

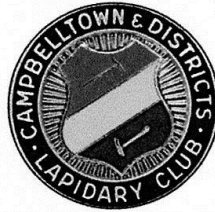
Rockgrinders Gazette

Campbelltown & Districts Lapidary Club Inc.

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General Meetings are held on the
1st Saturday each month except January
Commencing at 9.30am



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JULY 2012

Club Report

We are now preparing for our Annual Exhibition & Gem Show at Ingleburn in July. We have flyers & bookmarks for distribution to the community, please hand some out in your area & don't forget to invite your friends along.

Housekeeping:

As all maintenance is carried out by members we would ask that the duty officer be advised if you have any mishaps or problems with the equipment. This is very important as it could make a machine dangerous for other members to use.

All members are welcome to use the kitchen, however we would remind you that the only person to clean your cup & dishes is you so please wash, dry & put your cup etc away after use.

A big thank you to Eugenio for machining two wonderful metal logos for our club, they are fantastic.

A big thank you to Betty for making us a frame for our tumbler, we don't have to chase it around anymore.

Vale:

Ralph Ross loving husband of Norma and a regular member for some time has passed away after a long illness, we wish Norma well.

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.

Our Inlay workshop was very successful & enjoyable & we look forward to our August w'shop with Kamila. It is very important that you book for workshops as materials have to be purchased & prepared. Places are usually limited to a maximum of ten people.

Jewellery Workshop Calendar

July	No w'shop due to Exhibition
August 25 th	Silver Fold Form Ear Rings

SILVER CASTING: Casting first investment night for the new season will be on the 21st September.

Diary Dates Our main future events

- 21st to 22nd July Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewellery Exhibition at Ingleburn

Exhibition

Our 2 day gem show & exhibition is on the 21ST & 22ND July 2012. We will be conducting "make a bracelet" workshops & Lil & her helpers have made up kits for this activity.

Please help by donating stones polished or unpolished, hand made jewellery & your time. Please let us know how you can help.

If you are having a showcase, remember to label relevant items & include your name. See Steve or Ron regarding set up times on Friday 20th.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

RUBY

Janet Kelpatzki
Hideaki Tosi
Bob Hindmarsh
Jedda Mleczko
Lil Klepser
Jack Sheppard



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	\$3.50	per member		

NOTE: You must be an insured member over 12 years of age to use machinery, & cutting implements.

Members must not use machinery prior to training.

All visitors are welcome however only members can use machines or gas.

From the President

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As you are all aware our clubs Annual General Meeting (AGM) is to be held on the first Saturday in September. It is now 2 months away and it is time for you to start thinking who you want to run the club for the next 12 months.

At the AGM you will be required to elect the following positions:

- President (1)
- Vice President (2)
- Secretary (1)
- Minute Secretary (1)
- Treasurer (1)
- Committee Members (3)

All members of the current committee are required to stand down at the AGM and eligible to be re-elected, however it should be noted that Ron & Elaine will not be standing for any position at the AGM.

Nomination forms have been included in this month's Newsletter. Please use this form to nominate who you wish to be on the Committee and return it to the Secretary (Steve McCulloch) at least two (2) weeks before the AGM.

It is imperative that all of the above positions be filled so that the club can function in the manner required by you, the members.

THE LAST LAUGH

An eagle was sitting on a tree resting, doing nothing. A small rabbit saw the eagle and asked him, 'Can I also sit like you and do nothing?' The eagle answered: 'Sure, why not.'



So, the rabbit sat on the ground below the eagle and rested. All of a sudden, a fox appeared, jumped on the rabbit and ate it.

MORAL OF THE STORY:

To be sitting and doing nothing, you must be sitting very, very high up.



Recipe

As we seem to have a glut of Citrus fruit at the moment I thought it would be helpful to have a couple of recipes to make full use of our bounty.

Egg-less Lemon Spread

makes 1 1/4 cups

- 1/2 cup milk*
- 1/4 cup water*
- 1 tbsp corn flour*
- 6 tbsp sugar*
- 6 tbsp fresh lemon juice*
- 1 teaspoon lemon zest*
- 5 tbsp unsalted butter*
- pinch of salt*
- optional: 1/8 teaspoon lemon extract*



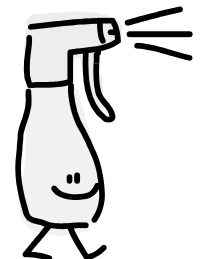
Directions:

1. Dissolve the corn flour in the cold milk and water
2. Turn heat to medium-high and continuously stir the mixture.
3. Add in the butter, lemon juice and sugar and continue to stir until mixture starts to bubble and thicken.
4. Reduce heat to low and beat with a hand-held beater for about 90 seconds.
5. Transfer mixture to sterile jar, seal, & refrigerate when chilled.
6. Store in fridge and use within 2-3 weeks.

Citrus Cleaner

Here's what you need:

- Peels from 3-5 oranges or 6-8 mandarins.
- A litre of distilled white vinegar
- A one-litre glass jar with a good seal lid.
- Empty spray bottle



Here's what to do:

- Fill the jar with the peels.
- Pour in enough vinegar to fill the jar to the top:
- Put lid on tightly and let sit for **10 days**.
- After 10 days, strain out peels.

Pour into an empty spray bottle, and use to clean your counters, bathrooms, floors, or pretty much anything you like.

The cleaner itself still has a vinegar scent to it, but once sprayed and wiped with a towel, the smell completely disappears!



Have you ever tried Mandarin juice? *It is quiet yummy...* cut it in half & squeeze like an orange. If you would like it a bit tartier try adding some lemon juice.

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

2012		
July 1st	NAIDOC Family Fun Day 10am - 4pm	Picton Botanical Gardens
July 7th	Campbelltown Lapidary Club General Meeting	Club Rooms
July 21st & 22nd 2012	Campbelltown Lapidary Club Annual Gem Show & Exhibition Ingleburn Community Centre	Cnr Oxford Rd & Cumberland Rd Ingleburn
July 28 & 29 th	Lapidary Club of NSW sale of minerals and jewellery Open 10 til 4 both days.	136 Reservoir St Surry Hills
July 28th - 29th	Bankstown Lapidary Club Annual Exhibition Arts Centre, opposite Bankstown Bowling Club	Cnr Dale Ave & Olympic Pde Bankstown
August 18th -19th	Blaxland Gem & Mineral Club Gem Show Glenbrook Community Hall	Great Western Highway, Glenbrook
August 25 th – 26 th	Carlingford Beading, Gem and Mineral Show Roselea Community Centre,	Pennant Hills Rd. Carlingford
September 2nd	Fathers Day	Australia
September 7 th – 9th	Bead & Gem Show New Venue	Canterbury Racecourse
Sept 29 th – 1 st Oct	GEMKHANA NSW State Gem Major Exhibition - Lapidary, Gems, Minerals & Artists at work.	Mudgee Showground
Oct 13 th – 14 th	Central Coast Lapidary Club Annual Gem Festival Mingara Recreation Club,	Mingara Drive, off Wyong Road, Tumbi Umbi
Oct 26 th – 28 th	Northern districts lapidary club - gem show Community Centre	Beecroft Rd Beecroft
November 3 rd -4 th	Canberra Spring Gemcraft & Mineral Show 10am – 5pm www.canberralapidary.org.au/	Parkes Room, Exhibition Park
Nov 3rd - 4th	Mineral & Gem Festival Illawarra Lapidary Club Annual Exhibition	Ribbonwood Cntr Dapto
Nov 9 th ,10 th & 11th	Parramatta Holroyd Annual Exhibition Clubrooms	73 Fullagar Road Wentworthville
Nov 24th – 25th	Windsor Beading, Gem and Mineral Show, Windsor Function Centre,	Cnr Dwight & Macquarie Sts, Windsor.
MARCH 27, 2013	GEMBOREE South Australia	

Dates to Remember	Generally come from the Gem and Lapidary Council web site, http://www.gemlapidarycouncilnsw.org.au , if mistakes please let us know as soon as possible so we can correct item, your submissions will be gratefully accepted. Please check this website yourself for late additions. 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

WELCOME: To all new members, we trust you will enjoy your experiences with us & if you have any questions just ask our members would love to help you if they can.

NOTE: Our Exhibition details in “Metal, Glass & Stone” are incorrect. Please update your information. Flyers & bookmarks for the Exhibition are available for distribution – please hand some out.

THE MOHS HARDNESS SCALE for minerals has been used since 1822. It simply consists of 10 minerals arranged in order from 1 to 10. Diamond is rated as the hardest and is indexed as 10; talc as the softest with index number 1. Each mineral in the scale will scratch all those below it as follows:

Mohs Hardness Chart			
Diamond	10	Corundum	9
Topaz	8	Quartz	7
Feldspar	6	Apatite	5
Fluorite	4	Calcite	3
Gypsum	2	Talc	1

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