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YOUR PRESIDENT'S SEPTEMBER REPORT

Our "Be in it" competition and Open day on Sunday 8th August 2004 was a resounding success with over 100 members, families and friends in attendance. We had a record number of 110 entries in our competition for which I extend my thanks to all the entrants for getting into the spirit of the day and the competition. I was proud to accept praise on your behalf from quite a number of members and visitors regarding the higher standard, quality and variety of entries. I would like to congratulate all the participants and especially the winners of each category. Thank you for all your enthusiasm and efforts.



(the photo shows Paddy helping our judges Cr Karen Orpen and Owen Burton announce and distribute the winners awards.) These events don't just happen. There is a great deal of organising behind the scenes before hand and on the day. We owe our thanks to a number of dedicated people for the success and enjoyment of the occasion. Firstly I would like to thank Cr. Karen Orpen and Owen Burton our judges for their time and skill in doing a difficult and challenging job with the increased number,

variety and quality of entries, in a short period of time. Also our thanks to Molly Orpen, who assisted Karen and Owen with labelling 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each category. Karen, Owen and Molly, thank you all, we really appreciate your assistance. Our thanks to Joyce Brown who worked tirelessly on Saturday and Sunday recording all the entries then again on Sunday assisting Bob Plant with the collating and printing of certificates ready for presentation to the winners on the day. Thank you Joyce and Bob for your dedication and support. Our thanks also go to Peter Horsburgh for organising the afternoon tea, which was a wonderful spread. Thank you Peter for your efforts. Last, but not least thank you to all the members who assisted with setting up on Saturday morning and clearing up on Sunday after the function.

We had a busy three days on Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th August, relaying the machine shop and installing our new dust extracting system. I am sure those that have used or seen the workshop now, will appreciate the reduction of dust and the greater amount of space around the machines. These changes for the better, comfort and safety for our members, we hope will be appreciated. Our thanks goes to Peter Sleeman, Max Holt and Ian Stewart for their time and hard work getting the system up and running. Our thanks to you all.

Our next working bee is planned for Saturday 25^{th} of September from 8 am. We will have a lot of work to get through, so I look forward to a good turn up of members.

The Annual General Meeting will be on Wednesday 6th October 2004. All positions of the executive committee will be declared vacant and a new committee will be elected, I would remind members that they have to be financial to vote on the election of officers. Also we ask you to give

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thought and make your nominations for the new committee, remember that we are looking for two or three new committee members. The choice is yours so we look forward to your input.

I remind you that our Christmas toy appeal has only 8 weeks to go, and we still have a way to reach last years total. So we hope to see your contributions coming in soon to reach our target.

Thank you all for your contribution, in time and enthusiasm during the month. I look forward to seeing you around the club.

Paddy McCann

Remember The 2004 Annual General Meeting Wednesday 6th October.

We need new committee members and officers for:

- Safety Officer
- Assistant Treasurer
- Assistant Secretary

Nomination forms are on the notice board, for positions as officers and committee members for 2004/2005. Completed forms must be submitted by Saturday 2nd October.

Around the Club



Ken Rivett is one of our newest members and on the day he just received his new name badge he practised doing some woodturning. He has skills that will do him well in his woodworking.

Pat Jimenez is concentrating on drilling the centres for a pile

of helicopter rotors for the Kids Corner kits. Well done Pat.



Community Projects

12 youths from the 1st Ferny Creek

Scout group will visit the Club on Wednesday 13th October to make kits from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Please volunteer to help them assemble the kits if you have the time.

Members Welfare

We wish Peter Howell well in his convalescence after a stint in hospital.

Your Committee



"Be – In – It" Competition & Open

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What a great day for members and friends to see what we achieve, see the latest improvements to the Club facilities and to enjoy a lovely afternoon tea!

The judges did a great job with the number of entries to judge and everyone agreed with their choice of "Betsy" the rocking-cow as Best-In-Show – made by Bill Schuffelen. Bill did a superb job with the finish of his cow.

Congratulations!!











Some of the items entered in the show and a view of the people enjoying the day. Paul Lucas

Rocking Horse Raffle Day at Bunnings - Scoresby Sat 9th and Sun 10th October

Please put your name on the notice board at the session you can attend.

Have you paid your Annual Fee?

Fees are due from the 1st September, so see the Treasurer. Remember, you must be financial to vote at the AGM. Frank O'Connor

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Sat 23rd and Sun 24th October

Please put your name down for the day you can attend - even if it for just a few hours.

Club Rooms Status

We have decided to officially name the rooms in the Club to reduce confusion. Signs will eventually be erected to remind you.

OFFICE – the area with the meeting table and chairs, library, computer and phone etc.

WORKSHOP – the room with the woodwork benches, hand tools and kitchen etc.

COMPRESSOR ROOM – the small room near the office with the compressor, **metal detector** and rocking horse timber etc.

MACHINE SHOP – the room with the major machinery including the thicknesser, docking saw, band saws, router, drill press, scroll saw etc.

WOODTURNING ROOM – the back room where the wood lathes are located.

SANDING SHED – the new shed containing the dust extractors and sanding equipment etc.

The dust extraction ducting into the machine shop is completed. The woodturning room is yet to be done. When money is available, we will install a wall inside the sanding shed to isolate the extractor units to minimise the noise for people sanding.

The Honesty Box has been upgraded to a new metal box painted red to make it easy to see in its new position on top of the steel cabinet in the workshop beside the door to the office.

A warm welcome to our New Members

We hope our 3 newest members get great enjoyment out of the Club. If you see them around, have a chat and make them feel part of the Club family. Please wear your name badge and we ask them to proudly wear their new badge. Leave your badge in the rack near the club entrance so you know where it is and don't inadvertently leave it at home.

The new members are: - Bill Stuart

- Ken Rivett

- Joel Crawford

Fred Moore - a WW2 Veteran

Fred is fortunate to be going to Holland to the 17th September commemoration of a famous WW2 action - the battle for the bridge at Arnhem in Holland. This action is celebrated every year. All survivors and their immediate relations are invited to attend and they are hosted by Dutch families who make free accommodation and morning meals available.

This year is the 60th Anniversary and because so few veterans remain it will probably be the last such occasion Fred and some others may attend. The full programme from the 15th to the 20th September this year includes highlights of:



- the reopening and illumination of the renovated and repainted John Frost Bridge together with an Airborne Memorial Flight.
- a presentation to all veterans.
- a march-past of veterans across the bridge.
- a "thank-you" program by 10,000 schoolchildren.
- wreath laying ceremonies and a parachute drop by veterans and 4th Parachute Battalion.

Turners' Talk



24 people so far for the Neil Scobie session at the Club on Sunday 24th October.

The Dewalt Sander raffle

Have you bought your raffle tickets for this prize yet? The winner will be drawn at the AGM in October.

"Woodworkers Websites"

This new section will be included each month (when space permits) to highlight websites you may wish to visit. If you know, or hear of any favourite websites please advise me and I will publish them for everyone's benefit.

www.woodturners.co.uk www.ubeut.com.au/badwood.htm

Paul Lucas

Club Equipment for Sale

Due to the newly installed dust extractor system the previous individual extractors are for sale. The same "envelope" system will be used as for the recent sale of the wood lathes.

If you are interested, place the name of the unit you would like on the outside of an envelope and place your name on a piece of paper inside the envelope and give it to a committee member by Monday 4^{th} October. The winning envelope for each unit will be drawn at the 6^{th} October general meeting. The units for sale are:

No. of units	Machine type	Price each
2	2 HP Dust Extractor	\$200
3	1 HP Dust Extractor	\$100
1	Triton Router table	\$50

If you want to try for more than one unit ensure you enter a separate envelope for each unit.

Carvers Corner

Why not consider trying out wood carving on Monday evenings? Willy Schlaf and Gerry Daelmans are only too eager to help anyone to get started. They can teach you a lot and at the same time they may pick up ideas from you.



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Workshop Hours

Monday (the day session is for woodturning)	9:00 am	- 1:00 pm	Bob Plant John Emptage	9754 5920 9758 6103
	6:30 pm	- 9:30 pm	Bill Longden	9758 2438
Tuesday	9:30 am	- 3:00 pm	Peter Sleeman	9758 1390
	6:30 pm	- 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
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	6:30 pm	- 9:30 pm	Paddy McCann	9758 3920
Thursday	9:30 am	- 3:00 pm	Charles Bruckner	9801 2197
			Doug Dell	9729 1886
Friday	6:30 pm	- 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774

Saturday Mornings

September 4 th	9:30 am	-12:30 pm	Chris Smith	9729 6515
September 11 th	9:00 am	-12:30 pm	Brian Douds	9758 2173
September 18 th	9:30 am	-12:30 pm	Alistair Green	9754 2727
September 25 th	8:00 am	-12:00 pm	WORKING BEE	
October 2 nd	9:30 am	-12:30 pm	Jan Brown	9762 1063
Mambars please note: If no members have arrived by 10:30am the Key Holder has the option of closing the Club rooms				

Regular Club Group Activities

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Day	Time	Regularity	Group	Contact	
Monday	Day	Each week	Woodturners	Bob Plant John Emptage	9754 5920 9758 6103
	Evening	Each week	Carvers & Burners Festival Kit development	Willy Schlaf	9762 2206
Tuesday	Evening	Each week	Woodturners	Frank O'Connor Jan Brown	9879 7512 9762 1063
Friday	Evening	Each week	Rocking Horse Group	Joe Semenow Allen Brookes	9758 6024 9762 4032

What's Coming Up etc.

At The Club

Wednesday 1st September Monthly General Meeting. Saturday 25th September WORKING BEE.

Wednesday 22nd September Monthly Committee Meeting. Wednesday 6th October Monthly General Meeting

Sat/Sun 9/10th October

Selling rocking horse raffle tickets at Bunnings Scoresby.

Sat/Sun 23/24th October Stringybark Festival stall.

Sunday 24th October

Neil Scobie will demonstrate

woodturning at the Club. Friday 22nd October until Friday 26th November

6 Fridays 8:30-11:00 am for deep bowl etc Woodturning sessions by Bob Morrison. Details from Joyce Brown.

Saturday 30th October

A coach trip to Werribee Zoo and Mansion organised by Peter Sleeman.

Wednesday 3rd November 2004 AGM

Saturday 4th December Christmas Break Up Party Date??

Peter Sleeman is considering organising a day train trip to Portland. Details later.

In The Big "Woodies" World

10-12th September

Phillip Island "Down Under Turn Around".

16-26th September

Royal Melbourne Show, Arts & Crafts etc.

9th October

"Annual Steam & Wood Show" by Eildon & District Woodworkers Guild with the Alexandra Timber & Tramway & Museum

15-17th October

Melbourne "Working with Wood Show"

23-24th October

"Stringybark Festival" Rowville

On Sale at the Club

Pen kits (pack of 5)

Slim \$15

Large centre \$22 Velvet covers (pkt of 10) \$4.50 Super Glue - thick & thin \$14 Accelerator \$15 Pen Blanks - Outback timbers

including gidgee, dead finish, dark oak, mulga, desert rosewood, flame sheoak, hairy oak, sally wattle Pack of 6 \$5

Contact Bob Plant 9754 5920

Club Caps \$10 \$20 Club polo shirts \$2 Rasps \$2 Screws (packet) \$2 Nails (500gm 2"x 12G) Dowels (packet) \$2

For Sale

Nova "3000" Teknatool

Woodlathe (including a solid mountain ash topped bench). 2yr 9mth warranty remaining. Refer to the notice board for full details.

Price \$1,200 ono (paid \$1,700.) Contact Joyce Brown on ph 9754 2232

Scrollsaw Price \$80. Contact Les Clayton ph 9873 3790