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Knox & District Woodworkers Club*

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President's Report - Hurtle Lupton

I have been overseas for most of this last month, leaving the task of leading the Club in the capable hands of Hughie Gaynor, and I thank him most sincerely for his efforts in this regard.

As well as fulfilling the role of President, Hughie has been working very hard over the past month attempting to negotiate the bureaucratic nightmare involved in our gaining access to the additional bay as soon as possible. I am hopeful that a satisfactory outcome will have been achieved by the time of our Annual General Meeting.

The next few months are going to be very busy for the Club. October is the month for the Stringybark Festival to be held at the Rowville Community Centre, Fulham Road, Rowville, on Saturday & Sunday 15th & 16th October. Apart from the fact that this Festival enables the Club to put a face out in the community, it also provides an avenue for us to raise money through the sales of Kids Corner items, other

articles which have been made by Club Members, and of course, the raffle.

The Club is facing the expenditure of many thousands of dollars for the installation of an air filtration system in an endeavor to ensure that you, as a Club Member, can work in as clean and safe an environment as possible, free from the airborne dust particles that are a result of working with timber. I would ask as many Members as possible to attempt to sell the raffle tickets which have been sent to you. This is a relatively painless way for the Club to raise money in order to benefit YOU as a Member of our Club.

The next Working Bee will be held on Saturday 8th October, commencing at 8.00 AM. The old adage of "many hands make light work" is particularly true of this Working Bee. We are hopeful that by this time we will have been able to isolate our portion of the Placemakers shed from that of the other users. If this task is completed in time, then there will be plenty of

work to be undertaken on this day. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible there to give a helping hand.

The December meeting will again host the annual auction where there will be ample opportunity to pick up many a bargain that will enhance your workshop. Your Committee will be again working hard to ensure that this will again be a fun night.

Please have a look further on in the newsletter for details of the Christmas BBQ and the distribution of the toys, which will take place at our November meeting.



Important Diary Dates

Wednesday 5th October

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

7:30 pm.

Saturday 8th October

WORKING BEE - 8:00 am onwards.

Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th October

Stringybark Festival.

Wednesday 19th October

Committee Meeting - 7:30 pm.

Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd October

Timber & Working with Wood Show.
Melbourne Showgrounds.

Wednesday 2nd November

Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm.
Toy Presentation.

Wednesday 23rd November

Committee Meeting - 7:30 pm.

Wednesday 7th December

BBQ - 6.00 pm.
Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm.
Annual Auction.

Saturday 10th December

Christmas Breakup - 5.30 pm.

Friday 10th December

Clubrooms close for Christmas.

Monday 16th January 2012

Clubrooms reopen.



Members Welfare

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



Happy Birthdays in October

The very best of Birthday wishes to

Colin Adam	3 October
Peter Cox	6 October
Charles Bruckner	7 October
Jim Spanswick	11 October
Gerry Daelmans	14 October
James Chivers	14 October
Wayne Oliver	15 October
David Lamble	15 October
Deborah Bourke	21 October
Ladislav Toman	22 October
Mary Reynolds	25 October
Michae lSamai	25 October
Ted Gillbee	26 October
Hurtle Lupton	27 October
Wayne Carr	27 October
Dean Speldewinde	27 October
Amos De Pasquale	28 October



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Around the Club

If you can possibly make it to the **Working Bee** on 8th October, there will be plenty to do, especially if the partitioning off of our extra bay is completed. This is when most maintenance and relocation of equipment takes place, so instead of just complaining that something doesn't work properly, come along and help to rectify it.

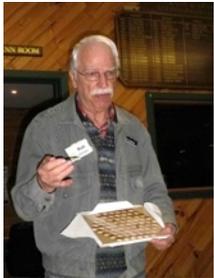


Could Members please return their raffle ticket stubs prior to the Stringybark Festival.





The **toy count** now stands at approximately **300**. The presentation to the recipient bodies takes place at the November Meeting, so if you have half a chance, please pitch in and help out with this worthy project. The main session is Thursday morning, but the Toymakers are at their craft most weekdays. Contact John Jackson for details.



Members who attended the September Meeting were treated to a comprehensive presentation on Marquetry techniques by **Rob Donker**. Due to the scope of this craft, Rob has agreed to continue his description of his techniques

for the actual box-making at a later date.

Don't forget to get together those no longer needed treasures to donate to the **Annual Auction** to be held after the December Meeting. Make sure you bring your wallet, as all of the proceeds go to our Club.

Members should note that this year's **Christmas Breakup** is being held the week following Carols by Candlelight, and is taking the form of a barbecue rather than a spit-roast. This should alleviate problems with parking, and allow us to enjoy a much more relaxed celebration.

Thanks must go to **Joy Brown** for her recent donation of tools and wood to the Club. Such donations are a major contributing factor in enabling the Club to maintain our Community projects, such as Christmas Toys, etc. Thank you, Joy.

The Club would also like to give thanks to the Knox City Council for the generous donation of \$1500 to assist in the purchase of our new trailer.

Members will be pleased to know that the Knox City Council has renewed our lease on the Clubrooms for another five years.

Eric Butterfield has kindly furnished us with the following report and photographs.



The club attended the Healesville Railway Heritage Festival on Sunday 25 September and had a very successful day. There were six members who assisted, Hank Eyessens, Gerry Daelmans, Bill Longdon, Jenny Stevens, Eric Butterfield and new Member Neil Fereday. Gerry was there on both Saturday and Sunday and stood all of both days while carving



We raised \$270.00 on the day through the sales

of raffle tickets and items made and donated by Members.



What is often not obvious when we look around the Clubrooms, is the quiet and significant contribution that a few of our Members make to the Club. **Bill Ireland** recently completed yet another item of outdoor furniture. I think that most of us have lost count of how many Bill has made. Much of the timber has come



from dismantled playground equipment that was donated to the Club, and the sale of these has contributed significantly to our Club's finances.



Gary Pope sent the following contribution.



Here is a sample of the chair furniture that is in all the rest stops and along the many walks at Ayers Rock and The Olgas, in NT. We counted over 30 of them in the couple of days we spent in the area in July. They are surprisingly comfortable, and extremely smooth to sit on. Each piece is a twisted branch that has been designed into the piece, butt joining in areas you have to look really hard to find. And the



base seat is one huge 2 1/2" thick slab, over 6 foot long! We had four of us sitting in one with no worries at one spot. I tell you, walking around the wonderful rock formations of the MacDonnell Ranges, Kings Canyon and Ayers Rock / The Olgas - you really appreciate reaching a comfy seat to catch your breath again. You've got to hand it to the group that got these made. I'm yet to research the makers - but there are tables, many 4-person chairs dotted around the 9km base of Ayers Rock.



They're brilliant for a woody way out of town! (Gaz, Caravanning July 2011, NT).



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

From the Soapbox

We ask Members to exercise a little thought when parking at the Club. All too frequently we see vehicles parked in the middle of a space that could otherwise accommodate two cars.



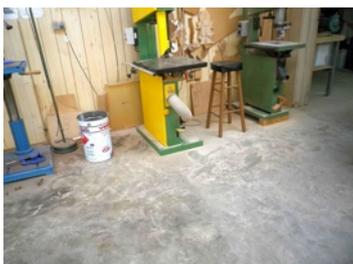
We continue to experience few problems with the **thicknesser**. However, some talented individual has managed to mutilate the blades of the jointer by passing what appears to be a screw-head through the machine.



PLEASE USE THE METAL DETECTOR and VISUALLY INSPECT all timber before passing it through **ANY OF THE MACHINES!**



This is yet another plea for Members to **CLEAN UP YOUR OWN MESS!** These photos were taken one day this week!



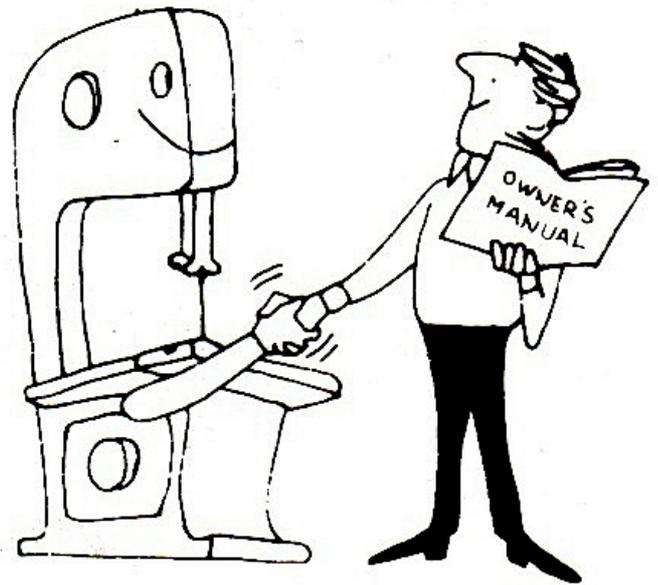
The last three Members at the Club were confronted with this when they went to lock up. This is not fair! It appeared that

nobody had bothered to lift a broom!

Finally, a word about adjusting the machinery. If you **DON'T KNOW** what you are doing, don't do it. People have on occasion altered the tracking on the bandsaws, presumably in an attempt to adjust the tension. Altering the tracking requires the adjustment of all of the top and bottom guides and thrust bearings. Please, don't play with the adjustments on any of the machines unless you really know what you are doing. Report any problems to the Keyholder, or to a Committee Member.



Safety Rules for Stationary Power Tools.



No 1. Know your power tool. Read the owner's manual carefully. Learn its applications and limitations, as well as the specific potential hazards peculiar to this tool.



Humor

A carpenter was giving evidence about an accident he had witnessed. The lawyer for the defendant was trying to discredit him and asked him how far away he was from the accident.

The carpenter replied, "Twenty-seven feet, six and one-half inches."

"What? How come you are so sure of that distance?" asked the lawyer.

"Well, I knew sooner or later some idiot would ask me. So I measured it!" replied the carpenter.

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
		Woodcarving	Laurie Ham	9720 1995
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

October 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

1	Ladislav Toman	0410 405 227
8	WORKING BEE	
15	Stringybark Festival	
22	Ray Norton	9763 5728
29	Brian Douds	9762 3323

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	Completed
Round Table	Stringybark Festival	Completed

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