



## Illawarra Lapidary Club Inc.

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### **HELLO EVERYONE!**

#### **General Business Meeting for January:**

Eva has the complete figures for the exhibition and we made a profit of \$6754.78. Quite a tidy sum and a big thank you to all who contributed.

The Executive is keen to continue with our equipment replacement program and as we are flush with funds, watch this space. Firstly new fans and then.....

Eva was distressed by changes in the way money is now banked with a shortfall over anticipated revenue deposited and little obvious recourse. John and Eva will investigate this further with the manager.

Julia Whitehead has been granted Honorary membership - congratulations

#### **Mineral Group Meeting 24th January, 2018 at 6.00pm**

##### **Roland Smith– A mineral that changed the world!, DVD show**

Finger food – bring a plate.

Noel will host the I D exercise and promises to be gentle to start the year as some may have got rusty over the Christmas break

#### **Field Trips:**

To all those hardy souls who went to Oberon for the Sapphire dig ( but there were quite a few who were last minute withdrawals) lady luck did smile on the group with a couple of small Sapphires found I believe. At least it did not snow and all returned healthy and with tales to tell !!!!

The first trip for 2018 will be on the 23rd of Feb and is a local expedition (as part of our plan to have one month at home and the following month away). This trip will be to the University of Wollongong to inspect the “ Howard Worner Collection”. Penny Williamson is our guide and, I suspect, the collections’ curator.

Our first away trip will be to Kangaroo Valley in March. **All the details are in the trips book, put your name down if interested.**

#### **Meetings:\_\_\_\_\_Social Meeting for 8pm - Skite night**

Four items were presented and Peter Stanley with his 17 kg geode of Amethyst found near Mt Isa last year was a worthy specimen indeed. Aarons \$25 million specimen was way overpriced, Joan Zealey’s specimens from South America would have been nicer if she had taken us there in person and my few Zircon crystals from Mudtank made up the four. Thank you Terry Hogarth who commented that the Blutack was largest part of my display.

There were a lot of new members present and I think this would have shown them a broad section of some of the activities that we do .

Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

“ Quartz “ - Noel Kennon

### **New Members**

President Rose was very busy on Wednesday night inducting 9 new members :- Daniel Naughton, Romina Di Noro, Sarah, Keith and Charlie Whiteman, Tony and Betty Davis, June Hodgson and Michael Yearsley. Another 6 new members :- Jenna Rowland, Timothy Fitzgerald, Martyn Wyles, Dana Toombs, Mariann Schmidt and Stacy Bunker did not attend,

**The quickest way to learn is by that great Aussie tradition of “have a go”.**

There is always someone who knows what to do, just ask.

Our senior members are only too willing to help.

Remember there is more than one way to skin a cat.

So little time but so much new to learn.

Janelle has new books on Jade, Rubies and Sapphires, Emeralds and gemcare.

### **Classes restarting in January**

Monday morning , Cabs / Cutting , Bob Hanson	- 22nd
Monday night , Beading/ wire wrapping , Bet Hanson	- 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Tues, Cabs, Bill Roth	- 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Tues, glass class, Jan Cahill	When it gets cooler ( ? March )
Wednesday , silver , Veronica Baker	- 31 <sup>st</sup>
Thursday Silver class,	- 25 <sup>th</sup>
Thursday faceting class , Bob Webb	- 25th
Friday Cabs, Eva Aurbach	- 19 <sup>th</sup>
Mineral Group, Noel Kennon	- 25 <sup>th</sup>



**For your bench. At your side.**