

# The Wonthaggi Woody



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#### **DIARY 2023**

Feb 22nd - Trip to Pop's Shed

Mar 6th - Committee Meeting

Mar 13th - General Meeting

Mar 31st - \$70 Annual Fees due

Apr 1st - Bunnings BBQ

Apr 3rd - Committee Meeting

Apr 10th - General Meeting

May 27th - Bunnings BBQ

May 1st - Committee Meeting

May 8th - General Meeting

June 5th - Committee Meeting

June 12th - General Meeting

## WOODIES WORKSHOP SESSIONS

#### WOODTURNING: Regular Sessions

	Monday 9 am to 12 noon	-	Hartley Tobin:	5997 6328
			Neil Lenne:	5678 5736
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,	Monday 1pm to 4pm		John DiStefano:	0481 480 812
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	Wednesday 1pm to 4pm	-	Lionel Wood:	0409 695 950
	Friday 9 am to 12 noon	-	Hartley Tobin:	5997 6328
			Neil Lenne:	5678 5736
			Neil Bateman:	5672 3229
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## SEGMENTED TURNING: Regular Sessions

Friday 9am to 12 noon - Neil Lenne: 5678 5736

#### WOODTURNING: On-demand Sessions

Friday 1pm to 4pm Hartley Tobin: 5997 6328

## TOY GROUP: Regular Sessions

Tuesday 9am to 4pm - Peter Myers 0413 122 103

#### PYROGRAPHY: Regular Sessions

Friday 1pm to 4 pm - Michael Bladen: 0428 270 850

#### SCROLL SAWING: Regular Sessions

Wednesday 9 m to 12 noon - Lionel Wood: 0490 695 950

#### BANDSAW BOX MAKING: On-demand Sessions

Monday 1pm to 4 pm - Marion Kerry: 0409 010 843

## JOINERY: Regular Sessions

Thursday 9am to 12 noon - Syd Gordon 0434 614 573

#### JOINERY: On-demand Sessions

 Thursday 1pm to 4pm
 - Syd Gordon
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 Wednesday 1pm to 4pm
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#### **CARVING:** Regular Sessions

Friday 9am to 12 noon - Harry Smith: 5674 8078 Lionel Wood: 0490 695 950

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi all and welcome to the February newsletter.

It's with great sadness that I let you know we lost a good club member in Tony Stephens who passed away in January. He was on the committee for quite a few years and was also the social organiser. There were 14 club members at his funeral. He has been unwell for a long time, rest in peace Tony.

The club would like to wish Ray

Oram all the best as he is currently unwell. The car park at the BCAL Centre has been resurfaced and the potholes fixed creating more car parking space. This has been done to make room for South Coast FM radio station. The building is supposed to arrive soon.

It is good to see so many members back at the club doing what they love best. A reminder that subs are due in March 31st. If you have not paid your subs by the end of April, you will become unfinancial and no longer be able to use the Club equipment, access sessions or receive newsletters. I was a little bit disappointed at the low numbers that attended last Monday's General Meeting. There were only 16 of us there and we usually have a lot more. I'd like to remind everybody that the next meeting is in March, and that we do have a barbecue prior to these meetings. It would be great to see more members there helping to make decisions about the club. The members who worked at the Bunnings BBQ on Australia Day did a great job. It was a great success, thank you all very much.

Cont. I'm afraid I'm going to get back on my soap box again, members are still pulling on the cord to unplug the vacuum cleaner, it needs to be disconnected from the plug. Also it is being dragged around by the lead, both actions causing damage. The vacuum is not designed to suck up large items, you need to pick the item up and put it in the bin, that way the vacuum doesn't clog up and not work properly. These actions take time and sometimes money to fix and are totally unnecessary. The committee has created a subcommittee to look at insurance for the club. As with everything else it is constantly going up, so we need to try and get on top of it.

In closing, I'd like to thank all members for turning up at workshop sessions and making the club so successful. **Cheers, Neil.** 

## JOKE OF THE MONTH

I woke up this morning determined to drink less, eat right and exercise...
But that was 4 hours ago...when I was younger and full of hope.

## SAVINGS ON EXPENDABLES

The club has expendable items purchased in bulk (sandpaper, super glue, Shellawax, EEE, etc.) for sale at Club cost price. We also have earmuffs, safety glasses and Covidsafe masks if you've forgotten to bring one. If you are interested in purchasing any of these items, see your session supervisor for prices and availability. If you have any thoughts about other items the Club could purchase in bulk for resale, speak to a Supervisor or to purchasing officer - Anne Ormshaw.

## WHAT TOOL IS THIS?



#### LAST MONTH ...

HAMMER/TACK PULLER - The hammer is approx. 10" long. However sometimes it is referred to as a clap hammer and can also be used as a hammer to put horseshoes on horses.

## CURRENT NEWS

**Bunnings Sausage Sizzles** - The next Bunnings event is on *Saturday 1st April* and the roster is now on the noticeboard. We also have another Bunnings BBQ event on Sat May 27th - put these in your diary. The April roster is on the board now.

Joinery Sessions - Due to demand, there are now 3 optional weekly joinery sessions with Syd Gordon. Thursday morning from 9am to 12 noon is a regular session. However Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 1pm to 4pm are optional sessions by arrangement with Syd.

**Grants** - We will be applying for two Grants in March and April. One will be for a new jointer and the other for a First Aid Course. Details on these later.

Meetings 2023 - The number of members at our first General Meeting for 2023 was a bit disappointing. We generally get at least 20 to a meeting, but this week only 14 members attended. We hope this will improve at the March meeting.

Visit to Pop's Shed & Berwick District Woodcrafters -

So far there are 18 members put their names down for the Wednesday 22nd February visit to Pop's Shed for a demonstration, lunch and some retail therapy if so inclined. On the return trip we will be stopping in at Berwick District Woodcrafters for a chat and a look around. Participants should meet at the Woodies ready to leave at 9am. Here's a rough plan of the day 9.00am - Leave Woodies workshops

10.45am - Arrive Pop's Shed for demonstration, lunch and shopping

1.45pm - Leave Pop's Shed

2.30pm - Arrive Berwick Woodcrafters

3.45pm - Leave Berwick Woodcrafters

5.00pm - Arrive back at the Club

If you haven't yet put your name down, please do by Friday 17th. It will be car pooling with a maximum of 3 passengers to a vehicle. When you put your name down, nominate whether you wish to be either a passenger or driver.

The only cost will be a recommended contribution to fuel and Eastlink toll road charges of \$15 per person. Lunch is complimentary thanks to Pop's Shed.

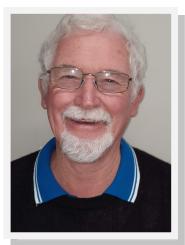
Further details will be provided later.

Websites: https://popsshed.com.au/

https://bdwwc.club/

Guest Speakers - We have John Lyons for March, as detailed in the last Newsletter and have invited a rep from Bunnings to join us when their new store opens mid-year. However, Lex is still interested in any offers or ideas for future speakers. We are aiming to at least have a speaker every second General Meeting this year, but we need your help here.

## MEMBER PROFILE



# John Harmer

Between 1942 - 1949 I lived in Guildford, outer Sydney. There I enjoyed playing with my dog and ducks in the backyard and in the colder months collected firewood from the army camp which ran along the back fence ..... and Mum's pancakes were yummy.

I remember the train trip from Sydney to Melbourne and changing trains at Albury in

the middle of the night. Who knows why we were moving to Melbourne ..... I didn't. But Brunswick was my home for the next 20 years and Temple Park across the road was the neighbourhood cricket and football field. This was until the council banned ballgames from the park. That was not a problem for us, 'cos we had worked out numerous escape routes when the council officers arrived. In this park I developed a love for cricket and Aussie Rules .... a love that still exists today.

The backyard at home had 6 large Peppercorn trees along the back fence of grand-dad's wood yard. My brother Robert and I spent many hours playing "tiggy" through the branches. In fact we had "peashooter" wars with our mouths full of pepper corn seeds. The game stopped when our mouths had no saliva and were so wrinkled we couldn't blow the seeds.

Our Primary School was 2 miles down the road and we would go there by "Gergo`s" bus for a penny, coming home of course we would walk 'cos there were lots of things to do ..... the corner store, the Tarax drink factory and the canvas maker who barracked for Essendon too. He promised me he would give me John Coleman`s footy jumper .....it never eventuated though.

Off to Moonee Ponds Central School where the sports fields were in the centre of the Race Course .... boy, they were rough and brought up huge gravel rashes if you fell over. With the help of Mr Dooley, we became State Central Schools' cricket champions.

I really enjoyed my school years, particularly at University High School with George Murray mentoring me throughout, to year 12 Matriculation, and of course coaching me in cricket and football. Pushing the stone cricket roller became my speciality under his tuition. Upon George's advice I applied for an Education Department studentship, which I was granted. I became a Physical Education teacher after completing my Diploma at Melbourne University. From Brunswick to Parkville was a 15p tram trip, made even better on a Thursday when I would wear my school army cadet uniform with a 303 rifle slung over my shoulder.

It is about 1958 - 60 and I was playing District cricket with North Melb and footy in the amateurs with Uni High Oldboys football team. I stopped playing footy in my early 20's preferring to play cricket. In footy, I captained the State Amateur Team and travelled to Tasmania and South Aust. In Tassie I was the BOG (Best On Ground) player but recall nothing of the game after being "bumped" by one of the

local players.

As a P.E. teacher I was appointed to Strathmore, Hadfield and Oak Park high schools and then seconded to the Department on Administration of PE. Not keen on admin. tasks I went to Perth Uni to complete a degree in P.E. While in Perth I coached Nedlands Cricket Club and I was Fitness Advisor for Subiaco Football Team, with whom we pulled off a Premiership.

Back to Victoria where I took up a lectureship at Burwood State College which over the course of the next 20 years changed to Deakin University. As lecturer in P.E., the study of Biomechanics was my driving passion. Cricket Biomechanics was my speciality and as a result I spent many years consulting within Australia and overseas. Biomechanics opened up a variety of interests which included Swimming, Football, Croquet and even Bovine artificial insemination.

In 1983 with my wife and 3 boys under 10, we caravanned around Australia for 7 months enjoying every minute and all the places we visited.

While lecturing I had little spare time as I fulfilled the role of a Fitness Advisor for Collingwood F.C. (Football Club), St Kilda F.C., Footscray F.C. and Hawthorn F.C. in the winter seasons. In the summer seasons I was Captain and Coach for a number of District and Sub-District Clubs eventually retiring as a cricketer when I was 49. The clubs I played for and coached include North Melb, Fitzroy, Hawthorn East Melb., Doncaster and Kew Cricket Clubs.

Upon retiring from lecturing in 1995, with my (second) wife Margaret, we ran a coffee shop in Orbost .... a tough gig. This lasted 3 years before we sold up and returned to Melbourne with cricket commitments and distance from Melbourne being the main motivation.

At this stage I was coaching Victoria U17 and U19 teams and the Australian Women's Cricket team. I coached the Aust. Women's Cricket Team for 9 years, winning the World Cup in India in 1997. This role required many overseas trips and consequently time away from home became an issue. After retiring from the Australian role I was appointed coach of the England Women's team. A great job and it lasted 3 years, after which time I was appointed to the Australian Cricket Centre of Excellence in Brisbane.

After completing my term with Cricket Aust., Marg and I headed to Darwin where I was Head Coach at the Northern Institute of Sport. We left Darwin after 3 years, and returned to Victoria, before the climate got the better of us. Overall we had a very enjoyable time up there.

Returning to Victoria Marg and I hunted for a place to live finally settling on Bruthen, where we stayed for 8 years (no, not 3). But we got the urge to be closer to grandchildren and Melbourne, so we moved to Tarwin Lower where we built a new home. We have fallen in love with the area which we continually investigate with our e-bikes and camper.

Woodworking, crafting, carving has been a long time passion, along with the beauty of birds and nature in general. But sadly, previously they did not get very much of my time. Things are changing however and with luck Marg and I will be able to rectify this.

## **VALE TONY STEPHENS**

Born: 13-10-1937 Passed away: 18-01-2023



Born in Terang Bush Nursing Hospital, Tony lived 3 kilometres outside Noorat and I was one of seven children. The family moved to Leongatha in 1950 to take up share farming at Boorool. In 1957 Tony took a job delivering goods from the railway station to businesses in Leongatha . On getting his semi -trailer licence, he started doing semi work between Melbourne and Leongatha and that led to carting potatoes from Tarwin to Mackay in Queensland weekly. After marrying Judy, they were offered the opportunity to take on a business of delivering 7X soft drinks door to door in Wonthaggi, Cowes, Inverloch and Yanakie. Tony then took on coach driving for Pincini's at Mirboo North. It started with school runs, then school trips, followed by safari trips across Australia. The job involved acting as driver, cook, mechanic and guide. He then began doing express runs. This needed two drivers, one driving for 4 hours, whist the other slept, then swapping. This was for 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For 3 months his run started in Melbourne, then to Geelong (1/2 hour drop off, pick up), then to Brisbane (I hour stop), back to Sydney (1 hour), then Perth, Adelaide and back to Melbourne to start all over again. Tony joined Westernport Roadlines, working V-Line routes. In fact he drove the first V-Line coach from Melbourne to Yarram, when the train service was discontinued. After a time doing V-Line services, he gave it away and bought a butcher shop in Mirboo North, running it for 3 years, before joining Bridge Dairy, working for his brother driving semis in Melbourne. After falling 4 1/2 metres from the top of a load to concrete in 2000, he retired. It took almost 4 years to recover.

A life well lived with his wonderful wife Judy. They have 4 children, five granddaughters, 3 grandsons and 8 great granddaughters who will all miss Tony badly.

We at the Woodies are thankful that Tony was a dedicated member of our Club. He was instrumental in establishing the annual trip away to Barham/Koondrook, organised many social events including the annual Christmas function and was a member of the Woodies Committee for many years. He loved his woodwork and enjoyed making pens, kids toys, kids furniture and rocking horses especially.

Our deepest condolences to Judy and family.

Tony Stephens - Rest in Peace.

## **ANNUAL FEES MARCH 31st 2023**

The Wonthaggi Woodies annual subscription is due on March 31st. The fee (as was approved at the 2022 AGM) is \$70.

For <u>new members</u> from April it will be \$70 plus a badge fee of \$10.

Please help us by paying promptly

The session fee will remain the same at \$5.

#### **WELCOME NEW WOODIES MEMBERS**

Jan Fattohi
Bob Scholten

## **WORKSHOP SAFETY**

**Margaret Place** 

PLEASE USE POWER CABLES CORRECTLY for your safety as well as reducing repairs and maintenance time. Pull from a a socket ONLY by the plug and not by the cord. Don't drag a vac along by the power cord. If it looks like (or you suspect) that the lead is damaged in any way, let a Supervisor know immediately.

**VACUUM CLEANERS** - If the machine is not sucking, check out why??? Don't just put it back and get another one!! Most likely it will be a blockage in the hose that can be cleared easily. Vacs are for dust - try not to vacuum up larger bits of wood, paper or anything that may block the tube or hose.



## **WOODIES QUIZ**

#### 1. Which is the heaviest (densest) of these Aussie timbers?

- a. Jarrah
- b. Blackwood
- c. Tasmanian Oak
- d. Spotted Gum

#### 2. In any kind of wood, the greatest shrinkage occurs -

- a. Along the length (longitudinally)
- b. Across the annual rings (radially)
- c. In the direction of the annual rings (tangentially)

#### 3. Of these, which is the least suitable wood for staining?

- a. Maple
- b. Oak
- c. Radiata Pine
- d. Ash

#### 4. What is a Flitch?

- a. A board in which the round of the tree trunk is still visible.
- b. The gap left when material is removed by a saw.
- c. A spoon-shaped carving gouge.
- d. The opening (throat) of a hand plane.
- 5. In woodcrafting, what does TPI stand for?
- 6. What is the name of the area where two trunks of a tree join together, or the area where a branch joins the trunk of a tree?

# 7. Which of these is not a correct pairing of a wood and its colour description?

- a. Karri Heartwood is golden to reddish brown, sometimes with an orange or purple cast.
- b. Beefwood Medium to dark reddish brown with lighter reddish grey rays.
- c. Silver Birch Heartwood tends to be a light reddish brown, with nearly white sapwood.
- d. Yellow Box Heartwood is dark reddish brown. Well-defined sapwood is a pale yellow.
- e. Blue Gum Heartwood is a light yellowish brown. Narrow sapwood is a pale grey/white.

# 8. Which of these is not an abrasive grit imbedded on sandpaper?

- a. Silicon carbide
- b. Garnet
- c. Zinc Oxide
- d. Ceramic
- e. Aluminium Oxide

#### 9. What is back-sawn timber?

- a. Timber sawn so that the growth rings are inclined at less than 45° to the wide face.
- b. Timber sawn such that opposing faces are cut in opposite directions.
- c. Timber cut from heartwood such that the growth

- rings are parallel to the face of the board.
- d. Timber ripped with the back edge of a saw.
- 10. How many loops will the average bandsaw blade make when you coil it up for storage?

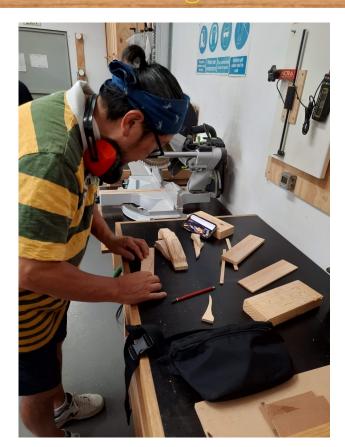
The answers to this quiz will be in the next edition of the Newsletter.

## WOODIES @ WORK



**Above:** Anne working on the table saw creating some small pieces for a segmented turning project. **Below:** Nicky proudly displaying the spoon she has almost finished carving







**Above:** Jimmy hard at work creating a new style of racing car, using an internet picture on his phone for inspiration.

**Below:** A table being built by new member Jan, is his first Woodies joinery project. The other half is standing behind.



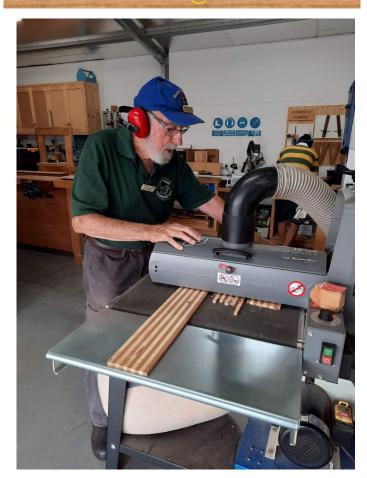
## WOODIES @ WORK



**Above**: Lex shaping a piece of Camphor Laurel in preparation for turning.

**Below:** Tina recently tried carving a kuksa cup. It is a design from Scandinavia featuring a long handle and finger hole. Part cup, part spoon, it is amazingly comfortable to hold. And when hand-carved, it can be specially designed to fit the user's hand perfectly.





**Above:** Hartley sanding down some laminated strips of timber for use in a segmented turning project.

**Below:** Kaye gluing together rings for a segmented bowl project.



## SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wHS3KOJ8Kos Segmented turning made easy + design tricks

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-QyBwLuhRzE The Radial Radial Feature Ring Wood Turning

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2M3D5wst\_pM
Best Segment Cutting Sled Ever Wood Turning

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xgQvwTYMlMk Wood Turning Super Duper Twisted Staves

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2fxDMh\_kCaQ Wood Turning Turn A Picture Into A Bowl

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8VuNwmfWtAw Wood Turning Segmented Dovetail Joint Bowl With Lid

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R26YP2kJBIw Woodturning - Segmented Vase with a Hidden Box

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sodQISh5DDs Wood Turning Lets Twist Again Vortex

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UYez6F9RTm8 Wood Turning A Star Illusion

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G4g576b0HqM A new 3D illusion wood turning

## STAY COVID SAFE

<u>Covid has not gone away</u>, so we still need to be super diligent. Importantly, there are new variants of Covid around, and we can't be sure how vaccinations will relate to these, so be extra careful and don't risk your safety.

Over the Summer, out amongst people and in crowded areas, it's even more important to protect yourself. Don't feel embarrassed to wear a mask, even if those around you aren't. Regularly wash and sanitise hands, cough or sneeze into a tissue/handkerchief or the crook of your arm. If you are feeling unwell, take a RAT test or arrange a PCR test and isolate if you come up positive. Although not mandated now, it's best for you and others if you stay at home and isolate for at least 5 days. Then complete at least two negative RATs before moving amongst people again.

If you do contract Covid, antiviral medications to treat COVID-19 are proven to save lives and reduce the risk of needing hospitalisation when taken early. People aged 70 and over are now eligible for antiviral medications.

GPs can prescribe antivirals and help eligible people plan to access them if they test positive for COVID-19. This can help you if you begin taking the medication within 5 days of becoming sick, when it will be most effective.

Nicky and I wanted to be able to work on our carving and furniture making projects at home so we asked Sydney about making a portable workbench we'd be able to use on our kitchen or coffee tables in the evening and/or while watching TV. Syd was keen to help us and kindly drafted plans for us to work to, and after researching options online I decided I wanted a Moxon vise for mine. We used thick pine beams from the woodies stack, glued/laminated together to form the thick solid work base, drilled 19mm dog holes on the top and sides, using the same pine to make short legs bolted to the bottom so we could clamp the whole thing to a table. I also used old recycled merbau planking from my old deck for the ends and vise boards. As it was only my second project in Furniture Making I learned and was trained to use the table saw, drop saw, thicknesser and the handheld router, the latter to make the dados for joining the end pieces to the body of the bench. I found aligning, drilling and chiselling the holes for attaching the Moxon vise to the end of the bench particularly challenging, but rewarding, using my favourite tool, a bench plane to even and straighten the clamping board on my vise. I've recently also purchased a hold down clamp and dogs to use with my bench. It is finished with tung oil, and I plan to use it to hold my work while carving spoons, cups etc, small furniture making projects (like a tool and letter box), and many DIY storage projects at home. - Tina Kalivas





## WOODIES @ WORK

**Bottom Left:** Betty working hard at finishing a carving creation at the Friday carving session.

**Below:** Grant completing another of many open segmented turning setup jigs he designed and developed and made for other members. **See how you can make your own with Grant's support on page 9.** 



#### **BIRTHDAYS FOR FEBRUARY 2023**



A very *happy birthday* to the following Members –

Peter Fussell, Mike Tesch, Jannice Aucote, Frank Van Pelt, Dominic Iervasi, Patrick Mitchell.

There are still a few birthdays not

on our records. If we've missed you, please let Alan Hurst know or email woodiesnews@gmail.com

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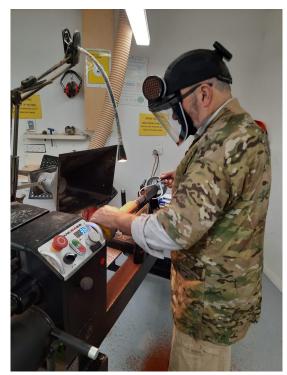
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**Above:** This creation by John Harmer involves scroll sawing and pyrography. After burning the designs, they are carefully scroll-sawn and because of the fine cuts can be pushed up to sit proud of the base timber creating a 3D effect.

**Below:** Colin turning at the Friday morning woodturning session.

**Bottom:** Not everyone was hard at work - Neil and Gordon were happy solving the problems of the world between stints in the workshop.







**Above:** Syd creating a set of coasters on the bandsaw at a Friday workshop session.

**Below:** Syd admiring the new 'toy'. That is, our new Test & Tag machine which we received recently through a successful Men's Shed Development Grant. Syd has also now done the training, so regular testing and tagging our electrical equipment will be much easier to keep up to date, and thus also aiding the safety of our members.



I got some African Mahogany (Khaya senegalensis) from a friend recently. It was from plantations grown in Queensland and had been used to slice veneers at a veneer mill in Tasmania. My friend had the timber that the slicing machine had gripped. I decided to make the pieces into a table for my daughter.

I have never used African Mahogany and spent some time 'Googling' finishing techniques. Mr (or Mrs) Google advised using Tung oil to seal the timber and to bring out its colours.

After thicknessing and smoothing, the table top ended up very pale, as you can see from the first photo. Shock horror, what happened to the colours!!

After a soaking of Tung oil and a night to absorb the oil and to dry, the Mahogany colours are coming back with a vengeance – see the second photo. I will Tung oil both top and bottom surfaces of the table top. With a couple of extra applications of Tung oil and some elbow grease the table top should look pretty good and be very well sealed. - Lex Van Saane

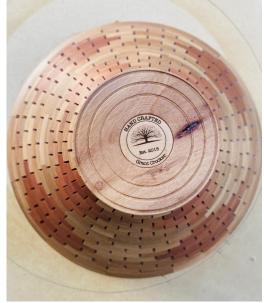




## WOODIES @ WORK

On page 7 there was a picture of Grant Crocker and the open segmented turning jigs he has made. Now he is offering to help you make your own and make it easy for all. Phone Grant or come to the Club on Friday mornings when the Segmented Turning workshop session is on and see how it's done.





A man and a woman were traveling in a train.

Woman: Every time you smile, I feel like inviting you to my place.

Man: Awwww ......! Are you single?

Woman: No, I am a Dentist....

#### GENERAL MEETING SHOW & TELL



**Above:** Originally a rugged piece of old Blackwood, Neil Lenne was asked if he could make it into a platter and this is the brilliant result. It is coated with epoxy resin and is going to America as a wedding present.

**Below:** This natural edge bowl was turned from a green Camphor Laurel multi-branch, keeping as many natural features as possible, by Alan Hurst.



## GENERAL MEETING SHOW & TELL



**Above:** This is spring loaded \$2 coin holder made by Brian Johnson. Easy enough to put in a pocket, it takes eight \$2 coins.

**Below:** By John DiStefano, this huge vase is over 60cm high and is made totally of Spotted Gum. It's amazing the different colours that came from the same tree. There are 30 rings and 720 individual segments in this creation.





"In the 27 years of my woodworking business, I have never thrown away a knot. Many people see knots as a defect, but to me knots are the visual representation of a tree's struggle to thrive. Not all little limbs become big branches, but their combined efforts on behalf of the tree as a whole should be celebrated. Just like human scars they tell a story of sacrifice and healing. Each of these "scars" has a unique personality and deserve the chance to be appreciated as art."

- Keith Williams from Oddball Gallery

Apparently exercise helps you with decision making. It's true. I went for a run this morning and decided I'm never going again.

There's a fine line between a numerator and a denominator.

Only a fraction of people will find this funny.



If you have ever seen cracked Earth in the desert due to the hot temperatures and drought, this guy's arm looks just like that. When working with fine particles of wood, they can settle on your arm in the most peculiar way. It almost looks as if the arm is a desert slowly transitioning into a hand. We'd want to scratch this off immediately .

ARE YOU SWEATING
WHILST PUTTING
PETROL IN YOUR CAR
FEELING SICK WHEN
PAYING FOR IT, YOU
YOU HAVE GOT THE
CAROWNERVIRUS

## **CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEWSLETTER SEGMENTS?**

If you have any funny stories, articles, *Tips, Tricks & Jigs*, favourite gadgets, items to sell or buy, interesting websites, pictures of things you've created or work in progress, send them to - **woodiesnews@gmail.com**Articles must be received no later than the 16<sup>th</sup> of the month please, to be included in the next Newsletter.

#### **WOODIES CLASSIFIEDS**

There are two categories; 'For Sale' if you have any tools or equipment you want to liquidate, and "Wanted" for those of you who are looking for preloved tools or equipment that other members may be willing to part with. There is no cost.

All you need to do to get an advert in, is write a short description (including contact details) of the item that you are selling, or wish to buy and send it to **woodiesnews@gmail.com** along with any photographs where appropriate.

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