

THE CMLC NEWS

The Canterbury Mineral & Lapidary Club Inc. Newsletter for March 2025



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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): 13th March
Committee Meeting (7pm): 20th March
Micro Mineral Meeting: Tuesday evenings (7 pm)
Workshops: Every Tuesday evenings, 6.30 p.m.

Welcome New Members: Paul Mace, Fay Meadows, Richard Lynn & Sue Millman, Antony & Jeoff Joseph and Jess Hilton & Zac Jones

The March Meeting: Our guest speaker for the March meeting is Dean Moreton, who will be doing a talk on Pounamu.

Field Trip The field trip for March 15th is a visit to the Ashburton area to learn and see lapidary workshops for cutting and polishing, as well as indulging your eyes of a couple of the country's best polished agate collections, starting at Malcolm Luxton's 'Agate orphanage' and workshop at 10:15am, where morning tea will also be provided. Afterwards, Lunch will be at Lushingtons cafe at 11:45, followed by a look around Robins workshop and rock collections

- Lushingtons cafe - 5 Archibald Street, Tinwald
- Robin Hall - 139 Harrison st, Ashburton
- Malcolm Luxton - 9a Carters Terrace, Tinwald

Canterbury Mineral & Lapidary Facebook page: We are encouraging those in the club who have gone for club related field trips to send photos of your trip, or your finds to Anna, at – baker.ac171@gmail.com. We do ask that you don't send photos of the Whitecliffs digsite itself however, though photos of Whitecliffs agates are welcome.

ATTENTION- all Lapidarists, Carvers and Cabbers.

John and John are two accomplished semi-retired toolmakers based in Christchurch, specialising in the design and manufacturing of high-quality cabbing machines, vertical flat laps, and bespoke grinding and polishing machines. In the near future, they will also be expanding their offerings to include saw production.

Since the lockdown, they've passionately supported the carving community during a time when accessing machines was incredibly challenging. To date, they have successfully crafted and sold 18 cabbings machines and 12 vertical laps, in addition to collaborating on various projects to create customised machines tailored specifically to individual needs.

They are ready to help you elevate your work to the next level, so don't hesitate to reach out and discuss your requirements. Check out their photos for contacts and price details!

Photos and contact details are further down in the newsletter.

March Auction: This month's auction is material from Lewis Hall

Monthly Competition for March

Lapidary: Any polished work (Not Agate)

Fossil: Megalodon tooth

Mineral: Hematite

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

Bring and Brag: Be prepared to talk about it.

Monthly Competition Results for February

Ranking	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 N Brag:
1	John Taylor	John Taylor	Lindsay Day	Don Stanley	Don Stanley
2	Lewis Hall	Lewis Hall	John Taylor	Lindsay Day	John Taylor
3	Lindsay Day	Lindsay Day	Lewis Hall		
4					
5					

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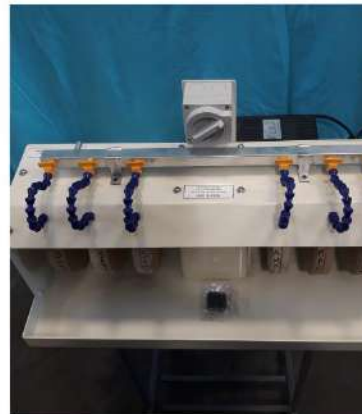
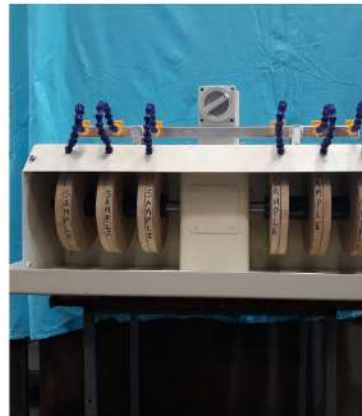
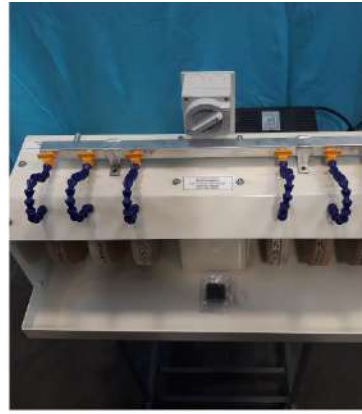


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Taranaki Lapidary & Mineral Club (Inc)
Will host the

National Gem, Rock & Mineral Show 2025



Labour Weekend 2025
Sat, Sun, Mon
9am – 4pm



Venue: Plymouth International Hotel
220 Courtney St Central
New Plymouth

COMING EVENTS:

New Zealand

National Gem, Rock & Mineral show 2025; 25th
Plymouth International Hotel; 220 Courtney St;
Plymouth

Australia

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

– 27th October;
Central New

Gemboree 2025:

Sender Canterbury Mineral and Lapidary Club, 93 Winters Rd, Redwood, Christchurch 8051.

HETTIE'S

ROCK & CRYSTAL SHOP

Birdwood Ave, Beckenham, Christchurch.

Also: Akaroa and Queenstown

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