

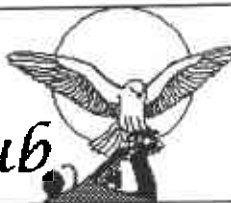
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Newsletter of the

*Knox & District
Woodworkers Club*



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Notice to all Members

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING for the Knox and District Woodworkers Club Inc will be held at the Alf Stephens Clubrooms on Wednesday 4th October commencing at 7.30pm.

Over the past month, we have had two of our members in hospital. We wish David Rowlands and Graham Pulford a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing you back at the club soon.

Our AGM is on the 3rd of October at the clubhouse starting at 7.30pm. To be eligible to vote, your club membership must be paid before the meeting.

The Stringybark Festival is on the 20th and 21st of October and plenty of helpers are needed for both days. Please support the club and help the community by joining in.

Peter Sleeman

Presidents Report September

This month saw the official dedication of the clubhouse by Cr Karin Orpen and Nancy Stevens, and what a great day it was. Our club rooms are now officially known as, The Alf Stevens Club Rooms".

Our annual "Be In It" competition was also held on the same day with great success. It was good to see all the different entries and the excellent workmanship that went into them. Congratulations to the winners and I would also like to thank the judges and all that helped to make it an outstanding day.

The club is having another bus tour, the destination this time is Walhalla. It will take place on Saturday 6th October. The cost is \$33.00 per head and includes morning tea; lunch and a train ride on the historic railway. If you wish to come please put your name on the list on the notice board, and money paid to the treasurer by September 22nd. The busses are filling fast so get your name down soon so you don't miss out. These trips are a good way of getting to know other members as well as being a great day out.

The Berwick Woodworkers sent over some toys which are on display at the clubrooms. I hope they encourage each of us to get busy on toys for the Christmas appeal.

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A Reminder From The Treasurer

Annual subscriptions are now due and should be paid by the AGM. The subscription remains at \$40 for the year 2001 - 2002. An account is attached to the newsletter.

The club is currently checking and updating its records. To assist the committee in doing this, members are asked to check and change or add to the information on the attached yellow sheet. This sheet should be returned with your subs.

Thanks for your help in these matters

Doug Dell
Treasurer

Clubrooms Dedication

Sunday 12th August 2001 was a very significant day in history of the Knox and District Woodworkers Club. It was a day, that in conjunction with our annual "Be In It" Competition, we dedicated our clubrooms to the late Alf Stephens.

Alf was the instigator and founding president of our club, which was formed on 5th October 1988. It has grown from its original base at the Ferntree Gully Technical School to what is now our machine room at Glenfern road. The

Alf was a driving force in all of those developments as well as being instrumental in the creation of a number of other community based organisations.

Our President, Peter Sleeman welcomed members and visitors. The visitors included Alf's widow Nancy and her family, Cr Karin Orpin representing the Knox Council and Brenda, Kevin and family representing the Wonthaggi Woodworkers Club.

Cr. Karin Orpin spoke of the work and life of Alf and then invited Nancy Stephens to unveil a framed photograph of Alf, which will hang permanently in our clubrooms. Previously an engraved wooden plaque had been affixed to the front of the building.

These items will form a lasting tribute to Alf's great work and dedication; with out which many woodworkers in this district would have missed out on so much pleasure, friendship and "creative work".



The Clubrooms will now be known as The Alf Stephens Clubrooms

Around the Club

Recently seen at the Maroochydore Market: - Bill Longden said to be checking out the woodwork while his wife was elsewhere in the market - Maybe it was the "local bird life" he was checking.

Are you safe anywhere?

Next Month's Guest Speaker

As next month is the AGM there will not be a guest speaker

New members

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

Ben Holst-Jenson
Peter Kulesa

Woodturners Interest Group

The woodturner's are still working away every Wednesday evening and enjoying themselves, there is always room for more interested members.

Following up the interest in starting a day woodturning group the committee has set a side Monday mornings for it to take place. It is planned to run it on the second and fourth Mondays of the month starting at 9.30am. The first meeting will be on Monday 10th September. The session will be for woodturning only. If you are interested contact Bob Plant (9754 592) or Jan Brown (9762 1063) or come on the day.

The Turn Around Down Under at Phillip Island in early September and three of our members Jan Brown, Reiner Lolkema and myself will be participating over the weekend. I am sure there will be lots of ideas and stories will come out of it, a report on the happenings will be in next months *Ingrained*.

Happy turning
Bob Plant

On Workshop & Safety Matters

If you have been using the battery drills lately, you will notice that they have been not good. They have now been replaced with two new 14.6v drills.

Cost \$165 each

How to save power tool batteries

- Never stick a warm battery in a charger - this will shorten the life of the battery considerably.
- Never leave a charged battery in your tools for long periods of time.
- Never completely discharge a battery - the proper time to remove the battery is as soon as the tool's performance begins to drop.
- Never repeat recharging after short usage as the battery creates a "memory effect" which shortens its life.

From the Mitre 10 catalogue

The club has also have purchased two new sanders, a third sheet and a half sheet. Please take care of them
Cost \$500

The accessories for the new Woodfast mini lathe are now kept in the office in a plastic container. Please check that all parts are there when you take them

The phantom has bpeen in the in the machine room again recently, our bench saw has been damaged with the blade loosing 6 teeth and has had to be repaired, it looks as if the phantoms timber may have had a bolt in it. The blade has now been replaced. Please note as from now all second hand timber must be checked with the metal detector.

Cost of fixing: - \$120 and 2 hours

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.

When he says: "It's a really good movie"
He really means: "It's got guns, knives, fast cars, good punchups and beautiful women"

Be In It Competition Results From Sunday 12th August

Carving	1 st 2 nd 3 rd Special mention	Willy Schlaf Willy Schlaf Willy Schlaf Gerry Daelmans
Clocks	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Gerry Daelmans Paul Aminde Ray Easthope
Boxes	1 st 2 nd Special mention	Ivor Simpson Ron Ralph Peter Horsburgh
Musical Instrumrnts	1 st	Joe Semenow
Bowls	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Ron Ralph Ron Ralph Doug Dell
Pens	1 st	Jan Brown
Ornamental Turning	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Vic Oberg Vic Oberg Vic Oberg
Ornaments	Special Mention	Ron Ralph
Toys & Games	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Frank O'Connor Peter Horsburgh Ray Easthope

Furniture Major	1 st 2 nd Special mentions	Allen Brookes Ron Ralph Paul Phillips Ron Ralph
Furniture Minor	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Rob Donker Ron Ralph Doug Dell
Faceplate Turning	Joint 1 st	Bill Hawley Jan Brown
Spindle Turning	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Peter Horsburgh Ron Ralph Peter Horsburgh

TIPS TO LOOK AFTER YOUR HUSBAND

(An extract from a 1950 Home Economics book)

Have dinner ready. Plan ahead, even the night before to have a delicious meal on time. This is to let him know that you have been thinking about him and are concerned about his needs. Most men are hungry when they come home and the prospects of a good meal are part of the warm welcome needed.

Prepare yourself:

Take 15 minutes to rest so you will be refreshed when he arrives. Touch up your make up, put a ribbon in your hair and be fresh looking.



He has just been with a lot of work weary people. Be a little gay and a little more interesting. His boring day may need a lift to clear away the clutter. Make one last trip through the main part of the house before your husband arrives, gathering up schoolbooks, papers and toys etc. Then run the dust cloth over the table. Your husband will feel he has reached a haven of rest and order and it will give him a lift too.

Prepare the children:

Take a few seconds to wash the children's hands and faces (if they are small), comb their hair and if necessary change their cloths. They are little treasurers and he would like to see them playing the part. At the time of his arrival, eliminate all noise Of the washer, drier, dishwasher or vacuum. Try to encourage the children to be quiet. Be happy to see him. greet him with a warm smile and be glad to see him.

Some don'ts:

Don't greet him with problems or complaints. Don't complain if he's late for dinner – count this as minor compared with what he might have gone through today.

Make him comfortable:

Have him lean back on a chair or suggest he lie down in the bedroom. Have a cool or warm drink ready for him. Arrange his pillow and offer to take off his shoes. Speak in a low, soft, soothing and pleasant voice. Allow him to relax and unwind.

Listen to him:

You may have a dozen things to tell him but the moment of his arrival at home is not the time. Let him talk first.

Make the evening his:

Never complain if he does not take you out to dinner or to other places of entertainment. Instead, try to understand his world of strain and pressure – his need to be home and to relax.

The Goal:

Try and make your home a place of peace and order where your husband can renew himself in body and spirit.



Woodies Internet Web Sites

This new area in the newsletter, with so much new information about on the web, it seems appropriate that we start making a list of them. If you know of any sites that may be of interest, please place the information in my pigeonhole. A short statement of what is on the site would be great. We will set up a list of all sites in the clubrooms.

This month's site is: -

www.ubeut.com.au

The sight was developed by Neil Ellis of U-beut Enterprises, Neil is well known for his great polishes

This is an excellent local site, with a chat room, links to many other woodies sites including our club web page. A great site to visit.

For Sale (from the Berwick newsletter)

McMillan Heavy duty drill press, ¾ hp motor, 16 speed. \$220

Woodlathe Tecknotool 1000 ¾ hp motor, 6 speed, Nova scroll chuck, 13 chisels and lots of extras. \$850

Racal Airlite powered anti-dust respirator \$250
Phone Rowan 9707-5657 or 0408322117





Workshop Hours

Monday	6.30 pm - 8.30 pm	Bill Longden	9758 2438	
Tuesday	10.00 am - 3.00 pm	Peter Sleeman	9758 1390	
	6.30 pm - 8.30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774	
Wednesday	10.00am - 3.00 pm	Peter Sleeman	9758 1390	
	6.30 pm - 8.30 pm	David Howell	9874 6757	
Thursday	10.00 am - 3.00 pm	Paul Aminde	9758 1733	
Friday	6.30 pm - 8.30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774	
Saturday	September 8th	9.30 pm - 12.30pm	Earl Webb	9801 4142
	September 15 th	9.30 pm -12.30pm	Jan Brown	9762 1063
	September 22 nd	9.30 pm -12.30pm	Doug Dell	9729 1886
	September 29th	9.30 pm -12.30pm	Chris Smith	9729 6515
	October 6 th	9.30 pm -12.30pm	Jan Brown	9762 1063

Members please note: If no members have arrived by 10.30am the Key Holder has the option of closing the clubrooms

Regular Club Group Activities

Day	Time	Regularity	Group	Contact
Monday	Day at 9.30	2 nd & 4 th week of month	Day woodturners	Bob Plant 9754 5920 Jan Brown 9762 1063
	Evening	Every week	Carvers & Burners Festival kit	Willy Schlaf 9762 2206
Wednesday	Evening	Every week 2 nd & 4 th	Rocking horse Evening woodturners	Charles Bruckner 9801 2197 Bob Plant 9754 5920

Coming Club Events

Wednesday September 5 th	Monthly General Meeting <i>Presenter Frank Ham</i> From Hand Tools Preservation Association of Australia.
Wednesday September 19th	Executive Committee meets
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

October 5 th - 7 th	Maryborough Craft, Wood and Art Fair Nestle Centre Gillies St. Maryborough
October 13 th 9.30 to 4.30	Annual Steam and Wood Show Venue:- Museum, Station Rd. Alexandra
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