## THE WOODY-WOODWORKER NEWSLETTER No. 379 – MAY 2019





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

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	Ross Noske	Len Graham	Robert Ahearne

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#### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE CLUBROOMS, NAMBROK. SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Alex Brand, Andrew Knowles, Andrew Wilkerson, Anthony Byrne, Ben Thompson, Brian Wills , Col Armitage, Colin Elmore, Glen Bradley, Graeme Ingleton, Graeme Turner, Graham Faravoni, Henk Flens, Henry Winters, Ian Henderson, Jeff Reid, John Brei, John Cruickshank, Karen Petrovic, Len Graham, Lynton Minto, Lyn Marsh, Margaret Beckett, Michael Lawrence, Michael Sibley, Norm Hyde, Peter Vranek, Ralph Chilver, Robert Ahearne, Ross Neilson, Stuart Baird, Taffy Sault , Yvonne Bradley

**VISITORS**: Heather Philipson, 2 ladies from Heyfield also attended, no names given.

**APOLOGIES**: Ashley Thompson, Colin Macreadie, Cyril Hibbert, Denis Booth, Freeda Peel, Geoff Howe, Graham Frankland, John Pritchard, Malcolm Liggins, Paddy Boyce, Ross Noske.

GUEST SPEAKERS: Rob & Anne Lowe – Screw it Screws

**MINUTES**: As per the last newsletter the minutes were moved as correct by Colin Elmore and seconded by Brian Wills. *Motion carried*.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**: Balance: \$26,184.96 Norm Hyde moved the treasurers report be accepted seconded by Ralph Chilver. *Motion carried*.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

- Newsletters from the Berwick, Knox & Warragul woodgroups.
- Flyer for the Australian Woodturning Exibition, June 2019
- Wellington Shire Training sessions "Conflict Resolution in Community Groups".
- Get well card sent to Col Macreadie.
- Thankyou letter, sent to Bunnings Traralgon donated Gift Cards for open day raffle

Ian Henderson moved the correspondence be accepted seconded by Ben Thompson. *Motion carried*.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**:

- Graeme Turner reported that Freda is recovering well and will be back at the club soon.
- Graeme and Norm reported on our current Insurance cover. With all of the recent activity we need to increase our level of cover, quotes will be obtained.
- Open Day is fast approaching, if anyone has any improvement suggestions please talk to Graeme volunteers will be required for the day, get in early.
- Names required for those willing to assist at the Shakespeare Festival and the Nambrok School Fete.
- Harvey Norman have donated a couple of electrical goods for the open day raffle.
- Graeme has asked for help to tidy up the wood laying around the site with a suggestion of selling some on open day.
- ASH has suggested some USB sticks for manufacture with timber any suggestions and help appreciated.
- Graeme reported on the family night at Bunnings Traralgon.
- Dahlsens truss plant Traralgon have been putting aside offcuts and have donated 6 bags suitable for spinning tops etc.
- Recently some club members discussed making Stuart Baird a life member for his extended participation in club activities and the donation of tools etc. The committee agreed with the recommendations and Stuart was presented with his certificate today.

#### Meeting Closed: 10:15am

### **GETTING AND SPENDING**

During March our monthly raffle brought in \$60, door entry \$183, and the tea and coffee jar and drinks fridge \$21. A total \$275 was received in bus fares for the Melbourne trip, machining of some timber \$40, while sales at the Tallarook demo totalled \$16.

Materials for a couple of bar tables cost \$65.45, new shelving for the storage shed from Bunnings \$1000, and plumbing fittings for the new tank \$72.48.

Heyfield Signs made up a sponsorship sign for \$33, newsletter stamps \$100, and coffee and milk cost \$34.

Our March 31<sup>st</sup> Bendigo Bank balance stood at \$26,184.96.

#### NORM HYDE, Treasurer

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

# **STOP PRESS** MEMBERSHIP FEES

The current memberships expire at the end of June so members need to have paid their renewals by then. The fee includes your insurance while at the club or on club projects so it is important to be financial.

Adults: \$50, Family \$85, Junior Members (under 17) \$15

Put the correct amount in an envelope (cheques need to be made payable to Gippsland Woodcraft Group) with your name, the amount enclosed and what the payment is for written on the envelope. Hand it to Norm or pay online – banking details above.

#### SHOW & TELL Ralph Chilver



Geoff Howe showed a segmented bowl he made from mostly Silky Oak and Blackwood but also included English Ash - Huon Pine -Red Cedar - and a Pine base - he finished it with EEE ultrashine.

Ian Henderson brought along two 250mm x 400mm toaster trays made from Blackwood and finished with Kunos countertop oil.



Brian Wills turned 2 bowls one from Cypress and the other from Camphor Laurel both were finished with EEE Ultrashine.





Graeme Ingelton turned 2 bowls - one from Purple Gidgee and Rustons friction polish the other from Chestnut and Organ Oil.





John Cruickshank turned a 165mm Red Gum bowl and finished it with Canola Oil.

Norm Hyde turned a 200mm x 70mm bowl from Blackwood and finished it with Hard Burnishing Organ Oil.





Ralph Chilver turned a 240mm x 55mm fruit bowl from Blackwood and finished it with Hard Burnishing Organ Oil. Ralph also turned a 85mm x 18mm fridge magnet bottle opener from 7 assorted timbers and finished it with Shellawax.

*Footnote:* Ralph kindly donated the bowl to the club to be used as a gift for a future guest speaker.



Ashley Linnane turned two 95mm x 45 trinket bowls from Mountain Ash. One was finished with EEE and Shellawax - these were her first and second attempts at bowl turning.



Len Graham showed 3 items a large 500mm platter from Red Box. It was made with Arbortec and chisels, and a turned and carved bowl from King Billy Pine, the third was a gift to him of a turned hollowed and carved bowl from Tiger Myrtle. All items were finished with Danish Oil. Ben Thompson showed 2 items: a 80mm x 80mm sugar bowl from Red Gum and a 95mm x 35mm trinket bowl from blackwood, both items were finished with EEE and Shellawax.





Peter Vranek mounted a clock in a nice piece of Silky Oak and sprayed it with Cabots Gloss spray.

### **STUART BAIRD LIFE MEMBER**

Stuart joined our group in 1990 and has always helped in many ways. He is a regular at some of our demonstrations such as the Sale show. He was always on hand for working bees and club activities and during the construction of our meeting rooms he took a great interest in the activities and was always on hand when help was required.



Stuart has been a committee member for the majority of his time at the club and had valuable input while discussing projects. He has made generous donations to the club following the sale of much of his woodworking equipment. For his continued support it was decided to make him a life member and I had the privilege of presenting him with the certificate at Saturdays meeting.

### **GREAT EFFORT**

A number of projects are made up by members in their own sheds to help speed up tasks and increase the number of projects we can take on. While a number of people assist in this manner it's easy to see that the club work coming out of Ian Henderson's shed far exceeds all the rest.

Last year it was trestles for Mewburn park which he not only completed building but also attended at the club to assist in the staining process,

This year he has made up the golf trophies for HiTek Kitchens and commenced shaping and assembling the three benches we were asked to make for Heyfield Church, made up some special tables for Kylie from Otto and Chase event hire and has just completed an arch to go over one of the trestles we made for Kylie last year.

All this along with his secretarial duties and product design help we are very lucky to have his highly valued assistance within the club.



#### TIMBECON/POP'S SHED TRIP POPULAR

A planned visit to Melbourne-based "everything to get wood working" supplier Timbecon certainly aroused much interest among GWG members. So much so that all 21 bus seats were swept up three weeks prior to the trip on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

On arrival at our Reservoir destination all were amazed at the vast array of machinery, tools and associated woodworking supplies.

Prior to making purchases one of the helpful staff took us on a walkthrough, pointing out where we could find different products, ending in the workshop, where instructional You-tube videos are produced. By departure most left with a few dollars less in their wallets but pleased with the purchases made.

So it was back mixing it with the Melbourne traffic, heading to Chirnside Park to visit our friends at Pop's Shed. Once again our hosts provided a generous spread of sandwiches, cake, and tea and coffee, which was very much appreciated. Most stocked up on pen kits and other bits and pieces, including timber from the bargain bin.

Back on the bus and homeward bound, all were pleased with their purchases, with some of our newer members seeing first-hand the wide selection of woodworking equipment available.

As a group we are fortunate to have Jeff Reid willingly drive us to anywhere we wish to go. *Thank you Jeff.* 

NORM

## SATURDAY MEETING

A full house as usual even with a few regulars away.

Today was the annual Tom Phillipson bowl day in recognition of not only the great work Tom did for the club but also a reminder of his great skill at turning, with wooden bowls being his specialty. A nice selection of items was brought along by members and Ralph certainly had his hands full detailing all that was on show for the S & T report in this edition.

Heather Phillipson took the time to attend our meeting and was kind enough to bring along a selection of Tom's work which included a very large bowl that had been turned green under the guidance of John Woolard who was known for turning extremely large bowls.



The collection had bowls of all forms right down to very small budvases. All the items are actively used and are a very small portion of the hundreds of items turned by Tom that went to family, friends, clients or anyone he thought needed something to brighten their day.



**FREE TIMBER**: Brian Wills has some dry short logs of various timbers suitable for woodturning. Around 200mm diameter. Call Brian on 0438 750290 for details.

#### AUCTION

Stuart Baird has brought along some tools to sell and an auction will be held at 12.30 / 1pm on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Reserve prices will be determined at the March meeting and you are welcome to inspect the items for sale.

If anyone has items to auction they can bring them along and they will be sold after the auction of Stuart's tools. You will need to have a reserve price along with your name on each item.

Dahlsens have donated six bags of 90 x 45 offcuts from their truss and frame factory.

This can be used for making tops and other items. It is currently stored in the new shed.

Club member Mick Lawrence featured in an article in "The Gippsland Times" regarding his involvement in a project called "Pens for Our Troops". Pen makers from various parts of Australia have been making up slimline pens made from Australian timbers which were shipped to some of our troops overseas. They recently sent a shipment of just over two hundred and fifty pens to be handed out for Anzac day.

The intention now is to make up at least five hundred pens to be shipped mid-September so they can be distributed in time for Remembrance Day.

This will be an ongoing project as we currently have around four thousand five



hundred troops in places such as Afghanistan. Ashley and Ben are busily drilling blanks so they can contribute to the effort and help is being sought from as many pen makers or pen part suppliers as can be found to achieve the final goal.

A tag identifying the timber and perhaps where it came from would be good. For more details contact Mik. archeryaba@netspace.net.au

## **OPEN DAY RAFFLE SPONSORS**

Bunnings Traralgon store have given us \$200 in gift cards Harvey Norman Traralgon have donated two electrical appliances. Pop's Shed have contributed two \$50 vouchers Ranfords Butchers Sale have provided a meat voucher. Norm has made up a lovely toy truck, which is always popular. The major prize will be a Mountain Ash Garden Bench Seat

So it's certainly well worth entering. This is our major raffle for the year so please make an effort to sell some tickets.

## **BUNNINGS EASTER FAMILY NIGHT**

Ralph, Graeme Ingleton and myself attended Bunnings Traralgon store on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> for their family night from 6pm to 8pm.

As always there was lots on offer with face painting, sausage sizzle, Easter bonnet making, jumping castle, a games area and of course the Easter Bunny made a visit.



Some decorated tops and wedges sold to generate \$16.50 for the 2 hours, Bunnings gave us a \$100 gift voucher in appreciation of our support of their event.

There were also raffles and competitions to enter and my granddaughter was lucky enough to take out the best Easter bonnet prize. With school holidays on Oscar and Felix, my grandsons, came along and handed out spinning tops to the big kids and thanks to Brian Wills they were also able to hand out cut out rabbit shapes as he sent along 40.



## 4<sup>TH</sup> SATURDAY

Numbers appeared to be down but on checking the sign in book it was found to have twenty-seven names so those in attendance were obviously spread far and wide. The machinery shed was filled with noise as chopping boards were dressed and timber cut to size for various projects. Inside the workshop a few worked on the kitchen cupboard being restored and it approaches the internal painting stage and there is a possibility the exterior staining may be done during the open day to highlight our restoration skills. Doug managed to secure a large block of timber onto a faceplate and began turning a bowl.

As I had my trailer I decided it was time to clear up the old spouting that had been removed earlier this year, on turning the first section over I was confronted by a confused and half asleep blue tongue lizard that had been enjoying the shelter along with the warmth from the sun shining on the guttering.

Ashley took charge of the visitor while I cut up the remaining gutter and removed all bar one short section that has been left in the garden so our guest can relax.



## **CLEANING ROSTER 2019**

2 <sup>nd</sup> SATURDAY	4 <sup>th</sup> SATURDAY
<b>May 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>May 25<sup>th</sup></b>
Lynton Minto, Ross Neilson	Graeme Ingleton, Ralph Chilver
<b>June 8<sup>th</sup></b>	June 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Club open day. Help required	Geoff Howe, Robert Ahearn
July 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>July 27<sup>th</sup></b>
Rob Wetton , Paddy Boyce	Peter Vranek, Dennis Booth
August 10 <sup>th</sup>	August 24 <sup>th</sup>
Robert Ahearn, Alex Prodanovic	Ross Neilson, Lynton Minto
<b>September 14<sup>th</sup></b>	September 28 <sup>th</sup>
Paul Gibbs, Robyn Clark	Ben Mcinnes, Geoff Howe

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

## TIMELY REMINDERS

Show & Tell	Activity
May 11 <sup>th</sup> Stuff up day, bring your broken, chipped, out of proportion or just plain ugly piece along	Warren from Marine timbers will show us how easy it is to use epoxy with your woodwork
<b>June 8<sup>th</sup></b> Annual open day. Lucas mill, timber items for sale, sausage sizzle, old tools.	Help required to run the event
<b>July 13<sup>th</sup></b> Something unique. Item or a tool	Andrew Wilkerson will demonstrate hand cutting dovetails
August 10 <sup>th</sup> Something made from Ash or Jarrah or a combination.	ANNUAL AGM. All positions vacant. Vince Hurley will chair the meeting
<b>September 14<sup>th</sup></b> A lazy Susan or serving tray	Ian Henderson will show us how to cut a circle with a router
October 12 Surprise us !!	VACANCY

#### 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
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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
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