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NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2009

The June Meeting will be held on Friday the 12th of June at 7.30 p.m. in the LZG14 lecture theatre on the ground floor of Building LZ in the Science campus of the University of Western Sydney on the corner of Victoria Road and James Ruse Drive in North Parramatta.

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: The June Meeting is being held on the second Friday of June due to the first Friday being before a long weekend.

The program will commence with a talk to be given by Jim Sharpe on : -

‘Malachite, Azurite, Chrysocolla and their Pseudomorphs’

Members are invited to bring in specimens of azurite-malachite or chrysocolla pseudomorphs – particularly if they have them from Whim Creek, to help illustrate the talk.

The talk will be followed by a lecture to be given by David Colchester on : -

‘The Burra Copper Mine’

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Subject to circumstances some changes to the following schedule of program subjects and speakers may be made in due course.

July 3rd : Talk by Bruce Myles on ‘Zircons from Malawi’ and a lecture on the ‘Minerals of Mt Vesuvius’ by Graham Ogle.

August 7th: Society A.G.M. and the Betty Mayne Memorial Lecture to be given by Peter Williams on ‘The Sunny Corner Silver Mines’.

September 4th: Talk on ‘Scheelite in Australia’ by John Chapman and a lecture on ‘The History of Copper Mining in NSW’ by Dereck Dolstra.

October 9th, (Second Friday): Talk by Matt Sciberras on 'Copper-Zinc Sulphate Minerals' and a lecture by Geoff Parsons on 'Gold, Copper, Oil and More'.

November 6th: Talk by Simon Hager on 'The Pharmacosiderite Group of Minerals' and a lecture by Paul Meszaros on 'Gold'

December 4th: Christmas Social and Swap n' Sell.

THE SOCIETY COMMITTEE

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WELCOME

Welcome to new member Ann Munroe of Warriewood

MAY MEETING

The May Meeting program comprised the **Member's Mini-Auction** which proceeded briskly from 7.30 p.m. with the whole 80 specimens offered for sale being ably disposed of by the auctioneer, Society member Peter Shales, by about 9.00 p.m. The last item to be auctioned was a very fine specimen of crocoite donated by Peter Williams with the proceeds to be given to the Kids with Cancer charity and which sold for \$545.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

2009 FESTIVAL OF TREASURES

Presented by the Australian Fossickers Association over the Queen's Birthday Long Weekend.

From Friday JUNE 5th to Monday JUNE 8th 2009

9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. on Monday.

The **Festival of Treasures** Show has been held for a number of years in the Gosford Showgrounds but this year is to be held on a site on the corner of Hue Hue Road and Wyee Road, Wyee, N.S.W. The site is central to the Wyee area and a short way from Wyee rail station but motorists please note, whilst the Sydney to Newcastle freeway is a short distance from the Show site there is not an exit there and cars would need to turn off the freeway further south at the Tuggerah or Toukley turn-offs.

Featuring: Meteorite display by G.E.O. Discoveries, Central Coast Lapidary Club display, gemstone, jewellery, fossil, mineral and other collectable sales and dealers, 'Tailgate Alley' sales and small dealers.

Free car parking, refreshments, entry \$3.

Inquiries to the Australian Fossickers Association,
P.O.Box 9095, Wyee, N.S.W. 2259
or telephone 02 4399 2457.

The WINDSOR JEWELLERY, BEADING, GEM & MINERAL SHOW

Proudly supported by the Hawkesbury Valley Lapidary Club.

To be held at the Windsor Function Centre on the corner of Dight & Macquarie Streets, Windsor.

Over Saturday & Sunday, June 13th & 14th 2009

Saturday open from 9.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. & Sunday from 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

'Demonstrations including faceting gemstones, wire wrapping of stones, precious metal clay beading and hand-made jewellery. Displays from private collections including of mineral specimens, cut & polished stones, carvings, gemstones and more !. Sales of jewellery, gemstones, beads, opals, gem, rough, carvings, fossils & findings. Mineral specimens from all over the world. Tools and equipment for lapidary and beading. Metaphysical and Healing crystals.' Admission \$5, light refreshments available.

BLAXLAND GEM & MINERAL CLUB GEM SHOW

Over Saturday and Sunday August 15th and 16th 2009. 8 am to 4 pm Daily

In the Glenbrook Community Hall, Great Western Highway, Glenbrook, NSW
(Next to Glenbrook Theatre), Just west of Information Centre.

<http://www.freewebs.com/blaxlandgemmineralclub/BGMCshow.htm>

Displays of lapidary work and gem, mineral and crystal sales.

Refreshments available. Entry: Adults: \$3.00, Children \$1.00.
