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Vice-President's Report - Hughie Gaynor

Whilst Hurtle has been away enjoying a well deserved break a significant number of issues have been bubbling along and the following few short words will provide you with an update on their status. If you are still unclear after your read my report what is happening can I extend a personal invitation to attend the Monthly Meeting on Wednesday 1st September and I will do my best to soothe your worries.

New Thicknesser.

Following the presentation on the use of the new machine by Karl Lutz, the matter of developing proper rules and or procedures was debated at the August Committee Meeting. After a marathon session on this issue it was decided that in the interests of ensuring that the new machine will provide all members with a superlative finish well reduce as as maintenance/repairs/down time, the use of the new machine will be restricted to NEW TIMBER ONLY, pending completion of repairs to the original machine. If any member still has any doubt after they read the instructions on the machine, ask a fellow member or Keyholder for help.

Working Bee - Saturday 9th August

Congratulations to the 15 members who attended. Apart from the usual "spring clean" of the Club Rooms and surrounds 2 other long standing jobs were done. Not wanting to embarrass anyone, BUT, I need to mention that Charles and his team of helpers managed the removal of all chip board from the small hut into the timber store whilst Eric's, Lindsay's and Henk's collective work resulted in making the Machine shop a much safer and user environment friendly by relocating maintenance cupboard to the Sanding Shed, realignment of existing machines and removal of the 44 gallon waste wood drums to their existing location. Finally, all members should be grateful for Sue Woods efforts to ensure that any potentially harmful bugs in the fridge and the sink area were eliminated.

Electrical Upgrade Works

Whilst this work has been completed, payment for services rendered will be made when the "minor" faults have been satisfactorily rectified.

Future Dust Extraction System.

As part of the Machine sub-committee's role to determine our future needs a visit was recently made to a cabinet/joinery factory to inspect their system which provided us with the opportunity to learn the pitfalls. This visit culminated in their recommended supplier visiting our Clubrooms to determine all of our needs and develop what options are available using some/all of the existing equipment. To ensure that we get value for money a second scope and quote will also be obtained from a competitor whose details were sourced by George Knight. Similar to the processes involved in the recent purchase of the new thicknesser, I expect that your Committee will be burning the midnight oil to determine the best option/s for our Club.

Important Future Calendar Dates:

Any Tuesday or Wednesday until further notice. Your skills and help are required for this unusual "Dunny Door" Project - see Peter Horsburgh if you can attend on a Tuesday or Ray Norton if you can make it on a Wednesdays.

2nd **and 3**rd **October** – 2 hours help is all we ask to help man our "K&DWWC Marketing Stall" which will be held at Bunnings in Ferntree Gully Road – put your name down on the whiteboard, or see young Charles Bruckner.

6th October – Annual General Meeting which also includes election of your new Committee for next year. May I ask all members to consider volunteering your time and skills for a position or alternatively, if by chance you are too shy, discuss this issue with your fellow members and encourage them to volunteer with your support by either nominating or seconding them.

16 and 17th October – Stringybark Festival at Rowville.

One of our "major" fund sources and all help will be much appreciated and apart from the enjoyment and pleasure you give the children assembling the kits you will also be rewarded with the "gourmet" food prepared by the big leprechaun and his helpers.

3rd November – Monthly Meeting incorporating the toy presentation which with your assistance will ensure that we top last year's effort.

1st December – Monthly Meeting – this meeting should not be missed as you run the risk of missing out on our own annual special bargain auction.

6th **December** –Mark this date for our social break up for the year which also coincides with the Knox Christmas Carols on the adjacent oval.

Important Diary Dates

Every Tuesday & Wednesday "Dunny Door" Project.
Wednesday 1st September

Monthly Meeting.

Wednesday 22nd September

Committee Meeting.

Saturday & Sunday 16-17th October Stringybark Festival.

Wednesday 6th October

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday &Sunday 16th &17 Otober Stringybark Festival.

Tuesdy 30th November Annual Fee (\$65.00) due

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We thank Nick Wakeling MP
- Member for Ferntree Gully
for printing our newsletter as a
Community Service

Happy Birthdays in September

The very best of Birthday wishes to
Phillip Spencer 5th September
Ray Pike 23rd September

Special Thanks

A special thanks goes to Nick Wakeling and Louise Daniel for allowing us to increase the size of our Newsletter. This will allow the use of a larger font size, and also make room for inclusion of more photos and articles.

★ Around the Club



Unfortunately left out of last month's Newsletter, Eric Butterfield's photo of Peter Horsburgh Victoria with his Day Award says it all. Peter has put in a huge effort for the over many years, and the award was well deserved.

Our new Powermatic 201HH thicknesser, has finally arrived and is in use. The dust extraction hose fitted to the machine is only temporary, pending upgrading of our whole dust management system. There is also a restriction against the planing of second-hand timber on the new machine. It is envisioned that second-hand timber will be first passed through the old machine, which will take the brunt of any abrasive materials, with the new machine being used for the finishing cuts. This will extend the life of the cutters, and ensure

that the new machine will give a consistent, high quality finish.



Karl Lutz from The Wood working Warehouse visited the Club a few days after the the new thicknesser arrived, to conduct a familiarisation session for the Committee and Keyholders.

A number of Members have asked how we got the new beast inside the machine room, so here are a few photo's of its arrival. The semi was for the benefit of the forklift, not the thicknesser, which came in a big, plastic bag! The machine was lifted off the pallet using a sling and the forklift.







The August meeting, saw presentations by several members, and with the absence of a guest speaker, **Bill Ireland** kindly substituted with the showing of a historical film.

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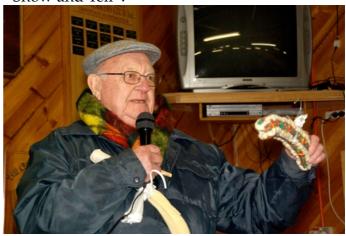
Max Holt told us about the 350 plus chairs that he has made for the sufferers of Cerebral Palsy, and about the fundamental changes that these have made to both their lives, and the lives of their families. The program originated at the Balmoral Retirement Village.



John Chan once again presented us with an interesting "Show and Tell" when he talked about his Mini-Carver from Carba-Tec.



Following the structural failure of a fancy coat hanger, **Peter Horsburgh's** subsequent dissection and postmortem of the aforesaid item revealed disturbing aspects in the choice of materials used. This he shared with us in his "Show and Tell".



As of the start of August, 141 Toys had been completed by the Toymaking group. The toys will be distributed at the November Meeting.



Volunteers are needed to sell raffle tickets outside Bunnings, Scoresby 2nd & 3rd October. Please place your name on the Whiteboard.

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A Reminder that Club fees (\$65.00) are due by **30th November**



Tool Glossary

BELT SANDER: An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

CRAFTSMAN 1/2 x 24-INCH SCREWDRIVER: A very large pry bar that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end opposite the handle.

DREMEL TOOL - A very useful tool for modellers which allows them to make more mistakes much faster, thereby turning \$100 kits into spare parts, and completely justifying the purchase of another \$100 kit.

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your drink can across the room, splattering it against that freshly-stained heirloom piece you were drying.

EIGHT-FOOT LONG YELLOW PINE 2X4: Used for levering an automobile upward off of a trapped hydraulic jack handle.

ELECTRIC HAND DRILL: Normally used for spinning pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent to the object we are trying to hit. Also used as replacement for screwdriver.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to make hoses too short.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

MECHANIC'S KNIFE: Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub you want the bearing race out of.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids and for opening oldstyle paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

RADIAL ARM SAW: A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to scare neophytes into choosing another line of work.

SKIL SAW: A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER: A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws.

TABLE SAW: A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

TWEEZERS: A tool for removing wood splinters and wire wheel wires.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

VISE-GRIPS: Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

WELDING GLOVES: Heavy-duty leather gloves used to prolong the conduction of intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

WHITWORTH SOCKETS: Once used for working on older British cars and motorcycles, they are now used mainly for impersonating that 9/16 or 1/2 inch socket you've been searching for the last 45 minutes. WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then

throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned guitar calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "YEOWW!



Weekly Workshop Hours and Keyholders

Monday	8:30 AM	- 12:30 PM	Wood Turning	TBA	
	6:30 PM	- 9:30 PM	Carvers	Laurie Ham	9720 1995
Tuesday	9:30 AM	- 2:30 PM	Kids Korner	Peter Horsburg	9879 5144
	6:30 PM	- 9:30 PM	Wood Turning	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
Wednesday	9:30 AM	- 2:30 PM	General	Ray Norton	9763 5728
Thursday	10:00 AM	- 2:30 PM	Toymakers	Fred Sutton	9754 4425
	6:30 PM	- 9:30 PM	Fine Furniture	George Knight	0427 417823
Friday	10:00 AM	- 1:30 PM	Fine Furniture	George Knight	0427 417823
	6:30 PM	- 9:30 PM	Rocking Horses	Tony Truett	9873 2847
				Bruce Allen	9754 5774

Saturday Morning Roster September 2010 - 09:30 am to 12:30 pm NOTE: If no members have arrived by 10-30 am the Key Holder has the option of closing the Clubrooms.

4	Closed	
11	Brian Douds	9762 3323
18	Ladislav Toman	0410 405 227
25	Ray Norton	96763 5728

Yet Again - Pleeeeeze Use the Metal Detector! IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL TIMBER, INCLUDING NEW, BE SCANNED BEFORE BEING PASSED THROUGH ANY OF THE CLUB'S MACHINES! TIMBER SHOULD ALSO BE INSPECTED FOR NON-METALLIC FOREIGN MATTER SUCH AS DIRT AND STONES, **AND PAINT SHOULD** REMOVED AT HOME. FAILURE TO DO THIS NOT ONLY **LEADS** TO THE **UNNECESSARY DESTRUCTION** EXPENSIVE BLADES, BUT CAN RUIN THE WORK OF THE NEXT MEMBER TO USE **THAT MACHINE!**



Finally, from Hughie:-

See if you can figure out what these words have in common?

1 Banana, 2 Dresser, 3 Grammar, 4 Potato,

5 Revive, 6 Uneven, 7 Assess.

(Answer next month).

Current Community Support Activites

Project	Recipient	Status
Toys	Disadvantaged	Continually
	Kids For Christmas	in progress
Angel Boxes	Angliss Hospital	Continuous
Chairs & Stools	CPEC	As Required
Various Turnings	Stock for various	In progress
Kids Korner Kits	Kids Korner Activities	Continuous
Possum Boxes	Knox Council	In progress
Stand	Church, Upper FTG	
Rocking Horse	Stringybark Festival	In progress
Turned Bowl	Stringybark Festival	In progress
400 "Dunny Doors"	Stringybark Festival KCC Project	In progress
Grandaughter Clock	Stringybark Festival	In progress
Hall Table	Stringybark Festival	Complete
Garden Setting	Community Nursery	In progress

On Sale at the Club

Club Caps	\$12.00
Club Polo Shirts	\$22.00
Screws (packet)	\$2.00
Nails - 500 gm (2' x 12 G)	\$2.00