



NPGS Niagara Peninsula Geological Society Field Trip Info Sheet
2018 Field Trip Schedule - as of May 2018

NPGS Field Trips

Spring 2018

- 1) Hungry Hollow Quarry, Ausable River, near Arkona, ON - Saturday, April 28, 2018
Mid-Devonian Hamilton Group - Onondaga Escarpment fossils
- by *in-advance permission only* - co-hosted with London Gem & Mineral Society
- Bob O'Donnell (London) is planning a possible 3 additional dates for 2018.
- possibility that there may be a trip planned for Saturday, June 2
Please note that we are trying to work on a "season pass" for seasoned collectors who want to go based on their schedules vs club field trip schedules. We'll keep you updated.

KID-FRIENDLY

- 2) Ace of Diamonds Mine, Middleville, NY - Saturday thru Monday, May 19-21, 2018 (Victoria Day weekend)
Cambro-Ordovician Herkimer Diamonds & stromatolites (+ other minerals & fossils)
- co-hosted by Niagara & Brantford Lapidary & Mineral Society
- **2 other trips** - Wayne County (NY) Gem & Mineral Club will also be going to Herkimer on:
- Saturday, March 31 (Easter weekend)
- & Saturday thru Monday, May 26-28 (Memorial Day weekend) (plus Hickory Hill diggings - approx 45 minutes east of Herkimer, NY)
Please note that Ace of Diamonds Mine did not have a fire last fall - it was the Herkimer Diamond Mine just down the road, across from the KOA campground.
Please also note that you will need a passport or an enhanced driver's licence to cross the border.

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Summer 2018

- 3) Ridgemount Quarry, Ridgemount, ON - Friday, June 29, 2018 from 9 am 'til 2 pm
Bertie Formation-Upper Silurian + Bois Blanc Formation-Lower Devonian fossils
STRICT WORKING QUARRY RULES
- 4) Ridgemount "South" Quarry, Ridgemount, ON - Friday, June 29, 2018 from 2 pm 'til 5 pm
Mid-Devonian Hamilton Group-Edgecliff Member - Onondaga Escarpment fossils
partially KID-FRIENDLY - need to be 14 years or older
- 5) Bancroft environs, River Valley & Cobalt, ON - Saturday, July 14 to Friday July 20, 2018
Grenville Province & Archean minerals
- approx 4 days in Lanark County-Bancroft & 3 days for River Valley-Temagami-Cobalt
- July 14 to 17 - hosted by Wayne County (NY) Gem & Mineral Club - not a Niagara club trip
- hence, *by permission only & limited participant numbers*
- July 18 to 20 - co-hosted by Wayne County & Niagara
- *itinerary for co-hosted portion - open to all CCFMS club members*
 Wednesday, July 18 - Sherman Mine BIF, Temagami
 Thursday, July 19 - River Valley garnets
 Friday, July 20 - Cobalt silver including Silverfields & Mensilvo Mines - with lots of exploring
tagging onto the last part of the Wayne County field trip - open to all CCFMS club members
- 6) Northern environs - Temagami, Kirkland Lake, & Gowganda, ON - Saturday, July 21 thru Wednesday/Thursday, July 25/26, 2018
Archean minerals & Pleistocene glacial
sites: Temagami pyrite mine, Kirkland Lake BIF site, Kirkland Lake gold sites, Kirkland Lake glacial sites, Gowganda silver sites

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Fall 2018

- 7) Lansdowne Quarry, Kingston area, ON - Sunday, September 23, 2018
Cambro-Ordovician Potsdam Sandstone & fossil trackways & Grenville Province unconformity
KID-FRIENDLY
- 8) Canadian Wollastonite, Frontenac Lead Mine, & Lansdowne Quarry, Kingston area, ON
- Saturday & Sunday, October 20 & 21, 2018 weekend
Canadian Wollastonite & Frontenac Lead Mine - Grenville Province
KID-FRIENDLY

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- 1) Lincoln Quarry, Beamsville, ON - Saturday, May 12, 2018 & usually late September (2 trips).
Lockport Group-Eramosa, Goat Island, & Gasport, Silurian (Niagara Escarpment) minerals & fossils
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- 2) St Mary's Quarry, Bowmanville, ON - Sunday, May 27, 2018 & mid-October (2 trips).
Lindsay Formation & Collingwood Member, Late Ordovician fossils
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Open-To-The-Public Sites

- 1) Ridgemount Quarry, Ridgeway, ON - any Friday by permission by site owner - late spring to fall.
Bertie Formation-Upper Silurian + Bois Blanc Formation-Lower Devonian fossils
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- 2) Beryl Pit, Quadeville, ON - any day - pay-to-collect @ Kauffeldt's Grocery, Quadeville.
- 3) Rose Quartz Mine, Quadeville, ON - any day by appointment with site owner - pay-to-collect site.
Both are Grenville Province minerals & same site owner.
KID-FRIENDLY
- 4) Schickler Fluorite Mine, Wilberforce, ON - any day - free-to-collect pass can be obtained at 2 places:
@ Municipal Offices, 2249 Loop Rd, Wilberforce, ON.
or @ Agnew's General Store, 2284 Loop Rd, Wilberforce, ON.
Grenville Province minerals - apatite, fluorite, scapolite.
KID-FRIENDLY
- 5) Rutter Pluton, French River, ON - any day - one site is pay-to-collect - both sites are by permission.

Please contact Ashley Pollock npgstrips@gmail.com for details on how to contact owners. Thanks.
Grenville Province nepheline-syenite minerals
KID-FRIENDLY

- 6) Brechen Quarry, east of Lake Simcoe, ON - weekends only
Please note that, currently, Brechen Quarry visits are in abeyance - while the owners review and update insurance & liability requirements.
They are planning to re-open - but we need to be patient for the moment. Please and Thanks.
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Open-To-The-Public Sites in New York state

- 1) Penn-Dixie Paleontological & Outdoor Education Center, Blasdell, NY - any day.
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2) Ace of Diamonds Mine, Middleville, NY - any day you choose - late spring to fall.
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Other Club Field Trips

Kingston club @ <http://www.mineralclub.ca/field-trips.html> - please ensure that you contact the field trip leaders if you wish to attend - some highlights are:

- 1) Noyes Mine, near Madoc, ON - Saturday April 28
- 2) Wilmer Road, Perth Road Village, ON - Saturday, May 12
- 3) Thunder Bay amethyst, ON - Sunday, August 19 to Saturday, August 25

Kawartha club - please ensure that you contact Matthew Forbes mwforbes@eagle.ca if you wish to attend - some highlights are:

- 1) Marmora - May, June, & October dates to be announced - *by permission only & limited participant numbers*

Please note that, currently, Marmora field trips are in abeyance. Kawartha club - who are brilliant at negotiating with the site owners are working on this. Huge thank you to Kawartha club!!!

- 2) Tatlock Quarry, Perth, ON - Saturday, September 15 - *by permission only & limited participant numbers*

STRICT WORKING QUARRY RULES for both sites

Both Kingston & Kawartha schedules are posted on our website @ <http://www.ccfms.ca/clubs/NPGS/trips.htm>

Flamboro - **Buffalo club** - *by permission only & very limited participant numbers* - mid-summer.

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Please contact Ashley Pollock npgstrips@gmail.com with request to attend. Thanks.

*Any questions, need info?, need maps?, etc, etc, please contact:
Ashley Pollock, NPGS Field Trip Director, field trips email: npgstrips@gmail.com
or land line phone number 905-687-6503 - if not home, please leave a message.
I usually answer back both emails & calls within 24 hours.*

*Niagara's website has a ton of info sheets & maps for many sites
+ a ton of general field trip info for all field trips @ <http://www.ccfms.ca/clubs/NPGS/trips.htm>*

ALL NIAGARA FIELD TRIPS ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF CCFMS CLUBS.

All you have to do is let Ashley know ahead of time that you'd like to attend.

For those with limited time schedules - particularly for longer than a day field trip - but wish to attend this day, that day - this site, that site - no problem - just let Ashley know which days, which sites.

Don't belong to a club? No problem, we can make arrangements for membership with a local club.

*Niagara takes pics on all our field trips, which we post to our website & Facebook.
It is your responsibility to let a field trip leader and/or a picture-taker know that you don't want to be in pictures. Thanks.*