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DIARY 2021

July 4th - Committee Meeting

July 11th - General Meeting

July 16th - Pens for the Troops

July 24th - Bunnings BBQ

Aug 1st - Committee Meeting

Aug 8th - AGM and General Meeting

Sept 2nd - Adult Learners Week Activities

Sept 5th - Committee Meeting

Sept 12th - General Meeting

Oct 3rd - Committee Meeting

Oct 10th - General Meeting

WOODIES WORKSHOP SESSIONS

WOODTURNING: Regular Sessions

Monday 9 am to 12 noon	-	Hartley Tobin:	5997 6328
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, Monday 1pm to 4pm	-	John DiStefano:	0481 480 812
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Monday 5 pm to 8 pm	-	Michael Bladen:	0428 270 850
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Wednesday 1pm to 4pm	-	Lionel Wood:	0409 695 950
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Friday 9 am to 12 noon	-	Hartley Tobin:	5997 6328
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SEGMENTED TURNING: Regular Sessions

Friday 9am to 12 noon	-	Neil Lenne:	5678 5736
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WOODTURNING: On-demand Sessions

Friday 1 pm to 4 pm	-	Hartley Tobin:	5997 6328
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TOY GROUP: Regular Sessions

Tuesday 9 am to 4 pm	-	Peter Myers:	0413 122 103
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PYROGRAPHY: Regular Sessions

Friday 1 pm to 4 pm	-	Michael Bladen:	0428 270 850
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SCROLL SAWING: Regular Sessions

Wednesday 9 am to 12 noon	-	Lionel Wood:	0409 695 950
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BANDSAW BOX MAKING: On-demand Sessions

Monday 1 pm to 4 pm	-	Marion Kerry:	0409 010 843
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JOINERY & SMALL FURNITURE MAKING: Regular Sessions

Thursday 9am to 12 noon	-	Syd Gordon:	0434 614 573
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CARVING: Regular Sessions

Friday 9am to 12 noon	-	Harry Smith:	5674 8078
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		Lionel Wood:	0409 695 950
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As a courtesy to workshop supervisors and other participants please advise in advance if you are unable to attend your regular session.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi all and welcome to the June newsletter.

I hope everyone is staying nice and warm and dry at this time of year. As a club we would like to wish some of our members and their families that are not well at this time, a speedy recovery.

I would like to remind everyone that we are having a Bunnings bbq on the 24th July and we are looking for a co-ordinator and volunteers for the day. There is a sheet on the noticeboard, so please put your name on it if you can assist.

I would like to remind everyone that the AGM is coming up soon and we are looking for a Secretary and Committee members as well, so please consider nominating as it is your club and you will have a say in how it is run into the future.

I would like to remind everybody that when you have finished using machinery to please clean the machinery and the area around the machinery so that there is no mess left for someone else to clean up. Also return any of the items that you have used to where they belong, then everyone knows where to look. Continued P2

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I know I sound like a broken record, but if everybody did the right thing, I wouldn't have to keep repeating this request.

There are a few items left for sale from Tony Stephens equipment at Neil Bateman's place . I would like to thank Neil for all the hard work he has put into selling Tony's equipment, he's done a great job.

I would like to remind everybody that if you are not feeling well, please do not come to the club, so that you don't spread whatever you've got to others. That way we can keep it a safe place for everybody. I better sign off now as the boss has called me for tea, so stay safe and warm.

Cheers, Neil

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 Covid-safe 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.*

WHAT TOOL IS THIS?

Last month's mystery tool was a -
Record No 020 Compass Plane

THIS MONTH'S MYSTERY TOOL

This woodworking tool was provided by Lex VanSaane. He knows what it is, as it has been passed down within his family. But do you know?? Let Lex know if you can guess what it is used for.



CURRENT NEWS

Bunnings Sausage Sizzles - A roster sheet is on the noticeboard for the July 24th Bunnings BBQ. We still need a Supervisor/Manager for this event. Neil Lenne did the last one which cleared about \$550, even in inclement weather. Please help our Club by putting your name down to help out and contact Neil or Lex if you are prepared to manage this event.

Training/Accreditation on major machinery use is being arranged by Syd. There is a signup sheet on the notice board. The sheet is for you to indicate your preference for training on machines that you need to use. Contact Syd to arrange a mutually convenient time. Thursday mornings are generally best.

Installation of Solar Power - We are currently in the process of investigating the installation of a solar panel system for the Woodies. As electricity costs are rising rapidly at the moment., this has become a more important priority. Quotes have been received and discussions taken place with the South Gippsland Energy Co-operative and the Gippsland Community Power Hub to determine the best and most cost effective way to go forward with this. We will keep members updated on progress.

Tony Stephen's machines and tools - There are still some of Tony Stephen's tools and equipment available from Neil Bateman. At this time offers will be considered for the remaining items.

Request for speakers at General Meetings - In the past we have attempted to have a guest speaker at most of our general meetings. This fell by the wayside over the past two years during Covid. We want to begin this popular aspect of meetings on a consistent basis again. If you have any ideas, a contact who would speak or feel you could do so yourself, please contact Lex VanSaane.

Pens For The Troops - Members may remember that pre-Covid (2019), the Woodies became involved in the Pens For The Troops Program. Wood turned pens were made by Clubs and sent overseas to our serving military personnel, to say thanks and that we are thinking of them. At a working bee, we made about 130 pens and we got some amazing responses from members of our armed forces in various parts of the world. Inverloch RSL made a donation to make some more, which has had to be on hold. However we are now in a position to go ahead. A working bee will be held from 9am to noon on Saturday 16th July. We would like support from members who are proficient with pen making. We aim to make about 80 pens. Speak to Alan Hurst if you can help. Sorry, but this cannot be a teaching session.

MEMBER PROFILE

Michael Saunders



I was born in Brighton, England in 1949. Life was pretty hard in those days which was not too long after the war

I am the fourth child from a family of seven.

After finishing school, I got an apprenticeship in upholstery and continued in this field until I retired.

In 1980 with my wife and family I immigrated to Australia. As soon as I arrived here I started work. I worked for many years for J. Moran, working my way up to upholstery manager until he died and the company was sold. I finished my working life at Jardan Australia.

Since retiring in 2017, my wife and I have travelled around Australia twice. The first time going up the east coast then across to Darwin. The next journey going up to Darwin then back down the west coast.

We moved to the Bass Coast from Avonsleigh in 2010 for a sea change and to retire here, with the added benefit that my daughter and grandchildren live at San Remo.

One off the most influential persons in my life has been Sir Winston Churchill. I heard one of his speeches in which he said "Never, never, never give up". So whenever I am feeling about to give in, I think of what he said and I keep going.

Since retiring I've taken up bowling, something I never thought I would be doing. I also began woodturning at Wonthaggi Woodies, which at times I find challenging, but have great people on hand to help me.

I hope that one day in the near future I will be able to pick up any piece of wood and say to myself I can make something out of that.



WOODIES AT WORK

These are 'WIP' pics of my latest 'concoction' (I can't call it a creation until it is successfully completed!!).

It's been quite complicated cutting some of the segments (especially the ones with the little triangles). I had to cut the segments using two angles on the one cut, 18 Degrees vertically and 15 degrees horizontally. After a couple of 'dummy runs' I got into the (correct) groove and they have turned out OK.

Now onto gluing all segments into rings and then constructing and turning the bowl (stay tuned).

The last pic is my "shed" - as you can see - exposed on 3 sides, so I am at the mercy of the elements. The last few weeks of arctic and soggy conditions have (mostly) kept me inside by the fire. *Anne Ormshaw*



Anne's shed



How well do you get on with your neighbours? Here's a woodworking idea to help while away those weekends or after work on a balmy summer's evening. If you don't like the discussion, just put up your side and head for the TV.

*** BREAKING NEWS ***

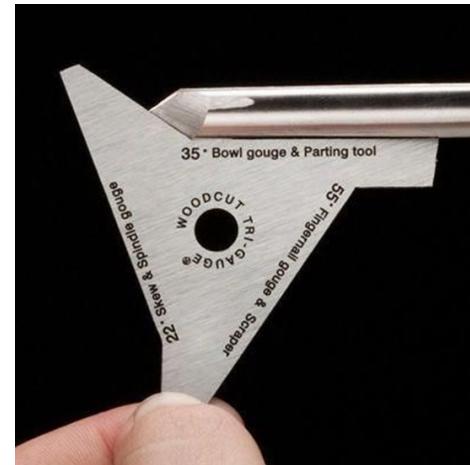
A new **SAUCEBOT** at Bunnings BBQs

Everyone knows it's not a proper trip to Bunnings until you've stopped by one of their famous sausage sizzles. A TikTok clip of the **Bunnings Saucebot** – a machine that dispenses sauce onto the sausage – has clocked up more than 617.5k views, along with hundreds of stunned comments.

The machine, introduced last year at Bunnings Hawthorn store in Melbourne, allows sauce to be evenly dispensed along the sausage in bread in a zig-zag pattern via a pulley system that holds the bread and sandwich. See for yourself with pics, video and more info at - <https://www.news.com.au/lifestyle/food/eat/bunnings-snags-new-upgrade-with-saucebot-goes-viral-on-tiktok/news-story/324e66c61af2ada6cb6b4f358c733f69>



TIPS AND TRICKS



Above: Something that all woodturners should have. It is a tool that ensures you have the appropriate angles for your chisels. This one is made by Woodcut, but it is easy enough to make your own from a piece of aluminium.

MAKE YOURSELF AWARE OF THE RISK OF SCAMS **ACCC - Scamwatch**

<https://www.scamwatch.gov.au>

Australians lost over \$205 million to scams between 1 January and 1 May this year, a 166 per cent increase compared to the same period in 2021, according to new data from Scamwatch.

The true losses to scams are likely to be much higher, as research shows that only around 13 per cent of people report their losses to Scamwatch.

The majority of losses over this period have been to investment scams with \$158 million lost, an increase of 314 per cent compared to the same period last year.

While the reported losses have increased, the number of reports has reduced slightly, indicating that on average people reported higher individual losses.

"We are seeing more money lost to investment scams and so are urging all Australians not to trust investment opportunities that seem too good to be true," ACCC Deputy Chair Delia Rickard said.

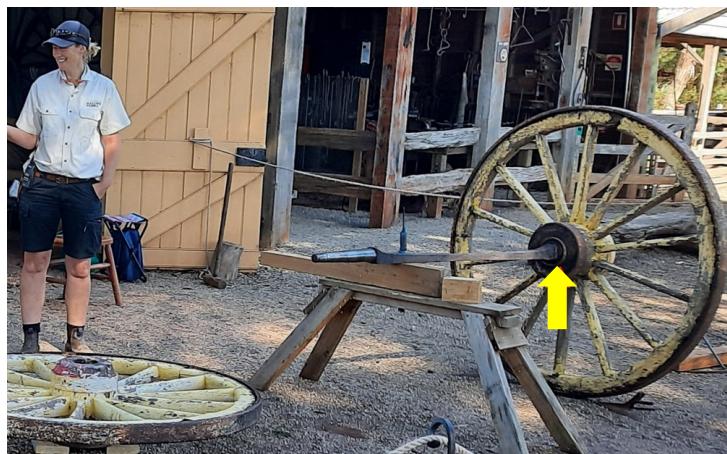
Investment scams involve promises of big payouts, quick money or guaranteed returns. Always be suspicious of any investment opportunities that promise a high return with little or no risk – if it seems too good to be true, it probably is – and is highly likely to be a scam.

Here's a comedian's take on dealing with a scammer (probably best not to try it though) -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wWIwlfo9_OM

SHOW AND TELL

Helping the Local Community with Restoration Work

A few months ago, Tim O'Connell from the Phillip Island Nature Park, Churchill Island Restoration Section, requested some assistance in restoring two wheels belonging to a cart they are reassembling.



The section I have been assisting with is indicated by the yellow arrow in the photograph above. This section contains the axle hub and a cylindrical timber sleeve that needs to fit snugly into the wheel inner hub. It is basically a wooden cylinder of 130mm diameter and 260mm in length, the internals of which had to be removed to exactly fit the steel inner hub as shown in the photograph below



YellowBox Hub Steel Inner Hub Assembly of the Two Sections

The job of boring the central section was made difficult not only because of the length of the wooden cylinder but the tapering required in the bottom section and somewhat arched top section. It took a total of five hours of work on the lathe beginning by drilling out the inner core with a 25mm (1 inch) twist drill. Because of the length of the cylinder the initial hole was drilled from both ends of the solid timber. Then came the painstaking work of using a 12mm spindle gouge to remove the inner wood

SHOW AND TELL cont.

followed by a round nose scraper to finish off to the required fit.

Once close to the approximate size I attempted to fit the steel hub into the recessed timber only to find it didn't fit. I removed some more timber and tried for a new fit. This tedious step was repeated many times until a good fit was achieved.

In the end, working over two days and after five hours on the lathe, I was happy with the resulting fit of the two sections and Tim and his people at the Restoration Section of the Phillip Island Nature Park were pleased as well.

Since carts always come with two wheels, there will need to be a repeat performance sometime soon when work starts on the second wheel. Any club member wishing a real-life woodturning experience is welcome to work on the second wheel hub. Please let me know if you wish to give it a go.

On behalf of the club, I accepted the challenge to help Tim out at no cost. In return Tim and his organization have donated \$200 to the club in appreciation of the efforts to assist - thanks Tim.

John Di Stefano



The chopping board above is made from Redgum, Walnut, European Beech and Merbau. The bowl is Blackwood. *Neil Lenne*

SHOW AND TELL cont.

A work in progress

The toolbox below is 600mm wide, 250mm deep and 300mm high. It is constructed from recycled cedar posts and 7mm ply. The lid still needs to be separated and this will happen after the splines and edge trimming has been done. The ply sits in 5mm deep dados and the corners are mitred and will have splines added for strength. At the bottom will be a full width 30mm high drawer for small parts and tools. Also there will be two trays in the top section of the box.



Bowl from a Board.

The bowl at right is my first attempt at a "Bowl from a Board". It is 17cm dia x 9cm high and wall is 3mm. I laminated Blackwood and Huon Pine to form a 25mm thick board. I then cut the board into 20mm rings at 45° on my scroll saw using a #7 modified geometry blade. I settled on this blade after struggling with others including a very coarse fretsaw blade - abject failure!

What did I learn?

1. The rings need to be at least 30mm wide thus allowing for a thicker wall - the 3mm wall was a challenge.
2. The cut angle of 45° was wrong, it should be 55° - 65° . This will allow for more overlap, which will provide more gluing surface and will also help with wall thickness.
3. The preparation of the strips for laminating needs to be more accurate - particularly the thickness which must be consistent from one end to the other.



Syd Gordon

The pieces below have been made by **Gordon Garbutt**. There are two segmented pencil holders made from Blackwood & Pine with a Silky Oak base. The single bowl is also Silky Oak. The egg is Oregon and the egg cup is Camphor Laurel.



SHOW & TELL cont.

The following three items were made by **Alan Hurst**. The “loving pair” of charcuterie/serving platters are made from Ash. The large vase with glass cylinder insert is Hakea and *at right* is a vintage plaster lighthouse mounted on a piece of Redgum burl.



SHOW & TELL cont.



MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE 2022



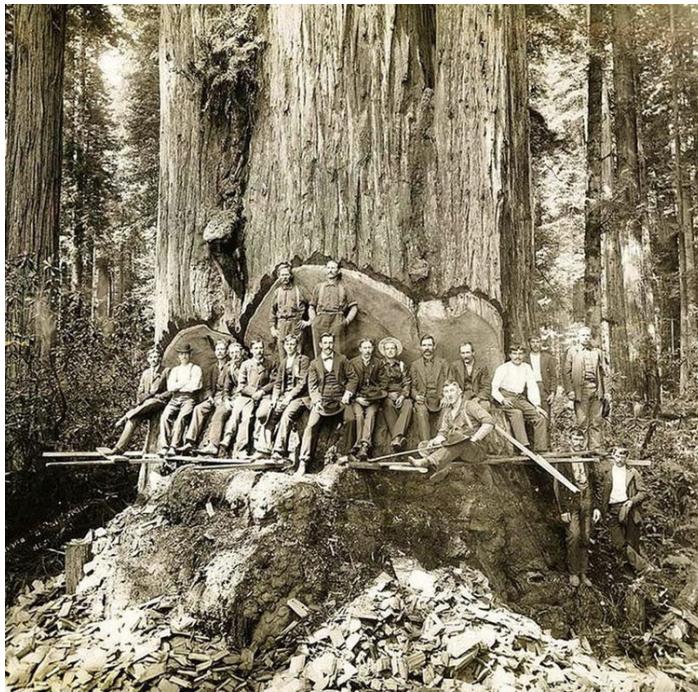
A very **happy birthday** to the following Members – Anne Ormshaw, Grant Crocker, Robert Millard, John Harmer
There are still some birthdays not on our records. If we've missed you, please let Alan Hurst know or email woodiesnews@gmail.com

Can anyone else relate to this?



LARGEST TREES ON EARTH

From the May Newsletter, when the largest trees in Australia and the world were discussed, here is a photo from the early 1900s showing American lumberjacks cutting down humongous redwoods in the coastal area of northern California. Considering they used only saws and axes, it was amazing what they could achieve. The Redwood (Sequoioideae) is considered the largest tree in the world. The Giant Sequoia records the greatest girths with diameters of up to 9 metres and the Coastal Redwood holds height records of over 115 metres. Quick-growing and long-lived (some over 3,000 years), no tree is more massive than the giant sequoia. The General Sherman Tree in Sequoia National Park is the most massive living thing on Earth, with an estimated total volume of over 50,000 cubic feet .



WORKSHOP STORAGE IDEAS

Here's an idea to store those drills , batteries and bits. It includes an attached power board for charging.



Below: An easy way to conveniently store nails and screws (save those plastic vegemite jars) or a rack for spray cans. **Bottom:** A great idea to get those pesky rods and dowels out of the way using pieces of trellis.



**EDUCATION
IS IMPORTANT
BUT
WOODWORKING
IS
IMPORTANTER**

SOME YOUTUBE WOODWORKING VIDEOS WORTH VIEWING

This is my type of timber blank to turn - have a look at how it finishes up - beautiful.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rI6ilZDdd4o>

Now here's a woodturning challenge. A lot of wood, time and fiddling, but the final result is impressive.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m0GAEbnTVnY>

3D scrollsaw effects

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MgSJJBcggLU>

Using the Arbortech range of tools for power carving

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a4iUKPmkP4Q>

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SPORTS QUIZ

**** Answers on Page 10, but don't look yet - see how many you can get correct first ****

- When was the Melbourne Cup horse race first run?
- What major tennis championship was first held in 1877?
- What major Australian sporting event was first held in 1905?
- In what year was the first match of Australian rules football played? 1876, 1858, 1879, 1892
- When a golfer shanks the ball, which part of the club is the ball hit with?
- An albatross means that a golfer scored what on a hole?
- What should a player yell when they hit a ball in the direction of an unsuspecting player or spectator?
- The term "love" in tennis refers to what?
- In the billiards game known as snooker, how many balls are used?
- What stick-and-ball sport has long been recognized as the national pastime of Ireland?
- The term pugilism is synonymous with what sport?
- What sport consists of sliding down an ice-covered natural or artificial incline on a four-runner sleigh?
- Which kind of ski race follows a winding course between pairs of poles topped with flags?
- What event involves women competing in seven different track-and-field events in two days?
- Who was the first athlete to run the mile in less than four minutes?
- Who was the first woman swimmer to win gold medals in three consecutive Olympic Games?
- Harold ("Dickie") Bird is best known for his career in cricket as what?
- The word gymnastics comes from the Greek word meaning "to exercise naked." true or false
- In what sport would one find chukkers?
- In bicycle racing, what is the main body of racers called?
- What is the object that hockey players send across the ice called?
- International Rules Series is a hybrid of Australian Rules Football that Australia contests with which other country?

JOKES OF THE MONTH



Dentist: "You need a crown."

Patient: "Finally someone who understands me."

Two friends are talking:

"My doctor told me I must stop playing football".

"What?! Is he sure? Did he examine you properly?"

"Not really. But he did see me playing".

STAY COVID SAFE AT THE WOODIES

As you all should be aware, some restrictions around living with COVID have recently been lifted.

However, Covid is still with us.

The Woodies strongly encourage members to stay COVID safe. Regular hand sanitising, cough or sneeze into a tissue/handkerchief or the crook of your arm. If you are feeling unwell and have flu-like symptoms, do not come to the club. You should get tested and if you return a positive result, stay at home and isolate for seven days. Complete two negative tests before returning to the club.

Keep in mind that our membership, for the most part, are immune compromised. This means that we must all be super diligent with following COVID safe behaviours.

Also, at this time the Flu is running rampant throughout the State. This illness should not be taken lightly and can have very detrimental effects on some people. If you feel you have a cold or flu, stay at home for your own well-being as well as that of others.

The Committee asks all members to respect these requests and appreciate your co-operation.

THINGS MY MOM SAID AND I PROBABLY DID TOO

Put that down! You don't know where it's been.

You can go out and play ... after you brush your teeth and comb your hair.

How do you know you don't like it if you haven't tasted it?

If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up.

You won't be happy until you break that, will you?

You're the oldest, you should know better.

Look at this room! It looks like a pigsty!

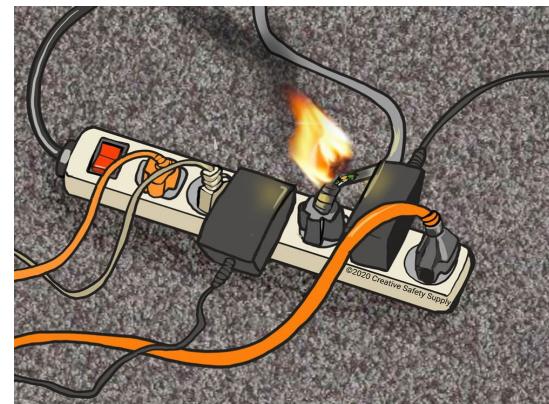
If you don't clean your plate, you won't get any dessert.

I'm going to give you until the count of three

SPORTS QUIZ ANSWERS:

1. 1861
2. Wimbledon
3. Australian Open Tennis Championship
4. 1858
5. Hosel
6. 3 under par
7. Fore
8. A score of zero
9. 22 balls
10. Hurling
11. Boxing
12. Bobsledding
13. Slalom
14. Heptathlon
15. Roger Bannister
16. Dawn Fraser
17. An umpire
18. True
19. Polo
20. The Peloton
21. A Puck
22. Ireland

WORKSHOP SAFETY WE MUST CONSIDER:



1. **Electrical safety** - overloading of switches and power boards, cables crimped, cut or wires protruding from plugs - especially common on corded power tools.
2. **Trip hazards** - cables, paint tins, offcuts, general rubbish, tools and items you can't find a home for, tend to congregate on the floor ready to trip you up.
3. **Adequate lighting** - are your eyes as good as they used to be? Get some more lights, change the old globes/tubes for LED (and help save energy as well), place lights closer to or directly over your work.
4. **Uneven floor** - is your floor level and non-slip? A floor with different surfaces and levels can be problematic.
5. **Appropriate disposal bins** - especially for old rags used with glues and fluids, often prone to self-ignite.
6. **Clear workspaces and benches** - means things are not damaged, knocked onto the floor or fall on you. It's not a good idea to knock a chisel, Stanley knife or a heavy chunk of wood onto your leg or foot
7. **Dangerous fumes** - storing of flammable items. Where do you store the petrol for the mower or the container of acetone? Safely away from any sparks?
8. **DO YOU HAVE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER & FIRST-AID KIT IN YOUR WORKSHOP? EVERYONE SHOULD HAVE.**

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 16th 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.

Entries must be received by 16th of the month to be included in the next newsletter. Items will appear in two consecutive newsletters unless sold or otherwise requested.

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