

as of 9th September 2017

40th Annual Seminar Mineralogical Societies of Australasia

As you all know, this seminar to be held in Hahndorf is approaching faster than a freight train. All the major aspects are in place; the venue, the speakers and the field trips.

The Venue: The Hahndorf Resort Tourist Park on the 4th, 5th and 6th October 2017

The Speakers: A diverse group of experts all passionate about mineralogy will present papers on a wide range of topics.

Speakers include:

Prof. Paul Spry (Iowa State Uni.)

Rod Martin (New Zealand)

Prof. Ian Plimer (South Australia)

Dr. Peter Downs (Western Australia)

Greg Drew (South Australia)

Jesse Clark (South Australia)

Peter Elliott (South Australia)

Vince Peisley (South Australia)

Dr. Frank Reith (South Australia)

Dr. Ivan Dainis (South Australia)

Dr. Andrew Christie (Queensland)

Don McColl (South Australia)

Ralph Bottrill (Tasmania)

Tony Forsyth (Queensland)

Dehne McLaughlin (Tasmania)

The Field Trips:

Day 1 (1 st Oct)	morning	Preamimma Mine
	afternoon	Aclare Mine

Day 2 (2 nd Oct)	morning	Milandella
	afternoon	

Day 3 (3 rd Oct)	morning	Eleura Hills Uranium Mine
	afternoon	Little Gorge

Day 4 (7 th Oct)		Adelaide Gem and Mineral Club Exhibition at Payneham
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Day 5 (8 th Oct)		Phosphate quarries in the Kapunda region
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Micromount Session and Swap and Sell:

To be held at the Hahndorf Resort on the 6th October. Microscopes and specimens will be available for use on the day.

Tables will be available to Registered Seminar participants for swapping and selling minerals.

More details available during the seminar.

Annual General Meeting of the Australian Journal of Mineralogy and the Mineralogical Societies will be held at 5.30pm on Wed 4th October at the Lakeview Conference Centre, Hahndorf Resort.

Annual Mineralogical Societies Dinner

To be held at the 'Old Mill Restuarent' at 96 Main Street, Hahndorf on the evening of the 5th October.

Partners of Registrants and non-registrants can attend this function (Cost \$40 per person).

Numbers need to be known by the 1st October.

Broken Hill Excursion

This seven day excursion (9th Oct to Sunday 15th October) will depart the Hahndorf Resort at 9.00am on Monday 9th and travel to Plumbaga Station. Three nights will be spent at the 'Shearers Quarters' while 2 days will be spent at selected collecting localities from which many minerals of interest have been found.

On Thursday the group moves to a collecting site on Tikalina Station before ending up at the Broken Hill Tourist Park.

Day trips from Broken Hill on the 13th and 14th October will visit an additional seven collecting sites. Further information on these will be available during the Hahndorf Seminar.

The concluding event of the Seminar will be a B.B.Q., meeting with members of the Broken Hill Mineral Club, on the Saturday evening of the 14th.

I encourage all members of Minsoc S.A. to attend this event.

Visitors from all states, New Zealand and the U.S.A. are already registered.

Meet old friends, make new friends, learn about minerals from a range of experts and do some worthwhile collecting.

This event is under written by Minsoc S.A. and we need butts on seats to cover cost. You'll have a great time.

Remember

- 1) Daylight saving begins on the 1st Oct, the day of our first field trip.
- 2) All the above events are organised for the Seminar and are available for Registered participants, with few exceptions (one being the Annual Minsoc Dinner).
- 3) Registrations need to be finalised by the 27th September
- 4) We need helpers for a number of small jobs.(To be discussed at the Minsoc meeting on 25th September)

Harold Gallasch

Convenor of Minsoc Seminar 2017