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<u>President's Report - Hurtle Lupton</u>

By now most members will be aware of the terrible house fire totally destroying Bruce Allen's home. Bruce & his wife were left with only the clothes they were standing in. A notice was put up in the clubrooms advising members of this tragedy and very soon offers of assistance came flooding in. These included offers of furniture, electrical goods, kitchen utensils etc. I was particularly touched with the generous donations of money which came from the members', over \$1,000 to which the club has also put in \$1,000. It was great to see the manner in which the club members rallied behind Bruce and his wife when they really needed assistance. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this very worthwhile cause.

At the time of writing this report the club is closed for a new ceiling to be installed in the clubrooms, as well as air conditioning. This work is being carried out in an endeavour to make the rooms more comfortable for our older members when the weather is both cold & hot. In the ceiling there has been prepared a fireproof area which will be used to store the toys the members make during the year.

The fire proof area is **NOT** for storing other items that members believe may be useful in 5 years time.

Hughie Gaynor is to be thanked for once again taking control of these works so that they can be carried out as quickly as possible with as little disruption to the members as possible.

Eric Butterfield and Ray Norton have this year's "Be in it" competition which will be held on Sunday 25th August. It is hoped that every club member will enter at least one item that they have made over the last 12 months. This will show the general public just what a great club we are and the type of skills our members have!

Entries for the "Be in it" will be accepted at the clubrooms on Friday between 6.30pm and 9.00pm, Saturday between 9am and 12 noon and Sunday morning between 9am and 11am.

It will be necessary to hold a special working bee with a few willing workers on Saturday 24th August to assist Eric & Ray in setting up for the "*Be in it*" competition.

This year your club will celebrate the 25th Anniversary since it was founded by those people who had the foresight to recognise that there was a need for such a club. The anniversary celebrations will be held on Sunday 13th October between 2pm and 4pm. Invitations for this event will be sent out nearer the day.

Please put these dates in your diary as it is one of the very important dates on the club's calendar.

On Friday 2nd August Knox Council will be cleaning up the site particularly the old sheds along the Glenfern Road fence. It would very much appreciated if some club members could be in attendance to assist the council blokes as we have a substantial amount of chipboard which is water damaged and now totally useless.

There are also a number of large timber slabs which should be saved and will need to be stored in our area.

Stringybark Festival is on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th October and help will be required on those days for Kids corner, selling raffle tickets etc PLUS some volunteers to help load up and unload all our gear on Friday 18th and again on Monday 21st to get all the unsold gear back to The Club.

.....Hurtle Lupton

25th Anniversary - SUN 13th OCT

Dick Kors, and his son, John, both FOUNDATION MEMBERS, popped into the Club last meeting, and Dick has loaned us some nostalgic photos of the Club, which we'll get up onto the website.

Thanks Dick! ...[Gaz]

1999_05_24 Dolls house, windmill and rocking horse all in use at Dick's home

1998_10_1810th anniversary at the club.

1998 08 30 Be-In-It competition

1997_11_03 Rocking horse WIP at Dick's home, alongside an older finished unit

1995_12_22 Xmas break-up part

1995_10_20 Display and sale day

1995_05_15 Rocking horse in use at Dick's home

1995_04_08 Carvers and woodies at work

1995_03_18 View of workshop

1994_12_02 Award of grant for building Alf's workrooms

1993_06_30 Workers around the clubroom

(originally the last bay of Placemakers)

VICTORIA DAY AWARD to our fine member: Dick Webb



The evening of 1st July saw Dick Webb receiving his VICTORIA DAY award. Hurtle attended to read the citations for all the recipients. Dick joins a fine group of individuals providing selfless community and public service.

See: http://www.victoriaday.org.au/awards.htm

Thanks to Jo Fiscalini from Nick Wakefield's office for the photos!



.....[Eric Butterfield]

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

Letter of Thanks from Wendy and Bruce Allen

House fire accident - July 10

The club received a letter of heartfelt thanks for all the love, support and help provided from the Club, its members, and Belgrave neighbours. Numerous financial donations along with offers of goods have been flowing in and the response in their time of need is truly appreciated. No doubt their family can do with plenty more, and an appeal box has been setup at the Club. Offers of goods also welcome later, and the Club would ask this to be done once Bruce has moved into a new home where delivery can be made in a more practical way. Bruce is a long time, well regarded member and is always putting in at the Club for all of us, so try and lend as much support as you can for his family please. ...[Ed]

Bendigo Bank Project completed



Colin Stewart & Eric Butterfield made this double sided "Community Clubs Brochures Board" for the Bendigo Community bank, Rowville. Seeing the layout of what they wanted, Eric knew he had to approach a club member with the skills and attention to detail this project would require. Colin Stewart's name immediately came to mind. Initially seeking 60 brochures to be displayed, when a full scale layout was produced, Eric realized it was huge. Mick Spruhan, Bank manager, visited the club, agreed, and decided on reducing the amount of brochures to 32. Following many attempts to produce the "cups" they finally developed a method to reproduce them all the same size. They are mounted by drilling nail holes at either end gluing them into place. They also had to source the stainless steel wire and have it bent to size. Cliff Urbane from Fine Furniture Finishing gave it the professional finish it required. Eric, Colin with Hughie, delivered it on Tuesday 9th July. Mike and his staff were extremely pleased with the result.

Thanks for photo: Dick Webb Top effort lads! [Ed]

Happy Birthdays - AUGUST

The very best of Birthday wishes to these members:	Leigh Lewis Ted Bricker Michael Romanov	1 st 1 st 3 rd
Bill Orpen	3 rd Thomas Keane	5 th
Paul Aminde	6 th Paddy McCann	7 th
Darrin Mathews	10 th Steven Knight	13 th
Trudy Solodky	19 th	
Lindsay Horsley	24 rd	
Pat Jiminez	25 th (())	
Lindsay Rotherham	25th Happy	3
Dianne Walker	27th	0
Hughie Gaynor	31st Dummy	0

Members Welfare

Best wishes for a full and speedy recovery to those members in ill health. The members are thinking of you at this time.

Why don't you give them a call now!

*** Events and Happenings ***

<u>Be-In-It competition:</u> Your show! **SUN AUG 25**th see Eric Butterfield/Ray Norton for details

Xmas TOY COUNT at last meeting: over 200+!

Site Cleanup: Friday 2nd AUG Woodies help additionally needed to assist Council with loading up damaged/RS timber and retrieve timber slabs for storing somewhere.

Working Bees - Sat 10 & 24 AUG help needed!

25th Anniversary Sun 13th Oct Suggestions to Eric Butterfield



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Tenders sought for sale of EQUIPMENT

Interested members must fill out a tender form with their offer. Leave it in committee's mail box.



2x Triton timber
 racks brand new in box.
 (can be sold separately.)
 NOTE: The red scroll has been withdrawnCommittee

The Club thanks



Terrific Supplier to keep in mind!

Jalor Tools presently do all of the clubs tool sharpening and supply cutters saw blades etc. Mention the club, pay cash, good deal will result.

JALOR TOOLS Pty Ltd

(03) 9763 1377

Factory 19, 5 Samantha Crt, Knoxfield VIC 3180 (off Gilbert Park Drive, off FTG Road)

Around the club!

Thanks to Eric Butterfield, projects group co-ordinator. A few other projects on the go at the moment:

- MDF boxes for council
- special stands
- refurbishing "Welcome to FTG sign"
- A "Jones" sewing machine restoration. Craig Newman reckons he can revive it.



.....[Dick]

<u>Clubroom roof improvements</u> Another top job - thanks to Bill Orpen!



[picture, compliments: Bill Ireland]

Here's the new fire proof room that Bill Orpen has constructed. it will be used to store Xmas toys. A fire-proof North Pole for Santa's toy stash![Ed]

Where is that new ceiling in the Clubrooms?



The Clubroom upgrades are well underway, including two air-conditioning units, a fully enclosed attic space and a plastered ceiling.



on the improvement to be undertaken in the main Clubroom, including the proposed location

for the new ceiling.

Workshop Notes - "members helping members" Finish for Boxes (By Phil Spencer)

When I showed some boxes at a club meeting last year several people asked what I finished them, I am partial to a satin finish on boxes. Here is how I go about it.

After sanding the box smooth using 400 grit paper I lay on a coat of boiled linseed oil (BLO) I let this soak in for about 20 minutes then wipe off any excess and let it dry over night, I repeat this process four to five times. After the coats of BLO have dried I then wax the box using a traditional wax (your favourite wax will do) I apply two to three coats of wax, I then finish off with a coat of paste wax.

This leave my boxes with a soft satin feel and the BLO brings out the colour and grain in the wood. I use BLO over other types of linseed oil because it will dry where as other types will stay oily and not dry completely.Phil

Big thank you to BARRY McDERMOTT

Equipment improvements in the workshop



Here's some examples of Barry's great help around the Club. making equipment run smoother (or straighter in this case!!)

(1) a new fence for the big band saw made installed by Barry.

(2) New quard assembly purchased by club and fitted by Barry.



(3) New small band installed by Barry.

saw fence made &

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Gareth Horse for William Angliss Hospital (built and gifted by Louis Smith, for the Club)

"I (Louis) attended the 'Angliss' today (29/7) to deliver a Gareth rocking horse. It was received with delight by Ms Diane Robinson, Team Leader, Angliss Community Rehabilitation Programme.



Whilst attending programme recently, I informed them of my involvement in particularly KDWC. my activities in the rocking horse group. I became aware their foyer has a small child's play area, and offered to provide a Gareth rocking horse. explaining that it was small and accessible to children of a young aged (2-6

yrs). My offer was accepted. I attached a plaque advising that it was gifted by our club members who, like me, are one of many who have needed to make use of their services. My own experience of the last six months has left me in awe of their professionalism and kind, caring manner. I know I am supported in saying this by other members, particularly our very loveable Bill Longdon."

"All other members of the hospital staff present were noticeably very appreciative and I was asked to give it a name. I suggested that the visiting their mums and



charges should be asked. I requested that when one was decided I would have the name inscribed on a plaque."

"Lastly, although I instigated this, it was indeed the giving spirit of the members of the club that led me to do so. Thanks Mates.

.....Lou Smith, alias Louis the Lad.!!!

Bill Ireland's website tip of the month!

Bill has come up with the goods again, sharing some top tips he's found, this one for:

Woodworking.COM

A good reference for all manner of 'Woodies Goodies'

http://www.woodworking.com/ww/ww.aspx

.....Top spotting Bill!

**** Humor **** This is how it all began

In ancient Israel, it came to pass that a trader by the name of Abraham Com did take unto himself a young wife by the name of Dorothy.

And Dot Com was a comely woman, broad of shoulder and long of leg. Indeed, she was often called **Amazon Dot Com**.

And she said unto Abraham, her husband, "Why dost thou travel so far from town to town with thy goods when thou canst trade without ever leaving thy tent?"

And Abraham did look at her as though she were several saddle bags short of a camel load, but simply said, "How, dear?"

And Dot replied, "I will place drums in all the towns and drums in between to send messages saying what you have for sale, and they will reply telling you who hath the best price. The sale can be made on the drums and delivery made by Uriah's Pony Stable (UPS)."

Abraham thought long and decided he would let Dot have her way with the drums. And the drums rang out and were an immediate success. Abraham sold all the goods he had at the top price, without ever having to move from his tent.

To prevent neighbouring countries from overhearing what the drums were saying, Dot devised a system that only she and the drummers knew.

It was known as Must Send Drum Over Sound (MSDOS), and she also developed a language to transmit ideas and pictures - Hebrew To The People (HTTP).

And the young men did take to Dot Com's trading as doth the greedy horsefly take to camel dung. They were called Nomadic Ecclesiastical Rich Dominican Sybarites, or **NERDS**.

And lo, the land was so feverish with joy at the new riches and the deafening sound of drums that no one noticed that the real riches were going to that enterprising drum dealer, Brother William of **Gates**, who bought off every drum maker in the land. Indeed he did insist on drums to be made that would work only with Brother Gates' drumheads and drumsticks.

And Dot did say, "Oh, Abraham, what we have started is being taken over by others." And Abraham looked out over the Bay of Ezekiel, or **eBay** as it came to be known.

He said, "We need a name that reflects what we are." And Dot replied, "Young Ambitious Hebrew Owner Operators." "YAHOO," said Abraham. And because it was Dot's idea, they named it YAHOO Dot Com.

Abraham's cousin, Joshua, being the young Gregarious Energetic Educated Kid (GEEK) that he was, soon started using Dot's drums to locate things around the countryside. It soon became known as God's Own Official Guide to Locating Everything (GOOGLE).

That is how it all began. And that's the truth.

...Thanks for contributions [Ed]

From My Sandbox

Futile Whinings from a Lone Soapbox

We continue to suffer misuse of the oscillating drum sander. The latest abuse has resulted in the unnecessary burning of a new strip of paper,



rendering it unusable. The cause of this is either attempting to take too great a cut or running the belt at too slow-a-speed. In oscillating mode, the drive belt MUST BE RUN AT MAXIMUM SPEED! As a

result of ongoing and unnecessary destruction of the paper, at a cost of about \$10 a go, the Committee has decided to install a locked power supply like the thicknesser, with similar restrictions on access, ie. the need to have it unlocked by the Keyholder.[Lindsay]

Happy Snaps of LAST MONTHS' SPEAKER lan Livingston showed off his handiwork





Lindsay took these nice snaps of lan Livingstone a long time member who popped back into the club to show some of his fine handiwork. Ian

recently left a number of bowls and examples of other work he has done, for the Club to retain and exhibit, to engender enthusiasm for the craft. He's seen here with a perfectly spherical



ball, made on a lathe and obviously a very fragile piece, by the looks of Michael!

LOST and FOUND

(or better: it remained lost!)



Using all the weights and measures skills the club can bolster from its learned members, we've eliminated many of the members as capable of fitting into this suspect clothing accessory. The point is, they really provide no support to the Club for burnishing, cleaning, waxing or polishing – in fact I doubt they would have provided much support to the owner who thought that dropping them in the rags bin was a worthwhile new home. They're now in a new bin.

Weekly Workshop Hours and Keyholders Note: All Members are welcome to access the Clubrooms at any of these times.					
Monday	09:00AM	- 12:30PM	Wood Turning	Henk Eyssens	5968 5119
Tuesday	09:30AM	- 02:30PM	Kids Korner	Peter Horsburg	9879 5144
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Wood Turning	Bruce Allen	9754 5774
Wednesday	09:30AM	- 02:30PM	General Access	Dick Webb	97645321
Thursday	09:30AM	- 02:30PM	Toymakers	Tony Deabe	9774 7917
	06:30PM 06:30PM	- 09:30PM - 09:30PM	Furniture Making Carving (for all!)	George Knight Albert Bak	0427 417823 9763 1204
Friday	10:00AM	- 01:30PM	General Access	Barry McDermott	9753 6157
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Rocking Horses	Bruce Allen Louis Smith	9754 5774 9754 2342
Saturday	see roster below and WORKING BEES				
Sunday	(closed)				

Saturday Morning Roster

Opening 09:30 am to 12:30 pm				
Aug 3	Louis Smith/Larry	9754 2342		
Aug 10	WORKING BEE			
Aug 17	Louis Smith/Larry	9754 2342 (*)		
Aug 24	BE-IN-IT prepare	Show: Sun.25 th Aug		
Aug 31	Brian Douds	9801 5857		

NOTE: If no member arrives by 10:30am, the Key Holder has the option of closing Clubrooms.

Members Discounts

The Following Suppliers offer discounts to Members. Australian Lighting - Bayswater, Bristol Paints - Ferntree Gully.

Caroll's Woodcraft Supplies.

Carba-Tec.

Ferntree Gully Bolts.

Hobby Tools Australia.

Mitre-10 - Bayswater.

Pop's Shed.

Screwit - Supplier of Sachy Screws

Total Tools, Ferntree Gully.

Woodworking Machinery Specialists.

The Woodworking Warehouse

On Sale at the Club

Club Caps	\$12.00
Club Polo Shirts	\$25.00
Club Fleecy Tops	\$45.00
Screws (packet)	\$2.00
Nails - 500 gm (2' x 12 G)	\$2.00

Current Community Support Activites

Project (ref: Eric)	Recipient	Status	
Toys	Disadvantaged	Continuous	
	Kids for Xmas	In Progress	
Angel Boxes	Angliss Hospital	Continuous	
Chairs & Stools	Cerebral Palsey	As required	
Various Turnings	Festival stock &c	In Progress	
Kidz Korner kits	KK Activities	Continuous	
Rocking Horse	Stringybark Fest.	Oct 2013	
Clock	Stringybark Fest.	Oct 2013	
Turned Bowl	Stringybark Fest.	Oct 2013	

Important Diary Dates Wed 24th July Committee Meeting Wed 7th Aug Member Meeting 7:30PM 10th Aug **WORKING BEE** 8:00AM !! Sat Wed 21st Aug Committee Meeting 25th Aug **BE-IN-IT** Competition Sun 4th Sep Member Meeting Wed 7:30PM 13th OCT **25th Anniversary** 2 - 4PM Sun

Take heed - Safety counts

Have <u>YOU</u> been reading some of the clues yet?

Check the SAFETY website at:

www.alchester.com.au/kdwc/kdwcsafe.htm

** STOP PRESS - **

Use the METAL DETECTOR before cutting! AND NO GLUE on timber using the sander!! **BE-IN-IT** now 25th Aug to avoid footy finals