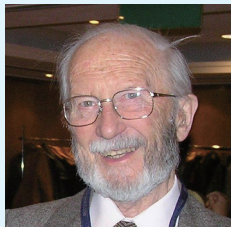


Obituary

Mr E. Alan Jobbins
1925 - 2019



We were deeply saddened to hear of the loss of Mr E. Alan Jobbins, Vice President, past President & Honorary Life Member of Gem-A, a highly respected friend of the GAHK.

Mr Jobbins was a very active and spirited gemmologist and mineralogist whose contribution to the gemmological world across East & West, was significant throughout his long life.

Alan Jobbins left his mark on almost every aspect of gemmological research and education, not least through publishing. He could be said to have been one of the most important carvers amongst those who sculpted the science of gemmology into what it is today. So many gemmologists first benefited from studying the Gemmologist's Compendium edited by him, as they built up their gem and jewellery careers. In Hong Kong, where he was a revered and loved mentor, we are all grateful to him for his guidance and friendship to GAHK since its inception 40 years ago.

Mr Jobbins was always a respected companion of GAHK – a supporter and follower of the growth of the Association from the time of our establishment in 1979. His contributions and guidance to the development of the gemmological arena in Hong Kong has been invaluable. He will be sorely missed.

On behalf of the Association I should like to offer our deepest condolences to his family and colleagues.

Yours in Sympathy,

Eddie S.K. Fan
Chairman
The Gemmological Association of Hong Kong



E. Alan Jobbins (I) & Mimi C.M. Ou Yang in year 2000

悼念良師益友 E. Alan Jobbins

E. Alan Jobbins先生是國際著名的英籍寶石學家，大學時修讀礦物學。他年輕時，在大英博物館從事礦物鑑定，後來轉到英國寶石學會肩負專業領導工作，掌管教學、培訓寶石鑑定人員及寶石學刊物的編輯工作。Jobbins先生足跡踏遍許多寶石產地和國家，編製不少寶石學文獻，他是活躍於國際珠寶界的寶石學專家及統籌者，致力推動國際珠寶業的發展，供獻良多！

本人認識Jobbins先生始於1983年，當年他從東南亞考察回來，路經香港時，我正在香港大學地理地質系撰寫我的碩士論文【緬甸硬玉的礦物學研究】。他對我的研究十分感興趣，其後他被香港大學聘請擔任我的碩士論文之海外評論員，並對我的論文給予極高的評價。自此，他成為我的良師益友，並鼓勵我撰寫有關翡翠的英文文章，在英國寶石學刊物發表，更介紹我參加國際寶石學會議(IGC)，又常常推介給我有關寶石學的新信息與書籍。

1989年中國正積極培養珠寶鑑定人才，應武漢珠寶學院領導人陳鍾惠校長伉儷的要求，我推介了英國寶石學會的FGA課程，將其引進中國，更親自陪同Jobbins伉儷和Dr Nelson（尼爾遜）伉儷到武漢珠寶學院合作開辦全中國第一個國際寶石鑑定文憑FGA課程。

在2002年我代表中國申辦IGC在中國召開的過程中，獲得他的大力支持和協助。在2004年會議召開時我得知他因心臟病，不能前來中國，感到十分遺憾，但他精神上仍然十分關心中國珠寶教學的發展。

2007年，他代表英國寶石學會Gem-A在倫敦頒授終生榮譽會員給我，令我十分感動，也非常感激！在珠寶學術研究生涯中，是他一直鼓勵我、支持我！

他的離世是國際珠寶界的巨大損失！
他的離世令我失去了良師益友！
但願他一路好走。永遠懷念！

歐陽秋眉 敬輓
Mimi C.M. Ou Yang