



GEMCLUB APRIL 2018 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 3.04.2018 Minutes and Correspondences are on the Club Room Notice Board

Office Bearers

President:	Keith Billing	0413 435 899.
Vice President:	Vacant.	
Treasurer	Keith Kerr	0409 504 021
Secretary:	Leigh Carbines	9846 2335
Minutes Secretary:	Robert Cooper	

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), John Milner (9435 5710) and Jaci Anderson

Newsletter Editors

Neil Crammer and Rahn Krammaer
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(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 General Meeting was held on Tuesday 03-04-2018 Commencing at 7.22pm and Closing at 8.50pm.**
- **Copies of the Minutes and Correspondence have 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

Inward Correspondence and Minutes

Pointer

- **April 2018 Club copy is available at the Club Rooms**
- **Neil Crammer tabled a suggested Evacuation Procedure for the club to evaluate and implement**

From Other Clubs

- The Gemini
- Gemform
- The Mordi-Agate
- Frank Stone Chaser
- Rockfella
- Gem Gossip
- Tas Lap

Other Inward Correspondence

- **Museum Invitation**
- **Gem & More Tour Information**
- **Australia Post PO Box Renewal**

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. First Tuesday of each month

Membership Renewals: 2018-2019. Now are Due as from the Annual General Meeting 6.03.2018

Becoming a member is a great way to get involved in the club. Members between the age of 16 and 90 are included in our Public Liability Insurance and Personal Accident Insurance.

Joining Fee: \$10.00 Annual Subscriptions: First Adult: \$30.00 Additional Adults: \$20.00 Under 15: \$15.00

Life Members: nil

Important Notice

Please pay you Membership renewal if you have not paid as yet!

You are not covered by the club Personal Insurance and therefore are not allowed to operate club Equipment.

Duty Officers please confirm that all members who are operating club equipment are financial.

Please note

Workshop Fees have been increased from \$3.00 to \$4.00 per session commencing from 30th March 2018

Newsletter Notice

If all members with an email adress 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 adress, 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.

DVGC ANNUAL GEM SHOW

DVGC Annual Show 2018

5th-6th of May 2018 at the Masonic Hall Greensborough

Dear Members

With only a few weeks to go to our Annual Show, We find ourselves fairly organised but we still need a few more helping hands for the Rock Stall. If you can help, put your namedown on the work sheet in thr club room or phone me on the number below.

We will have a great assortment slabs to choose from our Rock Stall. So take the time to check them out.

We are hoping for fine weather for our weekend because we plan on introducing an outdoor eating area which we feel will ease congestion around the Kitchen area

Once again,we have Stefan supplying with his security system which was greatly appreciated last year

The raffle tickets have now been distributed and we look forward to you help in selling as many tickets as possible

Thank You - See you there!

Cheers Dawn Mob. 0400 208 968



ANNUAL GEM & CRYSTAL EXHIBITION 2018

SATURDAY 5TH MAY 9:00AM - 5:00PM
SUNDAY 6TH MAY 9:00AM - 4:00PM

TO BE HELD AT THE MASONIC CENTRE
23 ESTER STREET, GREENSBOROUGH
(BEHIND WOOLWORTHS)
MELWAYS REF: 20 H2



For more
information
contact:
Keith Billing
0413 435 899

Club Sales, Traders, Demonstrations, Refreshments

Club Members Thank you

Thank you to the Following Members who have carried out activities for the benefit of our Club members during the month.

Our Volunteer repair people and other support members keep the club in a safe and clean condition for your personal safety and a good environment to work in. If you can assist and help the club, please contact the Committee.

- Jaci Anderson efforts in arranging for the Bunnings Barbeque to raise funds for the club on Friday April 6th (8.30am – 4.00pm)
- A big thank you to all club members who assisted in manning the Sausage Sizzle, Brendan, John, Keith, Mike and Yani
- Congratulations to Mcbel and Andrew who won the Bunnings \$50 gift cards and Monique who won the Basket Ball prize. The club will be in touch with the winners by phone.
- And of course, Dawn Lee's behind the scenes work on our next Gem Show
- Thank you to Gary Benson for fitting the new motor to the 600 grit sander in the cutting room
- Thank you to Keith Billing for arranging for the new wash down hoses to be fitted in the cabochon cutting room

Jaci's Findings

Looking for some inspiration? Needing to get away?

A terrific review of the Cartier exhibition at the National Gallery of Australia, Canberra. www.nga.gov.au

As Pascale Lepeu, Curator of the Cartier Collection, said to ArtsHub: 'When you go through the exhibition it is beyond Cartier, it is more about the history of the 20th century.'



<http://visual.artshub.com.au/news-article/reviews/museums/gina-fairley/review-cartier-the-exhibition-at-nga-255454>

Here is the link to 'Findings'. I thought members would enjoy a decent review of the cartier exhibition.

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.

Last 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 relavent 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/Jewelry

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 premiseses 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 vistors are entered on the days worksheet.

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

Workshop Notes

- Please note, The Cutting Saws and the Cutting Wheels have been Numbered.
- Saw room. Thank you to Members who have donated clean rags.We now havean ample supply and no more are needed at present.
- New wash down hoses fitted in the cabochon Cutting Room
- G1 Faceting Machine returned after service
- New motor fitted to 600grit sander
- Cover for new trim saw has been received and the trim saw is to located in the cutting room

Diamond Valley Gem Club .inc Web Page

Report from Jeff Hill

- A need to list Dates for up and coming courses on the web.
- We are Still looking for photos of our members work to put on the Web Page to show the world what we can do. Please send Photos of your work as an attachment to an email to Jeff.
- We are still attempting to put the VGCA Pointer on line in conjunction with VGCA. This would allow more of our members to be able to read this Monthly Magazine in detail.
- Members, Check out our Public facebook.: <https://www.facebook.com/DVGCinc/>
- Our Private group page is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/diamondvalleygemclub/>
- Please join this group if you are not already using it.

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FORWARD DIARY

<u>March</u>	3	V.G.C.A. Meeting , Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading. Melway Ref 48 E10. 4pm. (Date changed due to Gemkhana)
	9-11	Minerama Fossicking Gem and Jewellery Show , Glen Innes & District Services Club and flowing on to King George Oval, Fri-Sat 10.00 am – 6.00 pm Sun 10.00 am – 3.00 pm
	10-11	Combined Victorian Gem Clubs, Gem Mineral & Fossil Show. (Gemkhana) , Hungarian Community Centre, 760 Boronia Road, Wantirna.
	17	Open day GV Gem, Mineral & Craft Group. Contact George Federsen for details. Contact details page 19.
	18	Field trip to Lake Cooper Quarry , GV Gem Mineral & Craft Group, See your club field trip officer for details.
	30-2 April	2018 GEMBOREE , (54th National Gem & Mineral Show), Willunga Park Reserve Willunga, South Australia.
<u>April</u>	21-22	Wanganui Rock & Mineral Club Show , Wanganui City College Hall, 48 Ingestre Street, Wanganui, New Zealand.
	21-22	Essendon Gem and Lapidary Club Inc. Show. Cross Keys Reserve, Bridge St, Essendon 3040. Contact Anastasia Vesperman 0424 584 303 or email committee@essendongemandlapidaryclubinc.org
	21-22	Field Trip to Valencia Creek. Camping and Fossicking Weekend. Stay on and include Anzac day. Contact Ray Medew, Morwell Gem Club 0417269650 or email rjmedew@gmail.com
	29	Field trip to Strathbogie , GV Gem Mineral & Craft Group, Crystal & Topaz, See page for details.
<u>May</u>	5-6	Diamond Valley Gem Club Annual Show , Masonic Centre, 23 Esther St. Greensborough. Contact Leigh on 9846 2335
	12-13	Field Trip. Saturday Gold Museum Ballarat, Sunday Mt Shadwick Mortlake. Peridot. GV Gem Mineral & Craft Group, See your club field trip officer for details.
	18-21	Victorian Facetors Group Shepparton Workshop , Kialla Scout Hall Recreation Drive, Kialla Park Community Reserve, Kialla Vic 3631. Contact Graham Young 9363 1803. Mob: 0487283598.
<u>July</u>	20-22	Yowah Opal Festival and Designer Jewellery Competition. For Information contact Gwen 0427068254 or email yowahcommunity@gmail.com , WEB site www.opalhut.com.au