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*Knox & District  
Woodworkers Club*



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## Your Committee for 2007/8

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### Our President, Paddy Mc Cann's, October Report

We have come to the end of another Financial Year and with that comes our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October, where we will have the election of Officers for our committee for 2008/2009 which will be conducted by Cr.Karin Orpen. I would remind you that to vote at the election of Officers that you must be a Financial Member so make sure that you have paid your fees.

Our building extensions have hit a couple of challenges. Our start was held up when we found that we were on filled land and had to have more engineering drawings and computations prepared and submitted to the council Building Department for approval that we also discovered that our Building Permit was out of date and had to re apply for another Permit. So after two weeks delay we are ready to recommence our preparations to lay the concrete slabs. Thanks to Bill Orpen for his skills and persistence to obtain our Permit in such a reasonable time and coordinating the necessary tradespersons to get our project on the rails again. Thank You Bill, well done.

October is also the month for our major fund-raising activities for which we are calling for volunteers to spread the load.

Sale of Raffle Tickets at Bunning's Scoresby on Sat 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct. from 8 am to 4 pm, both days in 2 hr Blocks, i.e. 16 volunteers.

Stringy Bark Festival Sat 18<sup>th</sup> and Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. at Rowville from 9 am to 5 pm. We need all the help we can muster, you can come along for both days or as much time as you can give. If you have not experienced our Festival Stall before don't worry we will show you what is required on the day. Believe me it is not difficult and you will enjoy the camaraderie and support The Club activity. If you can help please put your name on the white board at The Club.

I would remind you that our November Meeting is our "Toys for Disadvantaged Children for Christmas" presentation night, so you have until Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November to complete and deliver your contribution to the club.

Thank you in anticipation for your support in these endeavours and I look forward to meeting and speaking to you around The Club.

*Paddy Mc Cann*  
**President.**

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

**We Have Started!**



Pouring the Foundations



Men at Work!

*Photos courtesy of Bill Ireland*

The diggers have been in, there will be mud (rain willing) everywhere, but where we are extending is situated on landfill along the old creek, so engineers have decided that we need extensive concrete piles to maintain the future integrity of the building, so ....., more holes and concrete!

**Parking Conditions Have Changed!!**

Building will be continuing for some time, and because of that, we will have some ongoing parking problems, or rather, permanent changes to where we can park.

There can be NO PARKING inside the gates at all. If you have a project or materials to pick-up or drop off, do drive into the front door, but PLEASE take your car out as soon as you can.

The yard will be in use by builder's vehicles. **Parking outside the fence will be restricted too, but**

**there is ample parking inside the oval.** Just enter at the drive on the Burwood Hwy side of our gate and walk back to the club. (We all could do with the exercise (!!!))

Our club has grown and has a large and expanding membership, and with the new extensions, parking will be limited. Oh Dear! What a pain in the (#@\$&#) this will be. (change is not always easy to accept if you are like me ! Ed.)

**Community Support Activities  
currently undertaken by the Club**

Project Description	Recipient	Status
Toys	Disadvantaged Kids for Christmas	Continually in Progress
Occasional Table	Angliss Hospital	Completed
Angel Boxes	Angliss Hospital	Continuous
Chairs, Stools, etc	CPEC	When Required
Trolley for splints	Angliss Rehabilitation Centre	Completed
Solitaire boards	Angliss Rehabilitation Centre	Completed
Kid's Korner Kits	Kid's Korner functions	Continuous Always in progress
Adjustable Stools	CPEC	In Progress
Playground Equipment	UFTG Primary School	Completed

**A warm welcome to our New Members**

Help our new members get as much enjoyment out of the Club as we do by making them feel part of the Club family. Wear your name badge so they gets to know other members by name and quickly settle in.

Our new members are:-  
 Bill Mahoney  
 Gavin Betts  
 Steven Knight  
 Henk Eyssens  
 Neville Robinson  
 Colin Adam  
 Max Lyon

Fill in the "medical record card" if you feel it may be of assistance in an emergency.

**Happy Birthday!!**

Congratulations in October to the following members. We hope you have a great day and a successful year ahead:

Colin Adam	3rd October
Peter Cox	6th October
Jim Spanswick	11th October
Gerry Daelmans	14th October
Ladislav Toman	22nd October
Hurtle Lupton	27th October

**Where did all the years go ??????**

## Our Members' Welfare

We wish these members well during their illness:  
Doug Dell, Fred Moore, and George Dzioba.

## Condolences

We all feel for Bill Hawley whose wife Shirley passed away recently. Bill, from all our members, sincere sympathy.

## Remember your annual fees WERE due on 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. – pay before the end Oct.

To make the treasurer's task easier in collecting the annual fee, the committee has decided to impose a **\$10 late fee for anyone renewing after 31<sup>st</sup> October each year**

## A Few Things About The Coming Year are Changing !

As you will have heard by now, we have been upgrading our record system, to try and make it more relevant to the times in which we live, and to be more in line with current accounting and management practices.

In September the Newsletter was posted to each member, and this posting included:-

1. A raffle book for our major yearly fundraiser. Have you sent YOURS back yet?
2. An Invoice for this coming year's fees (**Which were payable between September 1st and October 31st**) Have YOU paid this year's subs yet?
3. A blank member enrollment form. To enable us to update our membership records. Many have returned theirs, I know because I have had to enter them in the new database. Thanks to those who have returned theirs. One thing we will get from this is an up to date email address so that we can send you the monthly newsletter. Many of you have been members for a long time, but there may have been changes in address, contact numbers etc. Keep them rolling in! -- *John O'Rorke Editor*

**Protect yourself while working at the Club.  
Your health and safety is important to you, and  
the Club, so look after it.  
THINK SAFE**

## Our New Club Email Address for Newsletters from other Clubs

Could all Clubs who receive this Newsletter each month and send us their newsletter via email, please note the new email address to us for your newsletters.

[club\\_newsletters@iprimus.com.au](mailto:club_newsletters@iprimus.com.au)

## Your Newsletter over the next months

John O'Rorke is the *TEMPORARY (!)*, editor for October and November until Paul returns. Keep the items coming in.

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## Be In IT Day

To The Editor: 16 Sept. 2008

Dear Sir,

The 2008 "Be In It" Exhibition of member's work has been and gone, and it was a delight to be involved in the judging once again. I noticed several names on the entries that I did not recognize. They could have been those of new members. I also noticed new faces amongst the familiar ones at the award presenting ceremony. What was most noticeable however, was the higher standard of the entries, as both presentation and workmanship had greatly improved.

So much more time had to be spent examining and deciding which ones should rank above others, and discussing attributes.

I would like to congratulate the entrants for the very good standard of their work, and hope that my suggestions in previous newsletters about eliminating scratches, achieving smoothness and finishing off the undersides had something to do with the improvements.

**Tip I would like to share with you:** If the finish you have obtained, despite all your care and attention to detail, shows circles and ridges that you know must be in the finish you applied, try smoothing them out with some 0000 steel wool.

Don't buy a packet of steel wool by yourself. It will last for ages. It is better to make it a group purchase, so round up some friends and share the cost.

*Cliff Walsh*

## Your Safety within the Club

The committee asks that all members remember that the Club insurance policy for members **only covers third party injury**

The OH&S require that all who use machinery must be familiar with each machine and conscious of their inherent dangers.

To comply with regulations, all new members AND ALL EXISTING members will be required to undergo a Safety Awareness Program for each machine that they use.

There are several authorised Safety Review Officers, who will conduct the training sessions, and the Safety Committee is preparing written safety training notes for each machine.

We ask for member's co-operation in this matter.

## HOW MANY CATS DOES IT TAKE TO CHANGE A LIGHT BULB?

Cats do not change light bulbs. People change light bulbs. So, the real question is:

**"How long will it be before I can expect some light, some dinner, and a massage?"**

**ALL OF WHICH PROVES, ONCE AGAIN, THAT WHILE DOGS HAVE MASTERS, CATS HAVE STAFF!**

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the Councilor for Dobson Ward

### Weekly Workshop Hours and the Keyholder

<b>Monday (the day session is for woodturning)</b>	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	John Emptage	9758 6103
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Laurie Ham	9720 1995
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:30 am - 3:00 pm	Peter Horsburgh	9879 5144
	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30am - 3:00 pm	Ray Norton	9763 5728
<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 Morning Hours and Events and the Key Holder

4th October	09:30 AM	12:30 PM	Ray Norton	9763 5728
11th October	08:00:00	12:00:00	<b>WORKING BEE</b>	
18 – 19th October			<b>STRINGYBARK FESTIVAL</b>	
25th October	09:30 AM	12:30 PM	Alistair Green	9754 2727
1st November	08:00 AM	12:00 AM	Brian Douds	9762 3323

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

### Regular Club Group Activities

Day	Time	Regularity	Group	Contact
Monday	Day	Each week	Woodturners	John Emptage 9758 6103
	Evening	Each week	Carvers Festival Kids development	Willy Schlaf 9762 2206 Peter Horsburgh 9878 5144
Tuesday	Day	Each week	Festival Kit development	Peter Horsburgh 9878 5144
	Evening	Each week	Woodturners	Frank O'Connor 9879 7512
Friday	Evening	Each week	Rocking Horse Group	Joe Semenow 9758 6024
				Bruce Allen 9754 5774

## What's On, Coming Up and For Sale etc.

### Our Club Activities

#### Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October

AGM Meeting at 7:30 pm

#### Sat. & Sunday 11 – 12th October

Sale of Raffle tickets at Bunnings (Scoresby)

#### Saturday 11th October

**WORKING BEE**

#### Saturday & Sunday 18 – 19th October

Stringybark Festival

#### Wednesday 6th November

November Meeting and Toy Presentation

#### Wednesday December 4th

Sausage Sizzle -and monster club auction  
Bring all your unwanted and unloved monsters

#### Saturday 6th December

Christmas break up party and Knox Council  
Carols by candle light on the oval

### On Sale at the Club

Club Caps	\$12	Club polo shirts	
\$22			
Screws (packet)	\$2		
Nails (500gm 2" x 12G)	\$2		
<b>Woodturning supplies</b>			
Pen blanks - Brigalow, Jarrah, oak, and other timbers.	From \$1		
Turning Blocks	\$4 / kg		

### Annual General Meeting and Election of Office Bearers

#### Wednesday 1st October

**Remember the old political adage:--**

**Vote early and Vote Often !!!!!**

**E.&O.E.** (The Editor)