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Newsletter of the

*Knox & District  
Woodworkers Club*



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## Your Executive Committee for 2002 / 2003

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### OUR PRESIDENT'S JULY REPORT

I would like to start this report by thanking Paddy McCann for filling in for me for the past 2 months and keeping the club running smoothly while I was recovering. It's great to be back again.

The past month has been busy as we finished off the turning room. This now gives us more space in the machine room and is safer for all.

Members are still busy making toys for the Christmas Appeal. This is great to see and, as we now have over 300 toys ready, it looks like we will exceed last year's total. Keep up the good work!

This month we also had a visit from the Forest Hill Wood Turners, a great day was had by all as we talked about wood turning and exchanged experiences and ideas. Thank's to Bob Plant for organising the day.

Our "Be In It" competition is on this coming Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August. Your participation will help to make the day successful and enjoyable. Please bring along a plate of afternoon tea to help with catering.

The next general club meeting, on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, will start at 6.30 pm with a sausage sizzle. After the meeting we will have a trade night hosted by Makita and Total Tools. So come and join us to see the latest in tools from Makita and enjoy a bite to eat.

Peter Sleeman

### Community Services by the Club

We have accepted an offer from the Eastern Regional Library Corporation to place a woodwork display in the Ferntree Gully Branch Library in September to promote hobbies of interest to men as part of publicising community skills. This will also give us an opportunity to publicise the Club.

The Library has also asked us to have our toy kits for children to make up during their holidays on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October from 11-12 noon.

We have made up and donated 2 of our toy kits to the 2<sup>nd</sup> August "Bunnings Bluey Day" raffle. We will also be making and selling our toy kits from 9 am – 3 pm on the day with \$1 from the sale of each kit going to their appeal. This year, the children's toys will be distributed to the Knox City Council, St Vincent de Paul and the Shire of Yarra Ranges.

The Committee

### "Around the Club"

Want to be included in this section? Just be around the Club working on a project - but importantly, be wearing your name badge.

Charles Bruckner is putting the final touches to the head of his horse. While all the horses use the same pattern the part that stamps the imprint of the maker is the head as they are all slightly different. Good luck Charles!



I have watched Max Holt make these wheelbarrows for some time and said I wanted a photo when they were near completion. Luckily, I caught him just as he was inserting the last screw. What

a great job he did on them, particularly as he made up most of the pattern as he went along.

Doug Dell looked so comfortable sitting on the stool and as I couldn't even get him to look up for the photo I wasn't sure if he was asleep! But no, he was just engrossed in the patterns he was cutting out on the band saw for a person he knows. It was good to see Doug with ear protection (or are they earphones





for listening to music while he worked?)



Just two of the people who give their valuable personal time to work behind the scenes, to make the Club what it is for you to use. Bob Plant is putting the finishing touches to the board to neatly hang the turning chisels so you can quickly and easily find the one you want. Please assist by hanging them back in their place after you use them! Peter Horsburgh is meticulously performing his annual equipment stock audit to ensure we still have all the gear. Thanks, and keep up the good work!

Paul Lucas

## **“Bunnings Day” Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October for the Rocking Horse Raffle**

Please put your name on the board to attend at Bunnings as we need a real effort from all members to sell tickets, to make up for some of the loss of the Stringybark Festival. It is at Bunnings Scoresby, Ferntree Gully Rd, on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October, from 9am to 3pm to sell tickets to the public. You only have to allocate 1 or so hours if everyone attends, and it is fun.

The rocking horse raffle will be drawn at 8pm at the November monthly meeting which is the night we present the childrens' toys to the chosen charity groups and present the rocking horse to the Angliss Hospital. Naturally, any people who purchase raffle tickets are entitled to attend the draw of the raffle.

## **Equipment Status in the Club**

The turning equipment has moved into the shed extension. The electrical wiring is all complete and the chisels etc hung to finish off the layout. What a marvellous improvement in the arrangement of facilities for you at the Club!

The committee has approved the installation of a floodlight outside the main clubhouse door to provide more light for those sanding or working on rocking horses etc in the evenings.

## **Guest speakers in the coming months**

August meeting – Gordon Ross will talk on “The art of Ventriloquism”

September meeting – Makita Trade night and BBQ.

## **Members Welfare**

It is with regret that we announce the recent passing away of Bob Bassett's wife.

At the same time we also regretfully announce the passing away of Jan Brown's father, in Perth.

All Club members wish to offer their condolences to our members, Bob and Jan, and both their families at this sad time.

Bruce Allen has not been feeling well. See you soon Bruce.

## **A warm welcome to our New Members**

We now have 161 financial members in the Club.

We hope our newest 3 members get great enjoyment out of the Club. If you see these members around, have a chat and make him feel part of the Club family. Please wear your name badge to make it easier for them to remember your name. The new members are: -

Peter Jordan  
Ian Stewart  
Michael Cook

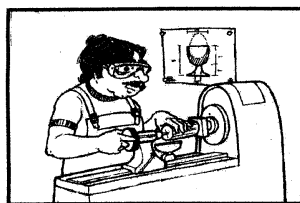
## **Rocking Horse Group Ramblings**

Joe Semenow is very proud of the progress the group is making. Continual improvements are being made by members as they individualise their horses. Here is Joe with the latest horse that will be donated to the Angliss Hospital at the November meeting night when we also donate all the childrens' toys.

It took Joe to quietly reveal that Paul Phillips has donated 2 sets of rocking horse manes and tails to the Club for the horses we make for raffles and charity. This has saved the Club around \$90. Thank you, and well done Paul!!

In addition, Paul's wife Pat has made a number of saddle cloths for the horses which again saves money for the Club as we do not have to buy them. This has been very kind and thoughtful of Pat and I know Paul will pass on our thanks to her.

## **Turner's Talk**



Over 30 enthusiastic members of The Forest Hill Woodturners visited the Club on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July and they were very impressed with our facilities and the number of hours a

week our workshop is open. Their workshop is only open for 6 hours each week! They certainly enjoyed the marvellous afternoon tea while having a good chat to everyone. Bob Plant did a good job organising the occasion. Thanks must also go to Paddy Mc Cann for his background effort organising the putting out of the afternoon tea and clearing up afterwards. We all saw his previous experience in catering coming to the fore as he smoothly and quietly moved through the process!! Thanks to them both from all who attended.

Vic Oberg is very pensive as he watches John Emptage turn a bowl in camphor wood. The aroma of camphor near them was lovely! Vic is always ready with advice and help for any member wanting to learn better ways of doing woodturning.

Paul Lucas





## **BBQ & Auction Night!**

### **At the 3<sup>rd</sup> December Monthly meeting**

Don't delay in critically appraising the tools and equipment you have in your home workshop. Donate for the auction those items you seldom, or never, use that are taking up valuable workshop space. Bring them down to the Club and we will store them until the auction.

A BBQ will make it a great night. Naturally, it is BYO drinks.

### **Working Bee on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August**

Please spare some time from 8 am to 12 noon to help with general work around the club. Some effort will concentrate on getting the rooms ready for the "Be-In-It" and "Open Day" on the next day. The Committee

In the last Newsletter it was reported that only 13 Club Members turned up for the working bee. What wasn't recorded was that there was a situation at the end of the morning whereby there could have been just 12 members leaving the clubrooms!

There were a lot of mahogany planks set aside for storing under the workshop and to speed the operation up Ladislav Toman crawled under the building and guided the planks into place. Unfortunately, he never took into consideration Paddy McCann's Irish logic and whilst we all stood looking at the good job that had been achieved it became apparent that Ladislav was trapped under the building by Paddy's overlength separation bars. Undeterred, Paddy grabbed a saw from the workshop and lopped the ends off the offending bits of wood, just missing a pair of feet into the bargain. Ladislav emerged from under the building like a James Bond Martini, shaken but not stirred!!

Frank Tewkesbury

### **Have you missed out on the Safe Handling Instruction Sessions for the Club Equipment?**

It is time you arranged to complete this as it will shortly reach the stage where you may not be permitted to use the Club equipment if you have not undergone this instruction. It does not take long, and is for your own safety as well as the safety of other club members using equipment around you. Don't put it off any longer – contact a Key holder or committee member and arrange a convenient time.

### **Carvers Corner**

Our small but enthusiastic group of carvers on Monday evenings, lead by our skilled and award winning Willy Schlaf and Gerry Daelmans, are ready to welcome novice or experienced members to carve with them.

### **"Be-In-It Competition" & "Open Day" at the Club, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2003**

Members can enter as many items as you wish providing they have been made within the last 12 months.

Entries **MUST** be in by 10:00 am on the day as judging is from 12 noon – 2:00 pm.

Visitors can view the exhibits from 2:00 pm. The newly expanded Club facilities are also open for all visitors to see. Please bring family and friends but remember a plate of food for afternoon tea to cover those people you bring.

**Categories for the Competition are:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Classes</b>
<b>Boxes</b>	-Minor, Major
<b>Carving</b>	-Large, Small
<b>Clocks</b>	-Clocks, Turned Clocks
<b>Furniture</b>	-Minor, Major
<b>Ornamental</b>	-Garden, Miscellaneous
<b>Toys</b>	-Large, Small, Games
<b>Marquetry</b>	
<b>Woodturning</b>	-Spindle, Bowls under 200mm, Bowls over 200mm, Platters, Lidded Container, Natural Edged Item, Vase, Pen, Miniature Item, Novelty Item, Matched Pair

### **Musical Instruments**

#### **Marquetry**

#### **Other items**

People contributing items in the competition may offer them for sale after the award ceremony. Clearly mark the selling price on each article as the Club committee will not be involved in the selling. We ask that 20% of the price of whatever you sell be donated to the Club.

### **Christmas Breakup Party** **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Everyone who has been to a previous one knows what a beautiful function this is and a fitting way to finish the year. We will have a lovely spit roast and sweets meal, raffle etc and good camaraderie.

The cost is only \$10 per person for each adult and \$5 for each child under 12 years old.

Arrive from 5pm for the start of the meal at 6pm.

Remember to bring your portable table and chairs and BYO drinks. An umbrella may be handy if the weather happens to be uncertain!

Wear your name badge and bring a name badge/tag for each of the rest of the family, if you have them.

### **Notice of the AGM on 1<sup>st</sup> October**

The committee has been reviewing and updating the Club's "Constitution" as it is some years since it has been done.

There are no major changes. To save the time and cost of copying it to everyone a formal copy of the proposed updated Constitution will be posted on the club notice board at least 28 days before the AGM for all members to read. All members will have the opportunity to vote and approve it at the AGM. Naturally, if any member wants a copy to review at their leisure at home before the AGM then please request one from a committee member.

An updated version of the Club's "Member's Guide to Club Activities and Operations" will also be released at the AGM. Again, there are no major changes.

The Committee

## Workshop Hours

<b>Monday (NB the day session is for woodturning only)</b>	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Bob Plant	9754 5920
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bill Longden	9758 2438
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:30 am - 3:00 pm	Paddy Mc Cann	9758 3920
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30am - 3:00 pm	Paddy Mc Cann	9758 3920
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<b>Thursday</b>	9:30 am - 3:00 pm	Charles Bruckner Doug Dell	9801 2197 9729 1886
<b>Friday</b>	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774

## Saturday Mornings

August 9th	8:00 am - 12:30 pm	<b>WORKING BEE</b>	
August 16th	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Jan Brown	9762 1063
August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	John Emptage	9758 6103
August 30 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Doug Dell	9729 1886
September 6 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Chris Smith	9729 6515
September 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am - 12:30 pm	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	9.00 am to 2.00 pm	Every week	Day Woodturners	Bob Plant 9754 5920 Jan Brown 9762 1063
	Evening	Every week	Carvers & Burners Festival Kit development	Willy Schlaf 9762 2206
Tuesday	Evening	Every week	Evening Woodturners	Frank O'Connor 9879 7512 Jan Brown 9762 1063
Friday	Evening	Every week	Rocking Horse Group	Joe Semenov 9758 6024 Allen Brookes 9762 4032

## What's Coming Up

### **At The Club**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August**  
Monthly Meeting  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August**  
Working Bee 8 am  
**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August**  
‘Be -In-It Competition’ &  
‘Open Day’ at the Club  
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August**  
Committee Meeting  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**  
Monthly Meeting  
**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October**  
AGM of the Club  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**  
Monthly meeting plus Toys to  
Charities and the rocking horse  
raffle draw  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**  
BBQ & Auction night at the  
Monthly Meeting  
**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Breakup party

### **In The Big ‘Woodies’ World**

**21-22<sup>nd</sup> September**  
Woodturners and Woodworkers  
Exhibition. Mildura  
**8-9<sup>th</sup> November**  
Eltham & District Wood  
workers-Annual Exhibition  
**23-24<sup>th</sup> October 2004**  
Stringybark Festival, Rowville

### **On Sale at the Club**

Pen kits -Slim \$14.00  
-Fatter centre \$18.50  
Pen display boxes  
-Plastic single pen \$1.00  
-Velvet covers pkt of 10 \$4.00  
Clocks -50 & 65mm \$14.50  
-30mm \$13.50  
Letter Openers -\$6.00  
Super Glue-Thick/thin \$12.00  
-Accelerator \$13.00  
Ubeaut Polishes  
-Shellawax cream \$26.40  
-EEE-Ultra Shine \$16.50

Club Caps \$10.00  
Club polo shirts \$20.00  
Air Filtration System, JET  
Model AFS 1000B, new, with

### **Equipment for Sale**

warranty, remote control and  
manual. Can be wall or ceiling  
mounted. Extracts fine dust  
particles from the workshop.  
\$400. Ring Ray Brown: 9762  
1063

### **Our July Guest Speakers**



The Eltham & District Wood  
workers showed us examples of  
their exceptional skill in  
scrolling, spoke about and  
demonstrated it at the meeting.