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Monthly Newsletter of the

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Woodworkers Club*



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Our President's December report

We have come to our last meeting for 2006, with a Sausage Sizzle at 6.30pm, Meeting starts at 7.30pm as usual followed by the Annual Auction of goods supplied by members and it looks like being a fun night. Come along and enjoy the fun.

My thanks to the 8 members who attended the Special Working Bee on Sat. 25th November for House Keeping and General cleaning up in preparation for our 'Break Up and Carols by Candlelight' Function on Sat. 2nd December. To date we have 120 adults and 8 children under 12 years booked, hope to see you there.

Just in case you missed the Working Bee on 25th November we will be having our last Working Bee for this year on Sat. 9th December. Please come along and help us clear up in preparation for our close down on Friday 15th December 2006 and reopening on Monday 15th January 2007.

My thanks also to our Executive Committee, Key Holders, Group and Team Leaders, who all give so freely of their time and skills throughout the year. Gentlemen without your support and enthusiasm our Club would not be able to operate as efficiently as it does. On behalf of all our members we say thank you for your much appreciated participation. Hopefully when we close down over the Christmas Break this will give you the opportunity to have a well earned rest and a chance to enjoy the Festive Season.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all members and their families the Seasons Greetings. May Christmas bring you and yours all the Happiness and Merriment you wish yourselves and may the New Year 2007 bring you Good Health, Wealth and Happiness.

I look forward to meeting and speaking with you around the Club before Christmas or in the New Year.

Paddy Mc Cann.

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Community Support Activities currently undertaken by the Club

Project Description	Recipient	Status
2 Rocking Horses	Angliss Hospital	Completed
Large Turned Bowl	Knox Festival Raffle 2007	In progress
Rocking Horse	Knox Festival Raffle 2007	In progress
Clock	Knox Festival Raffle 2007	In progress
Toys	Disadvantaged Kids for Christmas	Continually in progress
Occasional Table	Angliss Hospital	In planning
Angel Boxes	Angliss Hospital	Continually in progress
Kid's Korner Kits	Various Kid's Korner functions	Continually in progress
Chairs, Stools and Aids	CPEC	When required

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6 Lecterns	Sandra De Geest	Completed
Outdoor setting for kids	Upwey Primary School	In planning
Playground Equipment	UFTG Primary School	In Progress
Honour Board	FTG Girl Guides	Completed

Our Annual Children's Toy Donation

David Cooper the Mayor of Knox, Michael Butler from Angliss Hospital and our club member Bob Winspear representing the St Vincent de Paul were all very pleased to attend our November meeting and accept the toys made by our members on behalf of their organisations.



The diversity and range of toys this year was even greater than other years with stuffed toys being dressed etc to go with rocking beds etc.



The photos speak for themselves, showing the dedication put into this project by many members over 2006. They can all be proud of their efforts and to be congratulated for the pleasure they will bring so many boys and girls this Christmas. What a marvellous range of imaginative toys!!



We seldom recognise the efforts of the partners of members in doing things for the club. Here is an instance where Bent and Maja Holst-Jensen both worked on producing the doll cots and putting in the dolls and bedclothes etc. A lovely joint effort that was

duplicated by others. So our congratulations and thanks also goes to all those "helpers" of members.

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Friends of Ferntree Gully Fair "Kids Korner"

It was great to see the lovely day for this Festival this year on Saturday 18th November. Over the last few years there have been some dismal drizzly rain and windy days that have spoilt the function for everyone.

As usual both the kids and our attending woodworker members thoroughly enjoyed the day. All kids love playing with wood and tools to make things they can show mum and dad and their friends. Thankfully Bill Ireland submitted the 2 photos of the day as shown here, as I was on holiday in Egypt and Malaysia.



It is good to see Paul Aminde back in full swing and active at the club helping out as usual again after having a bout of illness.



**REMEMBER, THE WORKING
BEE
SATURDAY 9th DECEMBER**

Larger projects by Club members

Have you a large project you want other members to see? Contact me, Paul Lucas, so I can photograph it, and put it in the newsletter. My contact details are on the front page.

Contributions by John Chan



Over recent months, John Chan has entertained us at 2 monthly meetings with presentations on his travels to China and his experiences living and working on the very remote Pitcairn Island. John also brought along items of interest to show us, mainly



made of wood, from both these areas. John is also a keen woodworker and it is pleasing to see him wearing a face mask while sanding, as protection from the potentially dangerous fine dust particles.

The 2006 “End of Year” breakup party



A record number of 136 adults and children attended this function indicating how popular it is - as it continues to grow every year. We were blessed with perfect weather. These photos show people enjoying the evening both inside the Club facilities and out on the lawn area.



I am sure all attendees join me in thanking the dedicated small army of members who quietly worked behind the scenes to get everything ready, then ensured the evening ran smoothly and then put the Club back into order afterwards! Well done!

Compliments of the Season to everyone, from your Committee
We hope you and your family have a wonderful, enjoyable and safe time until we see you back at the start of the new Club year on Monday 15th January

Remember to wear appropriate clothes, shoes, safety glasses, ear protection, face protection and dust mask while using Club equipment. Your health and safety is important to you, and the Club, so look after it.
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Workshop Hours

Monday (the day session is for woodturning)	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	John Emptage	9758 6103
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Ian Stewart	0431 173 689
Tuesday	9:30 am - 3:00 pm	Peter Horsburgh	9879 5144
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
Wednesday	9:30am - 3:00 pm	Ray Norton	9763 5728
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Frank O'Connor	9879 7512
Thursday	9:30 am - 3:00 pm	Paddy McCann	9758 3920
Friday	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774

Saturday Morning Events and the Key Holder

2 nd December	9:30 am	12:30 pm	Alistair Green	9754 2727
9 th December	9:00 am	12:30 pm	WORKING BEE	
16 th December			CLOSED FOR SEASON BREAK	
20 th January 2007	9:30 am	12:30 pm	First Saturday for the new year	
<i>Members please note: If no members have arrived by 10:30am the Key Holder has the option of closing the Club rooms</i>				

Regular Club Group Activities

Day	Time	Regularity	Group	Contact
Monday	Day	Each week	Woodturners	John Emptage 9758 6103
	Evening	Each week	Carvers Festival Kit development	Willy Schlaf 9762 2206 Peter Horsburgh 9878 5144
Tuesday	Day	Each week	Festival Kit development	Peter Horsburgh 9878 5144
	Evening	Each week	Woodturners	Frank O'Connor 9879 7512
Friday	Evening	Each week	Rocking Horse Group	Joe Semenow 9758 6024 Allen Brookes 9762 4032

What's On, Coming Up and For Sale etc.

Our Club Activities

Wednesday 6th December

Final General meeting and Auction at 7:30 pm, with a sausage sizzle at 6:30pm.

Saturday 9th December

Normal scheduled Working Bee at the Club

Friday 15th December

Club closes that evening for the 2006 Season break.

Monday 15th January 2007

Club reopens that morning for the New 2007 Year.

Wednesday 24th January

Committee meeting at 7:30 pm

Wednesday 1st February

The General Meeting at 7:30 pm.

Saturday/Sunday 3rd/4th March

Knox Festival with "Kids Korner"

On Sale at the Club

Club Caps	\$10
Club polo shirts	\$20
Screws (packet)	\$2
Nails (500gm 2" x 12G)	\$2
Woodturning supplies	
Pen blanks - Brigalow, Jarrah, oak, and other timbers.	From \$1
Pen kits	From \$3.50

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Mandrel \$20 #1 & #2
Turning blocks \$4 per kg.
Bottle stopper kits, blanks and many other items
See Ian Stewart or Frank O'Connor.

Life's Great!!

On the outskirts of a small town, there was a big, old pecan tree just inside the cemetery fence. One day, two boys filled up a bucketful of pecan nuts and sat down by the tree, out of sight, and began dividing the nuts. "One for you, one for me. One for you, one for me," said one boy. Several dropped and rolled down toward the fence.

Another boy came riding along the road on his bicycle. As he passed, he thought he heard voices from inside the cemetery. He slowed down to investigate. Sure enough, he heard, "One for you, one for me. One for you, one for me" He just knew what it was. He jumped back on his bike and rode off. Just around the bend he met an old man with a cane, hobbling along.

"Come here quick," said the boy, "you won't believe what I heard! Satan and the Lord are down at the cemetery dividing up the souls."

The man said, "Beat it kid, can't you see it's hard for me to walk." When the boy insisted though, the man hobbled slowly to the cemetery.

Standing by the fence they heard, "One for you, one for me. One for you, one for me..." The old man whispered, "Boy, you've been telling me the truth". "Let's see if we can see the Lord." Shaking with fear, they peered through the fence, yet were still unable to see anything. The old man and the boy gripped the wrought iron bars of the fence tighter and tighter as they tried to get a glimpse of the Lord.

At last they heard, "One for you, one for me. OK . . . That's all. Now let's go get those nuts by the fence and we'll be done." They say the old man made it back to town a full 2 minutes ahead of the kid on the bike!!