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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



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Hello Everyone. We have a busy time on the agenda again with a Barbecue at Marsden Park Bunnings on Saturday 9th November, then a demonstration and display at St Joseph's College and Linnwood House on Sunday 10th. By the time this comes out they will all be over although as per usual the participation of members of our Club is sure to be abysmal. Would you all consider in the future making life easier for your fellow members to turn up to these functions more often.

The new lathes have arrived and have been cut into the benches on their legs to make them safe. They cannot be left to sit on the bench as this is an extreme safety risk.

No news concerning the Stitches and Craft shows for 2020 yet but still trying to find out about our participation at these shows.

More charity bowls please as the numbers are looking very depleted. Would you please ask any new members to make bowls and participate in our outside activities as this lightens the load on other Members.

I would like Convenors to ask all the people on their days to **EMPTY THE BINS BEFORE THEY LEAVE** *no matter how much or how little mess they have created so that the people on the next day don't have to clean up after them. Also, if you use the machines in the Container or work there, clean up before you leave or finish your particular job because the same applies…..no one should have to clean up your mess. You made it you clean it up please.*

Another item is **READ THE SIGNS REGARDING GLUE**. *It is for the Charity, Training and Mentoring only Not for your personal use. If you need glue then buy some for your own use.*

I hate to rave like this nearly every month but everyone needs to look to getting and preparing their **own job** *the Club cannot supply your every whim.*

Just Keep Turning

BOB YOUNG.

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

FOR SALE

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Pen Blanks – Acrylics

Many more items also available

Shop Trading Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9am – 10:30am
12:45 – 1:30pm

Friday nights: 7pm – 7:30pm

See Les Coombes or Bob Young for more details



Thanks to Michelle Rowland MP, The member for Greenway, for her continued support which includes the printing of this newsletter

Club Trading Hours

Mon-Thurs: 8:30am – 4pm $5

Friday Nights: 5pm – 9pm $3

Third Saturday of the month:

9am – 3pm $5

Contact: Les Coombes –

0404 001 562

Ladies Day – Second Saturday of the month: $5

Contact: Anna Dawes – 9638 6995

tandawes@optusnet.com.au

Maxi Day – Third Sunday of the month:

From 10:00am

(Lunch included) $6

November 17th 2019 Maxi Day will be Jan Palmowski who will be demonstrating burning and decorating.

This will be followed by Show and Tell.

Club Meetings

Second Tuesday of the month – –

Pens wanted for the Australian Troops overseas

We are supporting our troops overseas if you have any spare pens you would like to donate please give them to the Convener on the day.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to all our members for November 2019.. We hope you have a great day with many more to come.

Name	Member since
Alan Piper	Aug-18
Bob Taylor	Mar-03
Bob Young	Jun - 05
Cara Jacques	Jul - 17
Don Hughes	Jan- 94
Greg Banwell	Jan -19
Hans Freke	Mar-08
Hoo Liu	Nov-17
John De Vos	Jul -10
Paul Collins	Ju l- 09
Paul de Belle	Aug -10
Robert Smart	Aug -12
Stephen Hitchcock	Sep - 09

New Member

Welcome to all our new members this month. We hope your stay is both long and rewarding.

Ron Jackson 3rd October 2019
Marc Ellis 2nd October 2019

Coming Events

9/11/2019 Bunnings BBQ Marsden Park 7am-4.30pm.

Any members interested in going to these eventsplease put your name on the clipboards at the club

MEMBERS – WE REALLY NEED MORE CHARITY BOWLS! So PLEASE make as many as you can!

Club Charity
Mount Druitt Hospital Children's Ward

We very much appreciate all the work members have done to make and sell charity bowls.
These are a very popular item at our demonstration days and we need lots more charity bowls please for this very worthy cause.

Welfare

It's always nice to get a card from the members of the club when you are sick at home or in hospital.

If you are aware of any members or their families who are sick or in hospital please tell the welfare officer

MENTORING REPORT

Our Student Mentoring program starts again in Term 3 if you would like to be a mentor, please see Les Coombes.
All mentors need to have a working with Children approval. If you have done yours please check it is still valid or to apply visit

https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-working-children-check

Librarian Report

Our Library has some 178 books, 155 DVD's and 199 magazines which are all available to members.
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November 2019 Welfare Report.

Our member's welfare plus their families are important to the Club. Please let me know if you or someone you know is unwell, or worse still no longer with us. Let me know at e-mail address robandgail@hotmail.com

At the time of publication unfortunately no details of cards provided to our members had been received and wish those who may have been ill a speedy recovery.

Thank you

A special thank you to the Clubs assistant Editor, Fiona Deane for her assistance in the preparation the September and October 2019 Newsletters during my recent Overseas trip.

This was very much appreciated.

Editor.



Life Is Like That

All those in the village decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one person came with an umbrella. That is **faith**.

We don't check the speed of the lathe before turning it on. That is **stupidity.**

When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is **trust.**

We never offer to do anything around the club, we avoid helping with cleaning. That is **laziness.**

Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but we still set the alarm to wake up. That is **hope**.

We fail to secure a piece of timber properly in the lathe. That is **dangerous**.

We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is **confidence**.

We see a fellow member doing some that is unsafe and ignore it. That is **abhorrent**.

We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. That is **love**.

We abuse a piece of club equipment and leave it broken or in poor condition. That is **bastardy**.

On an old man's shirt was written a sentence "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That is **attitude**.

We like the new equipment purchased but never work at a BBQ. That is **selfish.**

We help someone with a difficult task. That is **kindness**.

We never go to club meetings but always complain about decisions made at those meetings and don't comply with club rules. That is **elitism**.

Have a happy day and live your life to the fullest but remember good friends are rare jewels of life, difficult to find and impossible to replace.

Quote of the Month: The Natives of New-Holland may appear to some to be the most wretched people upon Earth, but in reality they are far more happier than we Europeans.

Author: Captain James Cook

Must Fly
Woodchip

Simple Safety Tips

The industrial revolution brought more modern ways of powering lathes and increasing output. No doubt, this mechanisation also brought issues of worker safety, although an indentured labour force may have fallen outside the scope of serious concern

.I will assume you are familiar with the Club's top-ten safety tips for general woodworkers. I have presented here a few special additional safety tips for users of the modern lathe.

•**Personal Protection Equipment** – no excuse guys! No loose clothing to be worn, switch from glasses to full face-shield types and even though lathes are not noisy and ,wear ear protection.

•**Woodturning** needs efficient dust extraction placed as close to the point(s) of origin as possible. A wide-mouth movable dust chute aimed up-and-under is recommended

.•**Take extra caution** using stock with cracks or other defects such as bark inclusions, knots, irregular shapes or protuberances. Beginners should avoid until they have greater knowledge of working such wood and their chosen machines.
•Roughly "round" each work piece before mounting thus reducing the amount of wood to remove.

•**All adjustment tools** must be removed and placed clear before commencing work.

•**Rotate your work by hand** to make sure there is clearance all around. If your work strikes the tool rest or the lathe body, it could split and be thrown back at you.•Check that the lathe spins towards you and the tool rest sits above the centre-line of your work

.•**Sharp tools** greatly lessen the chance of biting into yourwood and throwing it off its mounts

.•**Start the lathe** on its slowest speed. This will reveal any "out-of-round" vibration causing it to be thrown off or painfully ripping the tool from your hands at higher speeds.

•**Stop the lathe frequently**, to inspect the work to see if defects are being revealed as material is removed. ... John Freshney

Item Courtesy of Knox valley wood turners

Club Shop

For those members who like to make Cheese plates or Pot Pour**ri** bowls etc the shop now has an excellent stock of Cheese Plate tiles and bowl lids which have recently arrived.

The tiles are of various themes which may just be perfect for your next project.

Wood Carving Books at the Library

Recently a donation was made to the Club of a number of books on the subject of woodcarving which may be of interest to the Clubs members.

Please take the opportunity to have a look at these if this is of particular interest to you.

Quiz time

The brain busters for this month are as follows.

1. What alloy do copper and Tin make?

2. Where were 180 people rescued on Black Sunday on 2nd February 1938 in Australia?

3. Who was the first man to run the mile in less than 4 minutes?

4. What large island lies about 100 kms south east of Adelaide?

5. What TV Show did David Cassidy appear regularly in?

Brain Buster Answers.

1. Bronze

2. Bondi Beach

3. Roger Bannister

4. Kangaroo Island

5. The Partridge Family.

Let the Tool Stop

Once you remove your work-piece from power tool, the cutting surface will most likely still be spinning and sharing the air in which you live and breathe.

You would swear it was just waiting for you to thoughtlessly put your fleshy bits in its way. Dramatic? I hope so! Why would allowing the blade of a sliding mitre-saw to completely stop, affect (or is it the effect?) the quality of the piece plus being safer?. Most mitre saws do not come fitted with zero-clearance plates; this allows the blade to be freely tilted to either side.

The usual clearance plate fitted leaves your work-piece unsupported on either underside of the cut line. If you examine the underside of a work-piece you have just cut, particularly with softwoods, there will be tear-out fibres to contend with in your next finishing step. Was this tear-out caused by poor work-piece support or was there another contributing reason? I have learned that you should always let the spinning blade of a mitre-saw to come to a complete stop before raising it from a cut.

Lifting a spinning blade back up through your work-piece can score the faces of the cut you just made. It is very difficult to hold both pieces of your original work-piece post-cut, absolutely fixed in place without clamping. These scores will simply add to the finishing process later. I am sure some readers will know that a sacrificial piece of timber placed underneath your work-piece will help as well. ...

John Freshney

Item Courtesy of Knox Valley Wood Turners

Humour

Two Irishmen were working for Dundee City Council public works department. One would dig a hole and the other would follow behind him and fill the hole in. They worked up one side of the street, then down the other, then moved onto the next street, working furiously all day without rest, one man digging a hole, the other filling it in again.

An onlooker was amazed at their hard work, but couldn't understand what they were doing. So he asked the hole digger, 'I'm impressed by the effort you two are putting in to your work, but I don't get it -- why do you dig a hole, only to have your partner follow behind and fill it up again?'The hole digger wiped his brow and sighed, 'Well, I suppose it probably looks odd because we're normally a three-person team. But today the lad who plants the trees called in sick.'

As I get older, I realize: -

I talk to myself, because there are times I need expert advice. - I consider "In Style" to be the clothes that still fit. - I don't need anger management. I need people to stop pissing me off - My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance for idiots that needs work. - The biggest lie I tell myself is, "I don't need to write that down. I'll remember it." - I have days when my life is just a tent away from a circus. - These days, "on time" is when I get there. - Even duct tape can't fix stupid - but it sure does muffle the sound. - Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes, then come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller? - Lately, I've noticed people my age are so much older than me. - "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and remembering why I'm there - When I was a child, I thought nap time was punishment Now it feels like a mini vacation. - Some days I have no idea what I'm doing out of bed. - I thought growing old would take longer. - Aging sure has slowed me down, but it hasn't shut me up. - I still haven't learned to act my age.Hmmmmm.... I can relate to all that! . ..Ed.

Courtesy of Knox Woodies Victoria.

Handy Tips

Leaving enough waste

No doubt wood turners and woodworkers hate to waste wood and as such leave as little waste on a blank of timber as possible. However, the problem with this is that the drive marks at each end penetrate quite deeply into the timber. You might need the space to work the main shape of your job without the drive centres getting in the way.

Where spindle work is concerned try leaving a minimum of 15mm to 20mm at each end as best to leave a bit too much waste than go the other way and not leaving enough.

Chisel Scraper

When doing carpentry an old chisel can come in handy. After sharpening it and putting a burr on it similar to that of wood turning scrapers this then creates a mini scraper for fine tuning joinery and fitting into corners.

Dusty Safety Glasses

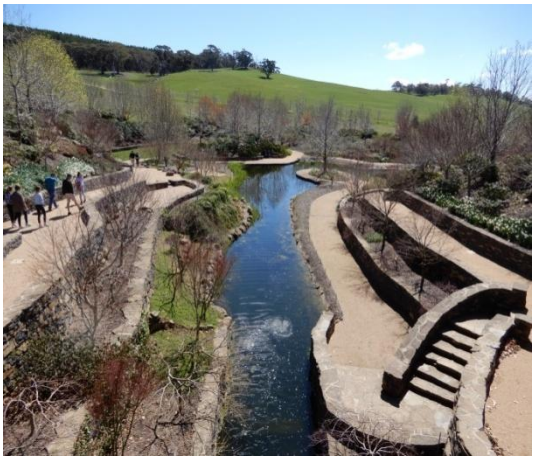
Having dusty safety glasses is annoying to stop this when not being used simply store them in a clean old sock. This has the added benefit of avoiding scratches should they be knocked off the bench.

Stain History

When doing carpentry, such as furniture simply record details of the stain used in the project on the underside of the drawers which will then eliminate the guesswork in trying to match stains used in the project.

B S FROM THE BUSH NOV 2019

Like every good POMME, we start by talking about the weather and what a mixture we have had. Near freezing at night and up to 36 during the day so far. This month we have had a few trips around the place, the first was a place called Mayfield Gardens which is near Oberon. Fantastic place, with an altitude of around 700 metres and catches a lot of cooler weather and much more rain than us. Beautiful green fields are in the background.



Another place we visited was Burrendong Dam, the place we get all our water from. It is at 4% full at the moment. The dam level 2 years ago was covering the dark lower section of the tower which is arround 130%. Life could become a little difficult very soon if the rain doen't fall.







Me and the guys I have round for woodturning had another good cutting up session the other day. A nice white cedar came down in town and the owner wanted to get rid of it so we were too happy to help out. There is talk of a nice silky oak coming down soon so we will be ready for that one as well.





We had our youngest granddaughter with us in the school holidays and we took a trip to Cowra where the Japanese prisoner of war camp was in the last war and the UN peace bell hangs. A Very interesting town with a lot of history.

I think that is about it for this month guys. Have a good one. Ken

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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 at searleds77@bigpond.com.

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. Thankyou Editor.

Important Notice to Members

In order that we may keep our records up to date would you please let Raymond Saich or a member of the Club executive know of any change of address, Telephone number, Email address etc.

Change in Club Operating Hours

Please note that following the June 2019 meeting a motion was passed that the Club will not be open on Public Holidays.

Buy and sell

Should you have any items that you want to buy or sell please submit these to the editor by the cut- off date and include full details and a photo if possible?

Presently the Editor has a grinder stand for sale $20 anyone interested please contact the editor on 0414 913237