THE CMLC NEWS

The Canterbury Mineral & Lapidary Club Inc. Newsletter for July 2024



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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): July 11 Committee Meeting (7pm): July 18

Micro Mineral Meeting: Tuesday evenings (7 pm) Workshops: Every Tuesday evenings, 6.30 p.m.

Geobusters: Sunday afternoons every second month.

www.geobusters.co.nz; Facebook.

The July Meeting: There will be a talk by Scott Harwick about the process of tumble polishing stones. Also a short talk by Morne Wium about his recent fossil find.

Auction at the club meeting: Some material from Robin Hall.

Kitchen Duty for the July Meeting: Don Stanley, Nick Stevenson, Richard & Wendy Stewart, Owen Swann, Cécile Tait, John Taylor, Chris Thian, Leanne Edyvean, Charlie Thomas, Julian Twiss. Lay out the tea, milk, coffee and cups. Do dishes and tidy up the kitchen after the meeting.

Field Trip: 6 and 7 July: This is to the North Otago Gem and Craft Fair in the Scottish Hall, Oamaru. Hope to see you all there.

Massive Auction: 10 August: "Chance of a lifetime." This is an advanced notice of a massive auction of high quality rough rock from New Zealand, Australia and elsewhere overseas. This is your chance to acquire material that is often no longer available. It is all labelled and most comes in 20 litre buckets and old green recycle bins. There are approximately 60 lots.

Venue is 5a Thorrington Rd in lower Cashmere. Viewing will start at 9.30 am and the auction at 10 am. This auction will be conducted by John T and Kamen.

Monthly Competitions for 2024-2025: Thanks to Chris Thian fro preparing this schedule. Craig and Kamen will be the competition judges. 1 All lapidary entries must be your own work only, unless otherwise stated.

- 2 You may enter only one specimen for each category, (except for bring and brag) where you may have a collection of things to talk about. The specimen must be from your collection and not borrowed from someone else.
- 3 Entries for the Alphabet Section must come from the country, or a state starting with the letter listed for that month's competition.
- 4 Entries need to be labelled with your first and last name on the reverse side of a label (hidden from the judge's view. The front side needs to have the name of the specimen and the category it is entered for.

E.g. Front side

Copper: Nelson Region

Alphabet NDR On the reverse: Name: John Smith.

July

Lapidary: Own work; piece of your choice

Fossil: A New Zealand crab. Mineral: New Zealand Calcite

Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with A, Y or C.

Bring and Brag

August

Lapidary: Own work; with yellow colour.

Fossil: sea urchin

Mineral: Green in colour, overseas.

Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with B, Z, E.

Bring and Brag

September

Lapidary: Own work; white or blue

Fossil: from Waipara. Mineral: from Otago

Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with D, F, or W.

Bring and Brag

October

Lapidary: Own work; a tumbled stone or a sphere.

Fossil: New Zealand bone.

Mineral: copper

Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with U, V or Q.

Bring and Brag *November*

Lapidary: Own work; polished greenstone

Fossil: Ammonite, overseas.

Mineral: Any mineral. Tell everyone why you like it. Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with S or T.

Bring and Brag

February

Lapidary: Own work; Colour purple

Fossil: Own Choice. Mineral: Gold in colour

Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with O, K or N.

Bring and Brag

March

Lapidary: Own work; Any polished work that is not agate.

Fossil: Megatooth Mineral: Hematite

Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with M, P or R.

Bring and Brag

April

Lapidary: Own work; Overseas thunderegg

Fossil: New Zealand peanut wood.

Mineral: aquamarine crystal

Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with G, I or L.

Bring and Brag

May

Lapidary: pseudomorph agate

Fossil: fern

Mineral: kyanite, overseas

Alphabet Cup: A state or country starting with J, P or H.

Bring and Brag

The club Committee for 2024-2025 is: President: Malcolm Luxton, Treasurer: Lynda Alexander, Secretary (Tessa Mitchell-Anyon, Bulletin Editor: Craig McGregor, Immediate Past President: Scott Hardwick, Committee Members: Miranda Bryant, Val Lear, John Baker, John Taylor, Chris Wright, Christopher Thian, Robin Hall, Kaman Engel, Tyler McBeth. Seconded Members: Julian Twiss (I/C Field trips), Morne Wium (I/C Geobusters).

A big thank you to all of the committee who agreed to stand for the following year.

New Members: Please make welcome: Soren Baadegaard

Subscriptions for 2023-2024: Quite a large number of our club members have forgotten to renew their annual subscription and they are now overdue. This is a timely reminder that this needs to be done asap.

Wanted: Written articles by our club members for this newsletter: Club field trips, areas of interest and/or expertise etc. Even photos of club activities would be appreceiated.

Club Show: 28, 29 September. A traders application form has been sent to all our club members. A reminder that this application form must be with our secretary by Friday 12 July.

If you are able to provide a raffle prize for the show, please bring it to Val Lear at one of our meetings. Traders at the show are also asked to consider donating a raffle prize.

Please start getting together the rough stone that you do not want, ready to donate towards the fossicking trailer at the show.

Club Field trip to Campbell Lintott and lunch at the Old School Collective in Waikuku. Thanks to

Campbell and Kamen for the photos.















Lunch at the Old School Collective, Waikuku

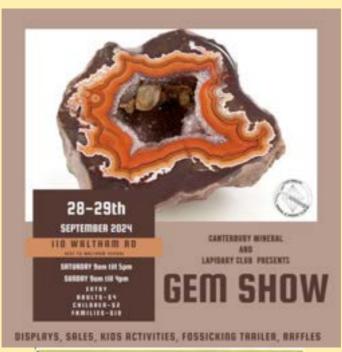
Kamen's art work (thin section photos) at Morne's museum at the Old School Collective.



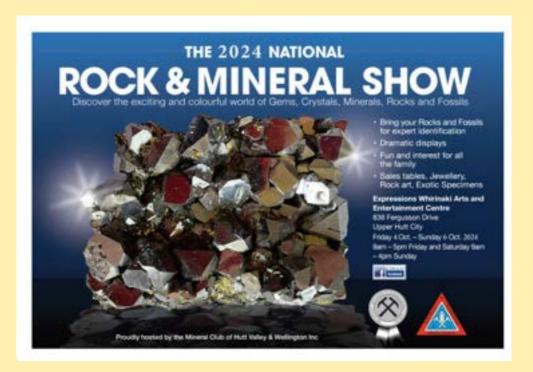


Wanted: Material for the club sales table. Donations needed, please.

Geobusters next meeting: July 14 1 to 3 pm. This will be using the nicro-eye and florescent minerals.







HETTIE'S ROCK & CRYSTAL SHOP

Birdwood Ave, Beckenham, Christchurch.
Also: Akaroa and Queenstown





Owners: Vince & Colleen Burke Phone: (03) 329 0812

Email: gemstonemuseum@gmail.com

Open 9:30am till 5:00pm (seven days a week)

Sender CMLC, 93 Winters Rd, Redwood, Christchurch 8051.

COMING EVENTS:

Gem and Craft Show: Scottish Hall, Oamaru: 6, 7 July.

Canterbury Mineral and Lapidary Club: Gem Show 2024: 28-29 Sep-

tember; 110 Waltham Rd, Christchurch.

National Show 2024: Mineral Club of Hutt Valley Wellington: 4-6 Oc-

tober: Whirinaki Events Centre, Upper Hutt.

Australia

Gemboree 2025: Ballarat, Victoria; 18-21 April; Federation University, Mt Helen Campus, Ballarat.