

NEWSLETTER

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Associate member



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Presidents Report February 2024:-

Hello Everyone,

Yes, I'm back from my travels and ready to start. After 6 years as our representative on the Wodonga Showgrounds Committee Colin Storey has retired and has passed the mantle to Jane Manning, thank you Colin for your work on the committee to the benefit of the club. Now welcome to Jane for coming on to take up the position and thank you for doing so Jane.



Now for some really fantastic news. Last year,

at the beginning of December we applied for a large grant through the V.M.S.A. to the Victorian State Government and at the beginning of this Month we were notified that our application was successful. Well done to all involved. With this grant we can move forward with the purchase and installation of a new dust extraction system.

The 16th of March is the Wodonga Show and we are holding a woodwork exhibition Lex has been busy with getting things organized and I am now involved with the finishing off process. To most of us this is something new, so fell free to come along and be involved as it a great community builder.

Now I have a few members to thank for filling in for me while I was away, to all of you thank you for doing so it much appreciated.

Martin Lawley

President

Group Reports to February 2024 Committee Meeting

Workshop Report:-

No report.

Cottage Report:-

The Cottage has been going very well at the moment with all the shifts being covered.

Thank you to all who have given their time to keep the doors open and the results are showing.



Furniture Group:-

Not a great deal to report this month so far. Thank you, Gerard, for opening up while I was away.

Sian has finished her shoe rack and is looking good, it was Sian first attempt at making a piece of furniture, well done.

Gerard has started making a coffee table with a difference. If you want to know more come along on a Monday morning and see.



I have started work on a dining table in Silky Oak the legs and frame are made and now the top, I have now to thickness the boards for the top then laminate them together. More on that later.

Martin Lawley

Group Reports Cont.

Pen Making:-

Hi All,

Pen making has been quiet. The box making workshop went well and some of the boxes have found their way to the cottage to be sold, profits going to the club.

Please bring into the workshop your entries for the show and any items that you would like to sell or display.



Once the show is over, I will put together a resin workshop making some hybrid blanks and jewellery blanks.

If you are interested let me know.

Thanks Paul

Web Site: -

No report.

Scroll Saw:-

Our members have been down a little but at the moment Warren is away in Tasmania walking. It is good to see Andrae coming back. We are working towards entries for the Wodonga Show. We need demonstrators for the Show as well as the Cottage, along with sale items for the show.

Till next month happy scrolling.

Ed.

Group Reports Cont.

Pyrography:-

Everyone has been busy with their works, Kevin and Esther have been working on large birds, Kim is doing fantastic work on her lizard design, Cosette and Stefan have been updating items from years passed that have faded a bit and just need a little TLC, Peter has been carving his wonderful boxes and pyrographing his signature wombats on the inside of the lids.



The Wodonga show will be happening on the 16th March, so no general pyro that day but the workshop will be open to the public, so if anyone wants to sell any of their goods on those days please bring items to the workshop by Friday 15th. Also I know our group have done some fantastic work so if you want to enter anything in the show forms and money must be received at the workshop by 12 noon on Wednesday 13th March, you can also email your entry forms to secretary@awwinc.com.au. Good luck everyone.

Happy Burning: Heather

Timber Milling:-

The sawmill group continues to remain busy. A few repairs to our slabbing mill has it running a lot better and we have started to work our way through some dry Camphor Loural logs we picked up. As we gain more space in the large shed we will be milling up some of the larger logs we have for long term stacking and drying. Next mill day will be 19 March.

Ross.



Group Reports Cont.

Saturday General workshop: -

Fairly low numbers are attending, but those who come in are learning how to operate machines that they have never used before and have a good time.

Lex



Carving: -

No Report

Woodturning Group: -

No Report

Box Making:-

We have had steady attendance on Friday mornings.

Trish has nearly finished two stylish boxes which will make very nice gifts. Malcom has undertaken a challenging job of making a sizable blanket chest with dovetail joinery. It will be nice to see some of our creations at the Wodonga Show, either for sale or to show.

Colin R





Around the Workshop:

- The Committee will increase the motor size of the Dust Extraction unit from 7.5kw to 11kw at an increase in total cost of \$3600. This will bring the total cost of the unit to \$34,000.
- Agreement between show society and Woodcrafters for extra space in the woodshed: 2 full bays and the rest of the back half of the shed leaving access to all doorways.
- Test & Tag of workshop electrical items has not concluded. Thanks to Gerrard for a great gob

Around the Workshop Cont.

Working Bee Tuesday 5th March

G'Day all,

We had a working Bee last Tuesday to clean out the Woodshed after an agreement with our Landlord (Wodonga Show Society) to take over a little over half of the shed.

We had one of the best turnouts that we have had in a long time and the results were great (2, 20ft long skip full). Thanks to Allan & Dave Van Damme, Mark Harris, Trish Dowie, Neil Henderson, Dennis Smith, Ross Graham, Colin Rhodes, Martin Lawley, Gerard Cresser, Bevan Seymour (and his little green mate).

Thanks to Cheryl Seymour & Heather Clutterbuck for a great Morning Tea.

Thanks to all Lex









Thank you Cheryl for providing the photos of the working bee

Around the Workshop Cont.

Hearing Protection around the workshop

If any members are using hearing protection devices (which we encourage) whilst in the Workshop,

DO NOT USE NOISE BLOCKING TYPES

It is **very important** that you are able to hear any changes in the sounds that the machine that you are using changes. A change is sound usually means something is wrong!!!!!!!!!



Many thanks

Lex

SAFETY GLASSES MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES IN THE WORKSHOP

Your safety in the workshop is *not* negotiable.



WORKSHOP CLOSURES

Following a discussion with the Secretaries of the Wodonga Show Society and the Racing Wodonga, we will now remain open with the exception of Race days and any other events that will require the whole area to be closed, we will be advised in advance.

Racing Closure dates:

- Saturday 25th May
- Saturday 29th June
- Sunday 14th July
- Sunday 4th August
- Monday 9th September
- Saturday 19th October
- Friday 29th November

Wodonga Show 2024

G,Day all,

Yesterday's show can only be described as far better than anyone expected given the short notice and the Show Society have not put one on for 5 years.

Andrew Rich the Show Society President has asked that his appreciation and thanks be passed on to our Club for the great efforts that our members put in with the manning of the entrance gate, set up and packing up of the arenas, show pavilions and general public areas.

The gate that we looked after took \$10,600 for the day.

To all of our members who gave their time and efforts in setting up the workshop, show and sales tables, demonstrations throughout the day, manning the gate, exhibition area and cleanup afterwards, getting the whole workshop back to normal for Mondays opening - from the Committee

THANKS!!!!!!!!!!

With our Clubs contribution towards the Show Society (our landlord), it goes a long way in creating good relations into the future, given how little our rent is for what we have.

Congratulations to all who entered items in the show it was a fantastic display of what talent there is within our groups. A special pat on the back to Ross Graham for his success for best-in-show for his lounge room furniture item that he passed off as a work bench.

To all. Thanks





Wodonga Show 2024 Cont.















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Member's Show and Tell

Sian Williams

I've been a member of AWW since last August and would describe myself as an 'enthusiastic novice' when it comes to wood. I've always loved wood and I'm really enjoying learning some new skills at the club, namely wood turning and some basic furniture making skills. I started working with wood through my love of spoons.

A few years ago,I decided to give spoon carving a go - my first spoon took me months, I had 2 carving knives and literally worked it out as I went. I remember having to sand the little blood stains off the timber at the end of some of my first sessions as I familiarised myself with a new, very sharp, swedish knife and carving techniques.



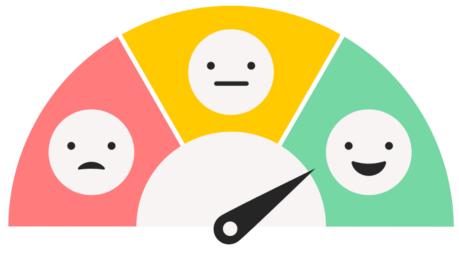
It was a few years later, when I joined the Cooroy Woodworkers Club in Qld that I got re-inspired as the club had some great carvers and spoon makers so I learned a lot during this time, I also invested in some good carving tools. I've continued to make spoons and the ones shown are some of my favourite. From top to bottom: Silky Oak; Mango Wood; Silky Oak; Red Gum

Katie Hardman

This was a pen and pencil set made from camphor laurel with the wood sourced from the club. Both pen and pencil was finished with super glue and then polished.

The pen box, is made from silky oak with red gum for the end pieces. The box was finished with oil.





HELP US IMPROVE!

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER

We're always looking for ways to improve the newsletter and the information we send to you.

We'd appreciate your time to fill out a quick survey to let us know how we're going.

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WEEKLY WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES						
DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	NOTES			
SATURDAY	9am - 12pm	PYROGRAPHY	Every Saturday morning at the Clubrooms.			
SATURDAY	9am – 12pm	GENARAL WORKSHOP	Work on your own projects.			
SATURDAY	1pm - 4pm	GENERAL WORKSHOP	Work on your own projects.			
MONDAY	9am - 12pm	FURNITURE & GENERAL WORKSHOP	Work on your furniture project in our modern and well equipped workshop.			
TUESDAY	9am - 12pm	General WORKSHOP	Work on your own projects.			
1st and 3rd TUESDAY	8:30am - 12pm	TIMBER MILLING	Located at the Club in the Wodonga showgrounds. except on HOT DAYS (35°+).			
VARYING TUES- DAY'S	6pm (Pizza) for 7pm (Meeting)	GENERAL MEETINGS (Dates advised in Newsletters, Email & on club Website)	Come along to a general meeting of your club. Pizza nights Prior to meetings Visitors are welcome to attend. Raffle, Show & Tell.			
WEDNESDAY	2pm - 5pm	CARVING GROUP	Come and learn how to hand carve.			
WEDNESDAY	8am - 12pm	SCROLL SAW WORKSHOP	Come and learn how to Scroll saw.			
WEDNESDAY	1pm - 8pm	GENERAL WORKSHOP	All welcome to come and join in and work on your own projects.			
WEDNESDAY	3pm - 8:15pm	WOODTURNING	Learn the art of Woodturning. Clean up time starts 8.15pm Sharp. Clubroom door is <u>locked</u> at 8.30pm.			
THURSDAY	9am - 12pm	PEN MAKING	Learn how to turn a fine handcrafted Pen.			
FRIDAY	9am - 12pm	BOX MAKING	Come and learn how to make a finely crafted Box.			

ALL TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON GROUP LEADERS AVAILBILITY

Club Shirts, Caps and Logos.

These items used to be obtainable at J&M Clothing who have sold their business to B-Cut located at 176 High St Wodonga on corner of Sesame St.

They now have all the designs that J & M used to have.

Subsequently if any members require an of these items they can be ordered at



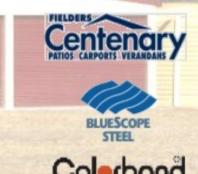
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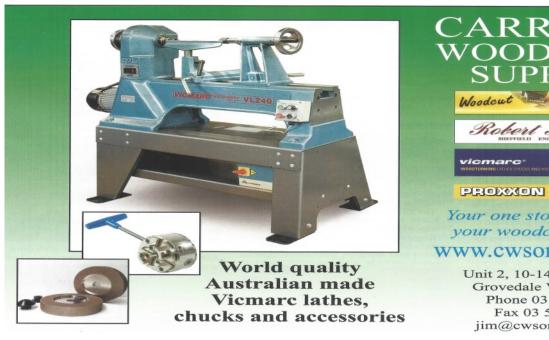
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The workshop can be opened outside of group specific times as long as there are two members on site at all times.

For the possible opening or an extension of time for the clubrooms workshop outside of normal hours. Call: 0408 830 870 (Dan Clancy) or 0409 451 989 (Ivan Leishman) for more Information.