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PRESIDENT'S REPORT JULY 2021

Hello everyone, not much happening this month with the Lockdown going on.

The Stitches and Craft Show at the Showground has been postponed until September so all the trailer loading was done to no avail but that can't be helped and it will be ready for the next time we need it.

I hope you and your families are all safe with no ill effects from this Covid outbreak.

We don't know about our monthly meetings and the A.G.M., yet, due to the Covid Lockdown and if it is to be extended.

No other news as we are all at home and I hope you all remain safe and well until this is all over.

JUST KEEP TURNING

BOB YOUNG



COMMONWEALTH BANK DONATION

Recently Vipul Balsara, manager for CBA at Seven Hills, presented a donation to our Club for our services and commitment to the area which was gratefully received. This was brought about by the help of Club Members over the year for various things done for the community. We thank them for their generous donation.

SAFETY MATTERS

A REMINDER ABOUT WORKSHOP SAFETY

We must all keep in mind the importance of WORKSHOP SAFETY. Please THINK and ACT responsibly at all times. It is up to all of us to fulfill our commitment by wearing at all times;

- Dust masks
- Protective glasses
- Suitable clothing
- Footwear
- Ear protection

It does not hurt to discuss safety with other members if they are not doing the right thing.

ARTICLES FOR NEWSLETTER

Could I please ask those members who attend our demonstrations, maxi-days etc; if you could take some photographs and a brief description of the event so these can be published in the newsletter I am sure all members would be interested in reading about the events of the day. Thank you…..Editor.

CUT OFF DATE FOR ARTICLES

Please note the cut off date for articles to be included in the Newsletter is the last day of the month. All members are welcome to submit articles for inclusion.

Please send them to the editor;

Email address: editorwesturn@outlook.com

1. **What vegetable is the Welsh National Emblem?**

Club Committee

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Welfare Officer: Barbara Clarke

If you have any suggestions or information concerning the club please contact any of the above committee members.

FOR SALE

Members don't forget we have a lot of Cherry, Sapele, Walnut, European Oak and Alder bench tops for sale at the club!

FREE CORIAN

White -12mm and 20mm thick
Black - 12mm thick
Gray - 12mm thick

On a Plumber's truck :

"We repair what your husband fixed."

On another Plumber's truck :

"Don't sleep with a drip. Call your plumber."

Club Hours

Mon-Thurs: 8:30am – 4pm….$5

Friday Nights: 5pm – 9pm….$3

Saturday Turning:

Ladies Day – 2nd Saturday…$5

Contact: Anna Dawes –

9638 6995

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3rd Saturday of Month

8.30am – 4.00pm….$5

Contact: Les Coombes –

0404 001 562

Maxi Day – 3rd Sunday

11:00am—2:00pm….$6

(Lunch included)

PLEASE NOTE:

Maxi Days are cancelled at the present time due to Covid

Recently, an email mail-out was organized for the distribution of the new constitution. It was found that many of the addresses provided by members were no longer viable so those members weren't able to be contacted by email. Therefore all members are asked to contact Raymond Saich with an email address. This will be checked against the records and those who have different addresses will receive their copy.

EMAIL: raysaich@bigpond.net.au

On a Septic Tank Truck :
Yesterday's Meals on Wheels

On an Electrician's truck :
"Let us remove your shorts."

Club Meetings

Second Tuesday of the month 7pm

Shop items

Triple "P"

Friction Polish

Sanding Sealer

Sandpaper

Club Shirts

Dust Jackets

Club Badges

Pen Kits

Pen Blanks – Acrylics

Lazy Susan Bearings

Cheese Knives

Salt Mills

Pepper Mills

Many more items also available



A very big thank you to Michelle Rowland MP, the Member for Greenway, for her continued support which includes the printing of this newsletter.

Excellent examples of decorated bowls by Louis Janik



This was probably the first shallow bowl I ever turned from laminated benchtop.

It was way too thick and heavy, so I re-turned it with a recess in the base.

I applied gold, red and green leaf in a random pattern and then filled the recess with clear resin.

Now I'll have a useful nut bowl for Christmas.



The two big platters had grooves cut out and I put some Pebeo Fantasy Prisma paints in them. They were slightly intermixed and after a couple of hours they develop a honeycomb effect. Once these cured I covered them in a layer of clear resin.

The bowl had holes drilled in the blank and black resin inserted before turning



The small dish had a recess into which I cut and inserted a piece of an acrylic pour which I did on plastic, which allowed me to peel it off and select an area to use. Again I covered this in clear resin.

I think these make plain old benchtop a bit jazzier.

Louis Janik





2. What is the name of the official residence of the Governor General of Australia?

FACE MASKS

Face masks are not compulsory as per latest Government Requirements.

However, if you cannot social distance by 1.5 meters, or you have a cough, cold etc;

then these should be worn.

If you feel unwell a mask should be worn or you shouldn't attend the Club.

REMEMBERING GEOFFREY ROBINSON...1935—2021

Another sad moment in the history of our club is the passing of Geoffrey Robinson on Monday 13/07/2021.

Geoff joined the club in September 2010 and mostly attended the club on a Tuesday and Thursday of each week. Geoff's grandson was the reason he joined. His grandson was a part of the Breed Program and attented the club in that capacity. He told his grandfather about the club which resulted in Geoffrey joining.

Geoffrey was of the old school, that is, he was always ready to assist where he could and would often pick-up timber for the Breed Program and be ready to lend a hand where needed.

Geoffrey was born in September 1935, which made him at the time of his passing, 86 years young. He didn't have any knowledge of woodturning when he joined the club but over the years the work that he turned out was of a very high standard and his finishers were excellent. I remember Geoffry for his willingness to assist when asked and the quiet manner he went about doing his thing.

Geoffrey was well respected and in his passing he will be sadly missed.

Our condolences and best wishes to his family.









Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.

Dancing is a perpendicular expression of a horizontal desire.

When I'm not in my right mind, my left mind gets pretty crowded

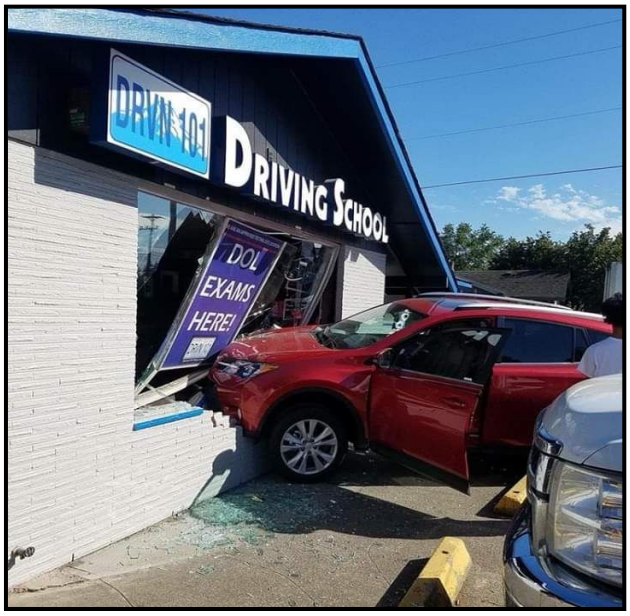
The centre of human nature is rooted

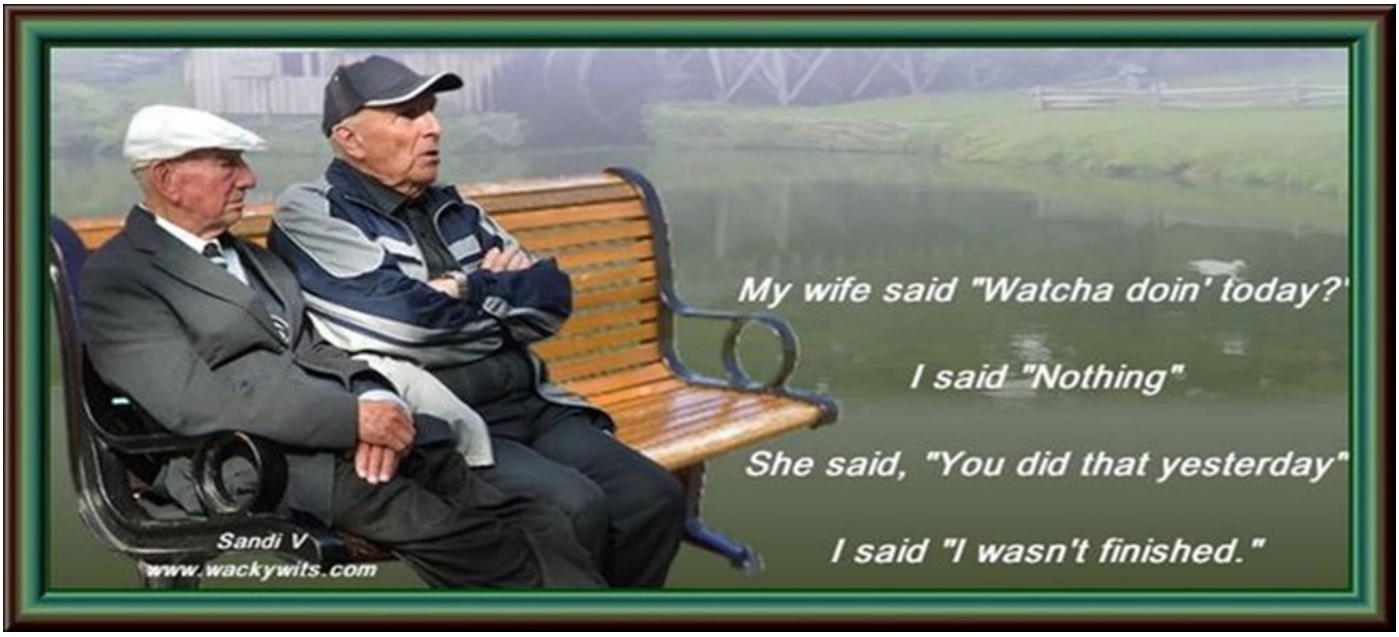
In ten thousand ordinary acts of kindness

That define our days.

3. What is a group of kittens called?







Members Welfare Report

The welfare of members and their families is important to our club. Please let me know if you or someone you know is unwell, or worse still, no longer with us.

Let me know at my email address: **bmclarke1720@gmail.com**.

Cards and well wishes have this month been sent to:

Bill Mottrams's Wife

Raymond Saich

Barbara Phelps (Alan's Wife)

If anyone has been missed, be assured that the good wishes and sympathies of our club are with you and your family.

Stay Safe ... Barbara Clarke….Welfare Officer

4. What are the two highest valued letters in Scrabble?



Dear Members,

I am very sorry to advise members of the passing of our dear friend Alan Phelps.

Alan passed away at St Joseph's Hospital Auburn on Monday 21st June 2021. Alan was our sixth longest serving member.

Alan joined Western Sydney Woodturners in July 2001 and he has been a wonderful contributor to the club, serving at a critical time for the Club as president from 2004 to 2006. Lots of members would have first met Alan with his contribution to training which he has done for many years.

One of Alan's interests was polishing and finishing and Alan has been supplying the club with his triple P polish "Phelps' Phine Phinish" since around 2006. Alan continued to try to find that perfect polish and has produced many different varieties of finishing waxes and polishes. Alan has also run several presentations on finishing at the Clubs Sunday Maxi Days.

Alan was a dedicated and significant contributor to the club's charity program making many bowls for the club to sell every week.

Alan had a wonderful skill in sharpening tools and ran a number of courses for members. He sharpened many tools for members struggling to gain the skill and get that perfect grind that Alan could achieve.

Most of all Alan has been a wonderful friend to both new and old members. Considerate, kind and always interested in his fellow members.

Alan will be much missed by us all, our thoughts are with Alan's wife Barbara, his son David and all his family.

Regards
Bob



Wiping is the efficient way to apply stain

The purpose of this article is to emphasize what I've said in passing many times: It's much more efficient to wipe stain onto wood with a rag than to brush it.

Wiping is fast, almost as fast as spraying (without the downside of having to clean the spray gun). Wiping is also every bit as effective in all situations except possibly into recesses such as inside corners, fluting, deep carvings and the like.

Don't get me wrong. I'm not against brushing stains. I just don't see why anyone would do it, especially on large surfaces, and even more especially, when using any stain other than a slow drying oil-based stain. All other stains, including water-based, lacquer and all the dye stains, dry too rapidly to allow time to both brush on and get wiped off of large surfaces before the stain begins drying.



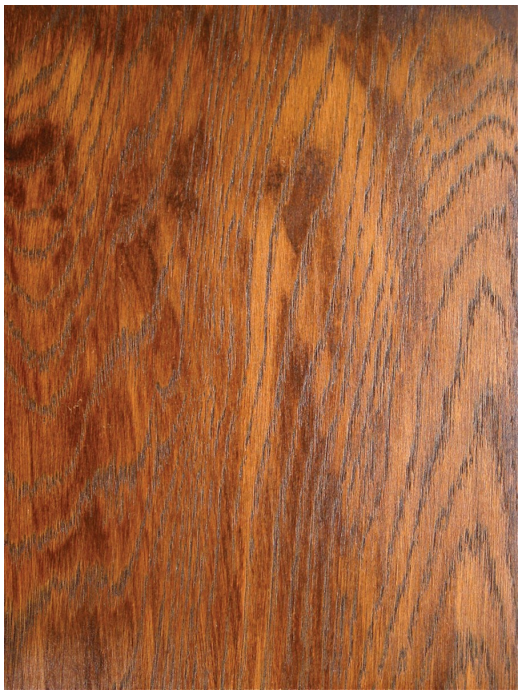
The basic rule for getting good results with any stain is to apply a wet coat and wipe off the excess before it dries.

You can use any tool – rag, brush, paint pad, roller or spray gun – to apply the stain. You can even dip the object into stain or pour the stain onto the wood and spread it around. It's only important that you wipe off all the excess before the stain dries.

If you let the stain begin to dry in spots before wiping off, you will get a type of blotching that is different from the blotching caused by uneven densities in woods such as pine, cherry and birch. You'll get a blotching caused by thick dry spots of stain next to clean areas where the still-wet stain wipes off easily.

If you're brushing one of the fast drying stains, not only might you cause blotching when you wipe off the excess, you may get lap marks caused by brushing more stain over stain that has dried.

Brushing is the slowest method of applying stain. So not only might you get blotching or lap marks, you're also wasting time.



It's more efficient to wipe stain than to brush it, and you're less likely to have color problems.

There is one exception, however. Brushing can be more efficient for getting stain into inside corners and other recessed areas.

To use a cloth (or a sponge) successfully requires getting it very wet. I've noticed that many woodworkers resist getting their cloth wet enough so the stain flows into recessed areas. If this is your problem, you can solve it by having a cheap throwaway brush or sponge brush handy to quickly work the stain into the hard-to-get-to places.

But a brush is unnecessary. You can get stain everywhere with a cloth as long as it is soaking wet. In 20 years of refinishing old furniture, most of which required staining, I don't remember ever using a brush to apply a stain. And I rarely used a spray gun because of the time involved cleaning the gun.

I almost always used, and continue to use, a very wet cloth.

By Bob Flexner

The Trainees and Trainers of the second Training Course held at the Club during June



The participants starting left rear: Bob Young, Sue Boyd, Luke Kahane, Justin Kahane, Ron Devine, Phil Grebert, Graham Dawes, Joshua Webb and Steve Boyd….Kneeling in front is: Kuat Aboland and Rob Brown

Another 3 week training course was started on 19/06/21 and ended two weeks later due to the Covid Pandemic that closed the Club down until further notice.



Sue Boyd



Joshua Webb



Justin Kahne



Steve Boyd



Kuat Abol



Paul Grebert



Luke Kahane

LATEST TRAINING JUNE/JULY

The first week of the course is learning how to use and master the skew. This involves turning beads and coves, an essential exercise for budding turners, which all succeeded, more or less, to finish.

The second week involves learning how to turn a bowl from a prepared blank and you can see the progress that was being made in the various photos.

The third lesson or week, unfortunately, had to be cancelled because of the Covid outbreak and the closing down of the club.

So far, well done to all that have attended, as soon as restrictions are lifted we will be able to finish the course.

IT'S ALL IN THE TRANSLATION...

At a travel agency in Shanghai, a tourist asked the Chinese girl behind the counter if she could escort him on a city tour and asked her for her mobile number so he could call her to make arrangements.

She gave him a big smile, nodded her head and said, "For sex sex, wan free sex, for tonight free."

The tourist replied, "Wow, you Chinese women are really hospitable!

A guy standing next to him overheard, tapped him on the shoulder and said,

Don't get excited. What she said was: 466 136 4293!



Introducing the new PPP replacement product. Just the name is being changed, the contents are the same as before. Alan, who supplied us with several products to assist with finishing our projects, called this PPP. It is a mixture of Bees Wax, Paraffin Wax, DE and Gum Turpentine. Its purpose is to seal and prepare the object for the final polish medium. Once you have sanded and sealed and de-nibbed the fine fibers, PPP is then applied to prepare the surface for the final finish. I have re-named it, **Big Als' Ozzie Grit**, because in some ways it is similar to Yorkshire Grit and other similar products. This is available as a 250gr jar in the Club's shop and considering the job it does is great value for money.



Second of the replacement products is called Big Als' Sanding Sealer. A mixture of Shellac and thinners to seal your project after you have sanded it to your likening.

Available in a 250ml plastic bottle with a resealable cap. Big Als' Sanding Sealer is not intended to add a stain to your project but rather its job is to seal the pores of the wood. An essential product in most woodturners kits as it's essential to seal the wood before applying any finish.



Our third product is Big Als' Friction Polish. Currently available in a 200ml bottle this will be replaced by a 250ml size in due time. Composed of a mix of Shellac, Denatured Alcohol, Shines Shellac Hardener and several waxes it is a well tested product that imparts an exceptional gloss finish that is long lasting and hard wearing.

Apply a small amount of polish to the piece using a cloth or paper towel, while it is on the lathe, but with the lathe turned off. Put some more polish on the same piece of clothe or paper towel and turn on the lathe at a fairly high speed. Use the clothe or paper towel to even out the polish on the work. Then apply pressure to the piece using the cloth or paper towel. Apply several layers as this deepens the effect of the finish.



Our fourth product is Big Als' Chopping Board Wax which is formulated to provide a firm finish which needs buffing to bring out its best features. Commonly, Mineral Oil is usually used to seal chopping boards but this product, used correctly, replaces the oily finish of Mineral Oil and imparts a mid satin finish which is easy to maintain. After sanding your chopping board to the desired grit then using a clean cloth apply a coating of the wax and buff until smooth and no wax remains visible.



Do not underestimate old people – They have the experience of life.

The IRS decides to audit Grandpa, and summons him to the IRS office. The IRS auditor was not surprised when Grandpa showed up with his attorney. The auditor aid, "Well, sir you have an extravagant lifestyle and no full-time employment. Which you explain by saying that you win money gambling. I am not sure the IRS finds that believable."

"I am a great gambler, and I can prove it," says Grandpa. "How about a demonstration?"

The auditor thinks for a moment and says, "OK. Go ahead."

Grandpa says, "I'll bet you a thousand dollars that I can bite my own eye." The auditor thinks for a moment and says, "It's a bet".

Grandpa removes his glass eye and bites it. The auditor's jaw drops and he says, "OK I'll pay up."

Grandpa says, "Now, I'll bet you two thousand dollars that I can bite my other eye."

The auditor can tell Grandpa is not blind, so the takes the bet.

Grandpa removes his dentures and bites his good eye. The stunned auditor now realizes he has wagered and lost three grand, with Grandpa's attorney as a witness. He starts to get nervous.

"Want to go double or nothing?" Grandpa asks. "I'll bet you six thousand dollars that I can stand on one side of your desk, and pee into that wastebasket on the other side, and never get a drop anywhere in between."

The auditor, twice burned, is cautious now, but he looks carefully and decides there is no why this old guy could possibly manage that stunt, so he agrees again. Grandpa stands beside the desk and unzips his pants, but although he strains mightily, he cannot make the stream reach the wastebasket on the other side, so he urinates all over the auditor's desk.

"The auditor leaps with joy, realizing that he has just turned a major loss into a huge win for the IRS and has cancelled his personal debt. But Grandpa's attorney moans and puts his head in his hands.

"Are you OK?" the auditor asks.

"Not really," says the attorney. "This morning, when Grandpa told me he had been summoned for an audit, he bet me twenty-five thousand dollars that he could come in here and pee all over your desk and that you would be happy about it."

Quote of the Month

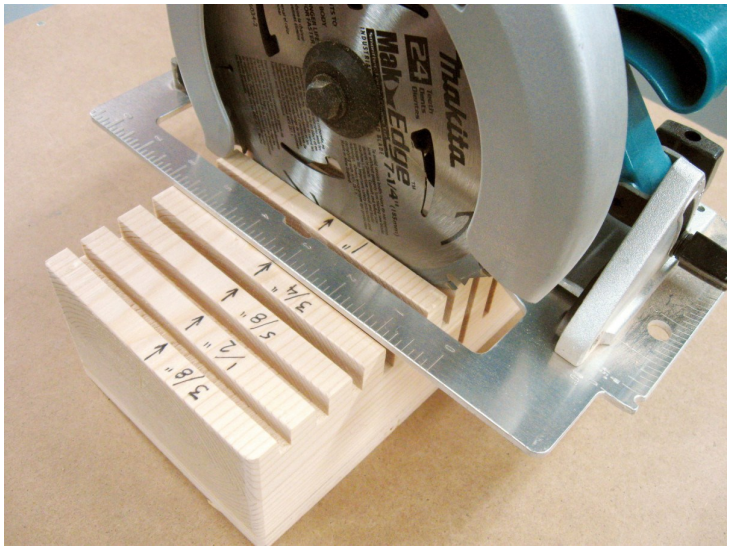
Never discourage anyone who continually makes progress, no matter how slow. **Author** - **Plato**

Must Fly

Woodchip



I like to use purpleheart pen blanks because they're less expensive than other exotic hardwoods. Recently, I stumbled on a cool trick. I discovered that I could cause the wood to overheat and turn dark by using the back side of the sandpaper while the wood is turning. Light overheating makes purpleheart look like rosewood; further overheating makes it look like ebony. Heating alternating sections creates light and dark contrasts as if the pen was made of multiple pieces of wood. —*Tom Bockman*



Setting the depth-of-cut on my circular saw was awkward at best before I made this handy gauge. It's just a thick block of wood with 1/4" wide slots cut at precise, incremental depths. I made the slots on the table saw.

To set the depth-of-cut, I place the circular saw on the appropriate slot on the gauge, loosen the saw's depth stop, drop the blade until it bottoms out, and then re-lock the depth stop. The gauge also works upside down for setting the height of a table saw blade.

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Library Update

Please note DVD's have been moved from the cupboard outside the store into the library.

VHS videos have been scrapped due to their poor condition. Thanks to Anna and Graham for their help.

Please ensure any magazines which belong to the club are returned.

Thanks….Rod Brown

Answers:

1. **The Leek**
2. **Yarralumla**
3. **A Kindle**
4. **Q and Z**
5. **Darwin**

AN IMPORTANT NOTE TO ALL

The plastic bins that are provided for sawdust **are not to be used for general rubbish**. Quite often items are found in these bins that should have been placed in the garbage bins that are also provided. Please do the right thing and don't be a lazy slob who chooses to make work for others. The sawdust is taken away to be used on gardens and if it has general rubbish mixed in with it we will lose this method of disposal and all members will be required to take the sawdust they generate with them when they leave the premises to dispose of as they wish.





Member Birthdays July			
Member #	Short Name	Surname	Member since
3881	Barry	Carr	Aug-20
3843	Cindy	Kersaitis	May-19
2218	Dave	Matthews	Jul-04
2978	David	Mitchell	Jun-12
3585	Denis	Keane	Jul-13
2482	Don	Nixon	May-07
3838	Haydn	Young	Apr-19
3670	Ian	Frith	May-15
3837	John	Frizza	Apr-19
2569	John	Kostrzewa	May-08
3860	Marc	Ellis	Oct-19
3657	Michael	Jones	Feb-15
3761	Richard	Leniston	Feb-17
2167	Rob	Buckwell	Feb-04

Hi All…..Not a happy month to report on as we have lost two of our senior members, Alan Phelps and Geoffrey Robinson. Allan was the seventh member of the club when it was first formed and Geoffrey came sometime later and spent 11 years with us. They will both be missed greatly and our condolences and best wishes are extended to their respective families.

Covid19 is, once again, the main topic on the TV, radio and everyone's conversations. We had to close the club several weeks back and we haven't got any sign as to when we will be able to re-open it. Hopefully, for all of us and society in general, it won't be more than another two weeks but I'm not optimistic as the news is not good. Talk is that most restrictions could stay in place until early September, I hope not.

The AGM, which was planned for July, has had to be postponed with no date, as yet, for when it can be held. This edition of the newsletter is also suffering as I can't get it printed in the usual way. It is available on our website, at least that can't get the Covid virus.

Memberships are now due so please rejoin as and when possible as your support is vital for the continuance of the club. Direct deposits can be made into the club account.
Details as follows:

Bank...CBA
BSB...062 452
Account #...10294778

When depositing please ensure you include your name.

Until next issue….Les Coombes...Editor

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- Cast iron construction

V-TYPE



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- Pivoting support arm
- 100mm clamp capacity
- Cast iron clamp

2 YEAR WARRANTY



Order Code: W310

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WT-6 HSS Wood Turning Tools

- High speed steel
- 12mm deep bowl chisel - long handle
- 24mm roughing gouge
- 24mm oval skew
- 19mm domed scraper
- 5mm parting & beading
- 9mm spindle gouge

6 PIECE SET



Order Code: W302

$143

MBW-2 Mobile Base

- 227kg capacity
- 2 wheels with lever action lift
- Min: 279 x 279mm
- Max: 1295 x 482mm



Order Code: W930

$121

MADE IN TAIWAN

MTR-24 Mitre Gauge & Fence

- 335 ~ 615mm adjustable fence
- Suits 3/4" x 3/8" table slot
- Mitres up to 45° left & right



Order Code: W308

$88

MADE IN TAIWAN

B-18V Variable Speed Scroll Saw

- 450mm throat capacity
- Tilting table 0-45°
- Variable blade speeds
- 120W / 240V motor
- Includes light, air blower

2 YEAR WARRANTY



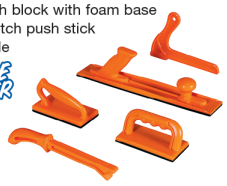
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PSK5 Safety Push Blocks & Stick Set

- 5 piece set
- 2 x 150mm push block with foam base
- 405mm long push block with foam base
- 19mm wide V-notch push stick
- 215mm saw guide

SAFELY GUIDE YOUR TIMBER



Order Code: W309

$29.70

PT-254S - Planer & Thicknesser Combination

- Spiral cutter head with 44 carbide inserts
- 254mm planer width capacity
- 254 x 190mm thicknesser capacity
- 4800rpm cutter head speed
- 2.2kW / 3hp, 240V motor

AUTO-FEED THICKNESSER ROLLERS



Order Code: W611

$2,915

2 YEAR WARRANTY

WOOD WORKING GAUGES

WHG-3U - Mini Digital Height Gauge - Wood Working

- Ideal for saw blades & routers
- Metric, inches and fractions
- 0 ~ 80mm measuring range
- Auto shut-off - 3 minutes
- Magnetic base



Order Code: W644

$33

TM

CTG508 Contour Gauge

- 508mm length
- 45mm depth
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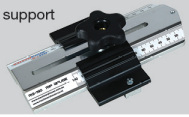
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$60.50

TM

RG-190 Ripping Gauge

- 0 -135mm depth adjustment
- Locks into any 3/4" wide x 3/8" deep table slots
- Ball bearing roller support



Order Code: W311

$66

1/4" - 20 UNC Thread Hardware Kit

- 149 piece kit
- T-bolts fit optional T-track
- Includes assortments T-bolts, T-nuts, Threaded inserts, Plastic knobs & washers



Order Code: C1020

$93.50

CDS-2/3 Cyclone Dust Separator

- Separates dust up to 99%
- 110 litre steel drum
- 2 x Ø100mm inlets
- Ø152-25mm outlet
- Suits dust collectors up to 3hp

2 YEAR WARRANTY

MADE IN TAIWAN



Order Code: W316

$462

WL-14V Mini Wood Lathe

- Ø356 x 470mm turning capacity
- Electronic variable speed
- Digital readout speed display
- 12 position spindle indexing
- 0.75hp, 240V motor



Order Code: W385

$605

2 YEAR WARRANTY

WL-18 - Swivel Head Wood Lathe

- Ø310 x 900mm turning capacity
- Swivelling headstock
- Variable speed 500-2000rpm
- 0.75kW/1hp, 240V motor
- Includes bowl turning attachment faceplate, drive & live centres toolrest & stand

2 YEAR WARRANTY



Order Code: W382

$682

PD-440 - Heavy-Duty Pedestal Drill

- 28mm drill capacity
- 3MT spindle
- 12 spindle speeds
- Swivel & tilt table
- 1.5hp, 240V motor
- Includes light

TABLE TILTS LEFT & RIGHT TO 45° ROTATES



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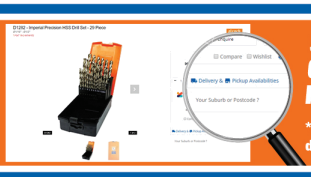
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Item 5 **Right and Wrong** **July 21**

Face Plate Mounting – Part 2

Right



Right size diameter screw min 7 threads showing or 2 ½ times diameter



Right size and type of screw to fit the hole

Wrong



Screw wrong size diameter, length and type



Screws are **NOT** suitable and should never be used

SPECIAL NOTE

When using face plates hard and soft wood mounting should be a main factor in size of plate and screws to use.
The size of holes in face plates are the manufacturers recommendation of the minimum diameter screws to be used.
The minimum length of screw protruding is 2 and 1/2 times the diameter which is equal to 7 full threads for penetration.
There must be full surface contact of the face plate and work piece. NO gaps or HOLLOWS.
For larger than normal mountings it is suggested a face plate 2/3's the size of the diameter over 250mm / 10'' be used.
Always mount on SOLID timber NEVER on BARK or unstable wood.

Note: As in all professions there are many and varied opinions and ways of doing things. This is true of woodturning. These articles are a result of my reading various publications.