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Tucson 2015 and New Anhydrite, Probertite

Tucson 2015

You may well have heard how the early days of Tucson 2015 began... with lots of water. It was an unusual situation. That story, along with photos of new finds and minerals from the Tucson show, are in a new post on the website, <u>Tucson 2015</u> (click here).

New Anhydrite, Probertite

On the website I've added a very small number of new specimens in a new Anhydrite/Probertite Update (click here). These are from a pocket at the Kohnstein Quarry, Niedersachswerfen, Nordhausen, Harz, Thuringia, Germany. The anhydrite crystals are just super for anhydrite - one of those common minerals where it is so hard to obtain excellent crystals. These are euhedral, very pale lilac, translucent to transparent. I understand that that although they are encountered at this locality once in a while, this is only the third time in the last 30 years. Probertite is a relatively rare borate mineral that occurs as transparent, colourless, heavily striated, lustrous crystals. This was not a large find, and I picked only a few specimens, the best of the anhydrites I saw, from a fairly small lot.

Just a reminder that prices on the website are in Canadian dollars - a good (approx 20%) discount these days, if you are thinking in (or used to browsing online minerals in) US dollar terms.

For all new specimens at McDougall Minerals, see New Specimens.

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Hope you enjoy the update!

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