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September 4th 2019, AGM followed by Charles Evans from the Gem-A talking on Swat Valley Emeralds: The Beauty and the Beast.

September 24th 2019, Ian Bone of Jewels of Queensland and Capricorn Gems, speaking on Ethical Mining of Australian Gemstones.

October 30th 2019, Marco Campos Venuti, speaking on Agates - “The Big Band Theory”

November 9th, 2019, 1st SGA Autumn Symposium, with speakers:
- Rachel Walcott: The History of the National Museum of Scotland Gem Collection
- Kim Rix: Off the Beaten Track in Mogok
- Andrew Fellows: Diamonds - Today and Tomorrow
- Mary Michel: The Ethical Making Programme
- Helen Plumb: Glorious Coloured Gemstones

and afterwards many also continued on to The Elements Jewellery and Silversmithing Fair evening event held in Lyon and Turnbull’s premises

November 23rd 2019, Malcolm Appleby Studio Visit

November 30th 2019, Elizabeth Passmore, speaking on Jewels by Andrew Grima, illustrated by the style, gemstones and stories of some of his creations.

December 11th 2019, Christmas Dinner at The Salisbury Arms

January 29th 2020, Maggie Campbell Pedersen on Ivory and Tortoiseshell - Past Uses and Present Bans

February 26th 2020, Christine Rew - Rediscovering Aberdeen Art Gallery

March 10th, 2020, Kerry Gregory - Stone Sorting, Treasure from Trash

Unfortunately that was the last evening meeting we were able to hold due to Covid 19 restrictions and our 2020 Conference also had to be cancelled. However we hope to present the same programme on the weekend starting the 7th May, 2021, once again at the Westwood Hotel near Cumbernauld.