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Some history: The KDWC inaugural meeting was held Oct 1988, its first newsletter was Vol 1, Edition 1 in Nov 1988, and the 1st AGM, 12mths later in Oct 1989. Wed 2nd Oct 2013 was the 25th AGM and this newsletter, Volume 26, Edition 1, includes record

of the 25th Anniversary celebrations held Sun 12th Oct 2013. No doubt, the late Alf Stephens would have been suitably proud, as his wife, Nancy, who attended, agrees.

**** President's Report - Hughie Gaynor ****

On your behalf may I express a big thank you to Hurtle Lupton, Bill Ireland and Lindsay Horsley for their tremendous efforts on past Committees and to Rodney Williams, Tom Noonan, Albert Bak and Bruce Cockerill who are the "new blood" on Committee. I have no doubt that this year's Committee will do their utmost to further the interests of the Club on your behalf. However, to my knowledge, none of us are mind readers and I would appreciate if any member has a suggestion/concern, would you please raise the issue with any Committee member rather than start a Chinese whisper.

October was certainly a very busy month which provided the Club with two special events and it was heartening to witness the great support from members. The working bee on Sat 12th Oct managed to get the Club all spick and span including the last of the painting in readiness for our 25th anniversary celebrations on Sun 13th Oct. From the many comments I received from guests, members and their wives/partners, they were unanimous that the celebration was an outstanding success and many favourable comments were also made on the recent improvements. Successful events don't just happen, and credit belongs to the Organising Group for their fantastic efforts which enabled the Woodies to showcase our Clubrooms.

If Members haven't yet received their commemorative 25th badge, see me or drop a note.

High expectations for our new location at Stringybark Festival were anticipated, however, despite the best efforts of our raffle ticket sellers near the main entrance door, unfortunately, we were not able to muster sufficient interest compared to our former spot in the main hall. Overall our revenue was down approximately 30% and it is hoped that the Organisers will take on board our, and other Groups, concerns for 2014. On a brighter note it was great to break the drought with two of our members winning 2nd and 3rd prizes in the Festival raffle.

Please note important dates (last page) as 2013 comes to a close.
..Hughie



Some **ORIGINAL FOUNDATION** members celebrating 25th! L-R: Frank Johnson, John Kors (apology(inset): Dick Kors), Max Green, Ed Lawer, Susan Wood, Jim Marshall, Nancy Stephens (wife of Founder:late Alf Stephens), & Serge Meilak

****VALE - Ron Ralph 14/11/32 - 8/10/13****



Members were saddened by the news this month of the passing of a much admired and long standing member: Ron Ralph, who's attention to detail and sharing of knowledge was well respected. The Club members would like to express their

condolences to Doris and the family and express their deep-hearted thanks for the time that Ron put into sharing his skills, enthusiasm and enduring energies as a great 'member' to all that worked with and enjoyed his company. Rest peacefully now, fine friend! .. **KDWC Members.**

(pic: 2005 Be-In-It with some of Ron's fine work - Thanks Bill)

**** Woody's Music travels afar! ****



Discovered on a web site called "Trip Advisor." Seen here is: **John Wolff** (KDWC)

extract: "...Everything about my Puffing Billy ride was perfect. From the smile on the face of the volunteers to the nice old man with his old time music box (he even let me spin the wheel!!) without forgetting the fact that you can actually sit on the side of the window with your legs and arms outside the train. Definitely the best..."

Evegagne Quebec City CANADA

....[Bill]

****Inaugural PRESIDENT'S AWARDS****



At the AGM. outgoing President, Hurtle Lupton, presented his President's Awards to 16 members in recognition of their services to the Club.

Bruce Allen
Henk Eyssens
Lindsay Horsley
Bill Orpen
Peter Sleeman

Karen Button
Hughie Gaynor
Bill Ireland
Gary Pope
Colin Stewart
Barry McDermott

Frank Collins
Peter Horsburg
John Jackson
Louis Smith
Dick Webb

**We thank Nick Wakeling MP
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25TH ANNIVERSARY
SUN 13th OCTOBER 2013



Plaque presented by the family of the late Bill Gillingham congratulating the Club on reaching its 25th Anniversary. Pictured: Sandra Bell (Bill's daughter) and Kirsty (granddaughter) with outgoing President of last 3 years: Hurtle Lupton, who have continued the fine tradition of Bill's late wife: Jean who presented the Club's Member of the Year award in honour of Bill Gillingham for so many years.

(Picture: Courtesy: Lindsay Horsley)



A huge 150+ crowd celebrated the day, showing here, some formalities by honourable member Karin Orpen sharing some history and good times. *(pic: Bill Ireland).*

Seen here is **Susan Wood** (first Newsletter Editor) and **Serge Meilak**, both Foundation Members, giving advise to other long time members that there is never any shortage of jobs to do in the Club!



It was a terrific day for members and their spouses to share memories on 25 years of great camaraderie and achievements. Seen here: Bill Longden with Paddy McCann (past President) and his wife Pat.

A great job by Organisers!

Happy Birthdays - NOVEMBER

The very best of Birthday wishes to these members:	Max Holt	2 nd	
	Lois Williams	9 th	
	Brian Bracegirdle	10 th	
	Peter Collins	13 th	
	Neil Bengough	16 th	
David Light	16 th	Charles Vella	17 th
Ray Stewart	18 th		
Cyril Jones	20 th		
Rod Hall	21 st		
John Jackson	22 nd		
Colin Craig	23 rd		
Rodney Williams	25 th		
Jenny Stevens	30 th		



Members Welfare

Best wishes for a full and speedy recovery to those members in ill health.

- **Bill Longden** went into Hospital with Pneumonia 27th Oct with some heart trouble.

The members are thinking of you at this time.

*****Tenders sought for sale of EQUIPMENT *****

Nothing this month ...Committee

****National Emergency Medal - Henk Eyssens ****



Recently **Henk Eyssens** was awarded the National Emergency Medal for his part in the Black Saturday Bushfires. Henk is a member of the Clematis Fire Brigade.



The medal recognises significant or sustained service to others in a declared nationally significant emergency such as the bushfires of VIC in 2009.

.....Top job Henk!

The Club thanks



***** Events and Happenings *****

Xmas TOY COUNT for presenting: over 500+!
Working Bees - Sat 14th Dec

Help is needed to clean up another great year!
AUCTION - December meeting Wed 4th Dec

Stan Jebb is ready to hammer down a bargain after a nice 6PM sausage sizzle! So be sure to empty the shed and bring along your treasures. All proceeds to the KDWC!
...Sold!

XMAS Breakup will be on Saturday 14th DEC
More details in next months newsletter.

XMAS HOLIDAY CLOSURE: Sat 21st Dec 2013, reopen Mon 20th JAN 2014.

Dust coat/Smock/Coat idea sought. Anne Marie Plevier has come up with a terrific idea for those doing dusty work like woodturning. A Club Jacket in the form of a Smock? Any takers? Let the committee know about this idea to see if a group buy idea is in order or not. *(sounds smart!)*

Call for Help paid dividends!

Eric Butterfield's emailed urgent request for help with building **Council Boxes** was well rewarded with many members coming forth to assist.**THANKS!**



**** Bill Gillingham Award: Eric Butterfield ****

KDWC Member of The Year award to **Eric Butterfield** was presented by Bill's daughter Sandra Bell and grand-daughter Kirsty. Eric's tremendous efforts as past Secretary, Safety Officer (a wealth of useful safety tips/guides documented) and recent management of membership records is just part of the great work Eric does for the Club on an ongoing basis. Well done Eric - **well deserved!**



Here's a lovely piece of memorabilia from the Gillingham Family collection.

A 1990 Be-In-It competition 1st prize award to Bill Gillingham, signed by then president, the late: Alf Stephens, and committee member: Serge Meilak

.....(Thanks to Sandra Bell)



**** LIFE Membership award: Joe Semenov****



Is it One or One Hundred ??

Well you might be surprised the answer is more like 100 horses this great craftsman has built over the years. And they probably all have names too! **Joe Semenov** is the Club's master of the rocking horse group and

has been so for more years than Black Cavier has been in the news - that's for sure. As far as we're all concerned at KDWC, he's top of the course, and deservedly the recipient of this year's nomination for **LIFE MEMBERSHIP**.



I think we've backed a fine winner in Joe. Congratulations! *[Mr. Ed]*



The Rocking Horse Group taking time off the track.

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****Stringybark Festival Oct 19th - 20th 2013****

A great weekend at the Festival, as can be seen by all these happy faces.....



"The Master and the Apprentice"



Workshop Notes - "members helping members"**Set up blocks** (By Phil Spencer)

Set up blocks are an item that will not only save time in the workshop, it will also make it easier to repetitively set up your machines for standard operations. I have come across a few commercial set up block sets. These are usually made from anodised aluminium stock and although they look appealing they are expensive, and because they look so nice you might be reluctant to use them because they will scratch and in no time at all look shabby. What use is a tool if you are reluctant to use it?

I have found a cheaper way. I wander down to my local industrial transmission supplier (in my case WWW Industrial in Ferntree Gully Road) and buy a length of key steel. Key Steel comes in both metric and imperial sizes, it is accurately machined and can be cut to a size you prefer to work with, and it is cheap to buy.

When I built the tool box to hold all the tools I made in my apprenticeship, I needed to cut some slots on my spindle moulder so I could make a raised panel for the lid. A commercial set up block would have been too short to straddle the gap in the top of the spindle moulder, but a piece of key steel was just right. It allowed me to easily set my cutter height by using the key steel as a reference. See the picture below.



So before you next think of spending lots of money for an aide, consider if there is a better way or a cheaper to do what you want.**Phil**

**** Seeking help for toughened Glass ****

Members are asked if they know of where to get a toughened glass top of 1100 mm (approx 43 inches) in diameter for this project underway by **Max Holt**. Another show'n'tell job! *Hope Lyn likes this one!*

!! FEES NOW OVERDUE – RENEWALS NEEDED !!

*Annual subscriptions fell due by the AGM. (Oct)
As at 1st Nov, a late renewal fee of \$10 applies.
After 30th Nov, a full re-joining fee of \$50 applies
..... Executive Committee*

****Bill Ireland's website tip of the month! ****

Another useful wood working site for tips!!

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

Blog, forum, advice, products and lots to learn.

.....**Top spotting Bill!**

****** Humor ********Commando ??**

During my physical examination, my doctor asked me about my physical activity level.

I described a typical day, "Well, yesterday afternoon, I took a five hour walk about 7 miles through some pretty rough terrain. I waded along the edge of a lake. I pushed my way through brambles. I got sand in my shoes and my eyes. I avoided standing on a snake. I climbed several rocky hills. I took a few 'leaks' behind some big trees. The mental stress of it all left me shattered. At the end of it all I drank eight beers."

Inspired by the story, the doctor said, "You must be one impressive outdoors man!"

"No," I replied, "I'm just a bad golfer."

Tap on the Shoulder

A true story from the pages of the Manchester Evening News: Last Wednesday a passenger in a taxi heading for Salford station leaned over to ask the driver a question and gently tapped him on the shoulder to get his attention.

The driver screamed, lost control of the cab, nearly hit a bus, drove up over the curb and stopped just inches from a large plate window.

For a few moments everything was silent in the cab. Then, the shaking driver said, "Are you OK? I'm so sorry, but you scared the daylights out of me."

The badly shaken passenger apologized to the driver and said, "I didn't realise that a mere tap on the shoulder would startle someone so badly."

The driver replied, "No, no, I'm the one who is sorry, it's entirely my fault. Today is my very first day driving a cab. I've been driving a hearse for 25 years."

...**Thanks for contributions [Ed]**

We would like to thank

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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	Kidz Korner	Peter Horsburg	9879 5144
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Wood Turning	Bruce Allen	0439 919758
Wednesday	09:30AM	- 02:30PM	General Access	Dick Webb	97645321
Thursday	09:30AM	- 02:30PM	Toymakers	Tony Deabe	9774 7917
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Furniture Making	George Knight	0427 417823
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Carving (for all!)	Albert Bak	9763 1204
Friday	10:00AM	- 01:30PM	General Access	Barry McDermott	9753 6157
	06:30PM	- 09:30PM	Rocking Horses	Bruce Allen Louis Smith	0439 919758 9754 2342
Saturday	<i>see roster below and WORKING BEES</i>				
Sunday	<i>(closed)</i>				

Saturday Morning Roster

Opening 09:30 am to 12:30 pm		
Nov 2	Dick Webb	9764 5321
Nov 9	Brian Douds	9801 5857
Nov 16	Ladislav Toman	0410 405 227
Nov 23	Louis Smith/Larry	9754 2342
Nov 30	Dick Webb	9764 5321

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.

****Show some suitable KDWC / personal ID****

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 Activities

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	Knox Festival.	Mar 2014
Clock	Knox Festival.	Mar 2014
Turned Bowl	Knox Festival.	Mar 2014
Jewelery Box	Knox Festival.	Mar 2014

Important Diary Dates

Wed	6 th Nov	Members Meeting	7:30PM
		(Toy Presentation)	
Wed	20 th Nov	Committee Meeting	
Wed	4 th Dec	BBQ tea & Auction	6:00PM
		Members Meeting	7.30PM
Sat	14 th Dec	**WORKING BEE**	8:00AM !!
Sat	14 th Dec	Xmas Break Up Dinner.	tba
Sat	21 st Dec.	CLOSE.	Re-open 20 th Jan 2014

Take heed - Safety counts

Have YOU been reading some of the clues yet?

Check the SAFETY website at:

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

**** STOP PRESS - ****

Use METAL DETECTOR! No GLUE using Sander!

****Dec 4th meeting - AUCTION items needed****