

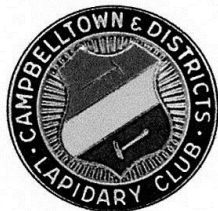
Rockgrinders Gazette

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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Mon 9-2pm Wed 9-2pm Fri 6-9pm Sat 10-1pm

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AUGUST 2012

Club Report

Our Annual Exhibition & Gem Show at Ingleburn was again a great success & we would like to thank all those who helped to make it a great weekend. Special thanks to the stall holders who contributed to the day by having great sales items, good prices & a cheery smile. A special thank you to Millie who came all the way from Tasmania (she is down there looking after her sick mother) & worked non-stop on Friday, Saturday & Sunday to make sure everyone had ample nourishment. Millie wasn't the only worker to do this BUT she was the only one who came via Tasmania. A big thank you also to the security 'BOYS' who made sure our items were safe & sound overnight.

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.

Looking 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 limited to a maximum of ten people.

The September bracelet workshop will be conducted by Lil. This is the popular bracelet requested by several members.

Jewellery Workshop Calendar

August 25 th	Silver Fold Form Ear Rings
September 22 nd	Flat spiral beaded bracelet

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

Diary Dates Our main future events

Annual General Meeting
Saturday 1st September 2012
Club Rooms
Bensley Rd Macquarie Fields
Commencing at 9.30am

All committee members stand down & all Positions are vacant for the election.

Please attend & support your club.

MEMBERSHIP NOW DUE

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Laurie O'Shannessy
Tyrus Shay
Barry Perkins
Joanne Lauthier
Bev McKenzie
Adam Fitzgerald

PERIDOT



Recipe

HEALTHY FRUIT CAKE

1 Cup Mashed Pumpkin	560gm Mixed Fruit = 3 1/2 Cups
1 tsp Honey	1 tsp Bicarb soda
1 tsp Mixed Spice	1 1/2 Cups Self Raising Flour
1 Cup Apricot Nectar	1 tbsp Sherry

Put fruit, honey, and nectar into a saucepan. Simmer 3 to 5 minutes (no more) Cool. Add pumpkin, flour, mixed spice, bicarb soda & mix well.



Place into a well-greased loaf tin. Bake in slow/moderate oven 180C for 1 hour. Allow to cool then pour sherry over.

ENJOY no butter, no eggs, no sugar.
If you enjoyed John's fruit cake at our Exhibition here is the recipe for you to try yourself.

MEMBERSHIP NOW DUE

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.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on the 1st September 2012 at the clubrooms commencing at 9.30am.

The purpose of the meeting is to confirm minutes, receive annual reports including the financial report & to elect office-bearers & ordinary members of the committee for the following year.

DUTIES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

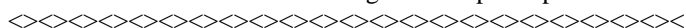
1. President:	The President shall act as chairperson at each general meeting and Committee meeting of the Club and other sub committees as necessary.
2. Vice President (x2):	To assist the President and to act as chairperson in the Presidents absence
3. Minute Secretary:	Shall ensure that records of the Club and minutes of all general and Committee meetings are kept.
4. Correspondence Secretary:	Shall ensure that records of all correspondence are kept
5. Treasurer:	The Treasurer shall ensure that correct books & accounts are kept showing the financial affairs of the club. Also be responsible for receiving all monies and all banking. Also to make all payments authorized by the club.
6. Ordinary Members (x3):	To assist the elected office bearers (above) in the efficient running of the club.

DUTIES OF OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. Duty Officers (x8):	The Duty Officer of the day will be responsible for the Opening and Closing of the Club on his/her allotted day. The security of the Club. Check that all equipment is in working condition and not being abused. Also ensure that members safety is not compromised.
2. Newsletter Editor:	Responsible to the Committee for the efficient production of a monthly newsletter.
3. Publicity Officer.	Responsible to the Committee for all advertising

If you wish to stand for any of these positions or nominate anyone for these positions please write details on the nomination sheet enclosed with the July newsletter or pick one up from the table. The nomination form can be mailed or handed in to the secretary prior to the Annual General Meeting.

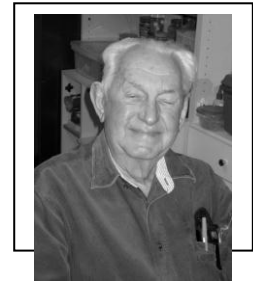
All candidates & those nominating must be paid up members.



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Sadly we have lost two of our mates in the last few days. They were members for many years and friends too many members, we will miss them.

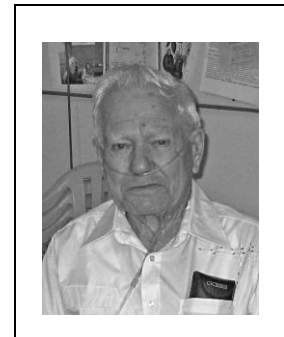
Jack Sheppard



Our dear friend Jack Sheppard passed away on Wednesday 25th July at the age of 86 years after a severe illness. Jack was a good member of this club for 35 years and held the office of President twice 1997-1998 & again in 2004 – 2005. He was also vice president & duty officer for many years & assisted with the clubs MFHS student education program. Jack was interested in many aspects of Lapidary including faceting & Cabs. He loved his agate & double terminated crystals & Morella crystals. Jacks pleasant demeanour & his love for a good joke was well liked by us all. Our thoughts go out to his family, many of whom were club members, his wife Audrey (dec), Daughters Carol (dec) & Cheryl & grandchildren Tim, Jonathan & Michelle.

..... Farewell Jack.

John McKenzie



Our dear friend John McKenzie passed away on Friday 27th July 2012 at the age of 82 after a very long illness over many years. John was a trained gemmologist & held a fellowship with the GAA (Gemmological Association of Australia) & was always a willing member who loved to take about gemmology with anyone who would listen. John was partial to amethyst & agate & was a member for 18 years, joining the club after he retired. John held the office of treasurer for 7 years & assisted with the clubs MFHS student education program.

Our thoughts go out to his family many of whom were club members, his wife Bev (married for 45 years) & children, daughter Heather & son Steven.

..... Farewell John.

We would like to think that Jack & John have met up with Harry & they are enjoying a chat about their rocks & gems or maybe they are having a competition to see who can cut the best cab or throw a dog stone the furthest.

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		
August 4th	Campbelltown Lapidary Club General Meeting	Club Rooms
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 1 st	Campbelltown Lapidary Club Annual General Meeting	Club Rooms
September 2nd	Father's 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
Oct 28 th	Grandparents Day www.raisinggrandchildren.com.au	NSW
Nov 2 nd – 4 th	Paper Crafts Festival	Penrith
November 3 rd -4 th	Canberra Spring Gemcraft & Mineral Show 10am – 5pm www.canberralapidary.org.au/	Parkes Room, Exhibition Park
Nov 1 st –Sun 11 th	Fishers Ghost Festival Entries to the Craft-Jewellery section 8 th Oct – 13 th Oct	Campbelltown
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.

Web Site:
www.fishersghost.com.au

Hi everyone,

On behalf of Wollondilly Shire Council, Wollondilly Aboriginal Advisory Committee and Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council, thank you for your attendance at this years NAIDOC Family Fun Day at Picton Botanic Gardens last Sunday, 1st July.

Your participation helped make the day a success. I hope you all had a good a time and I look forward to seeing you again next year.
Denise Ezzy Casual Aboriginal Engagement Officer

The elections are coming up, so if anyone is interested in producing the newsletter I would be happy to explain just what is involved. Just give me a ring or see me at the club.
Margaret

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.

