



## THE MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES INC

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### NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2022

**The February Meeting will be held by virtual mode on  
Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> of February at 7.30 pm.**

Members will be provided with the Zoom link code by e-mail near to the meeting date.

The program will comprise a lecture to be given by Dieter Mylius on : -

#### **‘The Most Stunning Mine in the World’**

Unfortunately the scale of the continuing number of COVID infections in Sydney has made the holding of a ‘live’ meeting at the present time very unsafe and it has been clear that meetings will have to continue being held by virtual mode for the time being.

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### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS

A full program of lectures with some ‘mini-talks’ and the Mineral Auction in May is being arranged for the entire year and subject to an easing of the virus pandemic ‘live’ meetings will re-commence at the Lapidary Club. To be advised.

March 4<sup>th</sup>: Program not confirmed.

April 1<sup>st</sup>: There may be a lecture to be given by Dioni Cendon on ‘**Collecting in Spain**’

May 6<sup>th</sup>: **Annual Members Mineral Auction.**

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### The AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF MINERALOGY

Members who are subscribers to the Journal should have received their copies of the latest issue, Volume 22 No 2, about the first week of January. Members who are not subscribers to the Journal but who may wish to become so are advised that the cost is \$32 per year for two issues of the Journal. There are a number of back issues still available from the publishers.

For subscriptions or back issues visit [www.ajmin.org.au](http://www.ajmin.org.au)

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## INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE APRIL AGAMEXpo

Peter Beckwith of AGAMEXpos has extended a formal invitation to the Society to attend and display Society information and selections of member's mineral specimens at the forthcoming National Gem & Crystal Expo to be held at the Hawkesbury Indoor Stadium over the weekend of the 9th & 10th of April.

One or one and a half tables can be provided to set up and display Society information including a display of specimens, possibly including a microscope to show the public what the Society is and what we do. Volunteers to 'man' such an informational stall are invited to offer their help.

In addition a number of display cases of various sizes can be provided for members to display a selection of their collections. Cases supplied could be either upright 2000mm x 450mm x 900mm or flat cases of about 900mm x 500mm x 300mm high. The collection display cases would be set up in a designated display area that will be patrolled by a security guard. The only real condition would be that displays would need to be set up on the Friday and collected after 4pm on the Sunday afternoon. There will be **no cost** to the Society for the space given to them.

The Hawkesbury Indoor Stadium is a very large venue and the AGAMEXpo held last year was very well attended by the general public. Displays of member's minerals are likely to be well appreciated by the visitors. There are already some Society members who have indicated that they can provide a display of specimens and anyone else is invited to offer to participate. For more information or offers to attend the Expo as an exhibitor, members should inform the Society Vice-President, John Chapman, or the Secretary, George Laking, who will be organising the Society contribution.

E-mails and telephone numbers following.

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### WELCOME

Welcome to new member Luis Martins from Portugal, currently resident in St Peters.

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## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

### **CANBERRA LAPIDARY CLUB INC. GEM SHOWS 2022.**

Rock Swap over Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> and Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of March.

In the Parrot Park in the Exhibition Park (EPIC) in Canberra.

Free Entry: Fossickers & dealers selling :

Minerals, crystals, jewellery, rough & cut gemstones, opals, fossils.

Refreshments available: Sieve for Sapphires: Pan for Gold

Winter Gem Show in the Mallee Pavilion, EPIC: Sat – Sun 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Spring Gem Show in the Mallee Pavilion, EPIC: Sat – Sun 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> October

Winter & Spring Gem Shows are indoor only, Entry charges apply.

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### **ILLAWARRA LAPIDARY CLUB INC – ROCK SWAP**

‘Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Between 8am and 2 pm at Stuart Park, George Hanley Drive, North Wollongong.

Club members and others will be selling Jewellery, Gemstones, Cabochons, Minerals,

Opals, Findings, Beads, Fossils and maybe some Lapidary equipment.

Come along for a great day.

*<http://www.illawarralapidaryclub.com.au/> or like us on Facebook*

Information from:- Lynne Webb, Publicity Officer, The Illawarra Lapidary Club Inc’

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### **THE NEW ENGLAND GEM AND LAPIDARY CLUB INC**

Will hold the 31<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GEM & CRAFT SHOW in the ARMIDALE SHOWGROUND

over the weekend of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of March.

From 9.00 am to 5 pm on Saturday and from 9.00 am to 3 pm on Sunday.

‘See a spectacular array of Gems, Rocks, Crystals, Jewellery, Crafts, Beads &

Lapidary Books, Supplies, Equipment and much more!.

All on sale at the Show.’

Inquiries to Mick :- 6778 5122 or to Jenni : - 0407222425

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### **58TH GEMBOREE 2022**

The 58th National Gem & Mineral Show, the GEMBOREE, will be held over the Easter long weekend from

Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of April to Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of April at the Australian Rural Education Centre (AREC)

in Bombira on the Ulan Road about 2.5 kms north of Mudgee town centre, NSW.

Friday from 12pm to 5pm, Saturday and Sunday from 9am to 5pm and Monday from 9am to 2pm.

The Gemboree 2022 Booklet and other information is available and can be downloaded from the

AFLACA, (Australian Federation of Lapidary and Allied Crafts Associations Inc) website : -

*<https://aflaca.org.au/gemboree/>*

## **The 32nd Lismore GEMFEST:**

Will be held over Saturday and Sunday the 14th & 15th of May in the Lismore Showground.  
Hosted by the Lismore Gem & Lapidary Club.

‘Australia's largest Annual Gem and Mineral Show

Stalls: Over 140 Tailgaters and Dealers over two Massive days

Displays: Minerals, Gems, Fossils, Jewellery and Equipment from all over the world.

Family Fun: Sand Sieving for Crystals and Gem Fossicking on the Hill'

Refreshments available: Entry Fees: - were \$5 last year.

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## **Canberra Lapidary Club Winter Show**

From 10am to 5pm Saturday and 10am to 4pm Sunday, -

in the Mallee Pavilion in the Exhibition Park (EPIC), Canberra.

Entry \$7 Adults, \$12 Family \$4 Concession, Free to Children to Age 16.

Dealers with sales of gems, minerals, jewellery, minerals, fossils, rough & cut gemstones,  
crystals, opals, beads & lapidary supplies.

Refreshments available

Other Displays of members' collections & demonstrations of cabbing & faceting.

Age of Fishes Museum Information & Fossil Exhibition.

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