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President's Report - Hurtle Lupton

Advice has been received from the Knox City Council that we have been granted permission to utilise one bay of the area of the section formally used by the Placemakers. At present your Committee is conducting discussion with Council regarding a new lease, and also attempting to come to some sort of an agreement in relation to the construction of a dividing wall. We are hopeful of having these matters sorted out in the near future.

Thank you to all those members who turned up to the Working Bee to prepare the Clubrooms for the "Be-In-It" Competition. It was very pleasing to see so many Members willing to give up their time for the benefit on the Club Membership as a whole.

The "Be-In-It" Competition was very successful with an increase in the number of entries since it was last held in 2009. A very big thank you is due to Peter Horsburgh and his team of willing helpers for the time and effort they put into

preparing the Clubrooms, registering the entries, organising the judges, and just being very professional in conducting this very special event.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in October, that's next month and that is the time that we elect a new Committee. We are very fortunate to have an excellent Club with great facilities enabling you to socialise, make something for yourself or friends, assist the community by undertaking projects, and make new friends. This only happens because of the fact that we have a Committee that is prepared to put in to make our Club the success that it is. The Committee is not a closed shop, so if any member would like to contribute by serving on the Committee then please nominate.

As has been indicated over the last few months our Secretary, Charles Bruckner, will be standing down from that position. Your Club is currently entering a very exciting period in the club's history with the recent acquisition of the

additional bay, thereby increasing the size of the machine shop, together with the proposed installation of a dust filtration system which will be of benefit to all Club Members. WE MUST HAVE A SECRETARY in order to continue as a successful organisation. I know that Charles is prepared to assist and guide anyone who undertakes this very important role. Please give this matter serious consideration for the overall benefit of the Club.

Following the introduction of tighter controls on the use of the thicknesser I am please to report that last month there was no reported damage to this very expensive machine. Thank you to all members who have put up with the inconvenience of having to wait on the Key Holder before the thicknesser can be used, and a very big thank you to the Key Holders who have accepted this additional responsibility in a professional manner.



Important Diary Dates

Wednesday 7th September

Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm.
Guest Speaker - Rob Donker, talking about his parquetry boxes.

Wednesday 21st September

Committee Meeting - 7:30 pm.

Saturday 1st October

WORKING BEE - 8:00 am onwards.

Wednesday 5th October

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
7:30 pm.

Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th October

Stringybark Festival.

Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd October

Timber & Working with Wood Show.
Melbourne Showgrounds.



Members Welfare

Best wishes for a full and speedy recovery to those of our members in ill health.



Happy Birthdays in August

The very best of Birthday wishes to

Phillip Spencer 5th September
Andrew Clarke 22nd September
Ray Pike 23rd September



Around the Club

Those who attended the August Meeting, were treated to three "show and tell" presentations in addition to that of the Guest Speaker.



Ray Easthope showed us his ingenious, homemade ball-turning-tool, fabricated from a piece of pipe.

John Chan entertained us with a demonstration of his walking Kangaroo.



Third cab off the rank was Ted Bricker with a rubber-band powered racing car.



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Guest Speaker was **Barry McDermott**, who explained the design and use of his box-making jig, as well as discussing Dado-blades and their applications.

The **2011 "Be-In-It" Competition** was held on Sunday, August 14th, with entries being accepted up to that morning. The event was well-supported both in terms of entries, as well as in attendance on the day.



Best in Show went to Gavin Bett's superb Grandmother clock, while Best in Show, Small Item, went to Ron Ralph for his magnificent box. The finish on this was absolutely breathtaking.



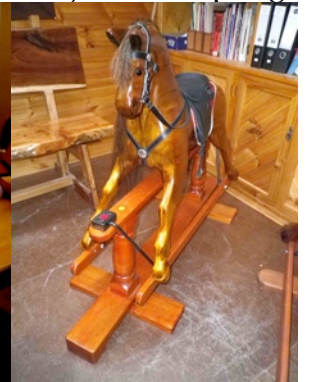
A familiar face at the Clubroom was Knox Mayor, **Sue McMillan** who kindly joined **Ted Anderson** and **Cliff Walsh** to form the judging panel



Club President, **Hurtle Lupton**, conducted the awards, and a special thanks was accorded to **Peter Horsburgh** who took on the responsibility for organising the event.



Entries in the competition encompassed nearly every aspect of woodworking, ranging from the traditional to the quirky, and showcased the skill and ingenuity of many of our Members. The following photographs are just a sampling.



**We thank Nick Wakeling MP
- Member for Ferntree Gully
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And, of course, the day would not have been complete without the opportunity to enjoy good food and good friends.



The Tuesday following the Competition saw a small contingent of Club Members invade the Council Offices, where a Grandmother clock built by **Gavin Betts** with the support of **Dick Webb**, was presented to the Council. Mayor **Sue McMillan** accepted the presentation, and was doubly delighted when she realised that it was the Best-In-Show winner of the "Be-In-It" competition.



Our thanks go to **John Jackson** for the sterling job he has done as acting Treasurer during Serge's absence.



The above pics of figures (which is an ongoing project), made by **John Emptage, Henk Eysens** and **David Jamison**, came from Narrelle Wise, a kindergarten Teacher in Knox.

Club Member **Amos De Pasquale** will be giving Pen-Turning demonstrations in the Expo Hall as well as operating his site, "Wooden Ink" at the Royal Melbourne Show this year, so pop along and see him if you are there.

The number of toys made by the **Toy-Making Group** currently stands at about 300. Regrettably, there has been an incident whereby five of the completed children's



blackboards appear to have been taken from the Clubrooms. If anyone knows the fate of these items, the Group would like to be told

From the Soapbox

We continue to experience few problems with the **thicknesser**. However there are a couple of precautions that Members can take to ensure better results when using the machine.

1. The two table rollers are prone to jamming due to chip buildup. Before using the machine, rotate the rollers by hand, and if they do not rotate freely, use compressed air directed up from beneath to clear the chips. Make sure that you protect your eyes as you do this. Do not use metal tools to clear away debris or to clean the rollers, as they are easily scratched!

2. If noticeable snipes appear on each end of the material, it is often because the table rollers are too high causing a slight lift of the material as it passes through the machine. Normally these snipes are more noticeable on the trailing end of the board than on the lead end, and most often occur during planing of rough timber. Table rollers must be elevated for running rough or resaw timber through the machine. When material is turned over to surface the other side, and you neglect to lower the table rollers for a finish cut, then definite snipes will appear on the ends of the material. Snipe can also occur when the boards are not supported properly or when only one feed roller is in contact with the work at the beginning or end of the cut. To avoid snipe, **gently** lift the trailing end of board slightly while feeding the work until the outfeed roller starts advancing it. Move to the rear and receive the planed board by lifting it slightly when the infeed roller loses contact with the board.

3. Feed the work in the direction of the grain. Work fed against the grain will have chipped, splintered edges and tear-out.

Humor

Two blonde carpenters were working on a house. The one who was nailing down siding would reach into his nail pouch, pull out a nail and either toss it over his shoulder or nail it in. The other, figuring this was worth looking into, asked, "Why are you throwing those nails away?"

The first explained, "If I pull a nail out of my pouch and it's pointed toward me, I throw it away 'cause it's defective. If it's pointed toward the house, then I nail it in!"

The second blonde got completely upset and yelled, "You moron! The nails pointed toward you aren't defective! They're for the other side of the house!"

Weekly Workshop Hours and Keyholders

Monday	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Wood Turning	John Emptage	9758 6103
			Henk Eyssens	5968 5119
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 Access	Ray Norton	9763 5728
Thursday	9:30 AM - 2:30 PM	Toymakers	Tony Deabe	9774 7917
	6:30 PM - 9:30 PM	Fine Furniture	George Knight	0427 417823
Friday	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM	General Access	Barry McDermott	9753 6157
	6:30 PM - 9:30 PM	Rocking Horses	Tony Truett	9873 2847
			Bruce Allen	9754 5774

Saturday Morning Roster

August 2011 - 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

Note: All Members are welcome to access the Clubrooms at any of the above times.

Current Community Support Activites

3	Ladislav Toman	0410 405 227
10	Ray Norton	9763 5728
17	Brian Douds	9762 3323
24	Dick Webb	9887 5310

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 Festivals, etc.	In progress
Kids Korner Kits	Kids Korner Activities	Continuous
Outdoor Table	Monash Special School	Completed
Bench Seat	Stringybark Festival	Completed
Clock	Stringybark Festival	In progress
Round Table	Stringybark Festival	In progress

Members Discounts

The Following Suppliers offer discounts to Members.

Bristol Paints - Ferntree Gully.

Caroll's Woodcraft Supplies.

Carba-Tec.

Ferntree Gully Bolts.

Hobby Tools Australia.

Mitre-10 - Bayswater.

Pop's Shed.

Total Tools, Ferntree Gully.

Woodworking Machinery Specialists.

The Woodworking Warehouse.

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