



## THE MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES INC

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### NEWSLETTER      JULY 2021

The July Meeting will be held by virtual mode on Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July at 7.30 pm.

Unfortunately due to the two-week lock-down mandated by the NSW State Government the Society Meeting cannot be held in the Lapidary club and will be held by virtual mode. Members will be sent a Zoom program access code by e-mail a few days before the Meeting.

There will be a lecture to be given by Ian Graham on :- ‘The Geology and Mineralogy of Bowdens, the Largest Undeveloped Silver Deposit in Australia’.

The original program was to include a mini-talk to be given by David Colchester but this has been re-scheduled to later in the year.

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### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS

Aug 6<sup>th</sup>: The Society A.G.M. will be held in August as normal to be followed by the **Mayne/Walker Memorial Lecture**. The lecturer will be Professor **Martin van Kranendonk** who will deliver a lecture on : - ‘**The Role of Minerals in the Emergence Of Life: Lessons From Deep Time Earth and the Test Tube**’.

The lecturer is a Professor of Geology at the University of New South Wales and also Director of the **Australian Center for Astrobiology** at UNSW.

September 3<sup>rd</sup>      The complete program is not finalised but will include a Mini-talk to be given by Jim Sharpe on – **The Northparkes Sampleite Occurrence.**

October 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>: The **43rd Annual Combined Mineralogical Societies of Australasia Seminar** will be held on the theme of ‘**43 Shades of Silver**’ over the October long weekend at the Ryde-Eastwood Club in Ryedale Road, West Ryde.

Registration forms for the Seminar have already been distributed but more are available from the Secretary. The cost per person is \$100 for two days and includes morning and afternoon tea break refreshments and lunch. A Field Trip program is also being planned as part of the Seminar activities.

November 5<sup>th</sup> :      The complete program is not finalised but will include a talk to be given by Dieter Mylius on : - ‘**The Prettiest Mine in the World**’

December 3<sup>rd</sup> :      **Christmas Swap and Sell**

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## WELCOME

Welcome to new member Michael Walford of North Epping

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## The JUNE MEETING

The June meeting was held at the Parramatta and Holroyd Lapidary club and attended by 22 members. The program was the **Annual Mineral Auction** and an interesting number of minerals and some equipment was set out for sale. The Auction proceeded briskly and was again competently presented by Glenn Brown as the auctioneer. Some \$2,500 of sales were made.

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### GEMKHANA 2021, NSW's Annual Gem and Lapidary Show

Will be held over Saturday 25th to Sunday 26th September 2021,  
in the Hawkesbury Showground at Clarendon.

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### Carlingford Gem & Mineral Expo

To be held in the Roselea Community Centre, at 645 Pennant Hills Road, Carlingford, Sydney  
Over the weekend of Saturday the 27th and Sunday the 28th of November.

## GEM and MINERAL SHOW

### ‘Treasures of the Earth’

The annual show by the **Northern Districts Lapidary Club** will be held in the Beecroft Community Centre, on the corner of Beecroft and Copeland Roads over the weekend of Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup> and Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup> of October. Both days open from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm.  
Sales of Minerals, Slabs, Silver Jewellery, Books, Plants and Lapidary Equipment plus sales of Club Member’s work and interests. Entry \$5, Refreshments available.

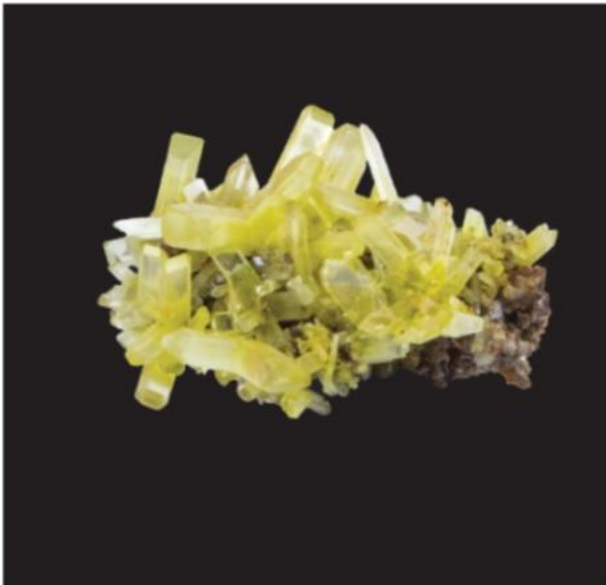
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## The AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF MINERALOGY

The latest issue, Volume 22 No.1, of the Journal is with the printers and will be distributed to subscribers very soon. Australian subscriptions are still only \$32 per year for two issues (including postage and GST), and a person may subscribe for a maximum of three years. The journal now has its own website, which can be found at: <https://www.ajmin.org.au/>. The subscription can be paid on the Journal website by going to: - <https://www.ajmin.org.au/product-page/subscriptions-australia>

The contents of the current issue are as follows :-

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Cover photograph  
Cerussite from the Dundas Extended mine,  
Dundas, Tasmania. Specimen approximately  
40 × 27 × 25 mm. Specimen and photo Shane  
Stanfield.

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