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WOOD WORKER'S CALENDER.

June:

15/6 - 7/7 Exhibition of Seats. 6th Floor MYER Bourke St.

July:

4/7 Club Meeting

13/7- 5/8 VWA 10th Anniversary Exhibition (Circles, Squares, & Triangles). at Meat Market Craft Centre, Blackwood and Courtney St North Melbourne.

August:

1/8 Club Meeting

October:

13,14/10 Stringy Bark Festival - FTG Community Centre

13,14/10 New Zealand National Woodturners Exhibition

18-21/10 Working With Wood Show

November:

2-18/10 VWA Exhibition - Doncaster Art Gallery

3,4/10 VWA Demonstration & Activities Weekend - as above

FOR SALE.

"TOUGH" Wood-turning Lathe

Approx 36" between centres

Swing 12" over bed

Complete with stand, 8" face-plate and centres

\$900

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NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS.

Please send any item for this newsletter to:
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Ferntree Gully 3156 758 6082.

For Sale

12.5m's of 200x20mm Myrtle \$200

6.3m's of 300x20mm Australian Red Cedar \$150

Large old Electric Whetstone 560mm dia, a

rare beauty \$120

Flooring Cramps \$60 each (Great Value)

Classic old Stanley No 45 Moulding Plane
with 19 blades, circa 1895-1910 poor
condition \$160

Makita Model 3601B Router plus bits in
solid good quality bench with
accessories.....\$280

Picture Framers;- Stanley Mitre Saw in jig
\$65

Spiral Sash Balances (for that replacement
job you've been meaning to do) only \$5 each
- sundry sizes.

Phone:- AH 560 0667

TIPS, TRAPS, and TRIVIA.

Finishes (Steve Ross)

Boiled linseed oil has been used as a
finish for years. The modern penetrating
oil finishes are easier to use and are more
durable. They look very similar so in most
cases you can substitute a modern
penetrating oil finish.

If you want to apply a genuine linseed oil
finish follow this old finishing adage:

Apply the oil once an hour for a day,
Once a day for a week,
Once a week for a year,
Once a year for the rest of your life.

It takes a lot of coats of linseed oil to
make a good finish. Apply the oil with a
rag, let it soak into the wood for about
half an hour then buff like mad with a
clean rag.

Guess the Member!!!!!!.

Guess who got through four sessions of the
carving course without inflicting so much
as a nick from the tools and then did the
bloody deed while packing her gear into the
car after the last lesson. (Ed: A hint - I
don't think it was Sue...)

Mitre Joints. (Alex Davis)

Do you have trouble making snug fitting
mitre joints. With the help of a very
simple jig you can make perfectly fitting

mitre joints. The secret is to carefully make the jig which is not difficult. Use a piece a 1/4" plywood about 6" by 12". Layout two lines at an exact right-angle (90 degrees) for fastening the 3/4" by 1 1/4" guide strips. Glue and nail the in place so they make a perfect 90 degree inside corner. Don't worry about the quality of fit of the mitre corner on the jib. It is of no importance because you will be running your band saw or scroll saw through it anyway. Any miss-cut mitre is corrected by making successive passes and shifting the pieces together after each pass until there are no longer any gaps remaining.

Demonstrations. (Of the woodworking kind)

David Howell and Peter Lorimer did us proud by giving up their Saturday on May 5 to give a wood-turning demonstration at the Tecoma Primary School Fete.

Unfortunately, they were stationed in a dimly-lit hall but still managed to put on a sterling demonstration.

Peter Lorimer, a professional turner, will pass on some of his tips and advice to all members through a demonstration of the much feared and maligned skew chisel on the June meeting.

MINUTES of MAY MEETING May 2, 1990

Apologies: Dick Kors and Arthur Westwood

General Business:

Discussion about badges for new members. Subject to new membership list being finalised, Alf is organising new badges.

Jack Vaux moved a vote of thanks to contributors to the May newsletter.

Discussion about seeking advertising in the newsletter to be covered by a small donation to the club.

Club advised of a requested wood-turning

demonstration at Tecoma on May 5. David Howell and Peter Lorimer offered to attend.

Moved Jim Jones, seconded Herman van der Breggan that \$1000 of club fund be transferred to an account bearing higher interest....CARRIED.

Club to discuss INSURANCE at next meeting with advice from Ian Dole.

Meeting closed at 8pm.

REPORT ON THE CARVING COURSE WITH JOHN KELLY.

(Fiona Ross)

The four-week carving course with expert carver, John Kelly, is now over and the ten of us who took part now feel we could tackle just about anything with chisels and a mallet.

The first session covered the basics necessities of learning how to get the tools sharp and the best methods of holding and using the chisels and mallet.

We started on two projects on the first day, the first was a traditional-style shell and the second, a pair of gum leaves with gum nuts.

The second week we completed two rosettes and started on a pair of scroll-and-leaf moldings (suitable for application to furniture).

The third session was taken up with completing the scrolls and starting an sculptured ducks.

A flower completed the list of projects set by John to cover most of the techniques and styles of carving.

While everybody's pieces all looked distinctively different, it was quite apparent that we had all enjoyed developing our own style and interpretation into each

carving.

The last session was interesting in that most of us had come prepared with a project of our own to get started on. Sue Wood has started an ambitious coat of arms, Gordon Hill made a delightful three-dimensional pig, Herman van der Breggan made a cute kookaburra, Paul Tresize worked on a floral motif for a mirror stand, John Doyle got stuck into some claw-and-ball legs, Martin Schueler worked on some incise carving, Thecla Wouts made a lovely scroll for her baby son, and I (Fiona Ross) worked on a carved scroll sign.

Those of us in the class are keen to maybe ask John to conduct a follow-up course and we would recommend the course to everybody. A big thanks to John Kelly for making our four May Saturdays so interesting, exciting, and rewarding.

SAW BLADES. (Alex Davis)

For a terrific deal on saw blades either circular or bandsaw, or sharpening of same, plus router bits supply and or sharpening, go see Frank Watson at F.J. Saw Service, Factory 5/2 Barry St Bayswater (729 1414). As an example I was looking for a 19mm carbide tipped straight cutter with a 1/2" shank. I was quoted \$60 for the local product. I wandered into to above and got exactly what I wanted, a german carbide tipped bit for \$25.80!! Frank has guaranteed he can supply or sharpen saw blades or router bits at substantial discounts to members, just turn up with your official badge.

All Woodturners:

Winter is closing in on us all and my open fire is starting to consume all sorts of amazing off cuts, some quite big. So now is your chance to get your act together and come and get some fantastic bits of turning wood.

Phone me now: 754 3428
Hamish Hill

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