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The following is actually taken from the latest VWA newsletter, but it seems to be so very true of our own club at the moment. I had planned to do a little rant and rave in this newsletter after the pitiful response to the call for volunteers for Working with Wood, Stringy Bark, and the roll up for the 3rd Wednesday of the month that you all voted for as a great idea.

WHO ME?????

"It is a story about four persons in a woodworking group. They were named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it. Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did. Somebody got very angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everbody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realised that Somebody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done....

Will the same be true at the AGM when Everbody will be asked to fill the committee positions? Will Anybody be available to help at Stringy Bark?

PROFILE - HAMISH HILL

Hamish Hill is 41 and lives in Tecoma. Woodworking, as practised by Hamish, is a rather diverse activity and ranges from wood carving on an heroic scale through furniture making to collecting green timber and cutting it into boards with a chainsaw mill. Woodworking also involves home renovations and this part of his activity has reached the kitchen re-build situation where a masterpiece in chipboard and pine is taking shape, held together, as Hamish says, with dovetailed joinery! The background leading to this latest purist endeavour includes the establishment and operation of a furniture making business during the 'seventies', some training in furniture design and woodcarving, a period making pottery as a hobby and general building work, including the construction of a timber house in the North of Norway where hand tools were used.

Hamish says that what he likes doing most of all is making things of his own design ("They never sell"). He particularly enjoys using hand tools and also likes the solitude which attends the activities of most woodworkers.

He loves gypsy caravans and was once involved in the construction of one of these from scratch. He says that a sudden realisation that he was scared of horses caused the sale of the unfinished caravan to an Irishman. The caravan was last seen serving as an ice-cream and soft drink van at a festival. He doesn't plan to make any more caravans except perhaps models thereof when in his dotage!

Hamish has a long history of involvement in Community affairs, including a stint as Craftsman in the Community for the City of Knox during 1988. He is currently planning a project with the City of Hawthorn which will involve schools in community Artwork and another with the City of Doncaster which will coincide with the annual V.W.A. Exhibition.

Hamish joined the V.W.A. in 1987, currently holds the office of Treasurer. He was one of the dedicated few who made the

DATES TO REMEMBER

- OCTOBER 13-14: Yarra Turners and Forest Hill Woodturners exhibition at Yallambie Community Hall, Yallambie Rd, Macleod. Details 452 992 (AH)
- OCTOBER 18-21: Working With Wood Show. Exhibition Buildings.
- OCTOBER 24: Bi-monthly meeting - Glenfern Secondary College at 6.30pm.
- OCTOBER 27-28: Stringybark Festival. Rowville Community Centre.
- NOVEMBER 7: Monthly club meeting, Glenfern Secondary College
- NOVEMBER 2-18: Victorian Woodworkers Association annual exhibition, Doncaster Art Gallery.
- NOVEMBER 10-11: Eltham Woodworkers Club annual exhibition at Eltham Community Centre, Main Rd, Eltham.
- DECEMBER 5: Monthly club meeting, Glenfern Secondary College.

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER MEETING 5-9-90

Acting chairman, David Jamie welcomed members and guests. 31 members were present.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES: Moved JOE KIRKBRIDGE, seconded HERMAN VAN DER BREGGEN that the minutes be accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE: Moved ARTHUR THOMPSON, seconded DAVID HOWELL that correspondence be received.

TREASURER'S REPORT: PETER HOWELL advised that the club has a current balance of \$427.27 and has 61 financial members.

Moved HERMAN VAN DER BREGGEN, seconded ARTHUR WESTWOOD that the treasurer's report be received and accounts passed for payment.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

PETER JOHNSTON raised concern about condition of lathes. Moved DAVID JAMIES, seconded PETER HOWELL that we write to the school to express concern about the condition of the lathes.

CARRIED

Moved FIONA ROSS seconded DAVID HOWELL that we contact the school to arrange to get rooms for meeting on the third Wednesday of each month.

CARRIED

Moved DAVID JAMIE, seconded PETER HOWELL that the club withdraw from this year's Working With Wood Show. CARRIED

Meeting closed at 8.10pm

SHOW AND TELL. ARTHUR WESTWOOD showed timber samples from QLD, STEVE ROSS showed clamps he had made and JOHN DOYLE and VAL

KAMENSKY showed chairs they had made.

Bill Gillingham