



GEMBOREE 2021

The 57th National Gem and Mineral Show, GEMBOREE, was held between 2-5 April 2021 at the Hobart Showground in the northern suburbs of Hobart and was hosted by the Tasmanian Lapidary and Mineral Association inc. under the auspices of A.F.L.A.C.A. inc. This was the 7th time the GEMBOREE has been staged in Tasmania and was the first one to be held after Covid-19 saw the cancellation of the show in Albury in 2020.

Although most state borders were open over the Easter period in 2021, there were some states who unfortunately were still experiencing travel restrictions due to Covid-19. This meant that some of our favourite interstate participants were unable to attend our GEMBOREE unless they managed to leave their home states some weeks or months earlier. Nonetheless, GEMBOREE 2021 was reasonably well attended and proved to be the annual success it usually is for the competition entrants, traders, and lapidary enthusiasts alike.

Over the course of the show there were three field trips held, going to places such as the Bridgewater Quarry, Drip Beach, and Lune River. The weather was fine and we understand that everyone who participated in the field trips had an enjoyable time.

Overall GEMBOREE 2021 was a great success predominantly due to the efforts of the volunteers who helped set up, run, and pack up the GEMBOREE, many of these volunteers came from interstate clubs, and if it wasn't for their help, we wouldn't have been able to hold the show. Many thanks to all of you, your efforts are greatly appreciated by the GEMBOREE 2021 committee.

The GEMBOREE 2022 is to be held at Mudgee by the Gem & Lapidary Council of NSW inc. and we wish them every success in staging this annual event which has become a tradition for many of us every Easter. We look forward to seeing you all there.



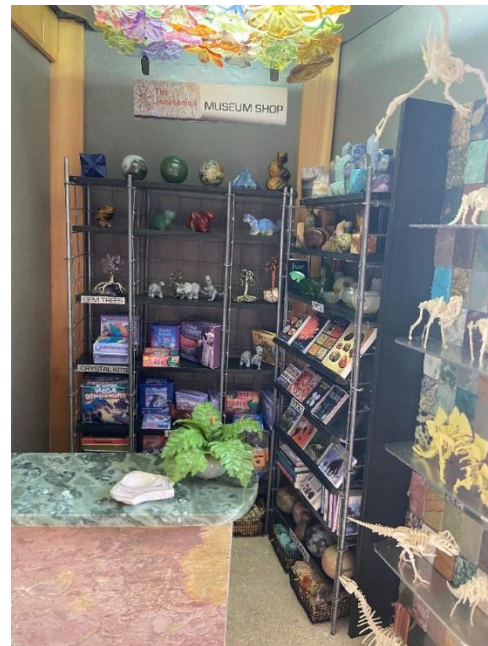
Hall Trader – Rare and Beautiful



Hall Trader – Lunaris Gemstones



Hall Trader – The Adelaide Mining Company Pty Ltd – Crocoite specimen



Miniatures by Jan Jones



Competition entry



Marcia Hill takes out a great number of prizes
– Paintings by Sam Caberica, Competition Manager