

# ROCKBOTTOM NEWS

Established 4<sup>th</sup> February 1964

May 2016

## NEW CLUB SESSION ( Friday afternoon trial)

Darrell Bennett is opening the club house as an instructor on Friday afternoons  
between 12.30 midday and 5.30pm.

Please show your support and help him make this a success.

**\*\*\*\*\* SHOW TIME \*\*\*\*\***

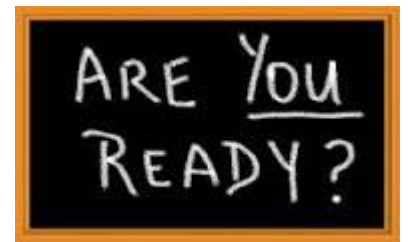
### We need volunteers:

For the kitchen and catering contact Louise Fieldhouse

For parking, doors, raffle, and general organization

**contact Fabian Bracco**

There will be lists in the club-house put your name down  
for times that will suit you.



### We need donations for sweets:

We would appreciate donations of scones, pikelets, mudcake, cheesecake and  
Carrot cake



### We need the loan of :

a fridge

6x4 box trailer for show day if any members can help.



### We need donations for a stall:

Darrell Bennett is going to run a club stall to raise funds for the club.

Please support him and bring along donations for him to put on the stall.

Please price the donations if possible.

These donations can be left at the club from Monday 23rd

## SHOW ENTRIES

Show entries for sections 31 to 42 are due:

**Thursday 26th of May between 12 noon -2 pm**

**\*\*Not as previously advertised in the March Newsletter\***

If you are unable to get in at this time Phone Tina on 0432 288 670 and make other arrangement  
to drop it off prior to this time.

“This facility has been sponsored by the Queensland Office of Arts and Cultural Development “

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## RAFFLE TICKETS



Raffle tickets are not selling well .

Come on members sell more raffle tickets.

Those members who have donated prizes need to be rewarded.

This is possibly the only time you will contribute to the fund raising for the club. Please make an effort, there are some great prizes on offer.

### Presidents Report May 2016

Hi

Well it is May again and that means show. Things seem to be progressing too fast but we hope as usual all things will come together on the day.

Saturday is the day for tidy, cleanup and prepare for where our displays and demonstrations will go.

It has been brought to my attention today that Members do not know the process for correspondence and how to obtain factual information within the society.

We welcome criticism! This is how the club grows, policies and procedures are formulated and processes changed. If you do not agree with Management decisions, there are two avenues to have your say.

Attend a Meeting. They are on every month on the third Wednesday at 7.30 pm.

In Writing or electronically to the Secretary. [mglsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:mglsecretary@gmail.com)

All correspondence is dealt with personally by a

Management Committee Member. They will contact you in person to discuss your issue.

The correspondence will be taken to the next available Meeting and discussed.

If necessary, a Management Committee Meeting can be organized within the week.

The faceting room is almost complete. Mal and Joe have done a good job of installing the two new Halls Machines that we waited so long for and this week they have their final new toy to play with. The Concave attachment for the VJ was delivered on Monday. It has all its strict instructions with it and Bob Kelly has supplied an article from the lapidary Journal 1991 on the 10 Commandments of Concave Faceting.

This completes the Gambling Community Benefit Grant received last year and due for acquittal by the middle of June.

Our saw room and cab room upgrades are progressing slowly but have been put on hold until after the show. We are hoping the roofer will be able to complete the exhaust fans before then.

Sue Horton has research the recipients of the trophies that were not up to date. As records are sketchy she hopes they are right. Thank you Mal (England ) for making the continuation trophy for the Arthur Mullan. They have been to the Trophy Superstore and are all engraved, re polished and on display for our show.

The Independent Auditor for the BCC completed his audit and the verbal report we received was very favorable, but now we await the written version that may take some weeks before it arrives. Jim

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### *Management Committee*

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### *Committee Officers*

**Assistant Treasurer:**

Andrea Horton

**Assistant Secretary:**

Trevor Lewis

**Maintenance:**

1 Jim Horton  
2 David Buhmann  
3 Brad Thompson

**Librarian**

Sue Horton

**Museum Curator**

Sue Ericksson

**Field Trip Officer**

To be appointed

**Providore**

Trevor Lewis  
Jim Horton

**Chief Steward**

Tina Horton

**Stewards:**

Trevor Lewis

Andrea Horton

**QLACCA****Representative**

Tina Horton

**Housekeeper**

Contracted

**Silver Committee**

To be formed

**Life Members**

John Brady

Val Cugola

Sue Eriksson

Bob Kelly

Helen Petterson

Albert Taylor

Joan Taylor

Laurel Viogt

Kevin Voigt

**LIBRARY****BORROWING**

Members may borrow up to two books at a time.

Please return all borrowed books within 2 weeks of borrowing them.

Please sign out all books being borrowed from the library.

There is a register for this purpose on or in the desk in the library.

**CHIEF INSTRUCTORS REPORT**

Hello all.

As Jim has said, our clubrooms will be cleaned at the working bee as per our usual process. I thank those who help in advance as usually there is no shortage of helpers. There are still a few spaces on the job list at the front desk to be filled, and don't forget: all we need from you on the day is a small amount of time to give back something to the club. Also, donations of cakes and food items are needed for show day for us to sell. This year we are also having a club stall to raise a bit extra. Donations of plants, books (lapidary or otherwise) rocks etc would be welcome. The only request is please make donations of saleable items.

Once the show is over, we can look at our next fund raising event. if you have any suggestions, please feel free to suggest it to someone on the Management Committee.

**THANK YOU**

We have new showcases for our members to enter into our show this year. Big thanks goes to Peter Lee and Louise Fieldhouse, Peter has done the woodwork and Louise has supplied the glass.

**DONATED MINERAL COLLECTION**

Thank s goes to Joan Taylor of Bundaberg for the extensive micro mineral collection she donated. This has been given to the Minsoc and the micro mineral group that meet at the clubhouse the second Saturday of every month. We do not have the facility to display this size collection to its best advantage.

**LIBRARY REPORT****May 2016****NEW MEMBERS**

The Club Continues to grow with more new Members. Say hello and introduce yourself and make our new Members welcome. The Club welcomes Thomas Gillick and Ann Cheng.

**FACEBOOK**

The club now has its own Facebook page up and running with likers joining everyday. Viv Sakrzewski, Linda Fountain [mglspublicity@gmail.com](mailto:mglspublicity@gmail.com)

and Louise Fieldhouse [mglsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:mglsecretary@gmail.com) are the administrators of the page. Have a look and keep up to date with what is going on at the club, especially if you are away or unable to attend for an extended period.

**INSTAGRAM**

The club now has an Instagram account. If you would like to follow us and keep up with the club activities it is the account is **@mtgravattlapidary**

# FACETING COURSES AND RULES IN THE FACETING-ROOM

AS OF 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016

The recommendations of the May Meeting will be written up by Viv Sakrzewski along with the three faceting instructors.

The re worded Rules will present for adoption at the June Meeting.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Members are reminded that those who have not paid their Membership are not covered by insurance and therefore not eligible to use the equipment. Reciprocal arrangements are not currently in place with other clubs.

## EQUIPMENT

Concave Attachment for the VJ Faceting Machine

Jump Ring winders (round and oval)

Hammers , Tweezers, dividers

## ADVERTISING

Beginning next year, the Newsletter will offer advertising space. Pricing schedule :

<b>Business Card size</b>	\$15.00 per issue	<b>A6 (1/4 page)</b>	\$30.00 per issue
<b>A5 (1/2 page)</b>	\$60.00 per issue	<b>A4 (full page)</b>	\$120.00 per issue.

Advertising will assist in reducing the cost to our Club in providing this newsletter. If you would like to advertise your business, a “for sale” item, an upcoming event, contact Linda Fountain either at the Club or via email at [mglspublicity@gmail.com](mailto:mglspublicity@gmail.com)

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## ***The Faithfull Few***

When the meeting is called to order,  
And you look around the room,  
You're sure to see some faces that,  
From out the shadows loom;  
They are always at the meeting,  
And they stay until it's through –  
The ones that I would mention are,  
***THE ALWAYS FAITHFUL FEW!***

There are lots of worthy members,  
Who will come when in the mood  
When everything is convenient,  
They can do a little good;  
They're a factor in the meeting  
And are necessary too –  
But the ones who never fail us are  
***THE ALWAYS FAITHFUL FEW!***

If it were not for these faithful,  
Those shoulders at the wheel  
Keep the Group Committee moving,  
Where we claim so much to do?  
They surely would be failures, but for  
***THE ALWAYS FAITHFUL FEW!!!***

(reprinted from the Chester Estates Scouts news)

## MAY BIRTHSTONE

### Emerald



As the birthstone for May, the emerald, a symbol of rebirth, is believed to grant the owner foresight, good fortune, and youth.

*Emerald*, derived from the word *smaragdus*, meaning *green* in Greek, was mined in Egypt as early as 330 B.C.

Today, most of the world's emeralds are mined in Colombia, Brazil, Afghanistan, and Zambia. The availability of high-quality emerald is limited; consequently, treatments to improve clarity are performed regularly.



### **You know you're a Rockhound if:**

You prefer baryte roses to real ones

Your dream holiday destination is Coober Pedy or Far North Queensland

Your garage is so full of rocks your car won't fit in it.

You collect interesting specimens, including brown unknown ones, just in case they might turn out to be something special.

You colour co-ordinate your clothes and shoes to match your gemstone pendants.

You examine rocks in other peoples driveways... just in case

## DATES TO REMEMBER

28th May	MGLS SHOW, Mt Gravatt Clubhouse, 1873 Logan Road, Mt Gravatt	23-24th July	Townsville Gem and Mineral Show Club Rooms, 96 Mooney Street, Gulliver
4th June	QLACCA Management Meeting, Gunyah Display	30-31st July	Cairns Gem Festival, Club Roms. 129 Mulgrave Rd, Cairns
4-5th June	Gunyah Club Lapidary Display, Mt Coot- tha Garden Auditorium	6th August	Ipswich & District Lapidary Club Show, Ipswich Showgrounds, Warwick Rd, IPS
11-12th June	Grafton Gem and Craft Show, Grafton Showgrounds	6th August	Innisfail Club Gem Show, Club Rooms River Avenue
25th June	Gold Coast Gem and Craft Show, 80 Pacific Avenue, Miami, Pizze Park	7th August	Atherton Show, Club House, Racecourse Road, Toga

If undelivered please return to  
Mt Gravatt Lapidary Society Inc  
PO Box 150  
Mount Gravatt Qld 4122

## Mt Gravatt Lapidary Society Details

### Address:

Mt Gravatt Park, 1873 Logan Road, Upper Mt Gravatt Qld 4122

### Postal Address:

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**Email:** mtgravattlapidaryclub@gmail.com

**Website:** mtgravatt.lapidaryclub.com.au

**Club meetings** are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. All Members are welcome and are encouraged to attend.

### Club Opening Hours

Mon 7.30—9.30 pm

Tues 7.30—9.30 pm

Wed 9.00—12 noon

Fri 9.00—12 noon

Fri 7.30—9.30pm

*Closed public holidays*

Open Saturday

Open Sunday

### Silver Classes

Tue 9.00—12 noon

Thur 7.00—9.30

### Mineral Society

Last Wednesday of the month at

7.00 pm

3rd Saturday of the month

4th Sunday of the month

### JOINING FEES

**Adult Members** - \$70 - Comprising \$30 joining fee, \$30 annual subscription and \$10 badge.

**Junior Members** (between 10 and 16 years) - \$25 - Comprising \$5 joining fee, \$10 annual Subscription and \$10 badge.

**NEWSLETTER LEVY** for posted Newsletters \$15.00 per year. Newsletters collected from the Club are free

**Newsletters are posted to Life Members free of charge**

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