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COUNCIL MEETINGS

Visitors welcome to attend

Executive - meet Monthly, fourth Wednesday of the month, 1pm, at Clubrooms, Parramatta-Holroyd Lapidary Club, 73 Fullagar Rd, Wentworthville, NSW

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: 22 October 2025 12:30 start

EDITOR'S NOTES

The State Gem and Mineral Show was great fun this year (no RAIN).

I hope you enjoy this newsletter.

If you have an article, or a show you wish to advertise in future newsletters, please send them in.

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DEADLINES:

Fourth Friday of the month—a few days grace is allowed.

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per G&L News edition

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Message from the President

Well, the State Gem and Mineral show is now a memory, but it was the largest show we have ever had. The Phillip Charley Pavilion was full to the brim with 40 Traders inside and 29 Outside traders and 8 Lapidary Club were also represented in Show bag Pavilion.

The GEMKHANA Competition was again well supported, and the work was of a very high standard. The results will be published in this edition of the G & L News. Congratulations to all the competitors for completing their entries and for those that were successful in winning an award.

The Northern Districts Lapidary Club again won the Frank Hall Trophy for the Most Successful Club – Congratulations.

Huge thanks must go to the G & L Committee, their families along with members of their own lapidary clubs who without their tireless effort we would not have had this successful show.

Barbara J Try OAM
President

Minutes of the COMMITTEE MEETING 24 September 2025**Held at Parramatta Holroyd Club Fullagar Rd Wentworthville**

The meeting was opened at 1:00pm by President Barbara Try (Northern Districts) who welcomed delegates from the following clubs: Central Coast (Tony Try), Port Hacking (Tony Offord), AFG (Paul Sabolta), Western Suburbs (Marcia Hill & Ainsley Flynn) Orange (Kathy Selwood), Parramatta/Holroyd (Martin Stoeckl), Blaxland (Robert Kneale), Illawarra (Joan Zealey), Nepean (Nick Mecser), Goulburn (Sue & Joe O Neil), Fairfield (Chris McFarlane). **Apologies:** Blue Mountains (Kim Cooke), Paramatta/Holroyd (Ray Powell), Hawkesbury (Sue Crick), Bathurst (Robert Porter), Blue Mountain (Mick Lane), **Moved:** Goulburn seconded Central Coast that apologies be accepted.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: 27 August 2025.**Moved** Parramatta/Holroyd seconded, Western Suburbs that minutes be accepted.**Business Arising:**

1/ Purchase of anti-virus software ,365 Office & network dongle sort out between President and Secretary.

Business arising from minutes: **moved** Blue Mountains seconded Port Hacking

Correspondence: See attached list. **Business Arising from correspondence** – Nil.

Moved: Orange seconded AFG that Inward Correspondence be received, Outward Correspondence be endorsed and business arising be approved.

Treasurer's Report: **Moved** Illawarra seconded Central Coast that the report be accepted

Reports**J&R Report:**

1/ CCLC Judging day 11 October

2/ Illawarra Judging day 28th September

3/ Closing date for club competition must be 2 weeks before judging date, so additional judges can be organised.

Webmaster: No report

G&L NEWS Editor: No Report

Education Report:

1/ Orange minerals (delayed)

2/ NSW Lapidary Club – faceting course – dates waiting for their response.

3/ Hawkesbury faceting course – postponed

4/ Nepean – wire wrapping

5/ Central Coast - wire wrapping

6/ Nepean another faceting course

Social media: Nil

Mail Person: Printing \$37.05 Postage \$45.00 stamps \$76.50, total \$113.55 and has a balance of \$427.22

GEMKHANA Competition:

1/ extra money spent on post back entries due to signatures required

2/ Some return post packages where too small for return.

3/ Return posts entrants -emailed all tracking numbers

4/Two entrants did not have their entries judge – Orange PO failed to deliver the entries to the Competition Committee. The entries were return to the competitors without the committee being aware they existed. A potential solution would be that Competitors send an email to Comp Committee advising that they have sent entries in for judging, giving their phone number. The Comp Committee would list these and when received tick them off. If they are not received, then the Comp Committee should contact the competitor who should follow up with their tracking number.

State Gem & Mineral Show

- 1/ 1,533 people came
- 2/ How did you hear summary
- 3/ All Raffle prizes have been delivered/taken.
- 4/ Evaluation form to be sent to all traders
- 5/ Lap club location discussed, 1 free table 1.8m
- 6/ Camping sizes for outside traders
- 7/ signs 77 from 100 collected
- 8/ Magazine advertising to change
- 9/ Facebook – good
- 10/ Need to highlight our difference from other shows
- 11/ Secretary to write letter (email) to show ground committee for confirmation of date next year 26 & 27 September (Barb & Tony O to have input), notification of other users, & use of CWS hall for the Clubs
- 12/ Pricing to change - per table 1.8 and 2.4
- 13/ Contracts for traders need to be looked and a couple of questions need to be asked re drapes - are they needed? or are there any special requirements for their lighting etc?
- 14/ Overall, with all the problems the show was a success.

GEMBOREE 2028

- 1/Parkes Showground was revisited hall not completed still looking for grants Cut off time for Gem Council June/ December2025. Secretary to ring to find out any new information.
- 2/ Trophies, polishing continuing.
- 3/Table & Chair hire depending on Venue chosen.
- 4/ Plan B discussed if Parkes pavilion is not completed in time Mudgee has been contracted and pencilled in
- 5/ Plan C - Wagga Wagga has been contracted will be visited 28th October. (Barb, Tony O, Kathy, Robert)
- 6/Schedule being worked on.
- 7/End of October look at feasibility of other venues and decide

Reports to be accepted **moved** Blaxland Seconded Nepean

GENERAL BUSINESS - Nil

Meeting closed 2.30pm

Next meeting: 22nd October at Parramatta/Holroyd rooms Fullagar Rd Wentworthville.

Meeting dates for 2025, 26th November, 10 December & AGM.

Message to all Competitors



At the AFLACA meeting in Ballarat there was an amendment to rule B9.6 (page 11 of the Competitor & Judging manual, Issue No. 8 April 2015), which follows:

"The Competition Committee cannot take any responsibility for entries whilst in transit through Australia Post or other commercial carriers. **However, the Com-**

petition Committee should take reasonable steps such as 'Signature Required' when posting entries to help avoid any possible loss of entries whilst in transit."

Also, additional words to be added - **That committees do not show competition co-ordinator or GEMBOREE wording etc in schedule and on the return post to entrants that the address from be a person's name only, not for example "GEMBOREE competition co-ordinator or words to that effect."**

This also applies to the competitors who send their entries to the Competition Committee. The parcel should only have the name of the person the entries are being sent to. The competitor also should send the parcel with a "Signature Required".

If the entries are Not being collected, after the competition the competitor should include sufficient funds to also cover the cost of Judging sheets and where the competitor was successful in winning a place, prize cards and possible medallions as well as the cost of the "Signature Required" expenses. This also means the return package should be big enough to hold the entries and the additional paperwork etc.

One last point I would like to make at the last GEMKHANA Competition, two entrants did not have their entries judged because the Orange Post Office failed to deliver the entries to the Competition Committee. The entries were returned to the competitors without the committee being aware they existed. This led to the competitors being very upset.

The solution would be that Competitors send an email to Competition Committee advising that they have sent entries in for judging, giving their phone number. The Competition Committee would list these and when received tick them off. If they are not received, then the Competition Committee shall contact the competitor who should follow up with their tracking number.

Hopefully this will eliminate disappointment and frustration for all concerned.

Barbara J Try O.A.M.

President

Gem and Lapidary Council of NSW Inc

Raffle Prizes for State Gem & Mineral Show 2025

- 1st** Katoomba Family Hotel - Gift Certificate - One Night Accommodation & Dinner for Two.
Winner Lynette Burke from Castle Hill
- 2nd** Larimar Pendant set in Silver with silver Chain - Donated by Barbara Try - Northern Districts Lapidary Club
Winner M Hessing from Adamstown
- 3rd** Fine Silver Enamelled Jewellery - Donated by Barbara Try - Northern Districts Lapidary Club
Winner Sue O'Neil from Goulburn Lapidary Club
- 4th** 6 inch polishing disc with magnetic backing - Donated by MM Creations
Winner Sigrun Smith from Parramatta/Holroyd Lapidary Club
- 5th** A s/silver coloured Cubic Zirconia pendant with snake chain - Donated by Kathy Selwood - Orange Lapidary Club
Winner Annie Dobe from Wahroonga
- 6th** Enamelled Jewellery Earrings in F/Silver - Donated by Barbara Try - Northern Districts Lapidary Club
Winner Lynette Burke from Castle Hill
- 7th** A s/silver coloured Cubic Zirconia pendant with snake chain - Donated by Kathy Selwood - Orange Lapidary Club
Winner Angela
- 8th** Enamelled Jewellery Earrings in F/Silver - Donated by Barbara Try - Northern Districts Lapidary Club
Winner David D
- 9th** A s/silver coloured Cubic Zirconia pendant with snake chain - Donated by Kathy Selwood - Orange Lapidary Club
Winner Angela
- 10th** Steel texture plate for Rolling Mills - Donated by MM Creations
Winner Pamela Tuck
- 11th** 3D printed templates - Donated by MM Creations
Winner Kevin Crouch from Tuggerawong
- 12th** Copper & Silver Pendant - Donated by Barbara Try - Northern Districts Lapidary Club
Winner Ariana from Penrith
- 13th** Gemstone display Pads - Donated by Bergamin Beads
Winner Lynette Burke from Castle Hill

State Gem & Mineral Show (GEMKHANA) Competition results 2025

Section Results - GEMKHANA® 2025 (All Competitors)

Q-1A.1 Std Cabochon - Crafts - Open

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Svetlana Dligatch	Nth Dist NSW	201	97.50
2nd	Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	69	97.00
3rd	Peter Howard	Port Hacking	108	96.50
H/C	Peter Howard	Port Hacking	109	95.50
	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	170	
	Susan Porter	Bathurst	54	
	Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	160	
	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	169	
	Susan Porter	Bathurst	53	
	Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	161	
	Anthony Stumm	Gunya	12	

I-1A.2 Std Cabochon - Crafts - Intermediate

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Amanda Choudhury	Port Hacking	121	92.00
2nd	Amanda Choudhury	Port Hacking	122	82.50
3rd	Lesley Sandilant	Port Hacking	116	82.00
Display Only!	David Hastings	Illawarra	44	
Display Only!	David Hastings	Illawarra	43	

N-1A.3 Std Cabochon - Crafts - Novice

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Kathy Whitford	Nth Dist NSW	200	96.85
2nd	Kathy Whitford	Nth Dist NSW	199	96.75
3rd	Lesley Sandilant	Port Hacking	118	93.75
H/C	Lesley Sandilant	Port Hacking	117	87.50
	Donna Perkins	Bankstown	38	

J-1A.4 Std Cabochon - Crafts - Junior

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Eloise Vaughan	Orange	120	84.90
2nd	Koby Vaughan	Orange	119	74.00

Q-1A.5 Std Cabochon - A/Appeal - Open

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	172	96.47
2nd	Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	127	96.25
3rd	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	171	95.70
H/C	Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	128	95.43
	Amy Cheung	Nth Dist NSW	194	
	Amy Cheung	Nth Dist NSW	195	
	Susan Porter	Bathurst	55	
	Susan Porter	Bathurst	56	

I-1A.6 Std Cabochon - A/Appeal - Intermediate

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A	Amanda Choudhury	Port Hacking	123	85.63
Display Only!	David Hastings	Illawarra	45	

N-1A.7 Std Cabochon - A/Appeal - Novice

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Donna Perkins	Bankstown	39	86.25
2nd	Brendon Medway	Goulburn	149	85.88
3rd	Brendon Medway	Goulburn	148	85.00
H/C	Eduardo Guzman	Bankstown	34	68.00

Q-1B.1 Fancy Cabochon - Crafts - Open

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	174	97.75
2nd	Svetlana Dligatch	Nth Dist NSW	202	96.50
3rd	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	173	96.00
H/C	Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	129	93.50
	Amy Cheung	Nth Dist NSW	196	
	James McCarthy	Port Hacking	112	
	Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	162	
	Susan Porter	Bathurst	57	
	Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	163	
	James McCarthy	Port Hacking	111	
	Susan Porter	Bathurst	58	

I-1B.2 Fancy Cabochon - Crafts - Intermediate

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Amanda Choudhury	Port Hacking	125	89.75
2nd	David Hastings	Illawarra	46	88.75
3rd	Amanda Choudhury	Port Hacking	124	84.00
H/C	David Hastings	Illawarra	47	77.50

Q-1B.5 Fancy Cabochon - A/Appeal - Open

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	175	96.55
2nd	James McCarthy	Port Hacking	114	86.05
3rd	Susan Porter	Bathurst	59	80.10
H/C	James McCarthy	Port Hacking	113	72.90

Q-2A.1 Double Std Cab - Crafts - Open

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	130	98.30
2nd	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	177	96.50
3rd	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	176	96.05
H/C	Svetlana Dligatch	Nth Dist NSW	203	96.00
	Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	131	
	Susan Porter	Bathurst	61	
	Susan Porter	Bathurst	60	

I-2A.2 Double Std Cab - Crafts - Intermediate

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A	Anthony Stumm	Gunya	13	87.20

N-2A.3 Double Std Cab - Crafts - Novice

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Colin Pflaum	Nth Dist NSW	193	96.50
2nd	David Hastings	Illawarra	48	95.50

Q-2B.1 Double Fancy Cab - Crafts - Open

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	178	97.20
2nd	Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	70	96.00
3rd	Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	132	95.20
H/C	Susan Porter	Bathurst	62	88.95
	Peter Howard	Port Hacking	110	
	Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	164	
	Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	179	
	Amy Cheung	Nth Dist NSW	197	

I-2B.2 Double Fancy Cab - Crafts - Intermediate

	Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A	Anthony Stumm	Gunya	14	78.75

State Gem & Mineral Show (GEMKHANA) Competition results 2025—Continued

Section Results - GEMKHANA® 2025 (All Competitors)

Q-3.1	Free Form - Crafts - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
=1st Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	181	96.00		
=1st Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	180	96.00		
2nd Amy Cheung	Nth Dist NSW	198	94.00		
3rd Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	133	91.50		
H/C James McCarthy	Port Hacking	115	91.00		
Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	134			
Anthony Stumm	Gunya	15			
Anthony Stumm	Gunya	16			
L-3.2	Free Form - Crafts - Intermediate				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
Display Only! Anthony Stumm	Gunya	17			
Display Only! Anthony Stumm	Gunya	18			
N-3.3	Free Form - Crafts - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Svetlana Dilgatch	Nth Dist NSW	204	96.00		
2nd Susan Porter	Bathurst	63	95.75		
3rd Amanda Choudhury	Port Hacking	126	74.50		
H/C Kimberley Burgess	No Club (NSW)	50	74.00		
Margie Burgess	No Club (NSW)	49			
Q-3.5	Free Form - Solid Opal - Crafts - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	72	99.50		
=2nd Kevin Crouch	No Club (NSW)	106	99.00		
=2nd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	71	99.00		
3rd Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	183	97.50		
H/C Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	182	97.00		
Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	135			
Kevin Crouch	No Club (NSW)	105			
N-3.6	Free Form - Solid Opal - Crafts - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	166	87.00		
Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	165			
Q-4A	Opal Doublet - Flat Top - Crafts - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	73	93.65		
2nd Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	185	87.00		
Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	184			
Q-4B	Opal Doublet - Domed Top - Crafts - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	75	87.30		
2nd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	74	86.80		
3rd Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	186	75.00		
Q-5A.1	Carving - Fully 3-Dimensional - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A David Gwillim	Wingala	155	97.62		
N-5B.2	Carving - In Relief - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A Pam Montgomery	Orange	52	86.75		
Display Only! Brendon Medway	Goulburn	150			
Q-5E.1	Carving not otherwise specified - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A Kathy Selwood	Orange	51	97.37		
Q-8A.1	Standard Brilliant - Continuous Girdle - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A Jeff West	Bathurst	1	86.60		
L-8A.2	Std Round Brilliant - Continuous Girdle - Inter				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
Display Only! Eduardo Guzman	Bankstown	35			

N-8A.3	Std Round Brilliant - Continuous Girdle - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st John Lumb	Port Hacking	9	82.81		
2nd Robert Castle	Illawarra	5	67.43		
N-9A.3	Standard Oblong Step Cut - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st John Lumb	Port Hacking	10	84.33		
Robert Castle	Illawarra	6			
Q-10.1	Modified Standard Cut - Hexstar - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A Jeff West	Bathurst	2	86.55		
L-10.2	Modified Standard Cut - Tribble - Intermediate				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A Tony Neal	Port Hacking	107	93.41		
N-10.3	Modified Standard Cut - Bumblebee - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Kayla Russell	Port Hacking	40	85.50		
2nd Craig Spink	Bathurst	65	64.55		
Display Only! Robert Castle	Illawarra	7			
N-11.3	Fancy Cut - Winter Rose - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st John Lumb	Port Hacking	11	93.36		
2nd Kayla Russell	Port Hacking	41	88.40		
3rd Robert Castle	Illawarra	8	71.98		
Craig Spink	Bathurst	66			
N-12B.2	Tumbled Stones - Natural Shape - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	136	90.03		
Q-13.1	Polished Face - Flat Surface - Crafts - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	77	92.50		
2nd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	76	91.75		
3rd Helen Colman	Orange	141	87.50		
N-13.2	Polished Face - Flat Surface - Crafts - Novice				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	138	94.00		
2nd Robert Porter	Bathurst	67	92.00		
3rd Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	137	89.75		
H/C Robert Porter	Bathurst	68	87.00		
Q-16.1	Gem Trees - Single - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
S/A Sigrum Smith	Parramatta	3	91.00		
Sigrum Smith	Parramatta	4			
Q-18A.1	Hand Fabricated Jewellery - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Billy Peterson	Parramatta/Holroyd	42	97.49		
2nd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	79	94.24		
3rd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	78	84.62		
Q-18B.1	Hand Fabricated Jewellery - Open				
Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:		
1st Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	187	94.05		
2nd Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	188	91.60		
3rd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	80	91.40		
Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	19			
Bill Pieterse	Port Hacking	158			

State Gem & Mineral Show (GEMKHANA) Competition results 2025—Continued

Section Results - GEMKHANA® 2025 (All Competitors)

Q-18E.1 Wire Wrapped Jewellery - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	20	93.87
2nd Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	189	93.30
3rd Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	190	86.75
H/C Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	168	86.65
Christine Avery	Blue Mtns	167	

N-18E.2 Wire Wrapped Jewellery - Novice

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Sue O'Neil	Goulburn	143	81.76
2nd Brendon Medway	Goulburn	151	81.38
3rd Sue O'Neil	Goulburn	142	76.50

Q-19E.1 Metal Clay Jewellery - Entrant Pattern - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	82	89.75
2nd Vivienne Jones	Nth Dist NSW	29	87.75
3rd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	81	86.82

Q-20A.1 Cast Jewellery - Natural Pattern - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	83	96.50
Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	84	

Q-21A.1 Cast Jewellery - Commercial Pattern - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	21	94.50
2nd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	85	93.00
3rd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	86	92.75

Q-23B.1 Combined Jewellery - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A Bill Pieterse	Port Hacking	156	86.27
Bill Pieterse	Port Hacking	157	
Display Only! Bill Pieterse	Port Hacking	159	

Q-24A.1 Enamelled Jewellery - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	88	91.75
2nd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	87	91.55
3rd Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	23	89.95
H/C Vivienne Jones	Nth Dist NSW	30	89.35
Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	22	

Q-25.1 Commercial Mount Jewellery - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	192	98.77
2nd Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	140	97.25
3rd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	90	96.90
H/C Honway Louie	Nth Dist NSW	191	93.25
Alice Zheng	Nth Dist NSW	139	
Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	89	

N-25.3 Commercial Mount Jewellery - Novice

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A Susan Porter	Bathurst	64	94.37

Q-26A.1 Enamelled Jewellery - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	24	89.40
2nd Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	25	88.95
3rd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	92	88.15
H/C Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	91	87.65

N-26A.2 Enamelled Jewellery - Novice

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A Beverley Hodder	Bankstown	31	81.25

Q-26B.1 Enamelled Jewellery - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	26	92.30
2nd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	93	89.80
3rd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	94	89.65
H/C Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	27	89.15

N-26B.2 Enamelled Jewellery - Novice

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Victoria Sotelo	Bankstown	37	85.30
2nd Beverley Hodder	Bankstown	32	81.80
3rd Sue O'Neil	Goulburn	145	80.55
H/C Sue O'Neil	Goulburn	144	80.15
Beverley Hodder	Bankstown	33	
Brendon Medway	Goulburn	152	
Jane French	Goulburn	154	
Gavin French	Goulburn	147	
Gavin French	Goulburn	146	
Jane French	Goulburn	153	
Display Only! Victoria Sotelo	Bankstown	36	

Q-26C.1 Enamelling - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
1st Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	96	89.50
2nd Jimmy Lim	Bankstown	28	85.25
3rd Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	95	84.00

Q-32A.1 Fossil - Non-Display - Single Specimen - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	98	91.00
Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	97	

Q-32B.1 Fossils - Non Display - Group of 3 - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
S/A Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	99	89.31
S/A Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	100	89.31

Q-34A.1 Mineral - Single Specimen - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
Display Only! Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	102	
Display Only! Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	101	

Q-34A.3 Mineral - Single Specimen - Open

Name:	Club:	Entry:	Points:
Display Only! Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	104	
Display Only! Barbara Try	Nth Dist NSW	103	

[End of Report]

Entries verified with AFLACA Winners list dated 28/04/2025

A Message From the Competition Committee!

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all of our Competitors and our Judges for their continued efforts to ensure that this competition remains a success.

Trophy Results - GEMKHANA® 2025



- AT-1a Gem & Lapidary Council NSW Trophy**
 Novice - Standard Cabochon
 Winner: Kathy Whitford Nth Dist NSW
- AT-2a Gem & Lapidary Council NSW Trophy**
 Open - Polished Face - Flat Surface
 Winner: Barbara Try Nth Dist NSW
- AT-3a Gem & Lapidary Council NSW Trophy**
 Novice - Cast Jewellery No Lapidary Fossil Mineral
 Winner: (No Entries)
- AT-4a Joan Ball Trophy (Enamelled Jewellery)**
 Open - Enamelled Jewellery without Mount
 Winner: Jimmy Lim Bankstown
- AT-5a Joan Ball Trophy (Novelty Gemcraft)**
 Open - Novelty Gemcraft
 Winner: (No Entries)
- AT-6a The Alan Coulton Trophy**
 Open - Cast Jewellery using Natural Objects
 Winner: Barbara Try Nth Dist NSW
- PT-1a The Boris Novic Trophy**
 Open - Double Standard Cabochon C/S
 Winner: Alice Zheng Nth Dist NSW
- PT-2a The Dick Moppett Trophy (Novice)**
 Novice - Champion Facetor
 Winner: John Lumb Port Hacking
- PT-3a The Dick Moppett Trophy (Open)**
 Open - Champion Facetor
 Winner: (Insufficient Entries)
- PT-4a The Arthur Roffey Trophy**
 Best Mineral in Show
 Winner: (No Award)
- PT-5a The Frank Lander Trophy**
 Most Successful Competitor
 Winner: Barbara Try Nth Dist NSW
- PT-6a The Frank Hall Trophy**
 Most Successful Club
 Winner: Nth Dist NSW Nth Dist NSW



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State Gem & Mineral Show





As well as a Vintage Car Show, there was dog show and horse jumping event that were happening at the same time as our show, causing a logistical headache for our committee and volunteers. They definitely weren't expecting to have to direct traffic for the car show, I have included just a few photos of cars.



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1-2 November 2025 Canberra Lapidary Club Spring Show

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Food & Drink / Raffles
Kids Activities (sun)

2025 CLUB EXHIBITION

Free Entry
Gems Minerals Jewellery For Sale

TREASURES FROM THE SUBCONTINENT

Where:
73 Fullagar Road
Wentworthville
7th - 9th November

When:
Friday: 9am - 4pm
Saturday: 9am - 4pm
Sunday: 9am - 4pm

What's on:
Demonstrations
Childrens Craft
Novelty
Lucky Dip
Refreshments
Halal BBQ
Market Stalls



ILLAWARRA LAPIDARY CLUB INC.

OPEN DAY - CHRISTMAS MARKET

SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER, 2025

At Club House 51 Meadow Street, Tarrawanna
9am—2pm



Stalls selling — Gemstones, crystals, fossils, rough, minerals, handcrafted jewellery and books

Morning Tea — Home made cakes & goodies

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EVENTS

General information on which events are going ahead and which have been cancelled, can be found on the following link:

<https://gemlapidarycouncilnsw.org.au/events/>

- ◇ **4-6 October 2025**, Blue Mountains Lapidary Club Gem Show Bullaburra Progress Hall, Cnr Noble St & Great Western HWY Bullaburra
- ◇ **10-12th October 2025**, Inverell & District Lapidary Club Gem & Craft Show. 02 6721 4563.
- ◇ **1-2 November 2025**, Illawarra Lapidary Club Inc, Jewellery Gems and Minerals Festival – 63rd Anniversary, Heininger Hall, Ribbonwood Centre, 109 Princes Hwy, Dapto
- ◇ **1-2 November 2025** Canberra Lapidary Club Spring Show, Mallee Pavilion EPIC, Mitchell, ACT. contact: canberralapidary@gmail.com - Norm Menadue on (02) 6258 6631
- ◇ **7-9 November 2025**, 2025 Club Exhibition, Parramatta-Holroyd Lapidary Club Inc 72 Fullagar Road Wentworthville NSW. Fee entry 9am-4pm
- ◇ **8-9 November** Newcastle Jewellery Fair 2025, Newcastle Lapidary Clubs annual event, At PCYC Newcastle cnr Young and Melbourne Streets Broadmeadow, Facebook page [Newlap_show2025](#)
- ◇ **30 November 2025** Sunday, Illawarra Lapidary Club Inc, Open Day Christmas Market -51 Meadow Street, Tarrawanna
- ◇ **2026**
- ◇ **3-6 April 2026** - 62nd National Gem & Mineral Show, GEMBOREE 2026—Nambour, Sunshine Coast, Queensland. Venue: Nambour Show Grounds, Coronation Avenue Nambour, Queensland. <https://aflaca.org.au/gemboree/>