

THE CMLC NEWS

The Canterbury Mineral & Lapidary Club Inc.
Newsletter for September 2022



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Meeting Venue & Clubrooms: 110 Waltham Road, Waltham, Christchurch 7:30 pm on the second Thursday of the month [Feb. to Nov.]

General Meeting (7.30pm): September 8.
Committee Meeting (7.30 pm): September 15
Show Committee Meeting (6.30 pm): September 15
Micro Mineral Meeting: Tuesday evenings (7 pm)
Workshops: Every Tuesday evenings, 6.30 p.m.

The September Meeting: Our guest speaker will be Daphne Lee from the University of Otago. She will be telling us about Foulden Maar—a fossil site near Middlemarch, Central Otago.

Kitchen Duty for the September Meeting: John Baker, Paul Breakwell, Miranda Bryant, Elly Burgess, Lesley Burke, Angela Candish, Quenby Carter, John Caygill, Heather Muir, David and Judith Cleghorn, Mike Cook.

September Meeting Auction: More material from the Brian Jones estate.

Field Trip: Saturday 10 September. 8.30 am. Meet at the Belfast Tavern for a trip to Glenafric to look for fossils etc. The trip leader is John Taylor.

The August Monthly Competitions Results

Lapidary: Polished lapidary work containing the colour purple

1st John Taylor, 2nd Equal Craig McGregor, Zena 3rd Equal L. Day, Ava

Fossil: Fossil Crab (NZ): 1st M.Wuum, 2nd Tyler Ma Beth, 3rd equal J.

Taylor, C. McGregor, 4th V. Lear

Mineral: Mineral from Southland: 1st Equal V. Lear, D. Macdonald, L .

Day

Alphabet Cup: BYP: 1st V.Lear, 2nd equal C. McGregor, Zena, 3rd equal

J. Taylor, L . Day, Ava

Novice Section: Any rock you wish to enter: 1st Equal Zena, B. Adam-

Hooper, N. van Holt, 2nd Colleen, 3rd Ava

Bring and Brag: 1st Ron Poskett-rattle stones, 2nd C. McGregor –olivine /

volcanic bombs Australia, 3rd equal D Macdonald –Agate from the Hinds

River, Vince Burke- Gneiss from Reefton, 4th Thomas Healy –Agate

finds from Rangitata Beach.



The September Monthly Competitions

Lapidary: Polished lapidary work containing the colour blue

Fossil: Fossil wood (NZ)

Mineral: Mineral from Nelson region.

Alphabet Cup: A specimen from a Country or region starting with the letter C, X, or M

Novice Section: Any rock you wish to enter (Anyone who has been in the

club less than 2 years)

Bring and Brag: Be prepared to talk about it.

The National Show and Competitions (14-16 October at Riccarton Park):

Please come to the dinner. There will be a lucky chair. The person who gets it will get their dinner cost refunded. There will be lucky draws (At least 6 so far). We will accept some late bookings, but don't leave it too late. I'll have my eftpos machine at the September Meeting, and can also take bookings then.

Wanted: Donations for the rock fossicking area. Please see Bill Johnson if you can donate for this. Just bring your donated material along with you to the show.

Show Newsletter No.3: Show newsletter No3 is available on our website. It includes a timetable for the show weekend. The timetable is also reproduced in this newsletter.

There is still a lot to do, and only 1 more club meeting to go before the show. Please see Val Lear to add your name to the personnel and jobs list if you have not already done so.

Show and Booked Dinner Tickets Weekend passes to the show, and dinner tickets for those who have booked them will be available at the front desk entry to the show.

Show Timetable

Wednesday 12 October: 1.30 pm: CMLC members meet at clubrooms to transport show materials and cases to Riccarton Park

Thursday 13 October: 8.30 am. Show setup (All volunteer help most welcome)

1.00 pm: Show cases and sales tables may be set up

6 pm: Rooms closed for competitions judging.

Friday 14 October: 9 am Show opens to the public

10 am Field trip departure from Riccarton Park.

5 pm: Show closes

7.30 pm Guest speakers, Hans Schumann (Bielefeld, Germany) and Jorgen Hansen (Jutland, Denmark) at the CMLC Clubrooms, 110 Waltham Rd.

Saturday 15 October: 9 am Show opens to the public

Time and place yet to be decided: Field trip departs Riccarton Park

5 pm Show closes

6.30 pm: Meet for drinks etc, Show dinner at 7 pm at Riccarton Park.

Sunday 16 October: 9 am Show opens to the public

10am: National Association AGM at Riccarton Park

4 pm Show closes to the public

4.15 pm: Show breakdown commences (All volunteer help welcome)

Monday 17 October: 9 am: CMLC members meet at Riccarton Park to transport show materials and cases back to the clubrooms.



Some happy club members at the Hetties workshop after a coffee at the Birdwood. Many thanks to Craig, Andrew and Chris for opening up the workshop and showing us around.

New Member: Please make welcome, Tim Butcher

Raffles Wanted: Donations for our monthly meeting door raffles would be gratefully received.

Dunboyne Jasper, Tiger Jasper, Jasper, Hokey Pokey rock or Palagonite

(Thanks to the Otago Rock and mineral Club for this article. I remember looking in on an old gentleman called Joe Abernathy in Hampden many years ago. He had worked as a rabbitier many years before. He named this rock Dunboyne Jasper after the name of his house in Hampden, near Moeraki.—ed)

Whatever it is called, this interesting mineral is found only in one location covering an area of around half an hectare. The site is off the Ngpara Weston road and opposite the church, the area is locally referred to as Round Hill.

This hill was once a submerged volcano and was probably connected with the Oamaru volcanics. What is unusual with these volcanics is the presence of this yellow material interdispersed through the volcanics (basalt). It ranges in colour from yellow (like hokey pokey) to brown to dark red or a pattern of these colours. The rock has several different forms – nodular, layered, nodular on surface only to very solid (agate like) -this material was the hardness and can be polished, cut and carved.

To the east of the hill the exposed basalt when broken showed cavities that had filled with calcite – giving the ‘eye agate look’ that can be found at the Marawhenua River. (Also some of the cavities are filled with clear opal. I have collected similar radial iron calcite eyes at Ballina, Northern New South Wales—ed) (There will be a raffle sphere of this material at the show—ed) **This site is located on private property and permission must be obtained from the landowner.**





New Zealand National Gem Show 2022

**GEMS, CRYSTALS,
FOSSILS AND MINERALS**

WHEN: 14,15,16TH OCTOBER 2022

**WHERE: RICCARTON PARK
RACECOURSE ROAD**

**ADMISSION: ADULTS \$5
CHILDREN \$2
UNDER 5'S FREE**



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Dunite

Named by Hochstetter in 1864 from Dun Mountain, New Zealand.

First Recorded Locality: Dun Mountain,
Nelson Region, New Zealand.



HETTIE'S

ROCK & CRYSTAL SHOP

Birdwood Ave, Beckenham, Christchurch.

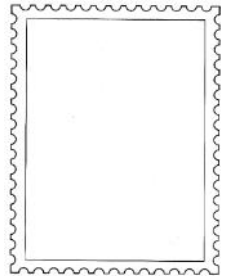
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