



# GEMCLUB FEBRUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

Clubrooms: Grace Park Cottage (Corner of Henry and Duncan Avenue Greensborough). Postal Address: P.O. Box 3088.

Phone: 0413 435 899 (Keith Billing).

[www.diamondvalleygemclub.com.au](http://www.diamondvalleygemclub.com.au)

The Club fosters the interests of all people who are interested in the collecting, cutting and polishing gemstones, lapidary work, in addition with all associated arts, crafts and activities.

## CLUB TIMES.

Monday: 7.00 – 9.00 pm  
Tuesday: 10.30 – 3.00 pm  
Tuesday: 7.00 – 9.00 pm  
Thursday: 7.30 – 10.00 pm  
Saturday: 1.30 – 4.30 pm



*Diamond Valley Gem Club Inc.*

## MONTHLY NOTICES

**Monthly Meeting. Minutes and Correspondence is on the Club Room Notice Board**

### Office Bearers

President:	Keith Billing	0413435899.
Vice President:	Maureen Boyle	94343198.
Treasurer	Keith Kerr	0409504021
Assistant Treasurer:	Maureen Boyle	94343198
Secretary:	Leigh Carbines	98462335
Minutes Secretary:	Kevin Leahy	0425744987

### Duty Officers

Monday:	John Milner.
Tuesday Day:	Neil Crammer.
Tuesday Evening:	John Milner.
Thursday:	Keith Billing/John Neville/John Milner.
Saturday:	Neil Crammer.

### Committee Members

Gary Benson (94671174), Anne Brewster, Neil Crammer (0419021221), Clair Gleenson (0409511751), Mike Griffin, Ron Kirkbride (94382098), Dawn Lee (94341512) and John Milner (94355710)

### Newsletter Editors

Neil Crammer and Rahn Krammaer  
Email: [newsletterdvgc@outlook.com](mailto:newsletterdvgc@outlook.com)  
(only for issues relating to the newsletter)

## **Business Monthly Meetings**

### **Notice Board**

It was decided that for any general business matters that members would like to discuss at the Monthly Meeting should be placed on the Notice Board list for that month. The Committee would then know of additional items of general business to be considered for the meeting.

Members can also attend the meeting to join in any discussion that they are interested in. This also allows the Minutes Secretary keep track of these matters.

If a member wishes to raise an item at the meeting but cannot attend the meeting, they are welcome to give the information to a committee member to raise for them or the item can be placed on the Notice Board.

### **Committee Meeting**

Committee meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each Month (except January) at 7:15 pm

- **The Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2017 commencing at 7.15pm and Closing at 9.00pm.**

A copy of the Minutes and Correspondence has been posted on the Notice Board at the Club Rooms. Please Read. If you want any further information on any items listed in the minutes speak to a committee member for further clarification.

### **Points of Interest**

### **Correspondence**

- **As per the Secretary List on Notice Board**

### **From Other Clubs**

- The Gemini
- Gemform August 2016
- The Mordi-Agate
- The Eureka Echo
- Frank Stone
- Taslap.
- Rockfella
- Gem Gossip

# CLUB MEMBERS CORNER

## Dear Member

- We have updated our current membership list as at December 2016 with 64 members
- **Members Please Note:** No Workshops are available or Courses to be undertaken on the club premises on Monthly Committee Meeting Nights i.e. First Tuesday of each month.

## Membership Renewals:

Becoming a member is a great way to get involved in the club. Members between the age of 16 and 85 are included in our Public Liability Insurance and Personal Accident Insurance.

Joining Fee: \$10.00 Annual Subscriptions: First Adult: \$30.00 Additional Adults: \$25.00, Under 15: \$15.00  
Life Members: \$10.00

## Newsletter Notice

If all members with an email address could give it to Neil Crammer or send an email to newsletterdvgc@outlook.com (with your full name), so that we can send the newsletter to you. If you change your email address, please advise us in order to still receive the Club Newsletters and emails.

Current newsletters will also be available to pick up from the clubrooms.

## WORKSHOPS

### Faceting

The faceting room is overseen by **John Milner**. New faceting workshops will be help for members wishing to learn faceting. Contact John Milner for more information.

### Lost Wax Casting

**Leigh Carbines** teaches a lost wax course. Put your name on the list on the Notice Board so that Leigh can contact you with the relevant information.

### Wire Wrapping

**Claire Gleeson** teaches a wire wrapping course. Please check at the club for an update on this course. **Clair is currently unavailable.**

### Silversmith/Jewellery

For information contact **Mike Griffin or Keith Billing**.

Course Fee: all courses cost \$35.00 plus materials and usually run for five to six weeks.

## GENERAL NOTICES

### Members Sale of Materials and Machinery

Check the Notice Board for any items of Machinery, which are for sale. Please contact number listed.

### Duty Officers

**Duty Officers are always required.** If you believe that you would like to be a Duty Officer inform **Keith Billing**.

- Duty Officers are appointed by the DVGC Committee of Management.
- Are in charge of working sessions and they can direct members on behaviour in the clubrooms.
- Can allocate (or no access) to machinery and/or facilities in the Club Rooms.
- Are responsible for the opening and locking of the premises for each sessions.
- See that the premises are clean and tidy, along with water, lights; power and heating are switched off.
- Are responsible for collecting the daily Workshop money.
- Can accept Membership Subscriptions, issuing a receipt and ensure that the member fills out a Membership Application Renewal Form and making sure each person, including visitors are entered on the day's worksheet.

**Duty Officers are unpaid volunteers and deserve cooperation of help from members.**

# 50 YEARS YOUNG

This Year 2017 is our Club's 50 Years celebration 18th March 2017

- The Celebration will be held at Keith and Marilyn Billing's Farm and will be fully catered for.
- Dawn Lee requires Sweets for this Celebration. Please contact Dawn.

### Need Members Help

**The Committee has undertaking to produce a Booklet about the History of the Diamond Valley Gem Club.inc for our 50 Years Celebration. We would appreciate any Photos, Articles or any other Club Memorabilia that you have that may be of interest to us**

**Please contact:**

**Dawn Lee, Neil Crammer or Leigh Carbines**

# Watch this Space

***Vale***

*The members of the Diamond Valley Gem Club wish to extend their Deepest Sympathy to John Milner on the Passing of his Son, Michael who died peacefully on the 30th of December 2016.*

***Vale***

*The members of the Diamond Valley Gem Club wish to extend their Condolences to Paul Alexander on the recent Passing of his Mother.*

## 2017

<u>March</u>	11-12	<b>2017 GEMKHANA</b> , Kialla Raceway near Shepparton, hosted by the GV Gem & Mineral Craft Group.
<u>APRIL</u>	14-17	<b>2017 GEMBOREE</b> , Tony Luchetti Showground, Lithgow N.S.W.
		<u>. GEMBOREES</u> : 2018 South Australia.

January 21-22

Warragul & District Gem Club Show Tarragon Public Hall. Campbell Street Yarragon Sat. 10.00am -5.00pm,  
Sun 10.00am-4.00pm