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not use the JULY MEETING - Due to the School Holidays (and so we can school) our JULY MEETING is on WEDNESDAY - 12th.

AQUADHERE -- Don't forget that we have this glue on sale at the club for \$5.50 per litre. Bring along your containers and your cash .

AUGUST MEETING -- This is our auction meeting so every member should be least one item to be donated to the club putting aside at for the night. YOUR involvement is essential for the night's success.

Proz the President

Fellow Woodies.

Yes the year is half over and the nights are becoming really cold but the numbers at our monthly meetings are holding up very well. An excellent demonstration by Mrs Erin Brooker on the lathe at the last meeting kept about 30 members interested for 1.5 hours and I think it would be fairly safe to say that each of those 30 members gained something in one way or another to improve their own technique on the lathe or in the workshop. The wood chipping and carving continues to be very popular. However there are a few members who are not doing anything but standing around talking. If that is all that they want to do that is fine, but if those members are becoming bored, may be they would like to bring along their own timber and work on a project of their own choice. There is plenty of room and tools available.

Here is one for the retired or unemployed members of our club, starting on Thursday 13 July 89 at 1:00pr in the FIG Technical School wood work room. The school principal has offered the school facilities to our members for every Thursday afternoon to come in and work on a project of their -own. This is a very generous offer and I hope that rany of our members will take advantage of this offer and be at the school on July 13th.

The Timber and Working with Wood Show is have the opportunity to build their own on again this year. It is being held at the same venue (Melbourne Exhibition Buildings) on October 20,21,22. We have made application for a stand at this show and we will need members to submit articles which would be suitable for display. We also need members to help answer questions from the public and also to demonstrate some lathe work. David Jamie is coordinator for our stand so he will be interested to hear from you.

Members of the Woodcraft Guild of Tasmania would also like to come to Melbourne for the Working with Wood Show weekend. What they need is some accommodation. They will be after both single and double accommodation so if you can help with a spare room or a caravan for the weekend. please give me a ring on 758 3599. This could make a good opportunity to make new friends from the Apple Isle, and also have a really fun and interesting weekend for

Those Members who attended the last meeting on the 7th June would have heard about a carving demonstration to be held at our club rooms on the 14th June. John Kelly of Greensbrough, one of Australia's top carvers, did the demonstrating. It was an excellent night, enough to really make me feel like I must get some carving tools and have a go. He made it all look so easy. We have had only 2 of our members who are interested in the Welding and Metal Turning workshop, where members will

lathes and accessories. We need at least 6 more members to be interested before this group can take off.

At our next meeting (JULY 12 @ 6:30) we have Ian and Barry Pool. They are collectors or Rare Wood so it looks like we have another interesting evening for the FTG Woodworkers coming

If you have any ideas and enough talent to be able to draw up a logo suitable for the FERNTREE GULLY MOODWORKERS CLUB INC. bring it along to the next meeting. We need to finalise the logo so that we can have our club name badges made.

Sharp tools are safer tools....

Alf Stephens.

Our August Auction.

The idea of this night is to raise a little money for the club while helping other members. This type of event is also a lot of fun.

What we are after is for each and every member to donate an article to be suctioned. It could be a piece of wood suitable for some project, some old woodworking books or magazines, or an old tool or piece of equipment.

As a general rule, don't worry too much about the condition of the item (no rubbish please). Remember that a broken drill that is no use to you may have the parts that some one else needs. We will have an auctioneer to sell off the items on the night.

We do have a small amount of space in the cupboard to store some items. If you may not be coming to the August meeting, PLEASE BRING YOUR AUCTION ITEM(S) TO THE JULY MEETING and the committee will arrange to hold it for the next meeting.

INFO HANTED.

Sue Wood is after some information about JIGS for sharpening Gouges etc.

If you can help, please contact Sue at home or at the next meeting.

Response to Newsletter Items.

I know that I should not be surprised, but

I was not sure of the response that I would get to may request about spinning wheels.

Within days of the newsletter being posted my telephone was running hot with offers of information. I thing the final count was 6 offers of information and help.

This was even to the extend of one fellow member driving around to my house to drop off 6 magazines that contained plan and directions for two different wheels and a Loom.

If you have any similar request, please don't hesitate to contact me and I will stick it into this newsletter.

Working with Wood.

Alf mentioned this activity in his report. I will be the coordinator of our involvement at this show.

At the July meeting I will have a roster sheet for the manning of our stand.

Please have a think about when you would be able to help man the stand. The more members that we get at the show will mean the more time we will have to move around and view the other exhibits.

I will have more details about the times etc, and when we will be able to get in and set up and clean up, at the meeting.

DATA SHEETS

Sue still has a number of these sheets that are still to be checked off by members.

Please see Sue to verify the details.

Woodturning Classes.

At last count there was still one place available with the club lathes.

If you are interested I suggest that you get around to see Alf with the \$100 in hand to secure that definite place.

We have not had any responses from members who could lend their lathes for this workshop.

There is the potential for my lathe to be used for this exercise but I would not be

in a position to deliver and collect it on those Saturdays. There may be others in the same position.

So, if there are members who can not get the use of the club lathes, they may consider direct contact with other members to organise a direct loan and transportation of the lathe.

Does anyone know of a shop or company who would be interested in placing an ad in this newsletter. The cost will be minimal but it will help with paying postage costs, etc.

LOGO:

Please give some thought to the design of the LOGO.

It will need to be relatively simple so that the detail and meaning is not lost when it is shrunk for badges etc.

I would personally prefer a style that could be carved or built from wood. What is your preference??
Why not draw a rough draft of your idea. It would not need to be a high quality drawing, just enough to get your message across.

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