



# GEMCLUB OCTOBER 2016 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.

It has been decided that the **monthly minutes and Correspondence** will only be displayed on the club's community notice board at the clubhouse – Not in the newsletter.

**October 2016 Monthly Meeting. Minutes and Correspondence is 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:	Kevin Leahy	0425 744 987

## 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 Gleenson (0409 511 751), Mike Griffin, Ron Kirkbride (9438 2098), Dawn Lee (9434 1512) and John Milner(9435 5710).

## 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 October Monthly Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016 commencing at 7.23 pm and Closing at 8.26 pm.

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**

- A Purchasing Officer is still required
- Change of the Show Date is yet to discussed discussed at the next Meeting

### **Correspondence**

- **As per the Secretary List on Notice Board**
- **Pointer**
- **VGCA 2017 Gemkhana. Request for Competition entries from our Club**

### **From Other Clubs**

- The Gemini
- Gemform August 2016. Page 11. See the Largest Diamond found in 100 years
- The Mordi-Agate
- The Eureka Echo
- Frank Stone
- Taslap
- Nunawading & District Lapidary Club Inc. 50<sup>th</sup> Exhibition 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016

## **Annual Subscription Renewal has now been completed**

### **Dear Member**

We have updated our current membership list as at October 2016 with 59 memberships.

The club is alive and Well!!! But where are You? We do not see you at our Monthly Committee Meetings or at the Workshops. Please make the effort to Visit us. We would love to see or hear from you.

We have a number of Members listed who are listed as members and have not paid their membership or have not indicated to the club if they wish to continue to be a Member. These unfinancial members email addresses have been deleted and will not receive any more News Letters.

Leigh Carbines, Our Secretary has posted out statements to confirm your non payment to the Club.

## 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 Sales

Held on the First Saturday of each month.

Come along to one of the sales as it is a good opportunity to pick up some interesting items and to support the club members, who bring items to sale.

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

### 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 Club Newsletters and emails.

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

### 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**

## 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 days worksheet.

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

# 50 YEARS YOUNG

Next Year 2017 is our Club 50 Years celebration (approx Mid Year)

We need ideas or suggestions on how you would like to celebrate this Club milestone?

Please contact The Committee with your **Reasonable Suggestion**

- A offer has been made by Keith and Marilyn Billing's of home with with a spit roast /Salads
- Further details to follow



The Christmas Breakup is approaching at a great rate of Knots  
We need to keep you informed of Date and Venue  
Watch This Space.  
The Committee

**Vale**

**Our Dear Member Passing**

**It is with deep regret to inform members of the Death of Bettina Kargulewicz, a long time member of our Club.**

**We offer our Sincere Condolences to Family for their sad loss at this time.**

**From all the Members of our Diamond Valley Gem Club.**

**No Funeral Details are available at this time of writing**

**Contact Dawn Lee for further details if available**

<u>October</u>	6	<b>Field trip to Flinders Island, Topaz.</b> GV Gem Mineral & Craft Group. If you are interested, please contact George Fadersen, Ph 58318466 after 6.30pm. Note:date is to be confirmed and is dependent on minimum numbers. Approx cost \$890 5 days, airport return & accommodation
	8	<b>V.G.C.A. Meeting,</b> Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading. Melway Ref 48 E10. 4pm.
	8-9	<b>Combined Gippsland Gem Show.</b> Hosted by the Bairnsdale Lapidary Club, Lucknow Hall, Omeo Highway, Lucknow. Contact Leigh Roberts 0400190066
	15-16	<b>Nunawading &amp; District Lapidary Club Annual Exhibition,</b> Dorset Primary School, Rescorla Ave, Croydon, Melway Ref 50 K7. Contact Phil Toland 9761 3169 or ndlcgem@hotmail.com
	22-23	<b>Mordialloc Lapidary club GEMFAIR.</b> Moorabin Senior Citizens Hall, 964 Nepean Highway, Moorabin (near the House & Home Centre) Mel Ref 77, E6. Contact The Club on 95800401..
	30	<b>Warragul lapidary club rock market,</b> logan park Warragul, contact Karen Lindorff 0438 283238 or Ruth Mc Donald 0427 287555
	29-30	<b>Canberra Lapidary Club Spring Gemcraft &amp; Mineral Show,</b> 10am to 5pm, Mallee Pavillion, Exhibition Park in Canberra. Contact canberralapidary@gmail.com or 02 6260 5322.
<u>November</u>	5-6	<b>Southern Rockhounds Annual Gemfair,</b> 10.00 am to 4.00 pm both days,17 Gerald Court, Christie Downs SA, contact John McTier 08) 8298 1949 or email johncmct@vmpdev.com
	12	<b>V.G.C.A. Meeting,</b> Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading. Melway Ref 48 E10. 4pm.
	13	<b>Cheong Park Gem and Mineral Club Rock Swap,</b> Corner Bayswater and Eastfield Roads Croydon South. Contact Henk Holmer 98709336 or Mark Woods 0417531587
	18-20	<b>Victorian Facetors Group Workshop,</b> Beechworth. Contact Graham Young 9363 1803. Mob: 0487283598.
	26-27	<b>VGCA Jewellery Judging Course.</b> Conducted by Barbara Try. Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading. Melway Ref 48 E10.
<u>December</u>	3	<b>V.G.C.A. Meeting,</b> Nunawading Clubrooms, 2 Silver Grove, Nunawading. Melway Ref 48 E10. 4pm
<b>2017</b>		
<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.