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## Your Committee for 2010

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### President's Report - Hurtle Lupton

Your committee has instigated the purchase of a new thicknesser to replace the existing one. The new unit, which promises to provide a much more professional finish, is a Powermatic 201HH 22" with the following specifications:

- Cutting width 558 mm
- Cutting height 241 mm
- Minimum length 220 mm
- Minimum thickness 6 mm
- Feed speeds 2
- Feed rate 20-30 feet per minute
- Cutter Knives Helical Cutter Head
- Speed 4,800 rpm
- Motor 7.5 hp 3 phase
- Solid cast iron infeed/outfeed tables



The above package will also include training in the safe use and maintenance of the thicknesser.

The helical head on this new thicknesser will result in a substantially lower noise level, and will produce much smaller chips which will hopefully reduce the problem which currently occurs, with the extractor frequently becoming blocked because of the larger chips that the current thicknesser creates.

Delivery of the new machine is expected in July.

With this new thicknesser coming on line in the near future it is imperative that all timber is scanned with the metal detectors which are readily provided by the club. If you are not sure about their location please ask the key holder for assistance.

It is becoming a very expensive budget item paying for the repairs to equipment caused by tools being used on timber which has not been scanned with the metal detectors. Only last week two extensively damaged router bits were anonymously left in the clubrooms, supposedly for the club to repair. It was obvious that both bits had been used on timber which contained metal or some other foreign matter. Please remember that painted timber is not to be put through any of the Club's equipment.

It has also been reported to the committee that somebody had improvised on the dust extraction on one of the mitre saws. This improvisation included removing the safety mesh on the saw and placing it elsewhere on the floor in the workshop, removing the extractor hose and jamming a block of timber in the saw's extractor pipe which then caused the saw to jam. It is becoming extremely difficult for the committee to ensure that all of your equipment is

working properly when these phantom, irresponsible members continue to sabotage our equipment.

I must again thank those hardworking Club members who willingly volunteer to attend other organisations who request help over the year. It is these dedicated Club members who give the Knox & District Woodworkers such an excellent name within the City of Knox and the surrounding community. Thank you all for a job well done.



**Important Diary Dates**

**Wednesday 7th April**

Monthly Meeting.

**Saturday 10th April**

Working Bee.

**Friday & Saturday 16th & 17th April**

Woodworking Warehouse Open Day

**Wednesday 24th March**

Committee Meeting.



**Our Members' Welfare**

We wish John Emptage all the best for a complete and speedy recovery from his recent surgery.



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

**Happy Birthdays in April**

The very best of Birthday wishes to

Ken Rivett	2nd April
Paul Lucas	3rd April
Colin Stewart	4th April
Les Gallagher	7th April
Noel Rippon	7th April
Ray Easthope	16th April
Sergio Meilak	17th April
Jacqueline Wilson	22nd April
Bill Ireland	25th April
Brian Douds	26th April



**Around the Club**

A sub-committee comprising Ted Bicker, Paddy McCann, Bill Orpen and Lindsay Horsley has been investigating a replacement for our aging thicknesser. Members of the group were immensely

impressed when they visited the Woodworking Warehouse to witness a Shelix Helical head in operation. This was followed by a trip to the Gopher Joinery in Lynbrook, where the proprietor, Jude, was kind enough to demonstrate his Powermatic 201 thicknesser in operation. As a result of the group's recommendation, an order has been placed for a Powermatic 201HH thicknesser with Shelix head.



Photo: LDH

Just a further reminder that, despite its imminent replacement, our existing thicknesser still needs to be treated with respect. **IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL TIMBER, INCLUDING NEW, BE SCANNED BEFORE BEING PASSED THROUGH ANY OF THE CLUB'S MACHINES! TIMBER SHOULD ALSO BE INSPECTED FOR NON-METALLIC FOREIGN MATTER SUCH AS DIRT AND STONES, AND PAINT SHOULD BE REMOVED AT HOME. FAILURE TO DO THIS NOT ONLY LEADS TO THE UNNECESSARY DESTRUCTION OF EXPENSIVE BLADES, BUT CAN RUIN THE WORK OF THE NEXT MEMBER TO USE THAT MACHINE!**



The Toy Making Group has made substantial progress in the rebuilding of the shed adjacent to the turning room. It is to be used as a storage shed for templates and partly built toys, and will incorporate a small spray-booth for use on the Group's projects, as well as those of the Kids' Korner Group.



**Knox Festival March, 2010.**

Thank you to all our members who contributed to make our Woodworking Stall such a success. We took \$857.90 for the week-end. This would not have been possible without your generous support. The teamwork that you have shown, is what makes our Club so great. Special thanks to Joan Jackson for her

assistance on both days, this made everything so much easier. We will be looking forward to your skills and support again for the October Festival.

Joyce Brown.



Photos: Bill Ireland

**Basin Music festival**

The Knox Woodies were represented at the Basin Music Festival, held on March 25th, by four members who participated in a wood turning display and helped with the sale of wood turned items. A good day was had by all.



Photos: Bill Ireland

**Carols Woodcraft Supplies**

On the 22th March, Club Members spent an enjoyable day on a bus trip to Carroll's Woodcraft Supplies at Drysdale, with lunch supplied by the good people at Carroll's. Special thanks must go to Eric Butterfield and Peter Sleeman for organising the trip.

Photo: Bill Ireland



**Robby's Farewell**

A BBQ was held on March 25th to farewell Robby Tickner, who has left the Council. We all wish him well for the future.

Photo: Bill Ireland



We would like to thank Kerry and Russell Losciavo of Roweville for their kind donation of a collection of 1960's and 70's woodworking magazines for the Club's library.

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**Your Committee**

As mentioned elsewhere, the Committee has ordered a new 22" thicknesser, with delivery expected from 60 to 120 days from date of order.

If it is necessary to leave partially completed projects in the Clubroom, it is essential that a note with your name on it be left on the work. Members should not leave non-Club projects in the Clubrooms without good reason, eg. very large or fragile, or glue-ups requiring setting time.

**Open Day**

The Woodworking Warehouse at 11 Citrus Street, Braeside, advise that they will be having open days on 16th & 17th April. A BBQ is being provided, and Wanita has asked that groups let her know in advance on 9587 3999, to assist with catering.

**Healesville Railway Heritae Festival**

Bill Ireland will be organising a trip to the Healesville Railway Heritage Festival in September.

**On Sale at the Club**

Club Caps	\$12.00
Club Polo Shirts	\$22.00
Screws (packet)	\$2.00
Nails - 500 gm (2' x 12 G)	\$2.00



**Saturday Morning Roster**  
**April 2010 - 09:30 am to 12:30 pm**

6	Easter Saturday	
13	Working Bee	
20	To Be Announced	
27	Brian Douds	9762 3323

*NOTE: If no members have arrived by 10-30 am the Key Holder has the option of closing the Clubrooms.*



**Weekly Workshop Hours and Keyholders**

<b>Mon</b>	8:30 AM - 12:30 PM	T.B.A.	
	6:30 PM - 9:30 PM	Laurie Ham	9720 1995
<b>Tues</b>	9:30 AM - 2:30 PM	Peter Horsburg	9879 5144
	6:30 PM - 9:30 PM	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
<b>Wed</b>	9:30 AM - 2:30 PM	Ray Norton	9763 5728
<b>Thur</b>	9:30 AM - 2:30 PM	Charles Bruckner	9801 2197
	6:30 PM - 9:30 PM	George Knight	9726 6585
<b>Fri</b>	9:30 AM - 12:30 PM	George Knight	9726 6585
	6:30 PM - 9:30 PM	Tony Truett	9873 2847
		Bruce Allen	9754 5774



**Daddy's Car in the Woods?**

Little Johnny watched his daddy's car pass by the school playground and go into the woods. Curious, he followed the car and saw Daddy and Aunty Jane in a passionate embrace.

Little Johnny found this so exciting that he could hardly contain himself as he ran home and started to tell his mother.

"Mummy, I was at the playground and I saw Daddy's car go into the woods with Aunty Jane. I went back to look and he was giving Aunty Jane a big kiss, and then he helped her take off her shirt. Then Aunty Jane helped Daddy take his pants off, then Aunty Jane....."

At this point Mummy cut him off and said, "Johnny, this is such an interesting story, lets save the rest of it for supper time. I want to see the look on Daddy's face when you tell it tonight."

**Community Support Activites Currently Undertaken by the Club**

Project	Recipient	Status
Toys	Disadvantaged Kids For Christmas	Continually in progress
Angel Boxes	Angliss Hospital	Continuous
Chairs & Stools	CPEC	As Required
Various Turned	Stock for various	In progress
Kids Korner Kits	Kids Korner Activities	Continuous
10 Kindergarten Honor Boards	K.C.C .Placemakers	Completed
Honour Boards	1st FTG Scouts	TBA
2 Large Wooden Racks	Angliss Auxillary Op-Shop, FTG	In Progress
3 Large Brochure Stands	Illdura Ecis Inc - The Shopfront	In progress
Red Gum Plaque - Copper Award	Upper FTG CFA	In progress
2 Planter Boxes	Order from Knox Fest	In progress
Outdoor Seat	Order from Knox Fest	In progress
Baptismal Font Stand	St Thomas Anglican Church, Upper FTG	In progress
Rocking Horse	Stringybark Festival	In progress
Turned Bowl	Stringybark Festival	In progress
400 "Dunny Doors"	Stringybark Festival KCC Project	In progress
Granddaughter Clock	Stringybark Festival	In progress

At the dinner table that evening, Mummy asked little Johnny to tell his story. Johnny started his story, "I was at the playground and I saw Daddy's car go into the woods with Aunty Jane. I went back to look and he was giving Aunty Jane a big kiss, then he helped her take off her shirt. Then Aunty Jane helped Daddy take his pants off, then Aunty Jane and Daddy started doing the same thing that Mummy and Uncle Bill used to do when Daddy was away on the oil rigs...'

Mummy fainted!

Moral:

Sometimes you need to just shut-up and listen to the whole story before you interrupt!

