

# Rockgrinders Gazette

Campbelltown & Districts Lapidary Club Inc.

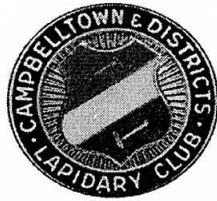
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Commencing at 9.30am

General Meetings are held on the

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month except January



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May 2011

## Club Report

Our 2 day gem show & exhibition on 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> July 2011, will again be in a nice new hall at Ingleburn (the same as last year). This is our second year in the Community Hall, Oxford Road Ingleburn & is very popular with the public & the dealers.

We have just over two months to prepare and we do need to have a large selection of polished stones, jewellery & some nice raw pieces of stone for our club stall, so please make & donate what you can.

This is our main fundraiser for the year & we need a good profit to continue operating & provide new & replacement equipment. Our expenses from this event are quite large and as our club is totally voluntary we need the help of all members to make this a successful event.

You can help by donating stones polished or unpolished, hand made jewellery & your time. Some member may have supplies but no time to make them up into sellable items & other members have time but no supplies. Please let us know how you can help.

We also need special items for our club members display, so now is the time to finish those pieces that you were going to get around to soon!!! and maybe polish up those items that have been in the cupboard for a while.

For those new members (& also a reminder for older members) who might be interested in having their own stall, please see Clarice.

And last but not least we need helpers on the Friday, Saturday & Sunday so please let Clarice know if you are available & discuss with her just how you can best help.

A BIG THANK YOU to Barry for the double trolley for our gas bottles – it sure makes life easier. Thank you also to Dieter for the toolbox & to Jack for the extra bowls for our gy-roc.

*NOTE:* If you would like your Newsletter to be mailed please see Clarice. The cost is \$6.00 each year.

### Membership

Are you a paid up member?

Single	\$15.00	Family	\$20.00	
Pensioner Family	\$15.00			renew each July
Pensioners/Single/Student	\$10.00			
Insurance	\$3.00			

*NOTE:* You must be an insured member over 12 years of age to use machinery and cutting implements. Members must not use machinery prior to training.

## Workshops

Commence at 9.30 on the fourth Saturday of the month unless otherwise notified. If you wish to use precious metals for larger items (eg bracelet) please book & pay a non-refundable deposit of \$30 towards the purchase of your materials. The final cost will be calculated on the day.

Workshop activities require *member only* use of mechanical tools including the kiln.

As Cathy is away & Linda may not be able to attend in May due to health issues we do not have a planned program but something will still be made on the days set out below.

### Jewellery Workshop Calendar

May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Jewellery Workshop TBA
June 25 <sup>th</sup>	Jewellery Workshop TBA

**ENAMELLING:** Members are welcome to enamel on the second Saturday of the month. Unless you are experienced please ensure an experienced person is available. Note: This is not a structured workshop & there is no instructor, just members helping members.

**SILVER CASTING:** Well, it's that time again, the weather is getting cold, the leaves are falling & Dorothy & Barry are about to take a break for a while. May 6<sup>th</sup> is the last investment until the weather warms up. Details of the start up date will be available in a later newsletter. In the meantime finish off all the silver that you have cast so far & cut & polish some stones to fit your bezels.

## Diary Dates

 Our main future events

- ❖ Biggest **Morning Tea** Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 10am at our Club, bring a cake & bring a friend (or two, or three...).
- ❖ Club Exhibition Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2011
- ❖ *This is a great weekend so tell your friends to mark it in their diary & bring them along with you.*
- ❖ Club Open Day & Sausage Sizzle Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2011

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

## EMERALD

Ralph Ross

Nick Pastor

Linda Bosmans

Julie Willis

Kyle Hokin

Suzu Brandstate



# SMILE A WHILE

## LIFES LESSONS

Peter invited his mother for dinner, during the course of the meal; his mother couldn't help but notice how lovely Peter's flat mate, Joanne, was.

She had long been suspicious of a relationship between the two, and this only made her more curious.

Over the course of the evening, while watching the two interact, she started to wonder if there was more between Peter and his flat mate than met the eye.

Reading his mum's thoughts, Peter volunteered, 'I know what you must be thinking, but I assure you, Joanne & I are just flatmates'.

About a week later, Joanne came to Peter saying, 'Ever since your mother came to dinner, I've been unable to find the frying pan, you don't suppose she took it do you?'

'Well I doubt it, but I'll e-mail her just to be sure' said Peter. So he sat down and wrote;

DEAR MOTHER,

I'M NOT SAYING THAT YOU 'DID' TAKE THE FRYING PAN FROM MY HOUSE. I'M NOT SAYING THAT YOU 'DID NOT' TAKE THE FRYING PAN BUT THE FACT REMAINS THAT IT HAS BEEN MISSING EVER SINCE YOU WERE HERE FOR DINNER.

LOVE PETER

Several days later, Peter received an email from his mother which read

DEAR SON,  
I'M NOT SAYING THAT YOU 'DO' SLEEP WITH JOANNE, AND I'M NOT SAYING THAT YOU 'DO NOT' SLEEP WITH JOANNE, BUT THE FACT REMAINS THAT IF SHE WAS SLEEPING IN HER OWN BED, SHE WOULD HAVE FOUND THE FRYING PAN BY NOW.

LOVE MUM

Lesson of the day, NEVER LIE TO YOUR MOTHER



Happy  
Mother  
s  
Day

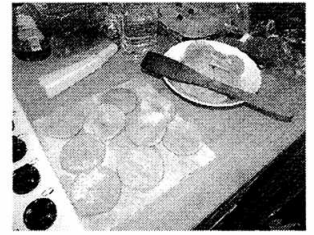
## Recipe

### Chilean-Style Sopaipillas

12 servings; Prep 20minutes, Cook 25 minutes, ready 1 hour

#### Ingredients

- 9 ounces sweet pumpkin
- 2 1/4 cups plain flour
- 2 cups self raising flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 10 tablespoons butter, melted
- 2 cups canola oil for pan-frying



#### Directions

- ❖ Peel, seed, and cut the pumpkin (zapallo) into chunks. Place in a saucepan, cover with water, and bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Cook until pumpkin is soft and easily pierced with a fork, 15 to 20 minutes. Drain and allow to cool slightly.
- ❖ Mix both the flour and salt together in a mixing bowl, and set aside. Stir together the pumpkin and melted butter. Stir the flour mixture into the butter mixture until blended. Make a nice soft, silky dough.. Adding more flour if necessary. Cover dough with a towel and allow to rest 15 minutes.
- ❖ Roll out the dough to 1/8 inch thick, and cut into 3-inch diameter circles. Poke each circle a few times with a fork to make holes and prevent rising.
- ❖ Pour vegetable oil into a large, deep skillet and heat over medium-high heat until hot, 385 degrees F (195 degrees C). Place several of the dough circles into hot oil; cook until lightly browned, 3 to 4 minutes. Drain on paper towels. Cook remainder of dough circles in batches.
- ❖ Serve with Honey..... yummmmy

Many Thanks to Cecilia for this recipe



For all those with Emerald Birthdays Vicki sends her apologies. Her home is being renovated & all her special books have been packed away. With any luck the builders will be finished for next months issue. I have replaced precious stones with this chart of flowers. Cheers Margaret

## Flowers

January	Carnation or Snowdrop
February	Violet or Primrose
March	Jonquil or Daffodil
April	Sweet Pea or Daisy
May	Lily of the Valley or Hawthorne
June	Rose or Honeysuckle
July	Larkspur or Water Lily
August	Poppy or Gladiolus
September	Aster or Morning Glory
October	Calendula or Cosmos
November	Chrysanthemum
December	Narcissus or Holly

**Dates to Remember** are generally from the Gem and Lapidary Council of NSW. Contributions can be made via email or regular Post. We are grateful for any submissions.

<b>2011</b>		
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Campbelltown Lapidary Club General Meeting</b>	Club Rooms
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers Day	Sunday
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Biggest Morning Tea 2011 Wednesday at our Club	for Cancer Council Research, prevention & support
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Nepean Club Jewellery & Gemcraft Sale & Open Day	Clubroom, 12 North St Penrith
May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Illawarra Club Open Day	Clubrooms, Tarrawanna Hall, 51 meadow St. Tarrawarra
<b>June 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Campbelltown Lapidary Club General Meeting</b>	Club Rooms
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	Canberra Club Winter Gem Show	Parkes Roo, Epic
June 18 – 19 <sup>th</sup>	Windsor Jewellery Beading Gem & Mineral Show	Windsor Function Centre, Cnr Dight-Macquarie Sts Windsor.
June 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	Craft & Quilt Fair includes <b>Bead Fair</b>	Sydney Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour
<b>July 16<sup>th</sup> &amp; 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Annual Gem, Mineral &amp; Jewellery Show &amp; Exhibition 9 - 3</b>	<b>Community Hall, Oxford Road Ingleburn</b>
August 5 – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Bankstown Club: Annual Exhibition	
August 11 – 14 <sup>th</sup>	Gemfest	Anaki, QLD
August 20 – 21 <sup>st</sup>	Blaxland Club: Annual Gem Show	Glenbrook Community Hall, Gt. Western H'way, Glenbrook
August 19 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup>	Gardening Expo ABC	Rosehill Gardens Racecourse
August 27 – 28 <sup>th</sup>	Carlingford Jewellery Beading Gem & Mineral Show	Roselea Community Cntr, Pennant Hills Rd, Carlingford
September 4 <sup>th</sup>	Fathers Day	Sunday
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Nepean Club: Jewellery Gemcraft Sale & Open Day	Clubrooms, 12 North St Penrith
September 17–20 <sup>th</sup>	Feeling Inspired	Novotel Rockford, Little Pier Room, Darling Harbour
September 24– 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sydney Bead & Gem Show 10am Southree Pavilion (check date)	Sydney Showground, Olympic Park, Homebush
<b>October 1 – 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>GEMKHANA</b>	Cessnock Showground
<b>Oct 14 – 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Sydney Bead & Gem Show	Olympic Park Homebush
<b>November 5 – 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Illawarra Club: Annual Exhibition	Heininger House, Dapto Ribbonwood Cntr,
Nov 11 – 13 <sup>th</sup>	Parramatta – Holroyd Club: Annual Exhibition	Clubrooms, 73 Fullagar Rd Wentworthville
Nov 19 <sup>th</sup>	Nepean Club : Jewellery Gemcraft Sale & Open Day	Clubroom, 12 North St Penrith
Nov 26 – 27 <sup>th</sup>	Windsor Jewellery Beading Gem & Mineral Show	Windsor Function Crt. Cnr Dight-Macquarie Sts Windsor
<b>2012</b>	2012 Gemboree 6 April	QCGA Bundaberg

<b>Dates to Remember</b>	Generally come from the Gem and Lapidary Council News, If you see mistakes please let us know as soon as possible so we can correct item, your submissions will be gratefully accepted. Thank you <i>Margaret</i>	*All workshops may change due to unforeseen circumstances; deposits given may be transferred to another workshop.
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## Extra bits

### FOR SALE:

- ❖ Gemasta Faceting Machine with dops & laps \$400.00
  - ❖ Home made faceting machine no laps or dops \$150.00
  - ❖ Grinders (twin) silicon carbide wheels \$100.00 for both
  - ❖ Sanders x 4 \$100.00 \$150.00
  - ❖ Vibra Lap (home made) \$60.00
- Assorted tools & tables/benches etc several other machines & hand tools.
- Contact Margaret Mills. Phone 465.80600**

**LOCAL EVENT:** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2011, 1.30pm for 2pm "Pioneers & Petticoats" – fashion 1840 – 1940 at the Central Community Hall, 1 Hyde Parade, Park Central. Tickets: \$10.00 incl. afternoon tea. If interested contact "Campbelltown & Airs Historical Society" 46 25 1822 or see Clarice at our club.

# Have a very Happy Mothers Day

This is our club newsletter and it only exists for members to be kept up to date & for members to give other members ideas of where & what they can do & buy. So if you have anything you would like to pass on please let me know & I will do my best to put it into print for you.

*Margaret*