

Dolomite Products Co. - Walworth Quarry Open House

Oct. 9th & 10th, 2010

Saturday 7AM-2PM Sunday 7-12

1200 Atlantic Ave Walworth NY 14568 [entrance on Tiffany Rd. about 1,000 feet north of Atlantic Ave.]

<http://dolomitegroup.com/>

What's to be found

Minerals - dolomite, fluorite, selenite, sphalerite, celestine, gypsum

Fossils - stromatolite, coral, crinoid and clam Plus- Glacial Polish

Safety Meeting Mandatory – sign in 6:45 AM

PPE [Personal Protective Equipment] Needed – Hard Hat, Bicycle Helmet for young people, steel toed/sturdy shoes, safety glasses, long sleeved shirts & pants

We needed to bring a Bucket, chisel, rock hammer, sunscreen and water bottle.

Educational Note of the Day:

In recent years the geological-powers-that-be ruled that the white Dolomite crystals shall be know as Dolomite and the gray hard abundant matrix material will be called Dolostone.

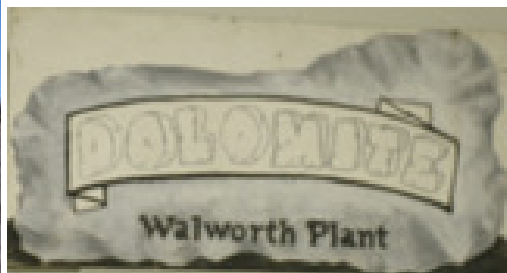
Dolostone or dolomite rock is a sedimentary carbonate rock that contains a high percentage of the mineral dolomite. In old U.S.G.S. publications it was referred to as magnesian limestone. -Wikipedia

For more information check Wikipedia's site <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dolomite#Properties>

Numerous rockhounds, abundant crystal formations, sunshine and the warm hospitality of Mike Bagney & his crew made for a spectacular EFTA dig this year. Coffee compliments of Dolomite Products and WCGMC's doughnuts & cider ensured no one left hungry. [How many doughnuts did I eat? Best not to think about it. They were so... good.] The club's rental saw was in extensive use this weekend. The highlight in equipment was a new hydraulic-rock-blasting machine that Dolomite bought this year. Made short work of moving and breaking rocks of interest we would have had to leave in the past. The quarry itself has changed quite a bit this year. The ramp on the north wall is being dismantled. The west wall was blasted a month before the dig and yielded some interesting colored fluorite. The only problem – running out of gas for the many rock saws being used.



Dolomite's new Rock Buster



O-Dark-Hundred Pre-Dig



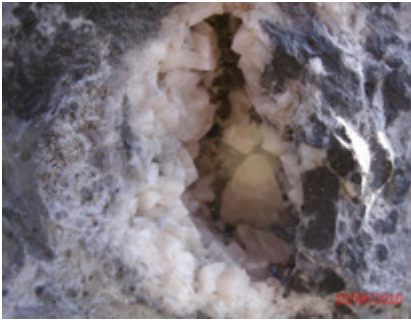
Dave Kords & the A-Team



Fluorite



Dolomite in Dolostone



Dog-tooth Calcite & Dolomite



Terry Wilson

Jerry Donahue & Terry



Glenn Weiler & Jerry

And they call it Fluorite...

Elizabeth Frey



We got Monster Trucks rides!

A very happy kid - Isaac St. John



Young Rockhound at work.

A new look for Walworth



Dave Kords & supervisors



State Job –
1 guy working 5 watching



Fluorite cubes just cut out



Michael Kerr & friend



Ken St. John,



Capital District area folks



They came from Boston
& points beyond.