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President's Report – Hughie Gaynor.

At last the shortest day is over and with the extra daylight available, I would imagine that members will be using that extra time to get their Projects finished for the **25th Be In It Competition** to be held on **Sunday 23rd August**. I would encourage all members to seriously consider entering at least one piece of their work that has been completed in the period from September 2014 to date. Currently, we are updating the listing of the various categories that will be available to ensure that it will accommodate the increasing variety of work that I have spotted around the Club.

Whilst I accept that some members may be a little shy or hesitant or consider that their work is not up to scratch, I would encourage you to think again, as your work is probably the inspiration that other members may need to start their next Project.

Entries will be accepted on Friday 21st August (6:30pm to 8:30pm), Saturday 22nd August (9:30am till 12 noon) and Sunday 23rd August (10:00am till 11:am).

A big thank you to all those members who attended the **Working Bee** on Saturday 13th June. Apart from a good general clean up/dust off, the 4 major issues successfully tackled has certainly improved the ambience of the Club and surrounds:

- Removal of the timber stored along the fence line to permit easy access for the painters.
- Completion and tidy up of all wanted screws/various fasteners in separate boxes.
- Removal of "treasures" from the meal area.
- Rationalisation of another rack and disposal of "firewood grade treasures" that have been stored.

In last month's Newsletter was a photo of **Henk Eyssens** with a **giant gavel** that he had made as a special Project for a real estate agent. Whilst Henk had sent him a photo of its size he was completely gobsmacked of it's actual size when it was presented on Tuesday 16th June.

Thanks to Henk's expertise and craftsmanship this Project has resulted in a sizeable payment to the Club. See *presentation on page 2.*

It is not often that a manufacturer is able to provide goods ahead of the promised time. However, our long awaited solution to improving conditions in the machine shop arrived last Monday. Thanks to **Rodney and Albert** the heavy duty curtain was installed on Tuesday 23rd August and from comments by members on the day, it has had an immediate impact by practically eliminating those cold winds along with sawdust and leaves. When the heavy duty plastic strips unravel properly, it will be trimmed to make life a little easier for entry and exit.

Finally, the ongoing discussions with **Council** will result in the external walls of the Clubrooms being painted in either late July or early August, and a firm date and details of the successful contractor will be known shortly. In terms of improving safety on the driveway, agreement has been reached. Council is currently arranging for a Contractor to install a **"no right hand turn sign"** and appropriate bollards to improve line of sight along Glenfern Road.

.....Hughie



Another happy "Woodies" Thursday morning at the Club Rooms! [...Karen]

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Around Our Club - Kidz Korner and Toy Group

“Around the Club”

Presentation of Gavel

Presented to **Billy Schroeder** and **Hugh Francis** of Knox Residential Real Estate pictured here with Club Projects Manager: **Eric Butterfield**, and chief **Gavel Maker: Henk Eyssens**



pictured: L-R: Henk, Billy, Eric and Hugh

Thanks to Karen Button for this topic pic. [...Ed]

Titanbond GLUE available from MASTERS



for members info: **Masters** have a new stock of Titanbond glues. Don't forget to take your discount card

Equipment for sale by TENDER

10 Speed lathe with the ability to undertake outboard turning. This lathe can best be described as being ideal for a beginner wood turner, and comes complete with a basic set of woodturning chisels and associated tools, and a trolley to move it about the new owner's garage. It can be inspected in the Club's trailer which is located in the Timber store and **offers are invited over the reserve of \$200.**

Normal process is to lodge a **SUBMISSION** to the committee, putting your name and best offered price in an envelope in **MAIL SHUTE** by the club doorway.

KDWC information for Members on Club's website

COMMITTEE EMAIL: secretary@knoxwoodies.org.au
 WEBSITE: www.knoxwoodies.org.au
 How to JOIN: alcheater.com.au/kdwc
 LINKS: alcheater.com.au/kdwc/kdwcink.htm
 Membership: alcheater.com.au/kdwc/kdwcemb.htm
 SAFETY: alcheater.com.au/kdwc/kdwcsafe.htm
 Newsletters: alcheater.com.au/kdwc/kdwcnews.htm

“Around the Club”, Social, Tenders, Members

TOY COUNT for XMAS Presentations: so far: **400+**
 "Whilst we are most appreciative of members support in donating paint, please remember that we are strictly limited to using **only plastic or acrylic type gloss paints only** and under no circumstances can we use an oil based type product. If you have spare gloss acrylic type paints available that you are contemplating donating, our preference would be to restrict all donations to **1 litre tins** which contain **bright colours**. On behalf of the Thursday crew thank you for your ongoing support and understanding". [...Toymakers]

Toy Making and preparing kits for **Kiz Korner**, is great for 'those looking to practice their new skills' at woodworking. Keep in mind if you've a spare few moments! ...Ed.

Member's Birthdays – JULY



Member	day:
Chris Gerritzen	1
Ruth Bonniface	6
Robert Rattray	9
Frank O'Connor	9
Henk Eyssens	11
Robert Chin	12
Aaron Henderson	16
Neil Fereday	19
Frank Collins	23
Greg Duthie	30
Shelley Falconer	30
Paul Hayward	31

The very best of Birthday wishes to these members:
 Hope you have a top day, and enjoy the year ahead!
 Ed!

Member's Welfare

Best wishes of a full & speedy recovery to those in ill health. Good news: The lads on the past sick list are vastly improved! The happy 3 have been back to the Club! Peter Sleeman is back home getting used to his new knee, Lou Smith's defibrillator has been adjusted and he is getting back to his cheeky self, and Eric Butterfield is progressively getting back his stamina.**Our thoughts are with you.**

Nice carving of Motorcycle from Russia



Photo, courtesy of Club Member: Marek Gehrmann

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

Social Committee News / Events

Please note : payment due 2nd July 2015

No payment before 2nd July means you won't be catered for.
Please see a Committee Member to get your tickets.
Our Chef for the night is Gitti (*Brigitte Singleton*).



**Christmas
in July**

**XMAS in JULY:
Saturday 11th July
7PM for 7:30PM
cost \$15.00
BYO drink**

For all social event suggestions
Contact: [Karen Button](#) 0407 556 666

At time of publication, over 81 have RSVP'd, and with this size crowd expected, the Club will be closed on that Saturday morning from regular wood working activities, ensuring preparations are more easily attended to.

***** It's terrific when efforts are recognised *****

*Hi Knoxies!,
I'm an apology for this event, which I would have enjoyed,
..... Hope all goes well, **which I know it will if Karen is organising it.**
..... Cheers, Phil Dunstan*

Be-In-It Competiton Sunday 23rd August

Registration Of Entries	
Friday 21st August	6.30pm till 8.30 pm
Saturday 22nd August	9.30am till 12 noon
Sunday 23rd August	10.00am till 11.00 pm
Judging Sunday 23rd August	12 noon till 2.30pm
Club Rooms Open to members family and friends	2.30pm
Afternoon Tea	3.30pm
Presentation of Certificates	4.15pm

Members are requested to bring a plate of food to share at afternoon tea

....[Albert Bak]



Knox City Council "IMMERSE EXHIBITION".



30 EXHIBITIONS 30 DAYS 30 VENUES IN KNOX

Marita Lacota who is interning at Knox City Council with Jo Herbig would like to advise the Council is coordinating an [arts exhibition program](#) in November and are currently calling for artist expressions of interest.

The **Immerse** exhibition program, is a new initiative held over 30 days in 30 venues across Knox. Expressions of interest are now open for artists living, studying or working in the eastern suburbs of Melbourne. From mid November to mid December, residents of Knox and the wider community will be able to experience high quality professional work in a range of locations. From laundries to libraries, a diversity of spaces ensures this program will be widely accessible.

As part of this branded art trail a colour catalogue will be produced featuring the artists and their exhibitions. The catalogue will be distributed across the eastern region of Melbourne. Please visit www.knox.vic.gov.au/immerse for more information. The applications end on the **30th of July**.

Working Bee - a top job done!



As a result of everyone's efforts on the June Working Bee, the woodshed is looking **Spick & Span** and one member is going home with enough firewood to last all winter.

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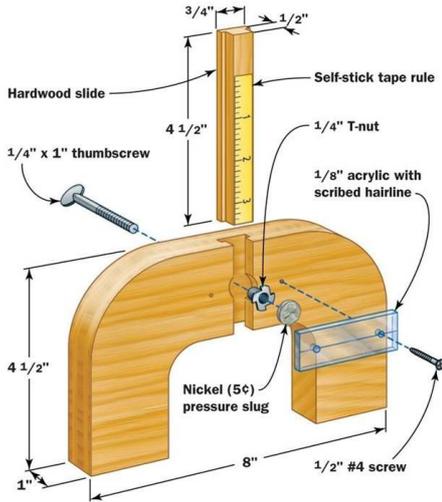
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Workshop Notes - "members helping members"

Make a tool to set the height of a saw or router bit.



Phil Spencer who, as you know by now, is always sharing a lot of terrific articles, has this nice 'picture is worth a thousand words" TOP TIP

What's your WIP presently? Drop a line with pictures to the Club's email, to include in the Newsletter to share with the others. ...[Phil]

What's this important piece of Club Equipment for?

Members: **Well, can you name it? Pause and think!**

The only suggestions put forward to the Committee about Lindsay's creation, which, incidentally **works really well when people remember to put in the bag**, are:

- *The black widow maker,*
- *Lindsay's revenge, and*
- *The anti gravity device!*

The offer still stands that if a lucky member has a better idea, they will still receive lots of free saw dust. Please note: We should ask Lindsay to give us all a short version on his thoughts, and 'how to use' at the 1st July Meeting!



Bill's WEBSITE of the Month!

Bill Ireland is up to his usual internet research in the wee hours of the night finding intriguing woodwork related websites to share with all you "Woodies".... this time:

[Wonderful Wooden Boxes](https://youtu.be/mbbwo9unFwQ)

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And here's a really interesting suggestion from member, **Marek Gehrman**, sharing some nice TABLE designs:

<http://fletchertables.com/videos/>

.....thanks for all contributions to Bill's column!

John Wolff – Wooden Snails

There were some raised eyebrows recently when toymaker John Wolff was spotted turning this batch of dodgy-looking objects. John assured us that the toy boys were not branching out into a new field, but the objects were in fact destined to become the tail ends for a batch of pull-along snails.



PS: Some members may not be aware of John's other talent, with Musical instruments. For those interested in some **engineering heritage**, Readers might well enjoy John's other passion, at his Web Museum at: <http://www.johnwolff.id.au/>
Photos, courtesy of Club Members: *Jean Wheatley and John Wolff.*



Here's the finished snail, all painted up and ready to ROLL!
The backgrounds and interests of fellow members never stops intriguing me![Ed]

Workshop Activities – Max Holt's up to tricks!



When the 'Walking Table" website article was discussed with our good member: Max Holt, he shared the above photo of a recent exercise in Chinese puzzle architecture, in the making of yet another "**Max Holt Marvel**" - a three legged table and matching stool!

On Ya Max! [Ed]

So..... what IS a "Walking Table"?



Just when you thought you'd seen everything about cunning logistics methods for moving things about, this chap, **Wouter Scheublin**, has come up with this design, for taking his table for a walk!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mBOdZ6nhDJg&feature=em-share_video_user
Thanks to Son of Editor: Michael for this well spotted item! ... [Ed]

The Club thanks



Workshop Notes - "members helping members" (CONT)

Phil Spencer has shared this TECHNICAL TIP:

*****Relieving Stress in Timber*****

Often when milling timber to size with my thicknesser, I have left over night, stacked nicely milled to dimension timber, only to come out the next morning to find that it has twisted and warped.

After a bit of research and talking to a friend who makes traditional furniture, I discovered that in milling my timber I was releasing internal stresses in the timber, the wood would stay straight and not warp in its rough cut state, the state it was dried, but once the timber was re-sawed or milled, sometimes it would twist and distort overnight.

I found a **unique and simple solution** that works 90% of the time. During the resawing or milling process, I drop the wood from a height of about 1.5Metres onto the workshop's concrete floor. **DO THIS BEFORE THE FINAL CUTS!**

To prove to myself that this worked, I cut a piece of timber in half before I milled it one piece. I dropped it on the floor and the other piece I didn't. The piece I dropped on the floor stayed straight and untwisted when I left it overnight whilst the other piece did not.

Mrs Phil has got use to me throwing timber on the floor of the workshop now. When I started, she thought I was in a grumpy mood or having some sort of fit!

HUMOR

You'll feel much more intelligent after reading this .

Brains of older people are slow because they know so much. People do not decline mentally with age, it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains, scientists believe.

Much like a computer struggles as the hard drive gets full, so, too, do humans take longer to access information when their brains are full.

Researchers say this slowing down process is not the same as cognitive decline. The human brain works slower in old age, said Dr. Michael Ramscar, but only because we have stored more information over time. The brains of older people do not get weak. On the contrary, they simply know more.

Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is **NOT** a memory problem, it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

SO THERE!!

There are probably more Woodies this should be shared with, but right now I can't remember their names. So, please forward this to your Woodies friends; they may be my friends, too! *[... on behalf of a fellow "Woodie"]*

HUMOR - Nostalgia



One of the roughest jobs. In fact it was **"THE PITS"**.

Being the sawyer on top was no cake walk. Handsawing perfectly straight lines walking a log is no easy task especially dense hardwood. But if you are were the sawyer on the bottom, in the pit, it really was the pits. Hard sawing, neck cramping from looking up all day, and man glitter er um, saw dust in your face and eyes all day too. This is how the lumber was cut for quite a spell though.

Picture, Courtesy of: BRACKETT & CO facebook page

Thanks to *Phil Spencer* for spotting this nostalgia Useful tip: We'll take the TOP job please! [...Ed]

HUMOR

Quickie in the Buses

There are two statues in a park; one of a nude man and one of a nude woman.

They had been facing each other across a pathway for a hundred years, when one day an angel comes down from the sky and, with a single gesture, brings the two to life.

The angel tells them, 'As a reward for being so patient through a hundred blazing summers and dismal winters, you have been given life for thirty minutes to do what you've wished to do the most.'

He looks at her, she looks at him, and they go running behind the shrubbery.

The angel waits patiently as the bushes rustle and giggling ensues. After fifteen minutes, the two return, out of breath and laughing.

The angel tells them, 'Um, you have fifteen minutes left, would you care to do it again?'

He asks her 'Shall we? She eagerly replies, 'Oh, yes, let's! But let's change positions. This time, I'll hold the pigeon down and you *do business* on its head.'

Thanks for the contributions[Ed]

Weekly Workshop Hours and Keyholders

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

Monday	09:00AM	- 12:30PM	Wood Turning	Henk Eyssens	5968 5119
Tuesday	08:30AM	- 02:30PM	Kidz Korner General Access	Dick Webb Andre Cook	97645321 0488 585 970
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Wood Turning	Larry Bearman	0413 082 858
Wednesday	08:30AM	- 02:30PM	General Access	Dick Webb	97645321
Thursday	09:30AM	- 02:30PM	Toymakers	Tony Deabe	9774 7917
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Furniture Making	George Knight	0427 417823
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Carving (for all!)	Albert Bak	0419 384099
Friday	10:00AM	- 01:30PM	General Access	Barry McDermott	9753 6157
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Rocking Horses	Peter Vermaas	9795 3468
Saturday	see roster below and WORKING BEES				
Sunday	(closed)				

Saturday Morning Roster

Opening 09:30 am to 12:30 pm

July 4 th	Ladislav Toman	0410 405 227
July 11 th	Closed for:	Half XMAS
July 18 th	Dick Webb	9764 5321
July 25 th	Rodney Williams	0448 686 537
Aug 1 st	Ladislav Toman	0410 405 227
Aug 8 th	WORKING BEE	(closed)
Aug 15 th	Louis Smith / Larry	9754 2342 / 0413 082858
Aug 22 nd	BE-IN-IT Competition	Preparation day
Aug 29 th	Dick Webb	9764 5321

NOTE: If no member arrives by 10:30am,
the Key Holder has the option of closing Clubrooms.

Current Projects in progress

Project (ref: Eric)	Recipient	Status
Toys	Disadvantaged	Continuous
	Kids for Xmas	In Progress
Angel Boxes	Angliss Hospital	Continuous
Chairs & Stools	Cerebral Palsey	As required
Various Turnings	Festival stock &c	In Progress
Kidz Korner kits	KK Activities	Continuous
Rocking Horse	For next Festival.	Mar and Oct
Clock	For next Festival.	Mar and Oct
Turned Bowl	For next Festival.	Mar and Oct
Jewellery Box	For next Festival.	Mar and Oct

Member's Discounts

The Following Suppliers offer discounts to Members.

****Show some suitable KDWC / personal ID****

Australian Lighting - Bayswater,
Bristol Paints - Ferntree Gully.
Budget Car and Truck Rental (FTG)
Caroll's Woodcraft Supplies.
Carba-Tec.
Ferntree Gully Bolts.
Jalor Tools
Masters
Mitre-10 - Bayswater.
Plywood Distributors, Dandenong (*NEW)
Pop's Shed.
Screwit – Supplier of Sachy Screws
Total Tools, Ferntree Gully.
Woodworking Machinery Specialists.
The Woodworking Warehouse

Important Diary Dates and coming events

Wed 1 st Jul	Member's Meeting	7.30PM
Sat 11 th Jul	XMAS in JULY at Club	7:00/7:30PM
Wed 22 nd Jul	Committee Meeting	
Wed 5 th Aug	Member's Meeting	7.30PM
Sat 8 th Aug	Working Bee	8.00AM
Wed 19 th Aug	Committee Meeting	
Sat 22 nd Aug	prepare Be-In-It	8.00AM
Sun 23 rd Aug	BE-IN-IT Competition	
Wed 2 nd Sep	Member's Meeting	7.30PM

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EMAIL ADDRESS for the Club:
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www.knoxwoodies.org.au

Club CLOSED: July 11th for HALF XMAS event

XMAS IN JULY: 7PM for 7:30PM
Saturday 11th July only \$15
RSVP before 2nd July. Tickets from Committee
Queries? Contact: Karen Button 0407 556 666

Merchandise and Materials on sale at Club

Club Caps	\$12.00
Club Polo Shirts	\$25.00
Club Fleecy Tops - Half Zip	\$40.00
Club Fleecy Tops - Full-length Zip	\$50.00
Screws (packet)	\$2.00
Nails - 500 gm (2' x 12 G)	\$2.00