



GEMCLUB APRIL 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

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 for April 2017 are on the Club Room Notice Board

Office Bearers

President:	Keith Billing	0413 435 899.
Vice President:	Maureen Boyle	9434 3198.
Treasurer	Keith Kerr	0409 504 021
Assistant Treasurer:	Maureen Boyle	9434 3198
Secretary:	Leigh Carbines	9846 2335
Minutes Secretary:		

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 (9467 1174), Anne Brewster, Neil Crammer (0419 021 221), Clair Gleeson (0409 511 751), Mike Griffin, Dawn Lee (9434 1512), and John Milner (9435 5710)

Newsletter Editors

Neil Crammer and Rahn Krammaer
Email: 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 4th April 2017 commencing at 7.15pm and closing at 9.15pm.**

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 April 2017

Correspondence

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

From Other Clubs

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

CLUB MEMBERS CORNER

Dear Member

- **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:

Your 2017-2018 Annual Membership Subscriptions are now due as from March 2017.

Please pay your subscriptions as soon as possible.

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.

ANNUAL GEM & CRYSTAL EXHIBITION 2017

Date 6th – 7th May 2017 Venue: Masonic Centre

23 Ester Street Greensborough

The Gem Show is now bearing down on us at a great rate of knots

Dawn Lee needs “Hands on People” in the kitchen at the show.

Please contact Dawn:

Mob. 0400 208 968

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 now available.** Mob # 0409 511 751

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 is our Club's 50 Years celebration on the 15th October 2017 at 11.00am:-

- The Celebration will be held at Keith and Marilyn Billing's Farm 2 Lorimer Rd. Wattle Glen which will be fully catered for.
- Contact Keith Billing Mobile 0413 435 899

Dawn Lee requires Sweets for this Celebration. Please contact Dawn.

Need Members Help

The Committee has undertaken 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

Leigh Carbines