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Knox & District Woodworkers Club

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President's Report

I start this report by welcoming back David Howell and Peter Horsborugh, whom have both been recovering from operations. It is great to see them back and joining in again. Peace around the home again too as their wives breath a sigh of relief – welcome back both of you.

Would members please remember the "Be In It" competition on August 12th and get your entries ready. We will also be dedicating the clubhouse to the memory of Alf Stevens, our founding President. Without his forethought and vision, this club would not have been possible. So please come and make it an even greater day by participating.

Phillip Dickinson is still busy making toys for the Christmas appeal, which is great, but I would like to see more members adding to the number of toys as Christmas is fast approaching.

The club is purchasing a small lathe and accessories for taking to the Knox and Stringybark Festivals, and for general club use. Please take good care of it.

On Saturday 28th of July, the Berwick Woodworkers will be coming for a BBQ lunch. Members and their wives are invited to attend to meet and get to know our visitors and help share some Knox hospitality.

Peter Sleeman

Around the Club

Merv Kann recently slipped away on a trip touring Canada and Alaska for several weeks. He said he had a great time being waited on, there should be some stories for the next meeting. The Tuesday regulars are gaining a reputation for "partying" and long morning teas. (they tell me that they work harder to make up for these extended breaks????) The most recent was to celebrate Philip Dickinson's birthday.

Great to see Dave Howell looking well and action around the club

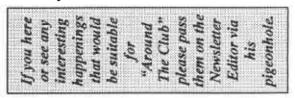
Thankyou

Yvonne and I would like to thank members for their good wishes and visits while I have been sick. I am pleased to say that the doctors are happy with my progress.

Once again thankyou all.

Dave Howell.

Our prolific toy maker Philip Dickinson is still at. With the amount of toys he is producing we will have to extend our storage space. Philip would like to thank the many members who have helped him with the toys.



He Says: "Oh don't fuss. I just cut myself, its no big deal."

He really means: "I have actually severed a limb, but will bleed to death rather than admit I'm hurt"

Next Month's Guest Speaker

Owen Burton will be the speaker at the August meeting. Owen is a professional woodturner and demonstrator (you may have seen him at last years "Working With Wood" show on the Carbatec stand) He also demonstrates Organoil timber finishes, this will be the focus of his presentation. He will be demonstrating both on flat surfaces as well as lathe work.

Visit by the Berwick Woodies.

We will be hosting a visit by the members of the Berwick and District Woodworkers club with a BBQ lunch on Saturday 28th of July. If you are coming, please place your name and number coming on the whiteboard to assist with the catering.

Woodturner's Interest Group

The interest in the woodturning group is gaining momentum as the weeks go by. At our last Wednesday get together we had 10 members on quite a wet night which was great There is always the problem of lack of lathes, this will be helped soon when the new Woodfast in action and the parts arrive for the damaged lathe.

To sort out the format of the group, and the direction we intend to take, there will be a short meeting on Wednesday 25th of July.

There is also some interest in a day group and possibly a ladies group. If any ladies are interested. Jan Brown has agreed to coordinate a ladies group. She can be contacted on 9762 1063.

If you are interested in a set of chisels, then check the notice board. Carbatec have sets of Record chisels at half price. If you are interested these are certainly worth a look.

Fees

A reminder that fees are due in September. In the August Ingrained, with the account, there will also be a section with each member's information on. To assist in keeping the clubs records up to date. the committee has asked if you can check the details and make changes as necessary and return it when paying your fees.

Parking

With the number of members at tending the club. particularly on Tuesdays, parking is becoming quite a problem. To assist in this area could members take care to park their cars as close as practical.



On Workshop & Safety Matters

The committee has decided to update equipment in the woodturning area. The equipment includes new drive centres, tailstock centres, screw chucks, safety masks and a Woodfast short bed lathe with appropriate chucks. The new lathe will be in action as soon as a stand is built.

The turning tools have recently been refurbished and sharpened and will soon be on a shadow board. If you are not sure on how to sharpen them then please ask for help.

Club Etiquette (from the "Members Guide to Club Activities and Operations")

Members are particularly reminded to retain a clean workshop environment and abide by the following guidelines:

- Your working area must be cleaned down when you task is completed or before leaving the workshop.
- Machines must be cleaned and ready for the next user on completion of you task.
- Store your tools and accessories properly.



Is this happening ??????????

In a recent stocktake it was found that two Jacobs chucks (drill chucks used in the lathes) are missing. If anyone has any idea where they are could they let a keyholder or a committee member know?

A Reminder

Please use safety equipment where appropriate. while working in the workshop.

Working Bee

We have been working on painting the clubhouse during recent working bees, but have not been able to complete the task. With the "Be In It" afternoon approaching quickly the committee is making a concerted effort to completed it. The painting should be finished in one day with plenty of help. The proposed days are either Saturday 7th or 12th of July, depending on the weather. If can help, please place your name on the white

board in the clubhouse.

"Success is failure turned inside out"

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Australian Woodturning Exhibition

Did you get to see the exhibition? if you were unable to make it then you certainly missed out on seeing some excellent turning.

I was able to attend on Friday when the crowd was reasonably thin. This was my first time at the exhibition and I was not sure what to expect.

There was a huge variety of all types of turning, from a miniature cup saucer and plate that would fit on a 5 cent piece to a huge redgum platter about a metre in diameter, spindle work.

It is certainly putting in your diary for next year, you just have to come away inspired and want to make some shavings.

Bob Plant

Visit By Dick Sing

Dick Sing a well-known woodturner and author from America is visiting Australia in early September. Dick is known for his work in turned pens. He doing a demonstration at the Berwick club on Sunday 1st of September. The cost for the day is \$35 and lunch is supplied, if you are interested contact Ken Coleman from Berwick on 97072878 for more information.

Tassie's Trees (from Forestry Tasmania)

Celery-Top Pine (Phyllociadus aspeniifolius)
Celery-top pine is one of the best known of
Tasmania's native conifers. It is common in the
west of the state and also occurs in isolated patches
in the drier East Coast. It can be easily identified
by its distinctive celery like foliage. The timber is
valued for its durability, hard wearing surface,
stability and attractive fine-grained appearance.

The tree does not resemble a pine and is, in fact, related to the yew trees. It reaches a height of between 15 and 40 metres with a breast high diameter of between 40 and 85 cm's. Its bark is dark grey to reddish brown with numerous pores, which give it a knobbly appearance. The thick, leathery leaves are between 3 and 8 cm's long and about 2 cm's. The pollen and seed are borne in modified cones; both male and female cones being very small.

Celery top pine is a dominant tree on poorer soils in Tasmania's cool temperate rainforests. It grows very slowly; trees with a diameter 60cms are usually around 400 years old. The oldest known trees are about 800 years old.

The timber is a straw colour when freshly cut and darkens to a gold colour following seasoning. It is a hard, strong wood. The timber has good stability in a cross-section but can shrink along its length when drying. Traditional uses include boat building, joinery, bench tops and flooring. It is also used for outdoor and indoor furniture, kitchen cupboards and paneling. Celery-top is suitable for turning especially for spindle work — for example chair legs.

Beenatree Crafts Have Moved

Ray Sanders has moved his operation from Devon Meadows to Victoria St in Loch. He can be contacted on 5659 4215

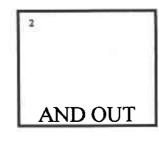
Specials on Record Tools

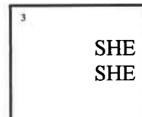
Carbatec are currently good prices on various Record tools. Excellent value are heavy scrapers at about \$30. A specials list will be posted on the notice board.

If you produce proof of club membership (your nametag), a 10% discount is available but not on specials.

Can you solve these? (Answers in the August Ingrained)

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Workshop Hours

Mo	nday	6.30 pm	- 8.30 pm	Bill L,ongden	9758 2438
Tuesday		10,00 am	- 3.00 pm	Peter Sleeman	9758 1390
		6.30 pm	- 8,30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
Wednesday		10.00am	- 3.00 pm	Peter Sleeman	9758 1390
		6.30 pm	- 8.30 pm	David Howell	9758 3920
Thursday		10.00 am	- 3.00 pm	Paul Aminde	9758 1733
Fri	day	6.30 pm	- 8.30 pm	Bruce Affen	9754 5774
Saturday	July 7 th	9,30 pm	- 12.30pm	Doug Dell	9729 1886
	July 14th	9.30 pm	-12.30pm	Chris Smith	9729 6515
	July 21st	9.30 pm	-12.30pm	Earl Webb	9801 4142
	July 28 th	9.30 pm	-12.30pm	Reiner Lolkema	9754 4567
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Coming Club Events

Tuesday 3rd July.	Monthly General Meeting
recourt 5 July.	Presenters: - Liz & Chris Potter from Pyrography on the Internet.
Wednesday July 11 th	Woodturners at the club
Wednesday July 18th	Executive Committee meets
Wednesday July 25th	Woodturners at the club
Wednesday 1st August	Monthly General Meeting
	Presenter: - Owen Burton
Sunday 12th August	"Be In It" and Dedication of the Club Rooms
Wednesday September 5th	Monthly General Meeting
	Presenter to be advised
Wednesday 3 rd October	Annual General MEETING
Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st	Stringy Bark Festival
October	
Saturday 8th December	Christmas Break Up

Woodworking Calender

July 2 nd – 8 th	Winterfest at Warburton
·	Exhibition, Competitions and Demonstrations
	Main St Warburton
July 22 nd	Melbourne Hand Tool Sale
	Glenferrie Primary School
	80 Manningham St. Hawthorn
September 1 st & 2 nd	3 rd Biennial Mildura Wood Show
•	Old Mildura Woodshed
	Cureton Rd. Mildura
October 5 th – 7 th	Maryborough Craft, Wood and Art Fair
	Nestle Centre
	Gillies St. Maryborough
October 19 th – 21 th	Timber & Working with Wood Show
	Melbourne Exhibition Centre
	South Bank
April 20 th & 21 st	The 2002 Festival of Woodwork at Manningham
2002	Run by the Council of Victorian Woodwork Clubs on behalf of the woodwork clubs
	of Victoria and their members