# THE CMLC NEWS

## The Canterbury Mineral & Lapidary Club Inc. Newsletter for September 2024



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General Meeting (7.30pm): September 12 Committee Meeting (7pm): September 19 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 September Meeting: Programme for this meeting is yet to be confirmed.

**The September Saturday 21st Field Trip** is to Glen Afric. Cars will leave from the Z Service Station in Waikuku at 9am. High viz vests encouraged. No dogs and be sensible and respectful of the seals.

**Wanted: Loan of a Trailer** for public to fossicking for rocks: The "ChuckieTrailer". Can you help? Please phone Craig urgently if you can let a trailer for the show (0274209814)

**Kitchen Duty for the September Meeting:** Alastair Hay, Alice Watson, Amanda Gray, Andrew & Vickie Walker, Angela Candish, Bill Johnson, Bob McKelvey, Campbell Lintott, Carolyn Bentley, Cécile Tait and Charlie O'Malley. Lay out the tea, milk, coffee and cups. Do dishes and tidy up the kitchen after the meeting.

**Monthly Competition for 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: Be prepared to talk about it.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Other
Lapidary	John Taylor			
Fossil	John Taylor			
Mineral	David Macdonald	John Taylor	Ava Wilson	Zena Wilson
Alphabet	John Taylor	Ava Wilson	Zena Wilson	
Bring Brag	Tyler McBeth			

#### **Monthly Competition Results for August**

**New Members: Please make welcome:** Marlene Te'evale-Hunt and Ray Jackson who has rejoined the club.

**Club Show: 28, 29 September.** Not long to go now. Have you noticed the wonderful fence sigh designed by Anna Baker. Plenty of posters have gone home with club members at our August meeting. Hopefully they are being put up around the city. There will be lots of advertising on social media, and in the Star newspaper.

At our September meeting we need to finalise a roster of volunteers who are prepared to help with the show. This is especially important to have volunteers for the setup on Friday 27 September from 8.30 am onwards, and the breakdown on the Sunday 29 September from 4 pm onwards. Your help is needed and gratefully accepted.

### Photos from the Monster Auction at Craig and Catherine's place:



**Wanted: Did you win an auction at Craig's that came in an old green recycling bin?** I would like them back (As I said at the time). Please bring them to the clubrooms on meeting night, or workshop on Tuesday evenings. I would be most grateful. Thanks.









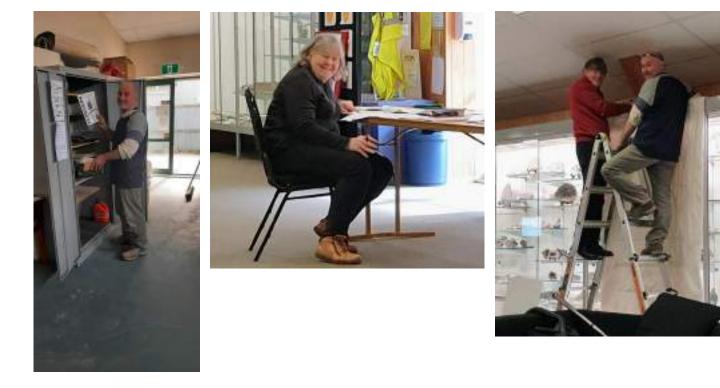




John Baker has now made room in the workshop for an additional faceting machine. So cupboards have been moved around, and a general tidy up. John has been working on getting another machine going. The final stage will be attaching a variable speed motor. Hopefully, someone would be able to help us with that. Does anyone have expertise in this area?

At the same time, Val Lear and Glen McLennan, ably assisted by John have worked on closing the gap at the top of the display cases where dust has been filtering through.

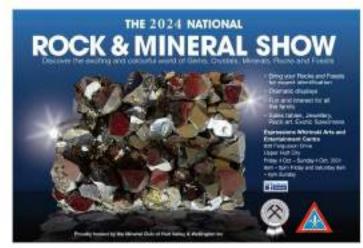
Many thanks for the help from these people.



Some Pictures Showing the progress of the clubroom's extension:







**COMING EVENTS:** Canterbury Mineral and Lapidary Club: Gem Show 2024: 28-29 September; 110 Waltham

Rd, Christchurch.

National Show 2024: Mineral Club of Hutt Valley Wellington: 4-6 October: Whirinaki Events Centre, Upper Hutt.

#### Australia

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

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

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