

# COOROORA WOODWORKERS CLUB



## Newsletter

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## Gunnedah Woodturners Club Visit

Late in 2016 Neville Worboys from the Gunnedah Woodturners Club contacted the CWC to let us know that they were planning to attend the 2017 Maleny Wood Show and asked if we were willing to host them for a morning tea/ interclub visit while they were on the Sunshine Coast. They also sought contacts for the Maleny Show and suggestions for places to visit and stay. Our Club responded that we would welcome their visit and provided the requested information. The Gunnedah Club had visited the CWC previously and had a number of contacts [ relations and friends ] on the Sunshine Coast that they could catch up with at the Club or elsewhere. By early 2017 the Gunnedah Club advised that they had secured the necessary numbers [ 44 members and partners ] to make the bus trip viable and provided us with the proposed itinerary for their 5 day trip.

They departed Gunnedah early on Thursday 27th. April for the first long leg to Ipswich where they over-nighted. Despite a minor delay with breakfast they had a good run up to Cooroy arriving about 9.45am to be welcomed by a good rollup of about 15 CWC members. Everyone enjoyed a very pleasant and extended morning tea on the verandah and in the Clubhouse eating, chatting or just wandering about on sunny, crisp morning. The Gunnedah members also inspected the Kilns where a number of our members were working { eg John Gygar and others box-making, Alex surfacing } and were quite impressed by our facilities. They also looked over the timber in the Kilns and in the Clubhouse that we had prepared for our Show, and a few lots were purchased.

Enjoying the sunny, but not hot morning, quite a few of the Gunnedah visitors walked across the creek and up into town stopping off at the Library, the Butter Factory and a number of shops. Around midday the Gunnedah visitors departed from the CWC for visits to Hastings Street, Eumundi Markets, Underwater World, Montville and of course, Maleny Wood Show over the next 3 days. It was apparent that the Gunnedah visitors enjoyed their brief visit and they expressed their appreciation for the Club's welcoming morning tea. Thanks go to all those Club members who attended, in particular Simon Hanicek and others who set up the Clubhouse and tea, and our 'cooks' Richard Roe, Jeff Fraser and Graham Eastman who provided some home-cooked "goodies" to supplement our Club biscuits.

John Sturtz



# The Great Woodcraft Show Is On Again

submitted editorial to the Cooroy Rag

The annual Cooroora Wood & Craft Show now in it's 28th year is presented by the Cooroora Woodworkers club. The show helps to keep alive the ancient crafts of woodwork and the recycling of timber into useful objects. The venue is the Cooroora Woodworkers Club in the Lower Mill Precinct in Cooroy on Friday May 12th and Saturday May 13th. Entrance is just \$2pp and under 16 yrs are free.

Craftsmen and craftswomen from regional clubs and schools have put weeks and often months of hard work into creating their masterpieces for the competitions. These will be on display and visitors will be truly amazed by what can be done with a basic piece of timber. You will be able to cast your vote for the best work.

Many handcrafted items will be available for purchase – great gifts for Mother's Day! Try your luck with a \$2 ticket in the raffle. The first prize is a traditional Victorian rocking horse valued at \$4000. Plus there are hand made jewellery boxes for 2nd and 3rd prizes.

Visitors will also be able to see woodworking demonstrations such as carving, turning and scrollsaw work. One of the popular attractions is always the saw milling team cutting logs of Camphor Laurel and Silky Oak. The slabs green off the saw are eagerly sought for making table and bar tops. In addition seasoned slabs, boards and lumber of various species will be also available for purchase.

The Cooroora Woodworkers club has over 100 members both male and female. The extensive workshop, (called The Kilns because it was previously the drying kilns of a woodmilling business) is well fitted out with hand tools and machinery. Beginners have the opportunity of tuition and can use the equipment after induction. If you have an urge to do some woodwork don't miss this show. Membership applications are available and the annual fee is very moderate.



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## Show & Tell - April GM

Graham Eastman – Crown Jewel Pens in polyester resin. New pen mandrel, works brilliantly.

Jeff Fraser – several new spoons

John Gygar – Bowl made from Wild Lime which came from Chinchilla, American Oak Bowl. Lidded box made from unidentified wood - possibly Banksia.

Richard Roe – first hardwood bowl – made from a fence post. Bi-plane made from silky oak. More toys – a paddleboast steamer, and 'Trains, Boats and Planes'.

Alex Findlay – Pyrography – Japanese Heron; Raccoon, hanging around; and Tattoo pattern on Quandong

(Sorry there were no photos available - editor)

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## A Reminder From Bill Todd

Workshop cleaning, if you make a mess clean it up, too many tools not being returned to where they belong- the workshop is being left with sawdust - turnings or off cuts on the floor.

The dust extractor kept being used with the orange light flashing and as a result the dust and shavings end up overflowing into the air cleaners which cause damage and the fines bag to blow off and allows the dust and shavings to build up on the floor and someone has to clean it up.



## Restoration of a Stanley #4<sup>1/2</sup> Plane

A few months ago Bill Todd and I were discussing my interest in vintage hand tools, and shortly afterwards Bill presented me an old Stanley 4 and Half hand plane that had belonged to his grandfather. The plane was in reasonable condition but had seen better days, with plenty of deep rust and years of grime, as you can see from this “Before” photo.

After many hours of TLC the plane has been restored to full working order. The work entailed much sanding, scrubbing, flattening and careful rebuilding. I replaced the original Bakelite adjustment knob with a knurled brass one, but otherwise the plane is just as Bill grandfather would have remembered it, as the “After” photos show. Importantly, it shaves wood like a dream. Thanks so much to Bill for his wonderful generosity and encouragement.

John Cantwell



*Before*



*After*

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## Early Notice - 2017 Annual General Meeting

This is to provide early notification that the Club’s Annual General Meeting will be held in June , probably on Saturday 10th of June,[ subject to confirmation] on the same day as our regular monthly meeting .

The AGM is generally a quite brief affair lasting about 1 hour consisting , primarily , of Management Committee [President’s] and Financial [Treasurer’s ] Reports , the election of Management Committee members and appointment of an auditor. At the end of their annual terms all Management Committee positions become vacant and Nomination Forms for these positions will be made available, after our Show, by contacting the Secretary and with some placed in a pigeon hole near the ‘sign-in ‘ register. Completed Nomination Forms should be returned to the Secretary.

A number of Committee members have indicated they are not seeking re-election having given sterling service to the Club over a number of years . Jim Pound our Newsletter Editor and Graham Eastman our Treasurer would welcome potential replacements contacting them to discuss their respective roles [without prejudice] and both would happily provide support for a transitional period.

John Sturtz, Secretary Cooroora Woodworkers Club

### **Titebond 111**

The Club has purchased a box of 12 [ 473 ml. ] bottles of Titebond 111 for resale to members . Price is yet to be set but expect it to be at or near cost . Charlie Cobb can be contacted for location and purchase of this adhesive.

## Organising The Cooroora Wood & Craft Show 2017

It has been a great experience serving on this years show committee. Chaired by Ian Robertson everybody has worked really well together with the same aim – to put on the best possible show.

Our main girl Aline Briggs has worked extremely hard for more than three months now to organise and sell raffle tickets at street locations around Cooroy/Noosa. You can see the mountain of ticket butts rising in the tombola in the clubhouse. John Cantwell took on the job of ensuring that all members received a book of tickets.

John Sargaison has got our show message into all the social media and organised radio interviews for our chairman – Ian Robertson. Jim Pound took on the task of getting newspaper coverage. The Cooroy Rag has run editorials over 4 or 5 issues. In the May 10th issue which reaches readers just before the show we have placed a quarter page advert. A final editorial and photo will also appear - see page 2. The show brochure has been printed and distributed around Cooroy and Noosa. Members can get the brochure at the clubhouse so please pass them on to anyone who may be interested.

John Gygar has taken on the job of setting up a shop to sell items made by members and donated to the club. John says that the response from members has been very good. John has also taken on the task of running the show cafe.

Charlie Cobb has again taken on the job of running the IGA grocery raffle. Charlie chaired the show committee for many years and is still a valued member of the committee with his extensive knowledge of the show history.

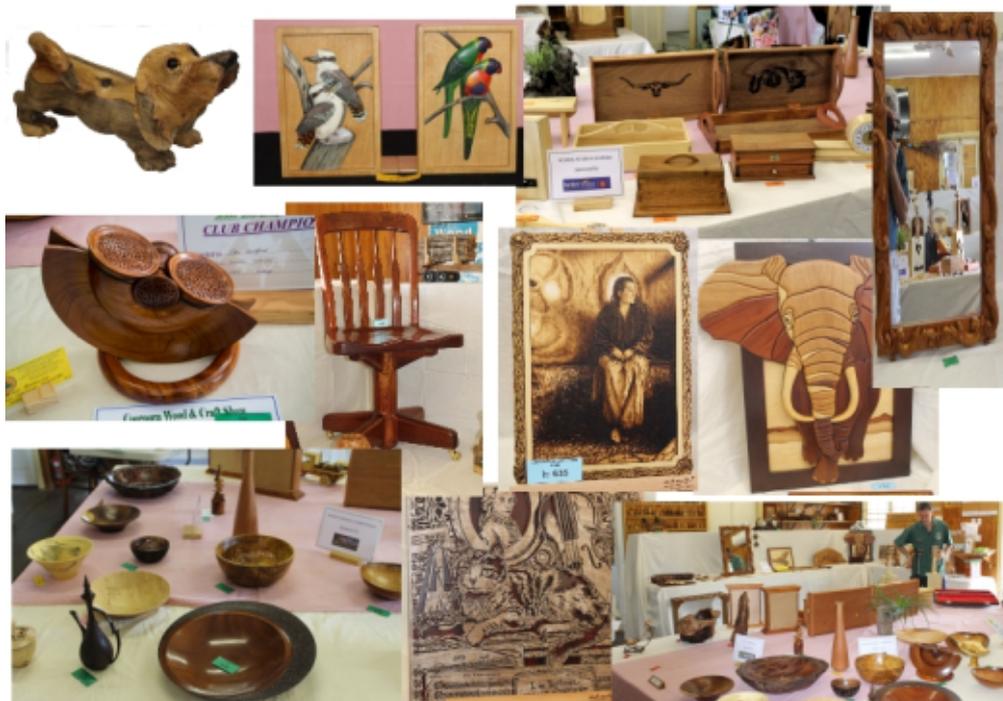
The competitions are the heart of the show and the the most complex part. Aileen McPhee has been the organiser for a few years now but this year she is away and may not attend. However before leaving she set up the paperwork for each competition and has passed the job to

Peter Bradford – Inter-club Competition

John Kennedy – School Student Competition

Richard Roe – Club Member Competition. Richard has also taken on all the other sundry tasks usually done by Aileen.

Competitions need judges and Dennis Donnelly with his long association with the woodworking fraternity has again been able to arrange a distinguished panel.



*some of the entries in Show 2016*

# Organising The Cooroora Wood & Craft Show 2017

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All the competition entries will be on display in the clubhouse during the show. Entry is \$2pp under 16yrs FREE. (Members are also free). A reminder here that the entries from our club for the Inter-club Competition will be chosen on Saturday 6th May at the clubhouse. This is open to all members so please bring along your work before 9am. Entries in the Club Members Competition will be received at the clubhouse from 8.30am to 1.30pm on Thursday 11th May. However by prior arrangement with Richard Roe entries may be brought in earlier.

Woodworking demonstrations have always been a attractive part of our show and this year we are fortunate to have:-

Hand Tool Work – Bob Chaplin

Turning – Dennis Donnelly

Carving – Peter Bradford

Scroll-saw – Maureen Bowden

When we had to move our show from the Memorial Hall we lost most of the faithful stall holders. We are rebuilding and some members have already booked stall space as well as some community groups such as Landcare Noosa. Countryside Realty Noosa will be there selling our show bags and Mitre10 will be showing a range of power tools.

The timber milling always attracts a lot of visitors. Alex Findlay and the timber milling team will be in action with the Lucas Mill turning logs into slabs. Camphor Laurel and Silky Oak are on the agenda and the slabs can be purchased green off the saw. They will also have seasoned lumber and slabs on sale. Some of the slabs have been levelled and smoothed ready for using as table tops.

We are fortunate to have deputy mayor Frank Wilkie to again officially open our show. This will take place around 10am on Friday May 12th at the clubhouse.

Members will be setting up for the show in the week leading up to it by clearing out the clubhouse on the Monday 8th, setting up on the Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th, receiving entries on the Thursday 11th and setting up stalls, milling display, demonstrations etc early on Friday 12th before the opening. Any member who would like to come along and help will be much appreciated. John Sturtz and Don Briggs are putting up the show banners around Cooroy and will be setting up the street signs. The new club banners will be up and fluttering during the show. Our treasurer Graham Eastman will be very busy arranging prize monies, cash boxes and generally keeping track of collections.

It takes many people to create a successful show and I have mentioned just a few. We need all members to give a bit of their time by volunteering for the many tasks such as manning the entry to the clubhouse. If you are not yet committed please call Ian Robertson on 0448 582 609.



...Jim Pound

## Clubhouse & Workshop Roster

DAY	CLUBHOUSE 9am to 12 noon	WORKSHOP (Kilns) 9am to 12 noon
MONDAY	Charlie Cobb	am: Reserved for induction/training pm: Bob Chaplin (school)
TUESDAY	Alan Bartley	Jeff Fraser
WEDNESDAY		Dennis Donnelly Bill Todd (sometimes)
THURSDAY	Graham Eastman	POSITION VACANT
FRIDAY	Richard Roe	John Gygar
SATURDAY	Usually members present in both clubhouse and workshop	

All the above members are volunteers and may not always be there due to illness etc. Also if no other member turns up the volunteer might leave earlier than usual. So make sure to arrive early, say before 9am or phone the listed member to check. Remember the rule is that you cannot use the workshop solo. Please consider adding your name to the roster.

Charlie Cobb	5442 5616	Bob Chaplin	5476 2837
Alan Bartley	5442 6491	Jeff Fraser	5485 2030
Dennis Donnelly	0409 639 335	Bill Todd	5442 5850
Graham Eastman	5471 0039		
Richard Roe	0475 441 802	John Gygar	0416 127 598

## CLUB CALENDAR 2017

MONTH	EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
May	Cooroora Wood & Craft Show	Friday May 12th	CWC Clubhouse
		Saturday May 13th	CWC Clubhouse
June	Annual General Meeting	Saturday 10th 9am	CWC Clubhouse

### Important Notice Annual Fees

Annual fees came due at the end of March. The fees remain unchanged at \$50. Simply put you cash or cheque in an envelope, write your name on the envelope together with "Annual Fees" and place it in the white cash box in the office.



# Countryside REALTY • NOOSA

**Welcome, to our May Property Update.**  
**I hope you are enjoying the cooler weather?**  
**Our team has had a great start to autumn, keeping busy with many sales.**  
**We always welcome anyone to attend our many**  
**Open Homes held on Saturday's.**  
**Please feel free to come into the office or contact the Team anytime.**

*Kind Regards, Robyn Kildey and the Countryside Team*

**With many Sales, we are looking for New Listings**



Forest Acres Drive, Lake Mac



Opal Street, Cooroy



Forest Acres Drive, Lake Mac



Redwood Road, Doonan



Jocelyn Drive, Eumundi



Station Street, Pomona



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Sales Consultant  
0477 815 112



**Kim Thwaites**  
Sales Consultant  
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**Robyn Kildey**  
Principal  
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Sales Consultant  
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**Stacey Hitch**  
Sales Consultant  
0411 429 499

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## WOODWORKING CLASSES

Monday: Cabinet Making with Bob Chaplin 12 noon to 4pm. You will need to contact Bob 5476 2837 to book into this class as places are restricted.

Tuesday: Carving informal group usually from 9am to noon

Wednesday: Turning informal group but check with Dennis Donnelly for tuition classes

Saturday: Spindle Turning with Alan Warner  
1st, 3rd, & 5th Saturdays

## WORKSHOP HOURS

The club has introduced a scheme of daily workshop duty officers (WDO) with the aim of improving safety and reducing damage to machinery. No one should use the workshop unless a WDO is present. And there must always be two members present including the WDO.

Normal hours are

Tuesday - Saturday 9am to 12 noon

(Monday morning has been reserved for maintenance and machine accreditation.

Monday afternoon is reserved for the cabinetry school run by Bob Chaplin)

## CLUB CONTACTS

### President

Dennis Donnelly 0409 639 335

### Secretary

John Sturtz 5442 6343

### Treasurer

Graham Eastman 5471 0039

### Vice President

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John Mohr 0428 776 694

### Bookkeeper

Mary Hindom

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Alex Findlay 5474 0626

Ian Robertson 0448 582 609

Richard Roe 5470 2823

Aline Briggs 5442 5938

Bill Todd 5442 5850

Jim Pound 5455 5635

### Timber Convener

Alex Findlay 5474 0626

### Club Librarian

Peter Bradford 5485 1644

### Workshop Maintenance, Machinery

### Certification

Alan Warner 5447 7761

Bill Todd 5442 5850

### Newsletter Editor

Jim Pound 5455 5635

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The objectives for which the Association is established are:-

- (1) To provide fellowship for those who share the common interest of woodwork.
- (2) To purchase and/or exchange associated materials
- (3) To offer assistance and advice on the hobby of woodturning and woodworking to all members.
- (4) To promote club activities within the community as the opportunity presents itself.
- (5) Whilst essentially comprised of amateur woodworkers, commercial woodworkers are welcome as members, on the basis that the club will always be an amateur, non commercial organisation.

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