



Northern Districts Lapidary Club Inc. (NDLC)

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Club Information Sheet

The NDLC has a well-equipped cutting room and a meeting & work room in the basement of the Beecroft Community Centre, on the corner of Beecroft and Copeland Roads, Beecroft. The entrance is located on the railway side, east of the building, aside the park walkway.

The Club is an Incorporated Association, run by a Committee elected at the Annual General Meeting. We encourage members to attend the monthly General Meetings, as to contribute to the decision making process.

Many members volunteer their expertise and time, so that the Club can operate effectively and economically, allowing the Club to maintain a low fee structure. Hence have a stable and very active membership. As the Club is proudly a non-commercial organisation, members must not use its facilities or equipment for personal profit.

Social events and field trips encourage members to interact outside their classes. The Club's Newsletter, "Lapis", keeps members informed about Club issues (we need your email address to send it to you).

We welcome you to join the NDLC to acquire lapidary skills like cutting cabochons (in different styles), producing silver jewellery (of all designs imaginable, using various techniques) or enamelling pieces (of astounding workmanship), etc. Our classes and workshops can accommodate new members (even so waiting lists may apply). Dedicated and skilled teachers / instructors will ensure that everybody, including a Novice, is guided and enabled to reach his or her full workmanship potential (including participating in competitions, if you desire so). Friendly Club members, of all walks of life, will gladly assist each other to live up to the Club's motto "Share the Knowledge".

Regular classes and permanent workshops (aligned with the NSW public school terms)		
Monday	7:30 pm to 10 pm	Cabochon cutting
Monday	7:30 pm to 10 pm	Silver jewellery class *
Tuesday	9 am to 12 noon	Silver workshop (restricted) *
Wednesday	10 am to 2 pm	Seniors' workshop (restricted, experienced members only)
Wednesday	7:30 pm to 10 pm	Silver jewellery class *
Thursday	7:30 pm to 10 pm	Cabochon cutting
Friday	7:30 pm to 10 pm	Cabochon cutting, priority families (and new members)
* Note: To join a silver jewellery class or workshop, at least 1 term of cabochon cutting must be completed first.		

Weekend workshops for enamelling, lost wax casting, beading, etc., will be organised during the year.

Some members have skills in tumbling stones, (bone) carving, wire wrapping jewellery and faceting (but these items are not taught at the Club routinely). Field trips will keep the lapidary interest high.

A mid-year function and a Christmas party encourages lively and interesting social interaction of all members.

Club / Membership Fees	
Joining fee (a once off) Full member age 18 and above	\$25.00
Joining fee (a once off) Junior member age 9 to 17	\$10.00
Joining fee (a once off) Family concession	\$40.00
Annual membership fee Full member age 18 and above	\$22.00
Annual membership fee Junior member age 9 to 17	\$11.00
<i>Note: If somebody joins after January 1st in any year, only half the annual fee is charged (no other concession).</i>	
Class Fee 1 st class per School Term	\$30.00
Class Fee Any additional classes per School Term	\$25.00 each
Casual use of machinery Per attendance of a class / workshop	\$5.00 each