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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 AUGUST REPORT

This month has seen many members busy making toys for the Christmas Appeal – it's great to see such a wide range of toys being made. Monday's group of wood turners has got involved and is turning out toys too. We look like we will pass last year's total which will help to make many more children happy at Christmas time.

This year as there is no Stingybark Festival, our club finances depend on the raffle for the rocking horse. I appeal to each member to do their best to sell as many tickets as possible. Any unsold tickets **must** be returned to the club by 22<sup>nd</sup> of October.

The club's AGM will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 7.30 pm. Membership fees of \$50 are now due and should be paid before the AGM for you to be eligible to vote.

Due to the problem of tools borrowed and now missing, the Committee has decided to ban all tools from being removed from the club premises as from September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2003. We regret the need to do this.

The "Be In It" competition was a success despite there being only 55 entries. This was disappointing, as I know a great opportunity to showcase our craftsmanship and recognise each other's skills was diminished. Thanks to all who did take part, to Paddy, Joyce, Bob, Ian and Peter for their work on the day, and also our judges, Karen, Bob and Doug for their time and hard work on the day.

Our next "Working Bee" will be on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> September at 8am. – ALL welcome. Even an hour of your time will help get the work done quicker for all. Peter Sleeman

### A warm welcome to our New Members

We hope our 2 newest members get great enjoyment out of the Club. If you see these members around, have a chat and make them 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: - John Di Donna  
Nikki Collins

### Community Services by the Club



John, Rhys and Rob can be seen diligently working on shelving for themselves with the help of Arron Fry and Paddy Mc Cann

We have accepted an invitation to display items for some weeks, including toys, at the Knox Council Offices to publicise the Club and its activities.

Items will also be displayed in the showcase at the Ferntree Gully Library from 30<sup>th</sup> August until 6<sup>th</sup> September.

A woodturning demonstration will be given at the Library on 6<sup>th</sup> September.

### "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.

Peter Horsburgh and Les Clayton are busy sanding and painting the toy high chairs, with a very bright yellow colour. Some little girls are going to love getting one of these for Christmas.



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Of course, they could not do the painting without the paint being ready, so Paddy Mc Cann is giving it a good stir for them. Paddy has always said he is a "good stirrer" and this just proves the point! I kept a good distance away and took this photo with a telephoto lens as he seemed too interested in getting a nice smile for the camera and not concentrating on the fast spinning paint stirrer! I could imagine myself coming away matching the bright yellow of the toys!



It is great to see Peter Sleeman actually doing something for himself instead of the never ending jobs around the place for us members. He is enjoying making a quantity of a variety of wooden spoons he is going to foist on all the family and friends as presents. He has so many I can imagine them all groaning saying – 'Oh, no, not another spoon'. We could also



use the weak joke about Peter being another "good stirrer"!



Ray Norton is having fun turning the big wheels for the racing car you can see sitting on the lathe motor alongside him. Good to see you wearing a face mask, Ray.

Some of us really know how to

enjoy ourselves while working. Charles Bruckner is achieving 3 objectives all at once:

1. being in the sun on a lovely day
2. reliving his childhood riding days
3. enjoying the detailed sanding job on the horse for the Club



Bill Longden is assembling a number of different and very decorative brass hooks on wooden backboards for the Amaroo Home. Well done, Bill.

John Di Donna, one of our newest members, is engrossed in rough turning a green-wood bowl as his first project, with helpful guidance from Vic and Bob.



Ennis & Whittell



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## Your Membership Fee is now due

It's that time of year again with your annual fee due from 1<sup>st</sup> September. Please ensure it is paid by the 31<sup>st</sup> October.

## Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October at Bunnings Scoresby, FTG Rd, to sell tickets for the Rocking Horse Raffle

Don't forget to put your name on the board to attend at Bunnings Scoresby, Ferntree Gully Rd as we need a real effort from **all** members to sell tickets to the public. It is over the period from 9am to 3pm both days. The rocking horse raffle will be drawn at the November monthly general meeting.

## Rocking Horse Raffle

Please ensure **all** tickets (sold/unsold) are returned by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. Can't sell them all to friends/relations/neighbours? – then, why not buy them yourself? We need a big effort from everyone this year to partially compensate for missing out on Stringybark Festival as Peter has mentioned numerous times.

Your Committee

## Members Welfare

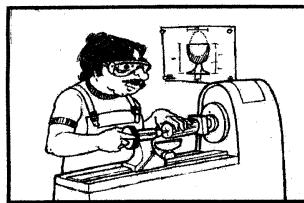
Gerry Daelmans has not been well this month and we wish him a speedy recovery.

## Rocking Horse Group Ramblings



Here is the picture of Joe proudly showing the latest horse that will be donated to the Angliss Hospital at the November general Club meeting night. I unfortunately forgot to include this photo in last month's newsletter.

## Turner's Talk



We have seen a lot of changes in our turning shop so far this year and the results are great and a credit to all those who have helped. There would not be many clubs with a facility like ours. Currently we are building a workbench and putting shadow boards on each lathe, thanks to John Emptage for his great work.

Mondays continue to be busy with all the lathes running hot with lots of shavings and curses flying. We are all looking forward to Hurtle producing a bowl (of reasonable size) - it will happen. It is great to see the efforts of the new turners. As

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the weather improves and the nights warm up I am sure Tuesday will become busier.

We have some quite rare purple heart available in our timber store at the moment. The Purple Heart is green and the ends have been sealed. It is certainly worth experimenting with some green turning or storing for the future.

Congratulations to all the turners who entered the 'Be In It' Competition as well as those who won awards, it was great to see the results. Next year we are looking forward to even more turners entering.

September is toy month for turners and we will be devoting Mondays and Tuesdays to make as many as we can. There are some toy plans in the workshop, if you have any other ideas, please add to them. Bob Plant

## **BBQ & Auction Night!**

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

Keep the items rolling in – any items, not necessarily just tools – so we can have a bumper auction at this December meeting. Those who haven't contributed as yet - go through your home and critically appraise those items you never use. Donate them for the auction. Bring them down to the Club to be stored until the auction night. We would prefer not having them all brought down on the auction night! There will be a BBQ provided that night and you BYO what you want to drink. Charles Bruckner

## **Change of rules on the Loaning of Tools**

As Peter mentioned, **effective from 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2003, no tools are to be loaned or removed from the Club rooms.** Your committee has reluctantly taken this action due to some members not abiding by the previous rules.

Your Committee

## **Working Bee on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> September**

To reinforce Peter's comment, please spare some time from 8 am to 12 noon to help around the club. Your Committee

## **Carvers Corner**

Both Willy Schlaf and Gerry Daelmans are pleased to see the increasing number of people attending the carving session on Monday evenings.



Both Willy and Joyce Brown are intent on working on their carvings to get them finished. As you can see, Joyce is repeating the beautiful horse's head carving she did previously.

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## **"Be In It" Competition & "Open Day"**

### **at the Club**

What a marvellous Day it was with plenty of members and families attending and seeing what Club members achieved over the year (even if the number of entries were down, as Peter mentioned).

Congratulations to Phil Wetherly for taking out the overall prize with his marvellous entry.



Congratulations also to Alistair Green (pictured) for his 'Best in Show-Small' carved bowl.

Joyce Brown had the honour of entering 6 items and gaining awards for them all with 3 firsts, 2 seconds and 1 third. Well done, to all entrants.

## **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 tag for each of the rest of the family.

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

A formal copy of the proposed updated Constitution is now posted on the club notice board for all members to read.

All financial members have the opportunity to vote and will be asked to approve this update at the AGM.

An updated version of the Club's 'Member's Guide to Club Activities and Operations' is also posted on the notice board.

Nominations for Committee positions must be with the Secretary by 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Your Committee

## **Kind gestures from the** **Eltham Woodworkers**

Barry, Peter and Steve who demonstrated at our July meeting have sent a copy of their notes on scroll sawing. These notes, along with several scroll saw patterns they sent, and are available from the library.

The Eltham Woodworkers have offered our Club free tuition on scroll sawing - for up to 5 people on a Saturday to be arranged. Interested? – then put your name on the list on the notice board as soon as possible.

Charles Bruckner

## 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

September 6 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Chris Smith	9729 6515
September 13 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Jan Brown	9762 1063
September 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	John Emptage	9758 6103
September 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am - 12:00 pm	<b>WORKING BEE</b>	
October 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Chris Smith	9729 6515

*Members please note: If no members have arrived by 10:30am the Key Holder has the option of closing the Club rooms*

## 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 Semenow 9758 6024 Allen Brookes 9762 4032

## What's Coming Up

### **At The Club**

**Wednesday 3rd September**

Monthly Club Meeting

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

Committee meeting

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

Working Bee 8 am

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October**

AGM at the Club

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

Monthly Club Meeting plus

Toys to Charities and the  
rocking horse raffle draw.

**NOTE: THE CLUB IS**

**CLOSED FROM 12 NOON**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

BBQ & Auction night at the

Monthly Club Meeting

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Club Breakup party

### **In The Big "Woodies" World**

**5-8<sup>th</sup> September**

CVWC Canberra Wood &

Craft Getaway

**21-22<sup>nd</sup> September**

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"Woodturners and  
Woodworkers Exhibition".

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**3-5<sup>th</sup> October**

"Timber & Working with  
Wood Show", Melbourne

Exhibition Centre

**11<sup>th</sup> October**

"Eildon Wood ies Bash",

Alexandra

**9-21<sup>st</sup> October**

VWA "Living with Wood

2003" Chapel off Chapel

Gallery

**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

### Our Aug. Guest Speaker



Those of  
us who  
attended  
the  
August  
meeting  
were  
given a  
treat by

2 men puppets and "Buzzy"  
buzzard (pictured) who brought  
along Gordon Ross to help  
them entertain us. They  
obviously like taking the  
"mickey" out of Gordon!

**THINK SAFE WOODWORKING**