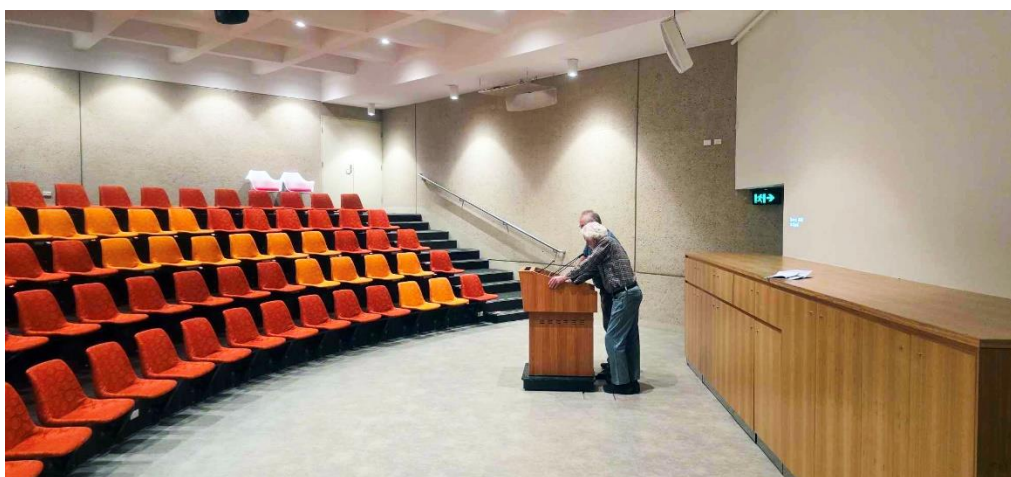


# Newsletter 2 - September 2024

## Mineralogical Society of Queensland Inc.

Information for the 46th  
Joint Mineralogical Societies of Australasia  
Seminar to be held in Brisbane, Queensland  
5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2024



*Queensland Museum Theatrette venue*

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# General information:

**This Newsletter Number 2 is to just give delegates more information prior to the seminar.**

The venue is the theatrette within the Queensland Museum, Southbank, Brisbane. It features a large stage area and tiered seating. It is situated on **Level 2**, adjacent to the main southern entrance of the Museum, closest to Melbourne Street, and the pedestrian overpass to the Queensland Performing Arts Centre.

On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October, museum staff and Queensland Minsoc members will be on hand to allow entry to registered attendees prior to the Museum's 9:30am opening time. Because of museum renovations, our entry plans have changed slightly.

Entry is still via the overhead walkway (commonly known as the "whale mall"). However, from 8:30 am, entry is via a doorway known as the 'eagle' door that opens into Lost Creatures/Dinosaurs Unearthed gallery. So, look out for your guides! (After 9:30am, entry will be via the doorway adjacent to the Museum shop).

The Museum has asked that delegates remain within the entrance area and theatrette, and do not wander round the museum or shop before the museum's official opening hour of 9.30am. You will be guided to the registration desk from 8:30 am onwards. Take your time to view the joint QM/MHM mineral display on the Mezzanine floor whilst you wait!

Because this is a long weekend, the Museum café does not open until 9:30am, so if you require that coffee fix to get you going, please purchase it before entering! (*Southbank surrounds or South Brisbane Station should be open*)

## **Seminar catering is provided as part of your seminar registration**

10:30 am Morning tea (*Café Muse terrace*)

12:30 pm Lunch (*Café Muse terrace*)

2:30 pm Afternoon tea (*Café Muse terrace*)

Morning tea, afternoon tea and lunches are catered for all registered participants and are served in the Café Muse terrace within the Queensland Museum. If, however you prefer to

eat elsewhere, there are also a large range of restaurants and takeaway food outlets located within the Southbank complex within a 10-minute walk.

### **The Seminar dinner: (on Saturday night 5<sup>th</sup> October)**

The seminar dinner will be available for delegates and guests **who have prepaid** at the **Plough Inn hotel**, 29 Stanley St Plaza, South Brisbane. (late registrants cannot be offered places) The Plough Inn is a 15-minute walk from the Queensland Museum, and opposite the Southbank Beach. Dinner is 7:00 pm for 7:30 pm and drinks will be available at the bar from 6:30 pm onwards. Dinner is a three-course meal with drinks available for purchase.

### **Seminar Car Parking at Southbank**

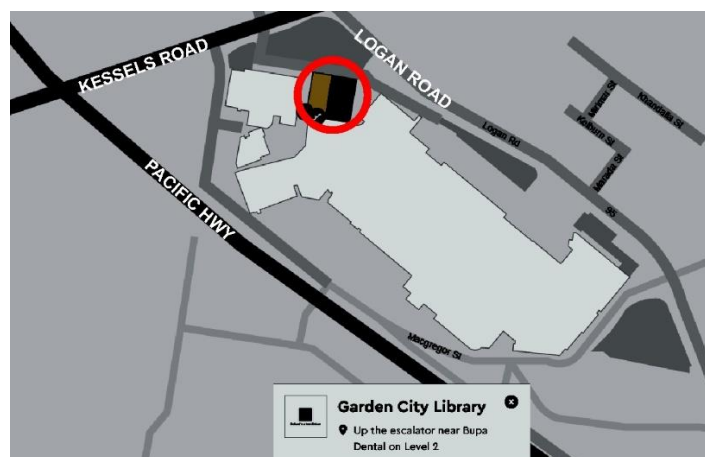
The closest recommended carparks available are **directly below the Queensland Museum**, the Queensland Art Gallery, and the Queensland State Library **for \$17.60 per day** on both Saturday and Sunday, from 7:00 am until 12:00pm midnight. Be aware **that spaces are limited**, so please arrive early. (Carparks within the Southbank precinct other than these **are timed by the hour** and can be quite expensive per day).

### **Car Parking at Garden City Library Upper Mount Gravatt**

On the Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October we have events planned at the meeting rooms of the Garden City Library, Upper My Gravatt. Parking here is regulated and charged after parking for **3 hours** only. You can extend this to 4 hours parking using the Westfield app on your phone. (visit <https://www.westfield.com.au/membership> to register).

(Please be aware there is also a **Mt Gravatt Library** – this is **NOT OUR VENUE!**, we are meeting at the **Garden City Library**).

The library meeting rooms are on **Level R4 - Yellow Car Park**, adjacent to the actual library. It is the top level of the library complex and can be reached by lift or by driving and parking on the top level. The Garden City shopping complex is spread out, with the library situated in the north-east corner. If you have trouble, please ring one of the committee on the day!



## **Field trips**

Make sure that you are registered if you are intending to attend any visits or the field trip to Kingaroy. Maps will be available at the seminar for attendees to help navigate!

## **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October Kingaroy (night)**

For those overnighiting in Kingaroy or surrounds, we are making a group booking at a local hotel for anyone wanting to get together the night prior to the field trip, so attendance will require notifying us beforehand.

If you have further questions, then please phone up and we'll see if we can help!

See you all in Brisbane next Saturday!

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