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Club Rooms Opening Hours

Monday 9am till 1pm Wednesday 9am till 1pm Friday 5pm till 9pm Saturday 9am till 1pm

August 2018 Peridot Edition

New members are welcome

Are you interested in: Lapidary, Fossils, Gems, Crystals, Beading, Silver Smithing or Lost wax casting in a relaxed and friendly environment? Pop in and have a chat.

To all new members, we trust you will enjoy your experiences with us and benefit from our classes. If you have any questions there is a duty officer each day, who will assist you. All members would also love to help you if they can.

Membership Fees

Single \$15.00 Family \$20.00 Pensioner Family \$15.00 Pensioner /Junior/ Student \$10.00

Insurance \$ 5.00 per member

Workshop/Day fee \$ 3.00 Joining Fee \$10.00

<u>NOTE:</u> You must be an insured member over 12 years of age to use machinery & cutting implements

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

Membership renewal is due on 1st July each year.

If you are not financial, you cannot use the equipment.

Remember: No pay, no play

Silver Classes

Silver Casting Classes on Fridays 5pm-9pm.

Investment 3rd week of the month

Pouring 4th week of the month.

Classes are expected to resume in September 2018, date yet to be advised.

* Membership Fees - Now Due *

Membership Fees are now due. Please see the table of fees opposite.

- Remember ONLY financial members may use the equipment.
- ✓ Members who have **NOT** renewed their Membership before 1st September 2018, will be considered new members, and will need to pay the \$10 joining fee as well.
- ✓ Members who joined between our Open Day in March 2018 and 30th June 2018 are required to pay only the \$5 (per person) insurance fee.
- ✓ Payment methods:
 - Pay cash at the Club.
 - Bank Transfer

Bank Transfer Details

Bank: Commonwealth Branch: Campbelltown

Acct Name: Campbelltown & Districts Lapidary

Club

BSB: 062 517 Acct. No.: 00905282

* Please include "Renew" and your Surname in the receipt description. *

Exhibition 14th & 15th July 2018

The weekend of the Exhibition seemed to fly by! There were numerous stalls showcasing all manner of Gems, Minerals, Slabs, Crystals, Jewellery, Beads, Findings, Coins and many more 'Treasures'. Thankyou to the Stall Holders, Dealers and all those hard working members whose combined efforts made the Exhibition a huge success.













Exhibition: Lucky Door Prize and Raffle Winners.

Lucky Door Prize Winners

1st Sterling Silver Bracelet - Annabell Rodriguez

2nd Necklace - Samantha B

3rd Polished Stones - Jedda Meczko

4th Lilac Facetted CZ Necklace - Elena Morris



Raffle Prize Winners

1st Sterling Silver Bracelet & Earrings - Rudolf Soltormann

2nd Handmade Pendant - Greg Thompson

3rd Fossilised Wood Slab - Ashleigh Westerland

4th Raw Crystal Geode - Ron Bryant



Raffle: 1st Prize Winner

To all our wonderful members who went the extra mile to make our 40th Exhibition successful, Thank you for supporting our club with such enthusiasm.

Many thanks to everyone who donated items for our club sales, far too many to name. Special thanks to Carolina who worked tirelessly to ensure our club stall had a great display of quality items and then worked on the stall for 3 days with her trusty helper Eugenio.

Thank you to Leanne who took a day off work to ensure the kitchen was supplied with food and items for the weekend, and to all Leanne's helpers who worked with a smile for 3 days. Thank you to Marieta for organizing our beautiful flowers and looking after them.

Thank you to Clarice for organising the children's activity, ensuring everything necessary was available. Thank you also to Lil who supervised the activity on Sunday and Rita who helped both days. This free activity is always extremely popular and it is great to see so many up and coming "rockies".

Thank you to John who helped Margaret organise the front table with ticket sales, lucky door tickets, raffle and membership enquiries and Gary & Ron for stepping in when needed.

Thank you, to all those who helped distribute flyers. Suzy, for organizing flyers and newspaper & Facebook ads and Ingleburn RSL for screen ad and Campbelltown City Council for hanging our banners in Queen Street & Oxford Road and Elizabeth, for radio interview. Special thanks to Ann & Greg who organised the additional tables needed.

Many thanks to Joshua & Orlando for placing all our street signs on Friday and collected them again on Sunday. Thank you to Alison for placing and removing multiple posters in local shopping centres. Many thanks to Kathy for our web site ad, and to all those many people (some were not members, just good supporters) who promoted our event through Facebook & other areas.

Thank you to Tim for providing transport to and from Ingleburn for all our stock & display cases etc., and thank you to all our helpers who packed and loaded at the club on Friday, unloaded at the hall and helped set up Friday. They then turned up on Sunday to pack and take everything back to the club and put things away. Many thanks also to John & Ron for standing outside in the cold in safety vests while vehicles were loaded on Sunday evening.

Thank you to Suzy and her helpers who set out all our electrical connections for our dealers and our exhibition cases. Our exhibition had a wonderful range of items this year with 10 cases plus gem artwork entered by members, many thanks to all who participated. A big thank you to Merle for washing and ironing all our table covers and kitchen linen.

This is the second year a members table was organized by Elizabeth. This year 11 members participated with a large assortment of handmade items. Many thanks, to Elizabeth and Alison for looking after the stall and a special thank you, to Tim who organised faceting demonstrations and a display.

Thank you to our new dealers and to all dealers who come back year after year, to support our Exhibition, Peter & Deb win the stayers award as this was their 15th year with our club.

Without all our volunteers who worked tirelessly with only a smile and a thank you; and without our wonderful supporting dealers, we would not be able to have a show and our club would not be able to provide the equipment needed throughout the year, so a big thank you to everyone involved in this year's show.

Last but not least Thank you to Bob Thompson, our patron since 1991 for opening our show and to Steve & Justin, our helpful hall caretakers and Campbelltown City Council for their continuing support.

Many Thanks Margaret.

Attention

Margaret, the Club's current Event Co-Ordinator, has after many years in this position, decided to step down from the role. We would like to express our sincere thanks to Margaret for her attention to detail in this position and always willing to provide anyone who needed information about the Open Days and Exhibitions with that information. On behalf of the Club, *Thankyou* for organising smoothly run and enjoyable Exhibitions and Open Days.

The Club now requires an Event Co-Ordinator, which can be one or more people to manage the Events. Please know that Margaret has offered to assist the new Co-Ordinator(s) whilst they are learning what to do. Please feel free to ask Margaret for more information and what is involved as Co-Ordinator. We look forward to hearing from you.....

Father's Day Raffle



1st Prize Brass Facet Disk Clock

2nd Prize Leopard Skin Jasper rock from Mexico

3rd Prize A set of 4 "Forever Sharp" Steak Knives

Tickets are on sale now, at the Club House.

\$2 each or 3 for \$5

Raffle prize draw on the 1/9/2018.

Be in it to win it!

Annual General Meeting

Please be advised that:

- The Club's last General Meeting of the year will be held on 1st September 2018 at 9am.
- The AGM will then be held in the Club Rooms on Saturday, 1st September 2018 starting at 10am.

All Committee positions will be declared vacant and a new Committee elected. Please volunteer for a position if you would like to help in the management and running of your Club.

Positions to be elected are:

President, Vice President(s), Secretary, Treasurer, Committee Members (4 positions), Minute Secretary, Publicity Officer, Newsletter Editor, Public Officer.

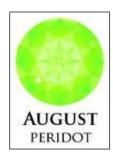
Open Day 20th October 2018

Our open day is fast approaching. There is a list of jobs that need doing on the white board, please put your name down to help out on the day. Carolina requires more stock for the club sales. We are quite depleted after the exhibition. She is particularly after roughs, opals or handmade cabochons, but anything is good. Please consider what you can do for the club on this day.

August Birthdays (Peridot)

Anita Allen John Colless Robyn Gill

Marieta McNaught Barry Perkins



Wanted

Faceting machine, please contact Bob Owens on 0412 387 239.

Resources / Links

The International Gem Society's "Learning Centre" page has very interesting articles https://www.gemsociety.org/jewelry-lapidary/

What's On

Events are generally from the Gem and Lapidary Council of NSW http://www.gemlapidarycouncilnsw.org.au/events/ Other contributions or back issue requests may be made to ctownlapidaryclub.editor@gmail.com. We are grateful for any and all submissions.

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Sat 18 - Sun 19 August 2018	Blaxland Gem & Mineral Club Gem Show Time: 8 am to 4 pm Daily.	Glenbrook Community Hall, Great Western Highway, Glenbrook, NSW Next to Glenbrook Theatre, just west of Information Centre. http://www.freewebs.com/blaxlandgemmineralclub/BGMCshow. htm Entry: Adults: \$3 Children \$1.
Sat 25 - Sun 26 August 2018	Carlingford Gem and Mineral Expo Time: Sat 9:30am – 5:00pm Sun 9:30am – 4:00pm	645 Pennant Hills Rd Carlingford NSW 2118 Entry: Adults \$7, Children FREE with Adults
Sat 1 September 2018	Campbelltown Lapidary Club Annual General Meeting Time: Sat 9:00am-10am	Lot 1 Bensley Rd (Hazlett Oval), Macquarie Fields (through the 'Abbotts-Ann' gates)
Fri 14 -Sun 15 September 2018	Parramatta/Holroyd Gem & Mineral Show Time: 9 am to 4 pm Daily.	Parramatta/Holroyd Lapidary Club 73 Fullagar Rd, Wentworthville NSW Entry: Free.
Sat 13 – Sun 14 Oct 2018	Central Coast Lapidary Club Inc. Annual Gems Festival. Time: Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 9am-4pm	Venue: Mingara Recreation Club, Mingara Drive (off Wyong Rd), Tumbi Umbi NSW 2261 Entry: Free.
Saturday 20 October 2018	Campbelltown Lapidary Club Open Day Gemstones, jewellery, rough Come into the club and have a look around Sausage sizzle, cakes, and slices on sale.	Lot 1 Bensley Rd (Hazlett Oval), Macquarie Fields (through the 'Abbotts-Ann' gates) Contact Margaret on 02 9618 3206 during Club Opening times for more information
Sat 27 – Sun 28 Oct 2018	Lapidary Club of NSW Exhibition Weekend Time: Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 10am-4pm	Venue: 136 Reservoir Street, Surry Hills NSW Entry: Free.
Sat 3 – Sun 4 Nov 2018	Illawarra Lapidary Club Jewellery, Gems & Mineral Festival. Time: Sat 9am-4pm, Sun 9am-3pm	Venue: Heininger Hall, Ribbonwood Centre, 109 Princes Hwy, Dapto Entry: Adults \$3, children under 12 years free. Enquiries: John (02) 4267 5618 http://www.illawarralapidaryclub.com.au/
Sat 10 – Sun 11 Nov 2018	Canberra Lapidary Club Gemcraft & Mineral Show Gem, Mineral, Jewellery & Lapidary Dealers Time: Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10am-5pm	Venue: EPIC – Mallee Pavilion Adults \$5, Family \$10, Children/Concession \$2 More information contact: www.canbrerralapidaryclub.org.au email: canberralapidaryh@gmail.com phone: 02 6260 5322
Sat 10 – Sun 11 Nov 2018	Newcastle Lapidary Club Gem & Jewellery Fair Time: Sat 9am-4pm, Sun 9am-3pm	Venue: Newcastle Basketball Stadium, 27 Young St, Broadmeadow NSW (a short walk from Broadmeadow Railway Station) Entry: Free, plenty of parking. Sales of Jewellery, gemstones, rocks, beads, tools and related items. Displays of club's activities and demonstrations of faceting & jewellery making. Full canteen facilities available.