, ADNA, DIATOM PITS (FRENCHMAN HILLS).** No motorized vehicles allowed: Green Mountain (Kalama) and First Creek.

Check out the trip info, and tool listings at: [mineralcouncil.org](http://mineralcouncil.org).

Updated: November 14, 2011

Date	Host	Site	Meet @	Material	Tools
1/28	Msvl	Bvr Valley Quarry	10:30 @	Pt Ludlow C of Comm	Chert, Zeolites, Geodes Hard rock tools
2/18	Msvl	Cedar Ponds	9:00 @	Monroe, WA Jack 'n Box	Red & Yellow Jasper Dig & light hard rock
3/11	Evt/LkSd	Sadl Mtn/Dtm Pts	9:00 @	Mattawa, WA-Harvest Foods	Pet. Wood & Diat. opal Light & dig tools
4/14	MtBk	Racehorse Crk	9:00 @	Nugent's Corner, E of Bellham	Fossils; Morel mshrms Dig, light, & split tools
4/21-22	Pow-Wow	Saddle Mtn	8:00 @	Boat launch: S. Mattawa	Petr. Wood Light hard rock & dig tools
5/19-20	Msvl	Wasco, OR	8:00 @	Biggs Junction, OR; Shell Gas	China Hollow Pic Jasp(\$) Regstr. Opens 3/16/ - 5/1 \$25 Deposit
6/13-16	Tri-Fed	Idaho		<b>Canceled</b>	Contact Fed. Representative
6/23	Spkn	Emerald Creek, ID	8:00 @	Emerald Creek Parking Area	Star Garnets (\$ Fee dig) Old clothes, Ziploc bag/\$fee dig
6/27-7/1	Pow-Wow	Madras, OR	8:00 @	Jefferson Fair Grounds	Agate, jasper, wood, T-eggs(\$) Dig & light tools
7/21	Msvl/Dar	Darrington	10:00 @	Rock Show behind IGA Store	Travertine & Spelunking Hard rock dig, dress for water
7/28	WSea	Lake Wenatchee	9:00 @	Coles Corner Gas Sta.	Garnets, actinolite, talc Screen, wood saw, dig tools
8/4	Yak	Timberwolf Mtn	9:00 @	Ace Hardware, Naches, WA	Quartz Crystals Shovel, pick, rock hammer
8/11	Spkn	Lolo Pass, ID	8:00 @	Lolo Hot Springs Parking Lot	Smoky Quartz Crystals Shovel & pick (lots of digging)
8/18-19	NW Op	Greenwater	9:00 @	Enumclaw Ranger Station	Agate, Jasper Dig & light hard rock
9/8-9	Pow-Wow	Red Top	8:00 @	W Fork Teanaway Camp	Geodes, Agate, jade Dig & light hard rock
9/15	NW Op	Little Nachese	9:00 @	TBD (Kaner Flats?)	Thunder eggs, Rhyolite Dig & light hard rock
9/29-30	Msvl	Wasco, OR		<b>Canceled</b>	
10/6	Spkn	Chewelah Area	9:00 @	Chewelah Safeway	Magnesite, Var. Minerals Container, and rock hammer
10/27	Msvl	Happy Thought Crk	9:00 @	Hwy 2, Money Creek Campgrnd	Picture Jasper Rock Hammer & Container
11/10	MtBk	Blanchard Hill	9:00 @	I-5 exit 240, Gas Mart	Stilpnomelane in Quartz Hard rock tools

(\* Deposit must be received no later than 30 days before trip date to reserve spot; deposit fully refundable.) Participants must be age 16 or older; no children or pets, please; maximum of 40 participants so get your reservations in early!)

**ALWAYS CALL TO CONFIRM TRIP DATES AND DETAILS!!— SEE BELOW**

Abbreviation	Host	Contact	E-mail
Evt	Everett Rock & Gem Club	Brad Johnson (206) 403-3073	cavemanrocks@yahoo.com
LkSd	Lakeside Gem & Min Club	Andy Johnson (509) 546-1950	cbagates@hotmail.com
Msvl	Marysville Rock Club	Ed Lehman (425) 334-6282	wsmced@hotmail.com
Msvl-Wasco trip		Stu & Kathy Earnst (360) 856-0588 27871 Minkler Rd, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284	earnstkk@comcast.net
MtBk	Mt Baker Rock Club	Kris Menger (360) 927-0994	kmenger@comcast.net
Nw Op	NW Opal Association Tony Johnson	(253) 863-9238	ynotbandit@earthlink.net
Pow-Wow	All Rockhounds Club	Cliff Matteson (253) 475-8433	cliff.conniematteson@gmail.com
Spkn	Rock Rollers of Spokane	Mike Shaw (509) 251-1574	mikeshawmoose@yahoo.com
WSea	West Seattle Rock & Gem Club	Brian Waters (206) 290-2312	bwaterss2011@gmail.com
Yak	Yakima Rock & Min Club	Jerry Wichstrom (509) 653-2787	jewtmew@aol.com

Trips are open to all. Most 2 day trips include Sat potluck, Sun free breakfast, tailgating, swap, and horse shoes. Small fee required for Pow Wow and Madras trips. FOR MORE INFORMATION contact Ed Lehman at [wsmced@hotmail.com](mailto:wsmced@hotmail.com) or (425) 334-6282. Or see [mineralcouncil.org](http://mineralcouncil.org)

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**Kalama Field Trip**

Greetings from the field,  
We had a wonderful field trip to the Kalama area. There were 22 people who braved the elements and spent the day digging for agates and crystals. The weather was cold and wet but it did not dampen our spirits or our determination to rock-hound. Everybody found material and I am hopeful that several will show off their finds at the next meeting. Be looking for the next trip as Woody leads an exciting trip to Saddle Mountain for Petrified Wood. See you in the field.

Never lose the thrill of the hunt.

