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MEETINGS HELD ON
2nd & 4th SATURDAYS OF THE MONTH
GIPPSLAND WOODCRAFT GROUP HALL
843 MAFFRA / ROSEDALE ROAD, (C487)
NAMBROK
from 10.00am

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Committee	Stuart Baird	Paddy Boyce	Michael Sibley
	Ian Henderson	Ralph Chilver	Roger Langford
	Graeme Ingleton	Andrew Knowles	Peter Vranek
	Ross Noske	Len Graham	Robert Ahearne

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE CLUBROOMS NAMBROK, SATURDAY 10 NOVEMBER

President Graeme Turner opened the meeting at 10:00am and welcomed those attending.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alex Brand, Alex Prodanovic, Andrew Knowles, Anthony Byrne, Ashley Thompson, Ben Thompson, Brian Wills, Colin Elmore, Colin Macreadie, Denis Booth, Freeda Peel, Geoff Howe, Graeme Ingleton, Graeme Turner, Graham Faravoni, Henry Winters, Ian Henderson, John Brei, John Cruickshank, John Pritchard, Karen Petrovic, Lyn Marsh, Malcolm Liggins, Margaret Beckett, Maurice Gunnulson, Michael Sibley, Norm Hyde, Peter Vranek, Ralph Chilver, Rob Wetton, Robert Ahearne, Roger Langford, Ross Noske, Stuart Baird, Taffy Sault
Apologies: Col Armitage, Cyril Hibbert, Doug Thompson, Graham Frankland, Paddy Boyce

GUEST SPEAKER: Chris Loadsman - drones

MINUTES: As per the minutes tabled, they were moved as correct by Michael Sibley and seconded by Colin Elmore. *Motion carried.*

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance: \$23,335.35
Norm Hyde moved the treasurers report be accepted seconded by Brian Wills. *Motion carried.*

CORRESPONDENCE:

- J C Walsh machinery catalogue
- Newsletters from the Berwick & Knox Woodgroups
- Wellington Shire – Supplementary 2018 Valuation Notice

Ian Henderson moved the correspondence be accepted seconded by Stuart Baird. *Motion carried.*

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Graeme Turner apologised for the delay in producing last month's newsletter.
- The proposed bus trip to Pop's Shed postponed due to insufficient numbers

- Packet of hinges still available, \$5
- Graeme Turner applied for a grant from Vic Forest for shelving, they are willing to fund \$500 of the total \$764. Graeme Turner moved that we proceed, seconded by Peter Vranek. *Motion carried.*
- Woodfast Mini Lathe & 8 Robert Sorby tools for sale. EC \$500, see Graeme Turner for details.
- Universal bottle openers completed & delivered to ASH, thanks to all those who helped with the project.
- The four pine trestles for Kylie have been sanded, stained and the legs modified.
- Taffy has made a triangular wedding arch for Kylie.
- The large table & trestles project is almost complete, 2 coats required on the top.
- The guttering on the front of the building is progressing, pops need to be installed before it is hung.
- Another potting bench needs to be constructed, an order from the Sale Show, see Anthony if you can help.
- A job has come in for a finial to be turned & fitted. Maurie has offered to do it.

Meeting Closed: 10:20am

GETTING AND SPENDING

During October we received \$1800 from Australian Sustainable Hardwoods in payment for 100 laser engraved spirit levels; a trophy made by Ralph Chilver brought in \$100, sales at Maffra Show totalled \$113, and Nambrok Primary School paid us \$100 towards costs in running the student woodworking sessions.

A total \$120 was received in payment for the Christmas lunch, a small rolling pin was sold for \$5, while our monthly raffle brought in \$69. A subs payment of \$50 was received, door entry totalled \$165 and the tea and coffee jar and drinks fridge brought in \$22.

Our electricity account amounted to \$161.62; MDF, liquid nails, a drill set, a sanding disc and orbital sander pads from Bunnings cost \$142.71, and we paid \$600 to have 200 bottle opener blanks laser engraved.

Timber to construct a wedding arch was \$21, an internet sim card \$5, and plywood to make aeroplane wings cost \$18.15. A CFA extinguisher check cost \$170.74, and the new door locks and keys for the meeting room were \$235.80.

Our Bendigo Bank balance stood at \$23,335.35 on October 31.

NORM HYDE, Treasurer

For payments to the club, these are our Bendigo Bank details: BSB 633-000. A/c No. [1477-77080](#). Or place the payment in an envelope, detailing your name, the amount and its purpose, and hand it to Treasurer Norm.

SHOW & TELL, 10-11-18

Geoff Howe showed a Christmas decoration he made of reindeers pulling a sleigh. It was made from unfinished Pine.



Brian Wills turned a bowl from Cypress and finished it with EEE Ultrashine, Ausie Oil and TruOil.

Ben Thompson turned two items, a shaving set from N T Ironwood finished with spray on acrylic gloss lacquer and a 50 x 120 lidded candy bowl from Red Gum and fished with EEE and Shellawax



John Cruickshank made a Christmas decoration of lathe trees from Oregon and finished them with craft paint gold enamel spray and clear lacquer.



Norm Hyde made a 170 x 30 Christmas tree decoration from a recycled chair leg and spray lacquer.

Norm also made 6- 90 x 100 serviette holders from 3mm MDF and finished them with gold acrylic paint

Colin Elmore turned a 150 W x 170 H decorative lidded container from Huon Pine and Red Gum and finished it with EEE Ultrashine.



Malcolm Liggins made a lovely carving of a butterfly on a leaf from Huon Pine the stand was from an unknown timber he finished it with Polyurethane.



Ralph Chilver made a 500mm lazy susan from Huon Pine and Silky Oak and finished it with water based clear satin Estapol.

Peter Vranek turned a small candle holder and he also tried his hand at pyrography both items were finished with spray on Poly.



SATURDAY MEETING

The sign in book tells me thirty-four attended the meeting along with Chris our guest speaker. Chris is the Operations Commander at the Air Traffic Control section at the RAAF base Sale. He moved here from Brisbane to take on the role.

While in Brisbane his interest in flying drones ended up becoming a business when he joined with some friends to offer a large variety of services. Some of these include analysis of crop health by assessing the presence of weeds, diseases, moisture content of soil so farmers can modify irrigation practices to ensure all areas are watered evenly without under watering or overwatering being a problem. They can do fence inspections and stock monitoring.

He is a photographer for industry and social events. Also working with disaster support as required. The drones can be used up to 400 meters high and must remain in line of sight while remaining a safe distance from airports (5.5km). The drone he flew on the day can reach eighty Kilometers per hour in the right conditions.

A number of members commented on what a great session it was with one saying it's the best guest speaker we have had. Chris gives drone lessons which cover all relevant regulations and requirements. He has a half day session for beginners or you can sign up to do the advanced course. He can be contacted on 0412479459 or email chris@andair.com.au



After the talk and demonstration, it was noticed a swarm of bees had taken up residency on the south end of our workshop. A bee keeper was contacted and a ladder and boards laid out so he could access the roof above the ramp. Eventually the bees were transferred to their temporary accommodation but as the bee keeper prepared to leave another swarm flew in and started to occupy the same place the previous swarm took to.

Back on with his gear and the process began again, this batch weren't impressed about being relocated and let the guys in the machinery shed know it with Ralph and Anthony making a hasty retreat.

Unfortunately, we did have one casualty from the exercise with Ashley taking two bee stings for the team.



While the bee issue was dealt with the workshop was buzzing with activity. Taffy worked on the outdoor chair repair, Michael and Ian made a small modification to the wedding arbor that Taffy had made up so it was ready for Kylie.

Ralph gave Anthony a hand dressing up some window components and Alex Prodanovic cut out some pieces on the scroll saw to make an intarsia item.



GUTTER GANG



To make the gutter installation easier Ross, Taffy and I attended on Tuesday 13th so the car park was empty and fitted the pops to the guttering and installed and joined both sections. The downpipes just need to be installed now and that shouldn't take long.

TABLE AND BENCHES

The large table and bench set has been an ongoing project most of the year, the owner may regret saying there was no urgency!. What started out as a request to apply a couple of coats of clear turned into a major overhaul and lots of sanding, a gap down the centre of the table was removed by cleaning up and joining both parts with Dominos and Araldite. During the process a leg fell off and it was discovered it was only held by glue, this is now rectified. Thanks to those that attended outside normal times to apply the stain and clear coatings

TRESTLES

Kylie asked us to stain the last batch of trestles black as it was more popular. She then asked if we could take back the first four trestles we made her and turn them from clear pine to black like the new ones.

What she had failed to mention was the deadline for needing them which we were informed of just a couple of weeks out. I removed the legs as they needed to be modified to a new design and on Tuesday 30th Ross and Norm attended the rooms and sanded the tops back to bare timber.

They also arranged delivery of the legs to Ian. Ian had the legs modified and sanded in record time and returned them to the club.

On Friday 2nd November Ralph, Ross and I attended and applied stain to all four tops and the 16 legs. On Monday 5th Ross, Norm and I gave all items a first coat of clear. On Wednesday 7th Ian, Graham Faravoni and Henk attended to replace the legs and give all parts a second coat. I understand Ian arrived about 90 minutes early and had a lot of the tasks underway when his team arrived.

Kylie picked up the trestles on the Thursday and put them to use at a function on the Saturday. Thanks to everyone who put in a great effort to meet another tight deadline.



POP'S SHED spinning top contest. Bring along a POP'S SHED spinning top contest. Bring along a hand or string driven top to be in the running to win a \$30 or \$20 store voucher with either style of top. December 8th meeting.

Liz Langford from Vic Forest has informed us they will contribute \$500 towards shelving to convert the old trailer shed into our timber storage shed as part of their grant program. Helpers required

A big thanks to Lyn and Ross Noske for organizing the raffle prizes for this year's Christmas luncheon, A lot of time has been put into gathering and wrapping the items.

CLUNES

Brian and Angela made the annual run to Clunes for the Agricultural Show. The only downside to the day was strong winds but a good crowd still attended and the club made \$26 from sales of various items. Brian sold a large number of pens. The children attending were very appreciative of the cut-out animals given to them.



Paul has a Record mini lathe and 8 Robert Sorby turning tools for sale. The lathe is mounted on a cabinet and comes with a selection of timber. It is in excellent condition and has only had little use.

Comes with spur drive, faceplate, lamp and a Jacobs chuck, number one Morse taper - \$500.00 For details phone Paul on 0419883846



Table top sander for sale.

Comes with spare motor and a box of various grades sandpaper \$250 ono. For details phone Paul on 0418126503

RESERVE SEATING

The bench we made and donated to Traralgon Railway Reservoir Conservation Reserve was installed on Friday 16th. The seat which it replaces was destroyed by a vandal in a four-wheel drive who found pleasure in running the vehicle into it.

It is hoped the size and build of the new bench will deter any other attempts to destroy this one. John Lansdown from the T.R.R.C.R helped me install it and he was very pleased with the workmanship.



SECURITY

If you need to enter the club rooms between meetings you will need to contact one of the following people:

Paddy Boyce	0429 422 207
Anthony Byrne	0413 022 113
Ian Henderson	0408 361 848
Norm Hyde	0427 314 879
Graeme Turner	0437 510 950
Michael Sibley	0427 446 194

4TH SATURDAY

Another productive day. Anthony, Ralph and Graeme Ingleton worked on some window surrounds. A number of members made use of the machinery shed to prepare timber for various projects, Doug Thompson worked away at a large bowl he is making on one of the lathes. I spent some time removing all the leaves from the drain beside the machinery shed so the water could get away faster.



During the day Anthony O'Connor arrived to pick up the table and bench set that we overhauled. He was very pleased with the end result and thanked the group for its efforts.

It was noticed the temporary stormwater line from the arbor to the tank had fallen and on inspection there was a large amount of grass and two eggs inside the pipe - obviously the birds had set up a nest in the dry weather and now all the rain soaked the grass causing the pipe to drop away. We plan to fit gutter guard to all our spouting to prevent this reoccurring.



Recently I cut out a hundred airplane wings so today Andrew marked up and cut out a number of plane bodies to go with them.

Norm signed up a new member Lynton Minto plus we had some prospective junior members call in for a visit. Our membership now stands at seventy-two.



CLEANING ROSTER 2018

2 nd SATURDAY	4 th SATURDAY
December 8th Clean up by all present	Christmas Break Resume back January 12th 2019
January 12th 2019 Brian Wills, Maurice Gunnelson	January 26th 2019 Cyril Hibberd, Michael Sibley
February 9th 2019 Peter Vranek, Dennis Booth	February 23rd 2019 Paddy Boyce, Ross Noske
March 9th 2019 Ben Thompson, Ashley Thompson	March 23rd 2019 Graham Frankland, Graham Faravoni
April 13th 2019 John Brei, Henk Flens	April 27th 2019 Doug Thompson, Henry Winters

If you cannot attend your turn, please arrange a swap with someone on this list.

TIMELY REMINDERS

Show & Tell	Activity
December 8th Free Choice	Spinning Top contest
January 12th 2019 An item made using red gum	
February 9th 2019 A wooden container	RACV talk on safety and home security
March 9th	Volunteer/suggestion required
April 13th Tom Phillipson bowl day	Rob and Anne from Screwit Screws will give a talk on the variety of products they now carry

SPONSORS

We greatly appreciate the support of the following sponsors and urge all members to keep the phone numbers handy and support

RTL Earthworks, Moe – 5136 1000	Harvey Norman, Traralgon – 5175 6700
Morelli's Furniture & Bedtime, Sale – 5144 7099	Holcim Concrete, Morwell – 5133 4800
Kencor Sales (Bolts etc), Morwell – 5133 7765	Pro Draft Pty Ltd, Architects, Morwell – 5133 8007
Carpet Country, Sale – 5143 0266	Willaton Transport, Morwell – 5133 9000
Southern Rural Water, Maffra -	Bunnings Warehouse, Traralgon – 5172 1000
Bendigo Community Bank, Heyfield	Ranford's Family Butcher, Sale – 5144 4370
Engie	Pop's Shed, Chirnside Park – 03 9727 0611
Wellington Shire Council	Matthews Quarry – 5174 3131
Australian Sustainable Hardwoods, Heyfield	Heyfield Signs – 5148 2822/0419 171682
Steeline Roofing – 5176 5866	

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