



NSW & ACT Prospectors and Fossickers Association Inc.

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"Fights for fairer access to land in NSW and represents the interests of prospectors and fossickers"

NOTICE OF 2019 NAPFA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2019 Annual General Meeting of NAPFA will be held at:

Sofala on Saturday the 12th of October at 1.00pm.

MEETING AGENDA

1. 1:00pm Meeting Opens
2. Welcome by President
3. Apologies
4. Confirmation of minutes from 2018 AGM - copies circulated before the AGM
5. Report from President
6. Report from Treasurer - copies circulated before the AGM
7. Report from Secretary/Committee
8. Summary of Nominations for Office Bearers
 - a. President
 - b. Vice President
 - c. Secretary
 - d. Treasurer
 - e. Ordinary Committee Members
9. Election of Office Bearers
10. **GENERAL BUSINESS (Committee will ensure a break during general business)**

A. NAPFA Admin & general business

- Insurance, running costs, audit
- Newsletters, Website, AGG&T ad
- NAPFA sub-committees - small Miners Group

B. NAPFA Memberships

- Member numbers, update on the new multi-year and Family memberships
- Paypal and Ccard payments
- Member vetting Policy & Code of Conduct, social media policy, membership database

C. Powered Equipment

- Latest from DRG, other depts and authorities
- In particular members will be given details of the dealings leading up to the State election and NAPFA's decision to withhold the planned public campaign
- NAPFA release of information and concerns raised of "secrecy"
- Strategy going forward: members to vote on direction.

D. Land Access

- Crown Lands, Reserves and Commons, updates on Mudgee, Tuena, TSR's
- Field issues and reporting of problems
- Fossicking Districts and follow up on LGA's
- Parks: Previous plan to work on 3 park plans at once to set a precedent and include 1 National Park and 1 SCA.

11. NEW BUSINESS

All current lobbying issues will be discussed along with administration and membership items. The NAPFA committee's plans going forward will be discussed and voted on by members.

Members can raise any items for discussion; however, it is best to notify committee before the AGM so we can add it to the relevant section on the agenda. If members wish to add a specific item to the agenda they can by notifying the Secretary in Writing at: secretary@napfa.net

We will take a break and then conduct the Prospectors auction and draw for the door prize, a Go-Find 20 metal detector, will take place following the end of the AGM.

Barry Fittler
AGM Officer

Nominations for Committee

In accordance with the Rules of the Association, all executive and committee positions are declared vacant at the AGM and election of executive and committee members will be held.

The AGM offers a chance for members to nominate for committee or office bearer positions. Please see the attached form. Nominations need to be received by the 4^h of October 2019. Email to Secretary@napfa.net or post to NAPFA PO Box 4529 Dubbo NSW 2830.

If you have the necessary skills and interest to be on the committee please nominate. It is vital we have new blood coming through the committee and executive positions to remain a vibrant association. If you are passionate about your fossicking rights, then it is likely you would enjoy being on the committee.

There is certainly some effort required to be on the committee. You will need to be competent with using a computer for Email, reviewing documents and be willing to meet deadlines. Most of the committee work is via email/internet and we have telephone meetings so there is not much travel involved. **Please refer to Part 3 of the NAPFA constitution, as there are specific responsibilities for office bearer positions, and this section explains the committee requirements.** The constitution can be found on the "about NAPFA page" on our website: <https://www.napfa.net/About-Us.html>

We also are looking for members to use their expertise to be on sub-committees that can be appointed to deal with individual issues, and these may be administration and issues other than prospecting and fossicking. Sub-committees are given a terms of reference and operate independently and report back to the committee. Please discuss this with me if you have any queries, or wish to offer your expertise.

Sean Ashcroft
NAPFA President
Tel: 0422 260 535 President@napfa.net



Nomination form for the election of office bearers and committee members of NAPFA.

As per the terms of the Incorporated Associations Act 2009, all nominations for committee positions must be supported by two (2) other current members of the Association. If you nominate other people, they must sign and agree to be nominated. If you do not live near a member who can “second” a nomination, contact the NAPFA committee through the President on 0422 260 535 or President@napfa.net

Nomination of Candidate

We, [name of Proposer 1] member #
and [name of Proposer 2] member #
wish to nominate [name of candidate] member #
for the following position/s on the committee of the Association:

<input type="checkbox"/> President	<input type="checkbox"/> Vice President	<input type="checkbox"/> Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Committee Member (at least 3 positions)	

(Please tick all that apply. A committee member may hold up to 2 positions, except both the president and vice-president.)

Signature of Proposer 1:

Signature of Proposer 2:

Consent of Candidate

I, am willing to take on this role if I am elected to this position at the Annual General Meeting of the Association. I understand that in agreeing to this nomination, I have met the following conditions and/or agree to the following statements:

- I have read Part 3 – The committee of the constitution of the Association and understand the requirements and responsibilities of the committee and the position/s for which I nominate.
- I have the appropriate skills and knowledge to be able to support the administrative functions of the Association in a committee position.

Signature of candidate: Date:

Send your nomination to secretary@napfa.net
or mail to **NAPFA Secretary, P.O. Box 4529, DUBBO, NSW 2830**

NOMINATIONS NEED TO BE RECEIVED BY NAPFA ON OR BEFORE 4th October 2019

COMMITTEE USE ONLY

Nomination received by [name] Date

2019 NAPFA AGM WEEKEND INFORMATION



The 2019 Annual General Meeting of NAPFA will be held at:
Sofala on Saturday the 12th of October at 1.00pm.

Sofala is located 5km North of Wattle Flat where we held the 2017 AGM and is a 2.5 hour drive from the Western suburbs of Sydney, all on sealed roads. The AGM will be held in the "Memorial Hall" on Denison St Sofala (main street) opposite the hotel.

Parking can be on Denison St or Bowen St behind the hall.

TIMES:

Friday will see members begin to arrive, and in the evening will see the opening of the weekend. NAPFA plan to meet up at the Sofala hotel (approximately 7.00pm) to welcome members and to provide a presentation.

Saturday morning will be open to fossicking and allow other members to arrive. The AGM will be held from 1.00pm and will take 2 – 3 hours. All members attending the AGM will be entered into a draw for a Go-Find metal detector. The Prospectors auction to be held after the AGM.

CAMPING:

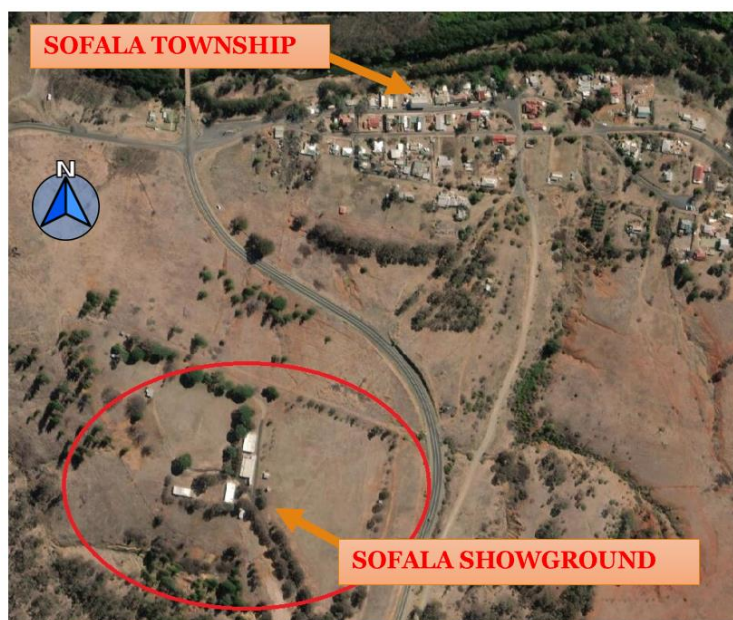
Camping will be at the Sofala showgrounds, which has historic diggings around it, and is accessible from the Main highway approx. 850m South of Sofala.

Cost is \$10 per night payable to NAPFA for the weekend, with male/female toilets (with a shower in each).

Anyone wishing to arrive earlier please let NAPFA know beforehand at the following email address: member.enquiries@napfa.net or phone 0422 260 535 so we can arrange the area to be unlocked.

FOSSICKING:

The historic Sofala goldfield offers good detecting, and panning and sluicing when enough water is in the creeks. [More information can be found on Sofala re:](#)



<https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/country-nsw/bathurst-area/sofala>

PROSPECTORS' AUCTION

After the AGM will be the annual auction. This is a NAPFA fundraiser and a bit of fun as well! Up for auction will be a range of items useful to the prospector or outdoors person. NAPFA ask members to consider donating items to the cause. This can be anything new or second-hand, so if you have extra fossicking tools or equipment you are not using, spare maps, or two of the same of anything, a bottle of wine, whatever then please bring them along.

Minelab is our major corporate sponsor and we are very grateful for their support. They simply make the best metal detectors in the world. So, if you are putting in your time out there, give yourself the best chance! Check our your local dealer for the best price on their products. NAPFA will be providing further updates as we approach the AGM.

That's all for now – hope to see you at the AGM!

B Fittler

Barry Fittler
NAPFA Committee

