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Newsletter of the

*Knox & District  
Woodworkers Club*



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## Your Executive Committee for 2002 / 2003

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### OUR VICE PRESIDENT'S JUNE REPORT

Our President, Peter Sleeman, although still not well enough to take up the reins again, is improving slowly. It was good to see Peter a few times during the month. Paul Aminde is still being missed around the club, Paul had a father setback in his health. We wish both Peter and Paul a speedy recovery,

Although attendance was very poor at the Working Bee on Saturday 14th June (only 13 members turned up) those who attended got through a substantial amount of work. The weather was against us, so we still have outside painting to be completed. Thanks to all those who attended.

Our thanks also goes to the two teams who attend weekly to Amaroo and Tullymore. These members give their time and talents on a regular basis to these communities and are some of the Quiet Achievers of the club. Thank you gentlemen for your dedication.

Welcome to Joyce Brown to the committee as assistant to our Treasurer Doug Dell who wishes to stand down at the next A.G.M. Thank you Joyce for volunteering.

My thanks to Joyce Brown and Paul Phillips for their assistance with Girl Guides Workshop on Tuesday 17th June at which 22 girls aged between 7 and 11 years, made up tray or small box kits which the girls thoroughly enjoyed. When we left they were enthusiastically painting and decorating their kits.

Our Toy Count at the last meeting was 215, still short of our Goal of 500+ toys. November will not be long approaching, so keep up the good work and help us attain our Goal for Christmas for the Disadvantaged Kids. 'Be In It' Competition and Open Day, Sunday 10th August. Do you have your entry completed yet? There are only 5 weeks to go, so Get With It and Be In It. I encourage everyone to support our Annual Competition and Open Day and enter into the spirit.

Looking forward to meeting you around the club.

Paddy Mc Cann

### "Around the Club"

Want to be included in this section? Just be around the club working on a project. But importantly, be wearing your name badge as I will only take photos of members wearing their badge in future, as I have mixed up several names lately in reporting on people in photos.



This is Ross Trkulja enthusiastically practicing turning his first piece of wood at the woodturning group. Ross only joined the club a few days ago and this is his first effort at woodwork outside just pottering around at home over the years. He likes the Club and the friendly atmosphere of the members.

Bob Plant is demonstrating the correct angle to hold the woodturning chisel while sharpening it. One of the first secrets I learnt when I started woodturning only last week was to always have sharp chisels. So this means you need to quickly learn how to do it yourself!



Manfred Shores is doing a great job on a "coffee" table for his son. (I think they must



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have large coffee cups at his son's house as it is a large table!). Actually, it is apparently to fit a hardened glass top they already have. He is combining two colours with hardwood and pine timber glued together to achieve a quite striking effect.



Both Joyce Brown and Hurtle Lupton are totally engrossed in

their tasks at the woodturning group session. It is encouraging to see them both wearing protective face gear.  
Paul Lucas

## Ever wondered where your fees etc go?

Every month at the general meeting Doug Dell gives the monthly treasurers report and expenditures, however, not even I appreciated the considerable costs we incur over time. The annual cost of operating the Club is escalating at an alarming rate that has been buffered by successful Knox and Stringybark Festivals and Rocking Horse raffles etc.

To give you an idea of the costs, just ponder on the following:

Repairs and Maintenance	1999-2000	\$2,756
	2000-2001	\$3,573
	2001-2002	\$6,867
	To May 2003	\$3,914 to date
Tools and Equipment	1999-2000	\$8,610
	2000-2001	\$13,333
	2001-2002	\$11,038
	To May 2003	\$7,538 to date

When you total these two expenditures each year and take a nominal approximate membership of 150 members per year, this means the money spent on behalf of each member has been:

1999-2000	\$76
2000-2001	\$113
2001-2002	\$119
To May 2003	\$76 to date

Just one new major project we want, and need, to spend money on is upgrading the dust extraction at some time in the future.

Your annual membership fee of \$40 entitles you to utilise the Club workshop during any of the 36 hours each week the facilities are open. We do not know of any other woodwork group that is open for so many hours. This works out at just over \$1 per hour. If you have a cup of coffee during a break you have virtually covered your cost!!

## Community Services by the Club

The Club continues to provide a small number of individuals from the community, who attend with a carer, to

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have a chance at woodworking. The members who assist in this are to be commended.

Paddy has reminded us all of the ongoing effort by the two teams who attend weekly at Amaroo and Tullymore.

## A warm welcome to a record number of New Members

What a wonderful month for gaining new members, with a record 10 joining our ranks. We hope you all get as much enjoyment out of the Club as the rest of us. If you see these members around, have a chat and make him feel part of the Club family. Please wear your name badge to make it easier for them to remember your name. The new members are: -

Alan Donner  
Colin Steele  
Geoff Dans  
Aaron Fry  
Ross Trkulja  
Siggi Pastoors  
Harold Pinto  
Noel Rippon  
Tom McCormack  
Ashley Schwall-Kearney

## Rocking Horse Raffle

As you are all aware, the 2003 October Stringybark Festival has been cancelled. This will be a blow to our fundraising if we do not take steps to fill the gap in some way. There was considerable discussion and many constructive ideas raised by members at the June general meeting that have been noted by the committee.

One way to cover some of the lost revenue from the Festival is to still have the Rocking Horse raffle.

It will need a real effort from all members to sell tickets and to attend the days at Bunnings Scoresby, Freetree Gully Rd, on Saturday and Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of October, to sell tickets. Come along to the Bunnings ticket selling days as you only have to allocate 1 or so hours if everyone attends, and it is fun.

The raffle will be drawn at the November meeting which is the night we present the childrens' toys to the chosen charity groups.

## Equipment Status in the Club

The committee and others have heaped praise on the time, really great effort and dedication Karl Lutz has put into getting the club router lathe up and running and training the selected members to use it correctly to get the best out of it. It will not be long before these people will be available to instruct interested members in the use of the machine. This will be a valuable new tool to expand the range of decorative articles you can produce at the club.

The final area of concrete has been laid in the shed extension so the equipment will be moved in shortly to further improve the arrangement of facilities for you at the Club.



## Auction Night!

### At the December meeting

Go now and start critically appraising the tools and equipment you have in your home workshop. Got items you seldom, or never, use and they are taking up valuable workshop room? Donate them to the Club! We will include them in the December meeting auction! Bring them down to the Club and we will store them until the auction. If you have been to a previous auction, you will know they are a great night to get a bargain and the bonus is you help Club funds. Stan Jebb will conduct the auction in his usual lighthearted and efficient fashion to make the night a success for all.

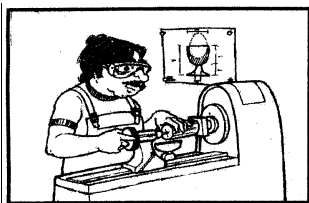
## The BBQ function

This will be a BYO drinks function this year. This is just a note as advance notice as timing and details will be announced at coming club meetings and in the newsletter.

## Rocking Horse Group Ramblings

Joe Semenow was totally surprised when on the last night the Waverley members were at the Club, they gave him a card, some tools and a gift voucher - and a party supper for him and all the others who helped them. Thank you Waverley for showing how much you enjoyed the nights.

## Turner's Talk



learnt something.

A visit by the Forest Hill Woodturners is still to be arranged. The day with Guilio Marcolonga was well attended and judged a great success by all. Everyone



is! – Editor)

The photo shows Guilio at work. (although, as I did not attend the day, I'm not sure what kind of woodturning chisel the drill Bob Plant

## Members Welfare

Both Peter Sleeman and Paul Aminde have already been mentioned by Paddy.

## Working Bee on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August

Please spare some time from 8 am to help with general work around the club. As Paddy highlighted it was disappointing to see only a small number of members turned up for the last one in June but the committee members were only full of praise for them as their

enthusiasm and energy to get things done overcame their small number. More people at this next one means more will be achieved and the load is lighter for all.

## Guest speakers in the coming months

July Meeting – 3 members of the Eltham and District Woodworkers will demonstrate and talk about “The art of Scroll Sawing”. August meeting – Gordon Ross will talk on “The art of Ventriloquism (and obviously, the dolls involved)”

## The Timber in the Club racks

The timber in the racks is now easier to get at and is there for members to use. However, please remember to place your monetary contribution for any timber you take in the moneybox in the office. Naturally, any timber used on Club projects is free.

## “Be-In-It Competition” at the Club

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2003

Don't forget the above function as mentioned by Paddy in his report. Members can enter as many items as you wish providing they have been made within the last 12 months. Entries **MUST** be in by 10:00 am on the day as judging is from 12 noon – 2:00 pm. Visitors can view the exhibits from 2:00 pm. Please bring a plate for afternoon tea.

## Carvers Corner

Our small but enthusiastic group of carvers on Monday evenings are always ready to welcome new starters to carve with them. The new members will not know that both Willy Schlaf and Gerry Daelmans are experienced award winning carvers and are ever ready to help those who want to try carving.

## Club Hardware supplies

The Club has a supply of hardware such as screws, brads, staples and nails that are purchased for club projects.

We expect you to bring your own when constructing personal projects, however, if you find yourself short when working and need to use some of those at the club, then please do so, but remember to either:

- 1 replenish them later
- 2 or make a donation into the moneybox in the office

## Privacy considerations

The committee hopes you have either:

- 1 Signed the Privacy list alongside the sign-in book over the last month when you came to the club rooms for the club meeting or to work on your projects.
- or
- 2 Returned the sheet to Doug Dell that was posted to you with your last newsletter.

Please respond. We must have your answer, for the Club to meet the requirements of the new Privacy Act. Paul Lucas



## Workshop Hours

<b>Monday</b> (NB the day session is for woodturning only)	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Bob Plant	9754 5920
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bill Longden	9758 2438
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:30 am - 3:00 pm	Paddy Mc Cann	9758 3920
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30am - 3:00 pm	Paddy Mc Cann	9758 3920
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<b>Thursday</b>	9:30 am - 3:00 pm	Charles Bruckner Doug Dell	9801 2197 9729 1886
<b>Friday</b>	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774

## Saturday Mornings

July 5	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Jan Brown	9762 1063
July 12	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	John Emptage	9796 9910
July 19	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Doug Dell	9729 1886
July 26	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Chris Smith	9729 6515
August 2	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Earl Webb	9801 4142
August 9	8:00 am - 12:30 pm	<b>WORKING BEE</b>	

*Members please note:* If no members have arrived by 10:30am the Key Holder has the option of closing the clubrooms

## Regular Club Group Activities

Day	Time	Regularity	Group	Contact
Monday	9.00 am to 2.00 pm	Every week	Day Woodturners	Bob Plant 9754 5920 Jan Brown 9762 1063
	Evening	Every week	Carvers & Burners Festival Kit development	Willy Schlaf 9762 2206
Tuesday	Evening	Every week	Evening Woodturners	Frank O'Connor 9879 7512 Jan Brown 9762 1063
Friday	Evening	Every week	Rocking Horse Group	Joe Semenov 9758 6024 Allen Brookes 9762 4032

## What's Coming Up

### **At The Club**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**  
Committee Meeting  
**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August**  
Monthly Meeting  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August**  
Working Bee 8 am  
**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August**  
"Be -In-It Comp" at the Club  
**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October**  
AGM of the Club

### **In The Big "Woodies" World**

**21-22<sup>nd</sup> September**  
Woodturners and Woodworkers  
Exhibition. Mildura  
**8-9<sup>th</sup> November**  
Eltham & District  
Woodworkers-Annual  
Exhibition  
**23-24<sup>th</sup> October 2004**  
Stringybark Festival, Rowville

### **On Sale at the Club**

Pen kits -Slim \$14.00  
-Fatter centre \$18.50  
Pen display boxes  
-Plastic single pen \$1.00  
-Velvet covers pkt of 10 \$4.00  
Clocks -50 & 65mm \$14.50  
-30mm \$13.50  
Letter Openers -\$6.00  
Super Glue-Thick/thin \$12.00  
-Accelerator \$13.00  
Ubeaut Polishes  
-Shellawax cream \$26.40  
-EEE-Ultra Shine \$16.50  
Club Caps \$10.00  
Club polo shirts \$20.00

### **Equipment for Sale**

Air Filtration System, JET,  
new, complete with warranty,  
remote control, manual, and  
spare charcoal & inner filters.  
(Unit doesn't fit between our  
beams!). Can be wall or ceiling  
mounted. Excellent for

extracting fine dust particles  
from the workshop. \$450.  
Ring Ray Brown: 9762 1063

### **The lighter side of a lady woodworker's life!**

At the cocktail party, one woman said to another, "Aren't you wearing your wedding ring on the wrong finger?" The other women replied, "Yes I am, I married the wrong man." A lady inserted an 'ad' in the classifieds: "Husband wanted". Next day she received a hundred letters. They all said the same thing: "You can have mine!"

When a woman steals your husband, there is no better revenge than to let her keep him.

A woman is incomplete until she is married. Then she is finished.