



GEMCLUB MARCH 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 is on the Club Room Notice Board

AGM Minutes 7th March 2017

Committee Meeting 7th March 2017

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:	Leigh Carbines	

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

Anne Brewster, Neil Crammer (0419 021 221), Dawn Lee (9434 1512), Roger Williams and John Milner (9435 5710)

Newsletter Editors

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

Diamond Valley Gem Club

Registered Number: A7700 ABN: 49 6906 69155

2017 Annual General Meeting – 7th March 2017

Meeting started 7.15pm

Present: Keith Billing, Neil Crammer, Leigh Carbines, John Milner, Roger Williams, Anne Brewster, Maureen Boyle, Dawn Lee, Keith Kerr

Apologies: Brendan Meagher, Amrei Bertelsmann, Berenice Williams, Ron Kirkbride, Gary Benson, Barbara Kirkbride, Claire Gleeson, Marilyn Billing, Kevin Leahy

Minutes of 2016 AGM

Read by Keith Billing, discussed and accepted

Moved by Roger Williams, seconded by Neil Crammer

Presidents Report: see notice board – read by Keith Billing – accepted

Moved by Leigh Carbines, seconded by Maureen Boyle

Life Members - Grant Pearson

- Lorraine Leahy

- Greg Kirkbride

Moved by Dawn Lee, seconded by John Milner

Election

Position	Elected	Moved	Seconded
President	Keith Billing	Dawn Lee	Maureen Boyle
Vice-President	Maureen Boyle	Keith Billing	Roger Williams
Treasurer	Keith Kerr	Leigh Carbines	Dawn Lee
Secretary	Leigh Carbines	Roger Williams	Anne Brewster

Committee: Neil Crammer, John Milner, Roger Williams, Anne Brewster, Dawn Lee

Accepted, Moved by Maureen Boyle, seconded by Leigh Carbines

Treasurers Report: see notice board – read by Keith Kerr discussed and accepted

Moved by Keith Kerr, seconded by Dawn Lee

Audited by Keith Billing

Business Arising: A notice for a Minutes Secretary to be posted seeking a standby when the Secretary is away.

Meeting closed 7:45pm

Signed by President

Keith Billing

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 7th March 2017 after the AGM and Closed 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

Correspondence

- **As per the Secretary List on Notice Board**
- **AGM Minutes 2017**

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

- **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!!

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*

• Dawn's Pre-Show News

Here we are in March already and our show will be on us before we know.

I would like to remind you that we will still have our "Club Showcase" again this year. You are invited to submit 3 (or less) items that can show our visitors just what we do in our workshops.

You can leave these items with me any time from now on.

We had a great display last year so see what we can do this year.

Helping hands will be needed in several areas a large notice with all details will be posted in the club rooms soon.

You can ring me for any information on my mobile

Mob. 0400 208 968

Cheers to all.

Dawn

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 2017 is our Club's 50 Years celebration:-

- On the 15th October 2017 a 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

Watch this Space

	11-14	Victorian Facetors Group Workshop, Maiden Gully. Contact Graham Young 9363 1803. Mob: 0487283598.
	19-20	Ballarat & District Gem Club Show. "The Farm," 800 Norman Street, Ballarat (Invermay Park)
	26-27	Frankston Lapidary Club Show.
	26-27	White Cliffs Gem Fest and Car Boot Sale. Contact Jane Stevenson 0429601870 or or email wcma2012@hotmail.com
	TBA.	Field trip to Strathbogie, GV Gem Mineral & Craft Group, Crystal & Top See your club field trip officer for details when date is confirmed.
<u>September</u>	9	V.G.C.A. AGM, Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading. M Ref 48 E10. 4pm.
	23-24	Waverley Gem Club Exhibition, Brandon Park Community Centre, 645 Ferntree Gully Road, Glen Waverley. 10-5 each day. Contact Peter 0415536770, or waverleygemclub@gmail.com
<u>October</u>	6-8	New Zealand National Show, hosted by the North Shore Rockhounds C Inc. North Shore Events Centre, Glenfield, Wairau Valley, Auckland NZ. Contact: clarkgeorge@hotmail.com
	14	V.G.C.A. Meeting, Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading Melway Ref 48 E10. 4pm.
	21-22	Nunawading & District Lapidary Club Annual Exhibition, Dorset Prim School, Rescorla Ave, Croydon. Melway Ref 50 K7. Contact Phil Toland 3169 or ndlcgem@hotmail.com
<u>November</u>	11	V.G.C.A. Meeting, Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading Melway Ref 48 E10. 4pm.
	17-20	Victorian Facetors Group Workshop, Beechworth. Contact Graham Yc 9363 1803. Mob: 0487283598.
<u>December</u>	2	V.G.C.A. Meeting, Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading Melway Ref 48 E10. 4pm.

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<u>January</u>	6-7	Warrnambool Gem Club Gem and Mineral Show, Warrnambool Prima School Hall, corner Jamieson St. and Princess Highway, Warrnambool, V email wgemclub@westvic.com.au
<u>March</u>	30- 2 April	2018 GEMBOREE, Willunga, South Australia

GEMBOREES: 2019 Queensland.

2020 VICTORIA.

Yes, Its only three years away!

The J&R subcommittee has started work on the competition schedule but unless clubs prc people to form the organising committee there may not be a GEMBOREE in Victoria in 20; your club wants a GEMBOREE you must find someone in your club prepared to get involv

Clubs (Including Interstate Clubs) do you know dates, locations and contact persons for yo 2017 show? Please let us know when the information is available so that they can be publi in forward diary.