

Tea Tree Gully Gem & Mineral Club Inc. (TTGGMC)

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# "Rockzette"

# Tea Tree Gully Gem & Mineral Club News

#### President's Report

#### Greetings All,

#### \* \* \* 3 Important Announcements \* \* \*

1) At the October Committee Meeting, a resolution was passed that General meetings will change from starting at 8.00 p.m. on the 1st Thursday of each month to a 2.30 p.m. start. That is, following the Committee meetings which will commence at 2.00 p.m. This change will take effect on November 4th, 2021, on a permanent basis. (NOTE: November meetings also include the club's AGM). Hopefully, this will mean an increase in meeting attendance, as many of our older members are not comfortable driving at night.

- 2) A resolution was also passed to increase class fees from \$3.00 to \$4.00, also commencing November 4th, 2021. (This will be the first increase for approximately 30 years).
- 3) It was also decided that, unless something untoward (meaning Covid related) prevents it, a Christmas Lunch WILL be held this year. The date will be Sunday, the 5th of December to commence at 12.30 p.m. The format will follow that of previous years the splendid, glazed ham, and chickens will be supplied by the Club, while members are asked to bring drinks and a salad or sweet.

N.B. If you wish to attend and have not already done so, PLEASE let either Augie or me know, as catering and seating will ONLY be supplied for the number who have responded. In other words, you will NOT be able to just turn up on the day if you have not already had your name put on the attendance list. Cheers,

## Diary Dates / Notices

#### **Happy Birthday**

Members celebrating November birthdays: 4<sup>th</sup> – Alan Harris. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Graham Gill.

7<sup>th</sup> – Claudia Gill. 27<sup>th</sup> – Allan Rudd.

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#### General Interest

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### General Interest

#### Some of Augie's October Facebook/Humour shares...



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Members' Noticeboard and Links...

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The Tea Tree Gully Gem & Mineral Club Inc. is not and cannot be held responsible or liable for any personal injuries, loss or damage to property at any club activity, including, but not limited to, meetings, field trips, all crafts and club shows.

An indemnity is to be signed by all participants before each and every field trip activity they attend.

#### Club Activities / Fees

November

**Edition** 

2021

#### Meetings

Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of each month except there is no meetings in January.

Committee meetings start at 2.00 pm.

General meetings start at 2.30 pm.

#### Library

#### Librarian - Augie Gray

There is a 2-month limit on borrowed items. When borrowing from the lending library, fill out the card at the back of the item, then place the card in the box on the shelf.

When returning items, fill in the return date on the card, then place the card at the back of the item.

#### Tuesday Faceting/Cabbing

Tuesdays - 10 am to 2 pm. All are welcome. Supervised by Doug Walker (7120 2221).

#### Wednesday Silversmithing

Wednesdays - 7 pm to 9 pm. All are welcome. Supervised by Jean Hickman (0419 837 886).

#### **Thursday Cabbing**

Thursdays - 10 am to 2 pm. All are welcome. Supervised by Augie Gray (8265 4815 / 0433 571 887).

#### **Friday Silversmithing**

Fridays - 9 am to 12 noon. All are welcome. Supervised by John Hill (8251 1118).

#### Faceting/Cabbing/Silversmithing Fees:

A standard fee of \$4.00 per session applies – to be paid to the session supervisor.

In the interest of providing a safe working environment, it is necessary to ensure everyone using the workshops follow the rules set out in *Policy No. 1 - 20/11/2006*.

It is necessary that *Health and Safety* regulations <u>are</u> adhered to always.

Everyone using the workshop must ensure:

- that all club equipment (e.g. magnifying head pieces, faceting equipment, tools, etc.) used during the session, is cleaned, and returned to the workshop after usage.
- that all workstations are left in a clean and tidy state.
- that all rubbish is removed and placed in the appropriate bin.
- and where applicable, machines are cleaned and oiled or dried.

NOTE: The Tea Tree Gully Gem & Mineral Club Inc. will not be held responsible or liable for any person injured while using the club machinery or equipment.

#### **Club Subscriptions:**

\$25.00 Family \$20.00 Family Pensioner \$15.00 Single \$12.50 Single Pensioner \$10.00 Joining Fee

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# Augie's November 2021 Mineral Selections - Page 2 of 4. Contributed by Augie Gray... Opalized Wood 03 Maligano Jasper 05. Petrified Palm 05. Opalized Wood 01 Petrified Palm 02. Petrified Palm 06.

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# Augie's November 2021 Mineral Selections - Page 3 of 4. Contributed by Augie Gray... Plume Chalcedony 06. Plume Chalcedony 02. Petrified Wood 03. Petrified Wood 04. Plume Chalcedony 05.

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#### Contributed by Augie Gray...



River Jasper 01.







River Jasper 04.

#### Augie's Facebook/Humour Shares





Polished slab of Indonesian Palm Root. Credit - Egi Chandra.

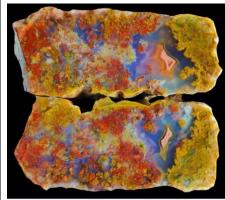


One of the best Cubuk, Turkey, Agates I've ever seen! Credit -Gökhan Caliskan.





Gorgeous slab of Rainbow Fluorite



An outstanding Moss Agate from Cubuk, Turkey. Credit - Gökhan Caliskan.



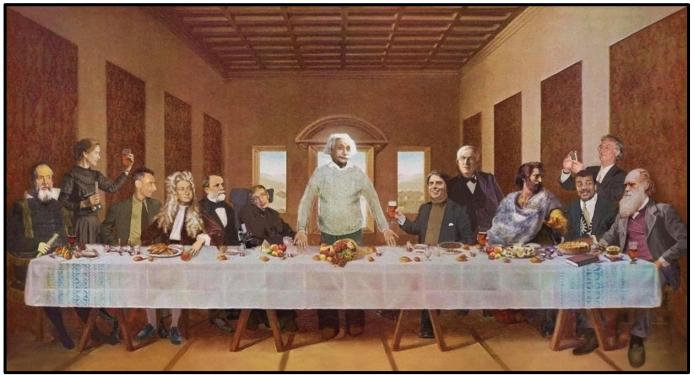
A memory from 5 years ago. Bought this gorgeous Amethyst geode in 2016. From Artigas, Uruguay.



A great slab of old stock Madagascan Ocean Jasper. Haven't seen quality like this in years.



Beautiful Western Australian Tigeriron. Photo credit - Australian Outback Mining.



In a world of conspiracy theorists and science deniers, a fitting post that unfortunately only a few will appreciate. - "The Scientists' Last Supper - how many can you recognize



Things that money

can't buy: 1: Manners

2: Morals

3: Respect

4: Character

5: Common Sense

7: Patience

6: Trust 8: Class

9: Integrity

10: Love

Type 'yes' if you agree.

#### When bartenders find new jobs after all the bars close down



Corona beer changes their name to avoid association with the Coronavirus outbreak



Man walks into a bar.... Lucky Bastard..



A gorgeous piece of Canadian Pinolith. Credit - George Kohorst.



Do you ever look at some people and just go, "Say What"

According to a Japanese legend, when you can not sleep at night it is because you are awake

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# $Ian\ Everard's\ and\ Allan\ Rudd's\ 2021\ Agate\ Creek\ Fossicking\ Safari-Part\ 1-Page\ 1\ of\ 5.$ Contributed by Ian Everard... Agate, Agate Creek, Qld. 2021 - 05 Agate, Agate Creek, Qld. 2021 - 01. Agate, Agate Creek, Qld. 2021 – 06. Agate, Agate Creek, Qld. 2021 - 02 Agate, Agate Creek, Qld. 2021 - 07. Agate, Agate Creek, Qld 2021 - 03. Agate, Agate Creek, Qld. 2021 - 08

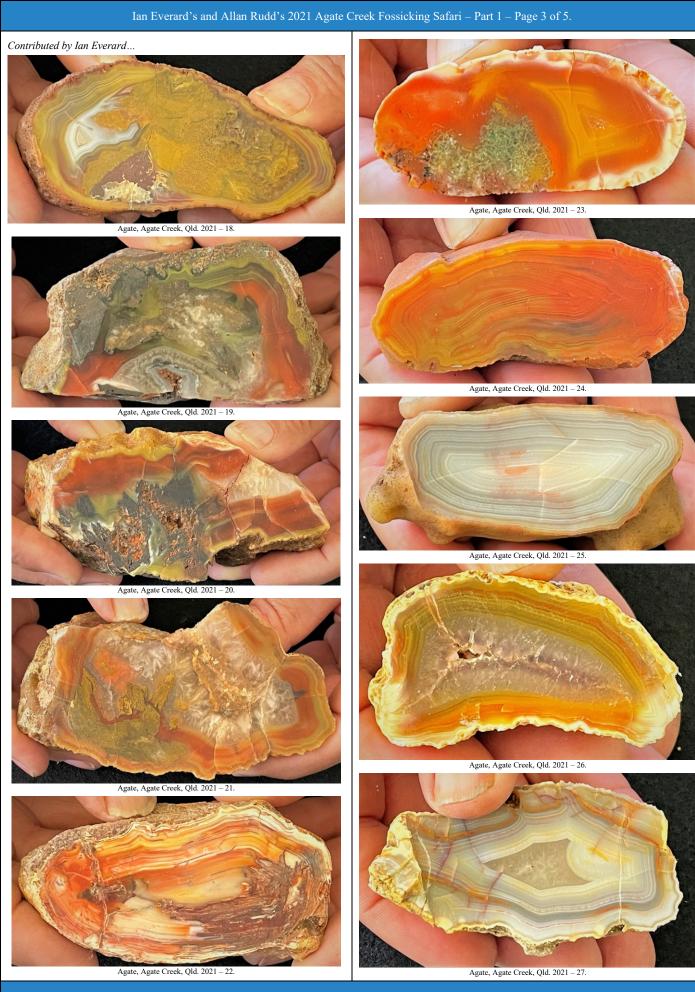
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#### Ian Everard's and Allan Rudd's 2021 Agate Creek Fossicking Safari – Part 1 – Page 4 of 5.

Contributed by Allan Rudd...



What happens when my trailer wheel comes off twice?



Campsite at Balranald.



Campsite at Agate Creek



Ian enjoying happy hour at Agate Creek.





Cattle assume the park is their patch regardless of campers.



Cattle being inquisitive regardless of campers.





Bull challenges Luna's curiosity





While all are preoccupied with Luna, I'll have a bit on the side.



Lake Louise.





Bird hopes this titbit is edibl



Ted Elliot Collection (Georgetown, Qld.) item 1.



Ted Elliot Collection (Georgetown, Qld.) item 2.



Ted Elliot Collection (Georgetown, Qld.) item 3



Ted Elliot Collection (Georgetown, Qld.) item 4.

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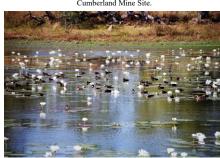


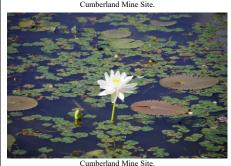


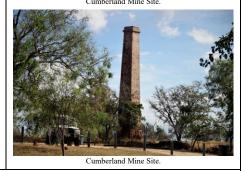


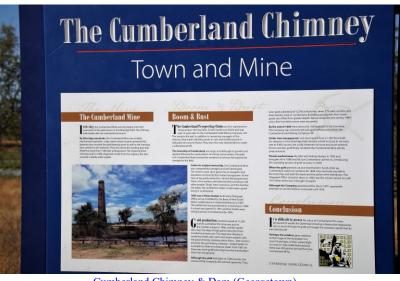












Cumberland Chimney & Dam (Georgetown)...

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#### Janet and Mel's Port Elliot Weekender 15th - 17 Oct 2021 - Granite Island New Causeway Photo Update.

Contributed by Mel Jones...

Janet and Mel's Port Elliot Weekender 15-17th Oct 2021 - Granite Island New Causeway Photo Update



The new Granite Island Causeway engineering job was 3 months in progress when this photo was taken on May 14th, 2021. The location is at the Victor Harbor end and foundation work was in progress, but no causeway structure. (This photo and others can be seen in the July 2021 TTGGMC Newsletter, page 9, column 3.)



On Sunday 17th October 2021, Janet and I went for a walk across the old causeway to Granite Island to see what progress had been made. This photo was taken from Granite Island and as can be seen quite considerable progress has been made with the new causeway almost reaching Granite Island. Walking along the island path taken by the horse-drawn trams was blocked due to engineering works. The path to gain access to the east end of the island was straight up the hill behind where I was standing to take this photo.



Rest stop as the path is quite steep



To the West, great clear view of The Bluff.



Engineering works in progress along where the horse drawn tramline runs...public not able to access this area at present.



Access is available via the wooden stairway to the café area and pylon jetty. (Café currently not open).



View towards causeway from North-western side of Granite Island.



New causeway barely a stone throw from granite Island.









No sudden shifts noticed while we were there...thank go







Railway lines look over engineered for a horse drawn tram

#### General Interest/Humour.

Contributed by Allan Rudd...

# Threesome – Lion, Tiger, and Bear

Noah's Ark - Noah's Ark (noahs-ark.org)



This is Leo the African lion, Baloo the black bear, and Shere khan the Bengal tiger. The threesome was rescued as babies from the basement of an Atlanta drug dealer's home when it was raided by authorities.



They were starving, traumatised, and had bacterial infections.



Since then, they were brought to Noah's Ark Animal Sanctuary, where they've lived in the same habitat together for 13 years.



The only time the three were separated was when Baloo was sent to surgery. [while at the drug dealer's home, Baloo had been mistreated so profoundly that the harness that was put on him had grown into his skin.]



The two cats were distraught and cried for the bear's return when he was at the Vets. Since then, no one has separated the group. They clearly bonded during their earliest memories and never wanted to be apart.



Now they live together as if they were brothers of the same species.







They play together, nuzzle one another and are extremely affectionate. This threesome is the only lion, tiger and bear living together in the world.













No one ever told them they couldn't love one another, so they did just that. And now, even all these years later, they continue to do so. The trio are affectionately referred to as BLT, standing for bear, lion, and tieer.

Noah's Ark Videos - Noah's Ark (noahs-ark.org)

Questions and Answers - Noah's Ark (noahs-ark.org)

Contributed by Allan Rudd...

I asked a wise man, "tell me sir, in which field could I make a great career?"



He said with a smile, "be a good human being. There is a lot of opportunity in this area and very little competition."





Since we are now redefining everything, this is a cordless hole puncher.



#### The Bodybuilder and the Blonde



The body builder takes off his shirt and the blonde says, 'What a great chest you have!'

He tells her, 'That's 100 lbs. of dynamite, baby.' He takes off his pants and the blonde says, 'What massive calves you have!'

The body builder tells her, 'That's 100 lbs. of dynamite, baby.'

He then removes his underwear, and the blonde goes running out of the apartment screaming in fear.

The body builder puts his clothes back on and chases after her. He catches up to her and asks why she ran out of the apartment like that.

The blonde replies, 'I was afraid to be around all that dynamite after I saw how short the fuse was!'

#### Conundrums

A nun is walking down the street when a man stops her. He says, "please sister, those soldiers are after me, will you hide me under your skirts?" The nun agrees and hides him until the soldiers are gone. The man comes out and says "Thank you for helping me, I don't want to go to war. I hope this isn't too forward, but while I was down there, I couldn't help but notice you have a great pair of legs." The nun replies, "If you'd looked higher, you'd have seen a great pair of balls. I don't want to go to war either!"

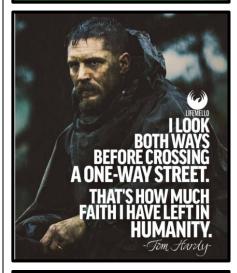
Two little boys were known troublemakers, stealing everything they could get their hands, even from the church. One day a priest stopped one of the boys and asked, "Where is God?" The boy shrugged and the priest repeated, "Where is God?" The boy ran out of the cathedral crying to his home where he hid in a closet. Eventually his brother found him and asked, "What's wrong?" The crying boy replied, "We're in trouble now! God is missing and they think we took him!"

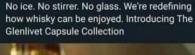
A drunk staggers into a Catholic Church, enters a confessional booth, sits down, but says nothing. The Priest coughs a few times to get his attention, but the drunk continues to sit there. Finally, the Priest pounds three times on the wall. The drunk mumbles, "Ain't no use knocking! There's no paper on this side either!"

A teacher was testing her students' knowledge of words' antonyms. She asked, "What is the opposite of go?" A student answered, "Stop." "Very good," the teacher replied. "What is the opposite of adamant?" Another student said, "Eveant."

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### YOU WILL PROBABLY FAIL AT LEAST TWO WORDS IN THIS SPELLING TEST SLICK HERE TO START CLICK HERE TO START







He eats a whiskey pod,
He eats a vodka pod,
He eats a lager pod,
He eats a cider pod,
He eats the pods that remind him
of the good Tide
He eats the pods that remind him
of the better Tide

I am
responsible
for what I
say, not what
you
understand.

Contributed by Doug Hughes..



My hands have witnessed more alcohol in the last 3 days than my liver has ever.

Putting a drink in each room of my house today and calling it a pub crawl.

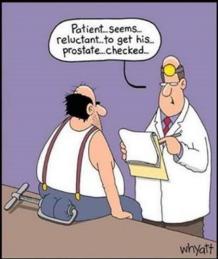
Guys, don't get fooled!
I was told a mask and gloves is enough to go to the store, but when I got there people were also wearing pants and shirts

# **CORONA VIRUS**

- 1. 6FT DISTANCE
- 2. NO HUGGING
- 3. NO KISSING
- 4. NO SOCIAL INTERACTION

\*LIKE BEING MARRIED...
BUT WITH A COUGH!





In Germany they are preparing for the crisis by stocking up with sausage and cheese.

That's the Wurst Käse scenario.

Mexico is now asking trump to hurry up with the wall..

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I went for a cappuccino yesterday and the young lady serving me asked, "do you want sprinkles?" I said "yes please" and now I'm stuck with her incontinent cat!!



Jane and Arlene are outside their nursing home, having a drink and a smoke, when it starts to rain. Jane pulls out a condom, cuts of the end, puts it over her cigarette, and continues smoking.

Arlene: What in the hell is that?

Jane: A condom. This way my cigarette doesn't get wet.

Arlene: Where did you get it?

Jane: You can get them at any pharmacy.

The next day, Arlene hobbles herself into the local pharmacy and announces to the pharmacist that she wants a box of condoms. The pharmacist, obviously embarrassed, looks at her kind of strangely (she is, after all, over 80 years of age) but very delicately asks what size, texture, brand of condom she prefers.

Jane replies: 'Doesn't matter Sonny, as long as it fits a came!'

The pharmacist fainted!

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The Hokey Pokey – Senior's Version



Yesterday I wore something from 5 years ago and it fitted !!!! So proud of myself. It was a scarf. But still. Let's be positive here.





Happiness.





Smart people learn from everything and everyone. Average people learn from their experience. Stupid people already have all the answers.



The old lady handed her bank card to a bank teller and said, "I would like to withdraw \$10 The teller told her, "For withdrawals less than \$100 please use the ATM."

The old lady wanted to know why ...
The teller returned her bank card and irritably told her, "These are the rules. Please leave if there is no other matter. There is a line of customers behind you."

The old lady remained silent for a few seconds, then handed the card back to the teller and said, "Please help me withdraw all the money I have."

The teller was astonished when she checked the account balance. She nodded her head, leaned down and respectfully told her, you have \$300,000 in your account and the bank doesn't have the much cash currently. Could you make an appointment and come again tomorrow?

The old lady then asked how much she could withdraw immediately.

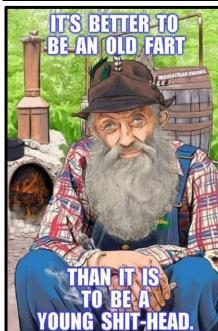
The teller told her any amount up to \$3000
"Well, please let me have \$3000 now", she The teller then handed it very friendly and respectfully

The old lady put \$10 in her purse and asked the teller to deposit \$2990 back into her account. the moral of this tale.

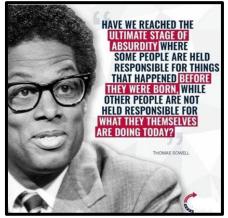
Don't be difficult with old people, they spent a lifetime learning the skills

Contributed by Allan Rudd..















To those who still wear their mask below the nose, it's been almost a year now; it takes less time to potty train a toddler.



IF YOU'RE EVER WITH
ME AND SOMEONE
COMES UP TO ME AND
STARTS TALKING AND
I DON'T INTRODUCE YOU,
IT'S STRICTLY BECAUSE
I DON'T REMEMBER THEIR
NAME. SO PLEASE FEEL
FREE TO BE AWESOME
AND INTRODUCE
YOURSELF SO I CAN
THEN HEAR THEIR NAME
AND PRETEND I KNEW
IT ALL ALONG.

So....You've been eating hotdogs, chicken nuggets and processed meat all your life. But you won't get the shot, because you don't know whats in it!

Aren't you a special kind of stupid!

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Contributed by Wendy Purdie...

HOW SMART IS YOUR RIGHT FOOT ???

This is bizarre!

How smart is Your Right Foot? ? Just try this. It is from an orthopedic Surgeon..........

This will boggle your mind and you will keep trying over and over again to see if you can outsmart your foot, but you can't. It's preprogrammed in your Brain!

- WITHOUT anyone watching you and while sitting where you are at your desk in front of your computer, lift your right foot off the floor and make clockwise circles.
- 2. Now, while doing this, draw the number "6" in the air with your right hand.
  Your foot will change direction.

I told you so!!!

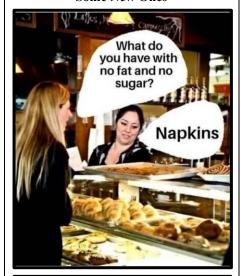
And there's nothing you can do about it!

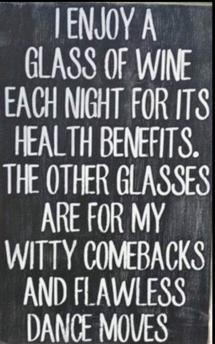
Send it to your friends and frustrate them too.

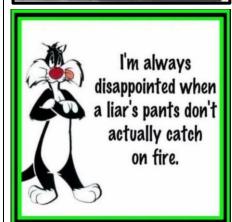
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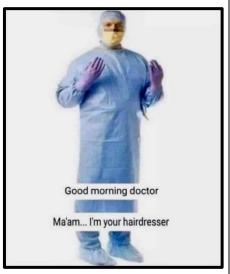
Some New Ones







So many people these days are too judgemental! I can tell by just looking at them.





Day 12 of Coronavirus quarantine... I found a new hobby "toilet paper art."



I asked my Doctor today how long he thinks this COVID thing will last. He responded with: "How should I know? I'm a doctor, not a politician". Week 6 of quarantine:



me: how much is the rent for this gorgeous apartment?
"sir, this is a liquor store."



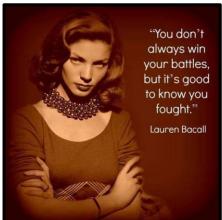


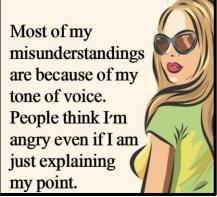


For those that have never seen a catfish!

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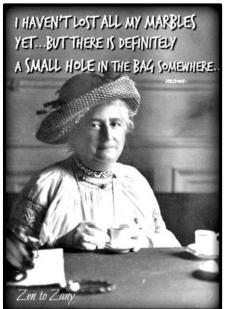


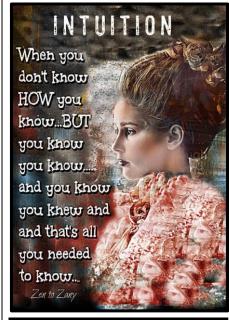












My silence doesn't mean I agree with you. It means your level of stupidity renders me speechless!

If you see me talking to myself, just move along...
I'm self-employed...we're having a staff meeting.



ME GIVING MY FRIEND SOME MENTAL HEALTH ADVICE WHEN I SHOULD BE IN AN ASYLUM MYSELF...



If you're going to rattle my cage you better make sure I'm padlocked in it!



# **!!! SUPER CABOCHON SALE !!!**

2 Days Only

Sat. & Sun. 20 - 21 November

10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

4 Dowding Tce., Tea Tree Gully

For sale will be over **2,000**top quality, hand selected cabochons
in more than **170** different varieties of gemstone
including many rare & collector materials

# **Eftpos & Cash both welcome**

A sale like this has never been held before in Adelaide, so don't miss out!

The vendor is local & well known has traded for many years at
Adelaide's gem & mineral club shows
as The Silver Bear

Don't miss this special opportunity!

#### Members' Noticeboard

#### Mineral boxes and flats for sale

#### Mineral box sizes

Sold in bundles of (10 )or 100

 3.5 x 3.3cm
 (\$1.50) \$12.00

 4 x 4cm
 (\$1.50) \$13.00

 5 x 5.2cm
 (\$2.00) \$15.00

 6.2 x 7.5cm
 (\$2.50) \$18.00

 7 x 7cm
 (\$2.50) \$19.00

 7 x 9.5cm
 (\$2.50) \$20.00

 8.5 x 9.5cm
 (\$3.00) \$22.00

 9.5 x 9.5cm
 (\$3.50) \$23.00

 13 x 9.5cm
 (\$4.00) \$25.00

 13 x 12.5cm
 (\$4.50) \$30-00

#### Flats sizes

395 x 265 x 50mm.... \$2.50 400 x 270 x 75mm.... \$3.50 **NEW SIZE** 398 x 290 x 98mm....\$4.00

#### Greg Vort-Ronald

0413796279 or luv2paint@iprimus.com.au all boxes and flats are folded together, no staples required (Prices subject to change)

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