

SPECIAL ORDERS Desk
BUNNINGS

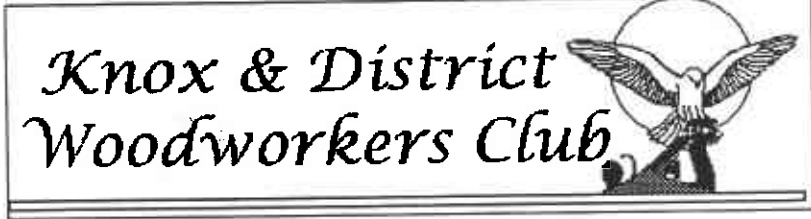
Carbo Tec Richmond

August 2001

INGRAINED

August 2001

Newsletter of the



Ray Sanders
Been A Tree
in 'LOCKH'

45 Glenfern Rd
Ferntree Gully 3156
Reg Assoc. A001761S

Club Phone (03) 9758 4849
Web Site www.alchester.com.au/kdwc

Executive Committee

President	Peter Sleeman	9758 1390
Vice President	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
Secretary	Charles Bruckner	9801 2197
Treasurer	Doug Dell	9729 1886
Committee Member	Paddy McCann	9758 3920
Newsletter Editor	Bob Plant	9754 5920

81V
040788 7620
97545789
OWEN BURTON
4 Roserow Rd Belgrave

Presidents Report August

A number of things have happened over the past month. The new lathe has arrived and is know in use and is working very well so I am told. I urge members to take care of it.

Our membership has now risen 136, and I would like to welcome all the newcomers. I hope each of you get plenty of enjoyment working with wood and being a member of our club. Would members make an effort to welcome the new members to the club and help them to get to know us, and each other. If unsure about anything regarding the club operations or using equipment please ask the key holder for the day.

The club has obtained a large quantity of 17mm chipboard and MDF in various sheet sizes and colours. These are available to all members for a minimal cost, please ask the key holder for prices. If anyone can think of a club project where we can make use of these sheets, please let me know.

The Berwick Woodworkers came over and spent the day with us on Saturday 21st July. It was great to meet and get to know members from another club and over a BBQ, exchange ideas and find how other clubs operate. I would like to thank Berwick for the warmth and friendship extended to us and look forward to continuing our association with them.

Also thanks to our members and partners who attended and helped make the day such a success.

I would encourage members to join our "Be In It Competition and Dedication Day" on August 12th and make it another day for us all.

Peter Sleeman

Around the Club

Jim Marshal sends his regards to all the club members from sunny Caloundra where the temperature is around 23 degrees and all the Mexicans (south of the border) are getting round in tee-shirts and shorts, while the locals are in full winter gear. Jim met an interesting woodie in his travels and tells more about him later in the newsletter.

Jim won't be back until late September, he plans to play bowls, laze on the beach, fish and do some woodturning in his spare time. Lifes tough for some.

"Be In It" Day & Dedication of the Club House Sunday 12th September

This an important day in the clubs history, while the "Be In It" competition is an important annual event in the clubs calender, this year we are dedicating the clubhouse to Alf Stephens, a founding member of the club. It was his vision and enthusiasm that made our club the success is it is now. Our local councillor, Karin Orpen will be assisting us in the dedication ceremony.

The program for the afternoon will take the form of an afternoon tea (*Members are asked to bring a plate*) starting at about 2.00pm, The Dedication of the clubhouse will be at about 3.00pm and the presentations for the "Be In It" at 4.00pm.

INGRAINED

Reminder: - Entries can be left at the clubhouse from Friday the 10th and must be in before 1.00pm on the following Sunday. Judging will commence at 1.00pm and entries will not be received after it starts. members are able to enter multiple entries

Categories include: - ornaments, toys and games, furniture major, furniture minor, boxes, spindle turning, faceplate turning, bowls large, bowls small, clocks, pens, carving major, carving minor, musical instruments, garden ornaments, marquetry and other items that don't fit categories

Members are invited to bring along some of their other work to be displayed.

Next Month's Guest Speaker

Frank Ham from the Hand Tool Preservation Association of Australia will be the presenter at our September meeting. Frank will be bringing with him a selection of historic tools as well as a slide presentation. The third segment of Frank's presentation will involve the members, what has asked is that members bring along any old tools that they have access to. These tools will be identified along with their origin and how and where they were used will be discussed.

So start hunting up those tools now ready for the next meeting.

New members

The Club extends a welcome to the following that have recently us: -

Darren Hall
Les Clayton
John Emptage
Saira Rogers
Andrew Froude

Welcome

You are a stranger but once

Woodturners Interest Group

The woodturners are enthusiastically working away on Wednesday evenings with an average of about 8 members present. The current project that we are working on is rattle dolls for the club's toy making project.

While there is a not enough lathes for all, members are busying themselves in other related wood turning activities.

There is a strong interest in other groups starting up, particularly during the day. If you are interested contact Bob Plant (9754 592) or Jan Brown (9762



1063). There is also a yellow sheet on the notice board where you can indicate your interest and preference for time and day.

Happy turning
Bob Plant

Carvers and Burners Corners

Notice the new name in this section, after the pyrography demonstration, the carvers have taken it under their wing and are running it in conjunction with carving.

It was good to see Willy and the happy band of carvers and especially new members, Les and his grandson Darren chipping away when I dropped in a week or so ago. An invitation is extended to other members to drop in and have a go

Interested in Learning Pyrography

This is a follow to the demonstration at the July meeting. The club is running a workshop in conjunction with Liz and Chris Potter.

Cost \$22.00 for a three-hour workshop.

Venue: - Clubhouse

Date: - Saturday 1st of September

All equipment and material supplied, you may want to bring along some of your own work or woodturning to decorate.

An outline of the workshop is on the club notice board.

The workshop is open to members, their partners and friends with an interest in this area.

Booking is essential, as there is a maximum of 14 participants, deposits can be paid to Doug Dell. For more information, contact Willy Schlaf (9762 2206) or Paddy McCann (9758 3920)

There is a list (pink) on the notice board for participants to place the name on.

On Workshop & Safety Matters

After the pyrography demonstration, the club purchased a duel pyrography pen. It is currently stored in office and available from the key holder.

The new lathe is now on a stand and available for use. Thanks to Frank O'Conner for building the stand.

On the negative side more of our equipment has been damaged. One of our belt sanders has been dropped and used with the belt out of alignment resulting in the case being damaged beyond repair. Replacement cost approximately \$350

INGRAINED

The lathe tool grinder has had its wheel damaged by somebody using it to grind and shape wood!!!!
Cost of repair: - time

There is considerable loss to the club in both the cost and the time for somebody to fix the problem. If there is a problem, please let the key holder or a committee member know.

REMEMBER SAFETY, FIRST, LAST
AND ALWAYS.

Tassie's Tree's (from Forestry Tasmania)

Myrtle Nothofagus cunninghamii

Myrtle is the predominant species in Tasmania's cool temperate climate. It has a regeneration cycle, which can lead a forest containing trees ranging from one to five hundred years old. It is a timber prized for furniture, woodturning and panelling, varying in colour from pink to red. It is highly susceptible to insect and fungal attacks, which damages the timber and often kills the trees.

Myrtle belongs to the same family as the beeches of Europe. The trees reach a height of 39 to 40 metres with a diameter of 1.5 to 2 metres. It has a dark green, fine textured crown. Its brown coloured bark is scaly and slightly fibrous and remains attached to the tree for life. The new spring flush is often a copper red colour, which turns bright green then, darkens to a deep green.

Myrtle growth is related to rainfall and humidity and providing conditions are moist and sheltered, the trees flourish from sea level on parts of the west and north coasts to the tree lines on mountains.

The reddish is very strong and when used for flooring and decking wears well and keeps its nice smooth surface. Its value for furniture and decorative work is well known. It works well and takes fine polish. Myrtle is also used for joinery, veneers and carving



Murphy's Law for Woodworker's

- the expertise of a woodworker is shown by how well he hides his mistakes
- a perfect mitre can only be achieved theoretically
- a freshly sharpened tool will always hit the floor on its edge
- you can always find a nail in used timber with a carbide tipped blade
- the piece most likely to warp or check in any finished project will be the most complex and inaccessible
- woodworking shop pencils and tape measures grow legs
- when you do find a pencil, it will not have a point
- the only piece of wood that matches yours in town will be in the will be in the most expensive supplier around
- "air dried" timber is dried on the truck from the forest to the mill
- any part that you need for a your broken machine will be one that is not stocked, takes 60 to 90 days to get and only costs a dollar
- the open space on your workbench is where your partner will be potting plants
- the finish is not quite dry when the dust blows through the door
- whatever you need today was ordered yesterday and not due to the 1st of next month
- The "new improved version" that you used all that time will look funny on a project that you have spent a year to complete
- after you cut a piece of exotic timber, you discover that the first 20mm has been cut from the tape
- any small part or screw will fall into the largest pile of sawdust or rubbish in the workshop

Jim's Travel Notes

In my many travels around Australia, I, like a lot of others, I'm sure, spend a lot of time looking at woodwork carried out by professionals and amateurs. My recent visit to Mt Morgan introduced me to a talented chap making mainly clocks and working sticks.

Col Barney is the mans name. He has spent most of his life in Mt Morgan finishing as the Postmaster for the town. A couple of years ago with time on his hands, having retired earlier took up working with wood and his finished products would do anybody proud. The interesting thing is that Col's work is done on a second or third hand home built lathe and his bandsaw is an old butcher's meat saw. His sheds are under the house and stacked full of different Queensland timbers and I reckon that if he worked full time it would last for at least 50 years. I'm sure that if any members visit Mt Morgan, Col would be pleased to show his work.

INGRAINED



Mt Morgan by the way is 40 odd km south west of Rockhampton and Col's wood is collected "out west".

Cheers,
See you in late September.
Jim Marshall

Wanted

I am looking for a "walking penguin" drawing or a model to copy. The penguin is about 350mm high and rolls on 2, 75mm wheels and has a push stick with which a child moves it around.

If you can help, please contact me on 9761 0094 or leave the details in my pigeonhole at the clubrooms.

Thanks in anticipation
Graham Gibson

Discount on Tools

If you are after any tools then Total Tools on Burwood Highway are offering members a 10% discount. All you need to do is tell them you are a member of the Knox Woodworkers and you will be looked after.

Answer to last month's teaser

1. Day in, day out
2. Down and out
3. She' right
4. Get under way

Sorry, no room for more this month, but if you have any that I could use in future, please drop them in my pigeonhole. Ed.

Workshop Hours

Monday	6.30 pm - 8.30 pm	Bill L. onden	9758 2438
Tuesday	10.00 am - 3.00 pm	Peter Sleeman	9758 1390
	6.30 pm - 8.30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 3774
Wednesday	10.00am - 3.00 pm	Peter Sleeman	9758 1390
	6.30 pm - 8.30 pm	David Howell	9758 3920
Thursday	10.00 am - 3.00 pm	Paul Aminde	9758 1733
Friday	6.30 pm - 8.30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 3774
Saturday	August 4 th	Reiner Lolkema	9754 4567
	August 11 th	Chris Smith	9729 6515
	August 18 th	Doug Dell	9729 1886
	August 25 th	Chris Smith	9729 6515
<i>Members please note: If no members have arrived by 10.30am the Key Holder has the option of closing the clubrooms</i>			

Coming Club Events

Wednesday 1 st August	Monthly General Meeting Presenter: - Owen Burton
Wednesday August 8 th	Woodturners at the club
Sunday 12 th August	"Be In It" and Dedication of the Club Rooms
Wednesday August 15 th	Executive Committee meets
Wednesday August 22 nd	Woodturners at the club
September 1 st	Annual subscriptions due
Wednesday September 5 th	Monthly General Meeting <i>Presenter Frank Ham</i> from Hand Tools Preservation Association of Australia.
Wednesday 3 rd October	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Saturday 20 th & Sunday 21 st October	Stringy Bark Festival
Saturday 8 th December	Christmas Break Up

Woodworking Calender

September 1 st & 2 nd	3 rd Biennial Mildura Wood Show Old Mildura Woodshed Cureton Rd. Mildura
October 5 th - 7 th	Maryborough Craft, Wood and Art Fair Nestle Centre Gillies St. Maryborough
October 19 th - 21 st	Timber & Working with Wood Show Melbourne Exhibition Centre South Bank
November 11 th 9.00am to 2.00pm	Melbourne Hand Tool Sale Glenferrie Primary School 80 Manningham St. Hawthorn
April 20 th & 21 st 2002	The 2002 Festival of Woodwork at Manningham Run by the Council of Victorian Woodwork Clubs on behalf of the woodwork clubs of Victoria and their members