

November 29, 2003

Collecting Cambrian in the House Range, near Delta, UT

This trip started out slow, but ended up being quite a good day. We met up with Jake and Nick Skabelund, some of our fossil collecting friends, out there. We wanted to collect some *Modocia typicalis*, but just didn't get into the "good" stuff. We found a few, but weren't very happy. So, we went and collected a few *Elrathia kingii* at a nearby location. As usual, the weather was nearly perfect while collecting trilobites near Delta in November.

Myself, Nick Skabelund, and Jake Skabelund collecting *Modocia typicalis* in the Marjum Formation. Nick and Jake are showing their good sides.



In the afternoon we moved over to a locality where we could collect *Elrathia kingii*. We enjoy this site because the trilobites tend to be chocolate colored.



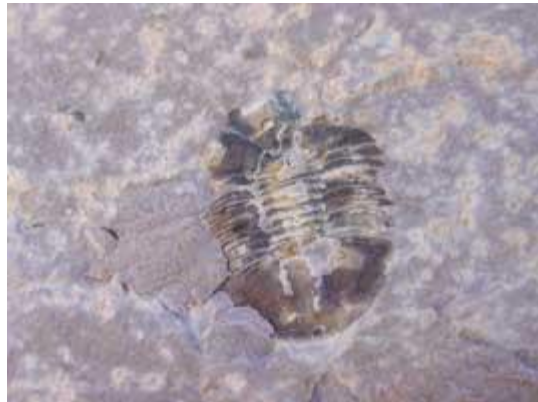
A couple perfect, but loose, *Elrathia kingii*.



A pretty good pile of *Elrathia kingii* trilobites. As you can see the rock is much better looking than the stuff that is collected just a few miles away in the Wheeler Amphitheater.



A small *Asaphiscus wheeleri*.



Another decent *Elrathia kingii* still in the matrix.



Unfortunately about half of the *Elrathia kingii* that we find are "upside-down" we still collect them but we have to "pop" them out.



The sun setting over Marjum Pass.



A closer look. There was actually quite a bit of snow out there. We collected over there a couple weeks previous to this trip. I suspect that there is a foot of snow at that spot now.

