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Items of interest are welcome for the newsletter. The Story of another hobby you enjoy. Items for sale. Photo and article about a project you have made. Your Own Story.

Club Meeting to be held on 16th of March 2024 at 9:00 AM

Welcome to the March meeting. the monthly project will be a coloured bowl, any other item you may like to show to the other members.

At the last meeting I asked if someone would take on the Position of Secretary. I was so pleased to receive a text about an hour after the meeting, from Cath Clifford and she is happy to take the job on. It is a relief to me that Cath has offered. We will transition till the Annual meeting at which Cath will be confirmed as Secretary





Peter Fisher made this hollow form from Pine. The finish is black paint.



Peter Lucas has made these .308 cartridge pens from various timbers. The finish is CA glue.



Peter has also made this semi kit less fountain pen from Ancient River Red Gum. Again, the finish is CA glue.





This segmented lidded bowl is a work in progress by Lionel Hart. The wood is mainly Blackwood.

A Different Hobby

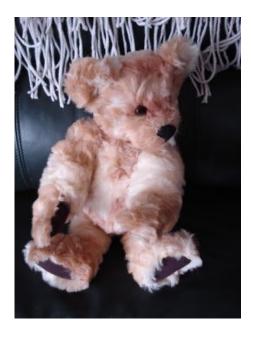
I haven't been able to choose from the mountain of articles that members have submitted – not. So, I decided to kick off this section myself. Please submit your articles so I don't have to go through all my hobbies.

As a child I grew up surrounded by all types of teddy bears and other toy animals. My mother had a soft toy business for many years until cheap imports put her out of business. So, it wasn't surprising that I dabbled in soft toys later in life.

My first attempt was a jointed teddy bear. The joints are made using wooden discs and bolts. Unfortunately, my poor strength meant that I couldn't tighten up the neck bolt enough and teddy's head rotated 360 degrees. He was nicknamed Exorcist.

Suede has been used for the paw pads and the eyes are glass.

Years later I gave this bear to my youngest Granddaughter but I sewed the head on firmly.





I sponsored a young girl in Uganda and her favourite colour was pink. Rosie was a gift for her, not the most attractive of bears but she loved her. I spent a day with a bear artist to get clues about making a good bear. This bear is made from German Mohair – very expensive fabric but worth the result.



Scottie was made for a young autistic boy.



Towards the end of covid, with the aim of teaching my grandchildren to sew, we made these toys and donated them to Monash Children's Hospital.

They were given to children in Emergency to calm and distract them while receiving treatment.





The following year we made another 30 toys and some lap quilts for the children at The Northern Hospital.

While not as proficient as Mum, I'm happy to have had a go at toy making.

Session Times

Our weekly hands-on session times are: Tuesday, 7:00 pm -10:00 pm Wednesday, 8:00 am – Noon Thursday, 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Monthly Meeting on the third Saturday of the Month, 9:00 am. Except December.

We appreciate the opportunity from Bunnings to raise funds at their stores. They support us so please support them.

