



Monthly Newsletter of the

Knox & District Woodworkers Club

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<u>Our President, Paddy Mc Cann's</u> <u>September report</u>

A decision has been made for our Official Opening of our New Extensions and 21st Birthday Celebrations to be held on Sunday 11th October 2009 at 2pm. All members, their families and friends are cordially invited to help us celebrate and we look forward to your support.

Our Working Bee on Saturday 8th August was again well attended with 26 members so we were able to get through a lot of work. Thank you to all those who gave freely of their time. If you were unable to attend then maybe you can come to our next Working Bee on Saturday 10th Oct. from 8am till Noon, to help prepare our Club for our visitors for the Official Opening. Look forward to seeing you there.

The "Be in It" Competition and Open Day was again a great success. Early in the day with the high winds and heavy rain we were a bit worried that this would keep people away but luckily the weather settled down in the afternoon and the attendance was over 100. The number of entries 105 and entrants 31 were much the same as last year but our Judges remarked on the improved quality of this year's entries. After the judging and perusal of entries, we had a delicious afternoon tea organised by Peter Horsburgh. Thank You Peter. Our thanks also to our Judges Karin Orpen, Ted Anderson and Cliff Walsh for your time and expertise in judging our entries in 23 Categories which was made more difficult because of the improved quality. We thank Joyce Brown for her time and dedication in receiving and recording of all the entries which was a mammoth task and to John O'Rorke for his time and expertise in preparing and printing the 63 Certificates for presentation to the Winners on the Day. We thank you all for making this very

important day in our Club calendar an enjoyable success. I would like to congratulate all the Entrants, who entered into the spirit of our 'Be in It' Competition, on the quality and quantity of your entries and your obvious support of your club. A special mention of Ron Ralph who won both the "Best on Day" Major and Minor Item Awards. Well done Ron. I am disappointed that from 170 club members, only 31 (19%) made the effort to enter the competition. It is time now to think about your entry for next year as you have 12 months to make and complete them on time.

Note our **Annual General Meeting** is changed to **Wednesday 14th October 2009** and a number of officers are stepping down .The following important positions will require filling 1/ President 2/ Secretary 3/ Treasurer 4 / Newsletter Editor. I would encourage you all to think of who you would like to fill these positions and approach your choice to encourage them to stand and nominate them for the position. The more nominations that are received the easier it will be to fill all positions on the night. Nomination forms are already available at the Club. My firm opinion is that you will only get from your Club what you put into it. "Not what my Club can do for me - but what I can do for my Club." Think about it.

I look forward to seeing and speaking to you around the Club. Paddy Mc Cann

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

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Guest Speakers for monthly meetings

Eric Butterfield has organised the following speakers: 2nd September Karl Lutz talking on Reeding/Fluting in wood.

There is no guest speaker for the October AGM meeting.

<u>Community Support Activities</u> <u>currently undertaken by the Club</u>

Project	Recipient	Status
Description		
Toys	Disadvantaged	Continually in
	Kids for Christmas	progress
Angel Boxes	Angliss Hospital	Continuous
Chairs, Stools etc	CPEC	When Required
Kids Korner Kits	Kid Korner Activities	Continuous
20 Possum Boxes	Barb McAuley – Care of Injured Possums	In Progress
Rocking Horse	Stringybark Festival Raffle	In Progress
Grand Daughter Clock	Stringybark Festival Raffle	In Progress
Turned Teddy Bear	Stringybark Festival Raffle	Completed
Various Woodturned Items	Stock for various activities sales	In Progress
BoardRoom Table	Our New Office	In Progress
Kids Korner Activity	Fairhills Primary School	Completed
Kids Korner Activity	Boronia Primary School	ТВА
Kids Korner Activity	Ringwood Library	ТВА
Kids Korner Activity	Belgrave South Cubs	ТВА
Placemakers	Plaques for Kindergarten awards	In Planning
1st FTG Scouts	Honour Boards	ТВА

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 get to know us by name and quickly settle in.

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

Our new members are:



Jared Pajak

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Want to de-rust a small item?

Peter Horsburgh showed 2 rail spikes, 1 rusty and 1 that he had immersed in a solution of 1 part molasses and 8 parts water.

This will also apparently work on wood!

It takes at least 2 weeks for light rust – however, longer is necessary depending on the depth of pitted rust. Try it, as it certainly worked on Peter's spikes!!

Happy Birthday in September!!

Have a great birthday occasion and a successful year ahead. Remember, don't grizzle about getting older – It's better than the alternative!!

- Phillip Spencer Mohsen Ibrahim Jim Latham Ray Pike
- 5th September 5th September 13th September 23rd September

Remember to wear appropriate clothes, shoes, safety glasses, ear protection, face protection and dust mask while using Club equipment. Your health and safety is important to you, and the Club, so look after it.

THINK SAFE WOODWORKING

The "Be In It" Competition for 2009

Here are the winners celebrating their success on the day.



The photos are by Bill Ireland



Category/Cla	The winner ss 1 st	rs were 2 nd	3 rd	
Boxes/Large Boxes/Small	R Ralph B Ireland	R Ralph J Brown	B Dowds B Ireland	
Carving/Large Carving/Small	W Schlaf L Ham	G Daelmans W Schlaf	- W Schlaf	
Clock/Turned Clock/Other	G Betts R Bilton	P Jordan L Horsley	J Stephens J Brown	
Furniture/Large Furniture/Small	B McDermot R Ralph	t T Keane C Bruckner	T Keane J Latham	
Ornamental/Gard Ornamental/Othe		- G Knight	T Keane	
Toys/Large Toys/Small	B Ireland R Norton	D Webb L	- Rotherham	
Woodturning - Spindle -Bowl<200mm	J Brown L Rotherham	J Brown H Eyssens	J Stephens P Cox	
-Bowl>200mm -Platter -Lidded Contnr -Nat. Edge Item - Miniature Item -Segmented Iten -Matched Pair -Other		J Stephens J Brown L Rotherham L Rotherham J Brown J Stephens J Stephens J Brown	J Brown J Brown J Brown J Stephens P Cox	
Musical Instment	T Bricker	-	-	
Rocking Horse	J Semenow	C Gerritzen	-	
"Best on the Day" Major Ron Ralph				

"Best on the Day"





A few of the excellent items entered by our talented woodworkers.

Why not take inspiration from what these members have produced and think about entering next year to give them



some new competition to beat!

We are contributing to water saving Are you aware of the contribution we are making to

conserve resources now the new extensions are completed? Our toilets now use water from our new rain water tanks



that are strategically sited unobtrusively behind the new extension.





Weekly Workshop Hours and the Keyholder

Monday	8:30 am	- 12:30 pm	John Emptage	9758 6103
	6:30 pm	- 9:30 pm	Laurie Ham	9720 1995
Tuesday	9:30 am	- 2:30 pm	Peter Horsburgh	9879 5144
	6:30 pm	- 9:30 pm	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
Wednesday	9:30am	- 2:30 pm	Ray Norton	9763 5728
Thursday	9:30 am	- 2:30 pm	Charles Bruckner	9801 2197
Thursday (Furniture group)	6:30 am	-9:30 pm	George Knight	9726 6585
Friday (Furniture group)	9:30 am	12:30 pm	George Knight	9726 6585
Friday (Rocking Horse group)	6:30 pm	- 9:30 pm	Tony Truett	9873 2847
			Bruce Allen	9754 5774

Members please note: The Key Holder has the option of varying the closing of the Club and workshop depending on circumstances on the day

Saturday Morning Hours and Events and the Key Holder

5 th September	9:30 am	12:30 pm	Ladislav Toman	0410 405 227
12 th September	9:30 am	12:30 pm	Ray Norton	9763 5728
19 th September	9:30 am	12:30 pm	Alistair Green	9754 2727
26 th September	9:30 am	12:30 pm	Brian Douds	9762 3323
3 rd October	9:30 am	12:30 pm	Ladislav Toman	0410 405 227
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

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Day	Time	Regularity	Group		Contact
Monday	Day	Each week	Woodturners	John Emptage	9758 6103
	Evening	Each week	Carvers	Willy Schlaf	9762 2206
			Festival Kids development	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	Day	Each week	Furniture making	George Knight	9726 6585
	Evening	Each week	Rocking Horse Group	Tony Truett	9873 2847
				Bruce Allen	9754 5774

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

Our Club Activities

Wednesday 2nd September General Meeting at 7:30pm Karl Lutz talking on "Reeding /Fluting in Wood" Wednesday 23rd September Committee Meeting at 7:30pm Sun 11th October 21st Birthday Celebration & Official Opening of the New Extensions Sat & Sun 17 & 18th October Stringybark Festival Wednesday 14th October Annual General Meeting

On Sale at the Club

Club Caps \$	12
Club polo shirts \$2	22
Screws (packet) \$	2
Nails (500gm 2" x 12G) \$2	2

Life's great!!

The ATO decides to audit Grandpa, and summons him to the ATO office. The ATO auditor was not surprised

when Grandpa showed up with his

Lawyer. The auditor said, 'Well, sir, you have an extravagant lifestyle and no full-time employment, which you explain by saying that you win money gambling. I'm not sure the ATO finds that believable." 'Tm a great gambler, and I can prove it,' says Grandpa. 'How about a demonstration?'

The auditor thinks for a moment and said, 'Okay. Go ahead.' Grandpa says, 'I'll bet you a thousand dollars that I can bite my own eye" The auditor thinks a moment and says, 'It's a bet.' Grandpa removes his glass eye and bites it. The auditor's jaw drops. Grandpa says, 'Now, I'll bet you two thousand dollars that I can bite my other eye.' Now the auditor can tell he isn't blind, so he takes the bet. Grandpa removes his dentures and bites his good eye. The stunned auditor now realizes he has wagered and lost three grand, with Grandpa's Lawyer as

grand, with Grandpa's Lawyer as a witness. He starts to get nervous. 'Want to go double or nothing?' Grandpa asks 'Tll bet you six thousand dollars that I can stand on one side of your desk, and pee into that wastebasket on the other side, and never get a drop anywhere in between.'

The auditor, twice burned, is cautious now, but he looks carefully and decides there's no way this old guy could possibly manage that stunt, so he agrees again.

Grandpa stands beside the desk and unzips his pants, but although he strains mightily, he can't make the stream reach the wastebasket on the other side, so he pretty much urinates all over the auditor's desk. The auditor leaps with joy, realizing that he has just turned a major loss into a huge win.

But Grandpa's own attorney moans and puts his head in his hands.

'Are you okay?' the auditor asks. 'Not really,' says the attorney. 'This morning, when Grandpa told me he'd been summoned for an audit, he bet me twenty-five thousand dollars that he could come in here and pee all over your desk and that you'd be happy about it!'