

NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2024



Associate member







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Presidents Report January 2024:-

Hello to everyone and a Happy New Year and hopefully it will be a great one for all of our woodworking projects.

We were unfortunate to miss out on the last grants program from the A.M.S.A. but we do have another chance this month with the latest round opening on the 15th of January. We have a large project for this year in a new and complete dust extraction system to all machines in the workshop that have dust ports on them.



Towards the later part of last year, Cheryl Seymour organized a fund raising raffle with all the prizes donated, we were off on a winner to start with, but the biggest let down was the number of members who DIDN'T come in and pick up a book of tickets to sell to family and friends, to those members who did take 1 or 2 books and sold them thankyou as this fund raiser was to help with some extra cash to help with the cost of the new dust extraction system.

This year we are planning some new and hopefully interesting activities and events for all of you, our members, to take part in. Keep watching for the information in the newsletter

Our Newsletter editor, Katie wants photos of your projects as you finish them along with a description of the work, finish etc.

Martin Lawley

President



Group Reports to January 2024 Committee Meeting

Workshop Report:-

No report.

Cottage Report:-

A reasonably good month and very pleasing to see that we were able to open our doors as advertised due to our members stepping up and filling the roster vacancies. Please continue its all in a good cause.



A TIMELY REMINDER

When at the Cottage or in any of our premises for that matter please make sure you lock you valuables in a cupboard and out of sight as Cheryl had her purse stolen last week whilst she was in the kitchen.

Some Cottage Stats:

YEAR	Vendors	Gross Sales	Club Sales	Total
DEC 2022	18	\$8,143	\$1,020	\$9,163
DEC 2023	20	\$6,124	\$860	\$6,984

Overall, I don't think we did too bad, down about 24% from last year.

Colin R & Cheryl

Group Reports Cont.

Box Making:-

Box making will start Friday 12th Jan. Come along and try your hand at Box Making.

You may find it easier than you think, and very quickly you can be making your own style of box, ideal for gifts and future heirlooms.

Colin R



Furniture Group:-

No Not a great deal happening on a Monday morning in the last few weeks of December other than I did finish a Hall table in Tassie Oak and Tasmanian Blackwood and My wife was and still is very pleased with the results as it was finished in time for Christmas, photos in the newsletter.

Martin Lawley.



Web Site: -

No report

Saturday General workshop: -

No report

Group Reports Cont.

Carving:-

Carving will recommence on Saturday 13th January for a catch-up. One of the things we will be discussing is changing the day to mid-week.

I'll let you know as soon as we have decided and will be strongly suggesting Wednesday afternoons.

Best Regards,

Bob Cox



Pen Making:-

First project for 2024 will be the pen box/display stand, please get in touch and let me know if you would like to attend.

Once the workshop reopens, we will start to mill the timber required. Hopefully we can start the workshop on the last weekend in January.

Cheers Paul



Timber Milling: -

No report

Group Reports Cont.

Pyrography:-

Welcome to the start of another year, hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable break over Christmas and New Year with their families.

The magnets that we made for the club are slowly starting to sell so we will need to start making some more.

Our group will start back at the workshop on Saturday 13th January. Look forward to meeting everyone again.

Happy Burning

Heather C



Woodturning:-

Woodturning will resume on January 10th.

All welcome.

No doubt members have taken opportunity to catch up with items over workshop

closure for the holiday break.

Picture attached 600 mm English walnut (Juglans egia) platter.



Harry D



EVENT: General Meeting - Sunday 18th February 2024 @ 4pm

You are invited to the AWWInc general meeting, followed by a sausage sizzle on Sunday 18/02/24 commencing at 4pm.

It's a fantastic way to socialise with other members and discuss all things woodworking as well as a great opportunity for those members to get to know your committee members and for us to get to know you.

Please RSVP to Lex Manning (secretary@awwinc.com.au) by Friday 16th February for catering purposes.

Around the Workshop

Hearing Protection around the workshop

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

Please 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

Club Order

The Club has received an order for 4 Hat Racks using Railway Spikes.

Would any member who has any spikes and would like to part with some please give me a call.

All the best

Lex (secretary@awwinc.com.au 0418627911)

AWWInc Timber Mill

Ever wonder how the club's mill operates?

This information has been kindly provided by Dennis Smith.

Our club has two portable Lucas Saw Mills.

1. Slab Mill

This machine cuts tree trunks/branches, very thick slabs or burls into useable items.

It will accommodate wood to 3600mm long, 800mm wide with a minimum 40mm thickness.



Here, we have club members milling a tree trunk into slabs.

AWWInc Timber Mill Cont.

2. Dimensional Mill

This machine mills slabs, tree trunks or large items into boards.

It will accommodate wood to 3600mm long, 800mm wide transposing them into boards up to 100mm x 100mm.



Here we are cutting a tree trunk into 100mm x 100mm boards

AWWInc Timber Mill Cont.

Dress Large Pieces of Wood

Step 1: Dressing with our Wood Wizz machine

The Wood Wizz is somewhat like a large planer but uses a horizontal rotating cutter to remove natural warping and excess thickness for a smooth dressed finish.

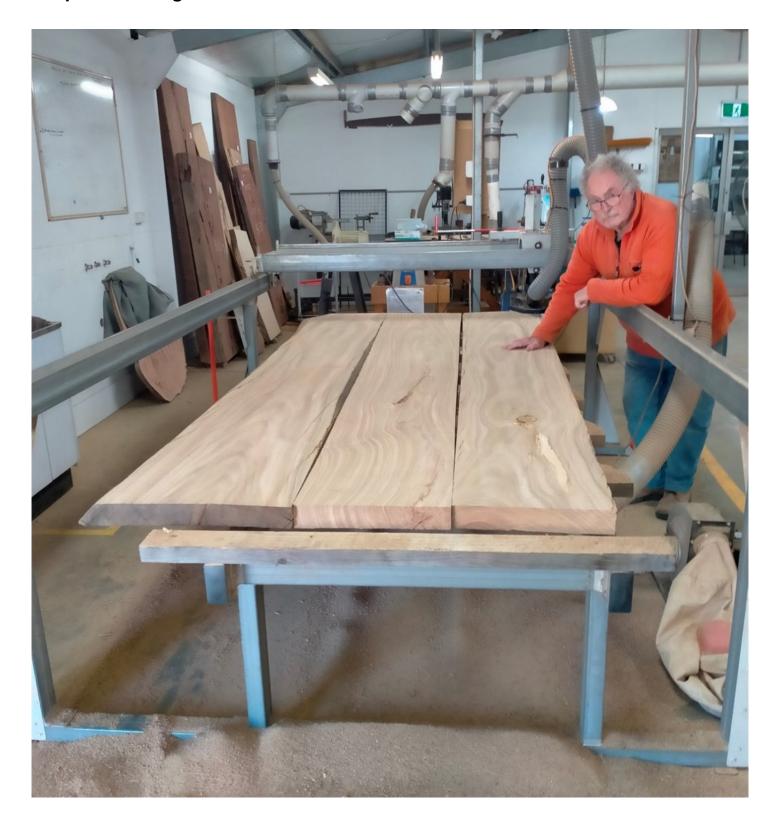
It can handle widths from 100mm to 1200mm, lengths from 200mm to 3000mm and thickness from 20mm to 120mm.



Here we are starting with three slabs each with different thicknesses and warping (cupping, bowing and twisting).

AWWInc Timber Mill Cont.

Step 2: Dressing with our Wood Wizz machine



Here is the outcome: three dressed slabs of equal thickness with no warp.

The dressed finish is extremely smooth and ready for a palm sander. And yes, we can sand it to a finer finish if required.

Life Member Luncheon—Doug Malsem

Regrettably, Doug's health prevented him from joining us at our Christmas function to receive the well-deserved honors of his Life Membership Plaque and Certificate.

Instead, a heartfelt lunch was arranged for him alongside his fellow inductee, whose collective experience is brilliantly captured in the accompanying photo. The honors were ceremoniously presented during this gathering.

On behalf of our membership, we extend our sincere gratitude to both individuals for their unwavering commitment and tireless efforts in service to our club. We convey our warmest wishes for continued success and fulfillment in the years that lie ahead.



Doug Malsem and Harry Dennis—there is an awful lot of experience in this photo

Member's Show and Tell

Jutta Vyner









Left to right,

- (1) wildlife ornament from US magazine.... I changed from a deer to two magpies. Made from pine.
- (2)balancing toys made from pine
- (3) treble clef .. think it was black wood made for piano playing oncologist :)
- (4) treble clef .. think it was black wood made for piano playing oncologist :)
- (5) Dragon pattern was originally a puzzle.. made into shelf sitter ornaments from scroll saw weekend



Jodie S

Wood turned box—timber unknown





Dave Van Damme



Left to Right

- (1) An owl for my Mums birthday.. silky oak, all chisels, pallet wood frame. Oil finish
- (2) In progress relief carved panel for a coffee table. I'm planning on 2 wide panel legs like the photo, and a simple plain top. Spare merbau panel I found in the shed.
- (3)A pieced, high relief rococo sheet music stand for my Dads birthday. pine planks and pallet wood..



Scroll saw and router to remove mass, then chisels. The stain I used had some issues, was impossible to remove, and so it's much darker than I originally planned.

I also found 400 and 1000 grit disc sanding pads on my benchtop sander do an outstanding job sharpening my chisels... no hollow grinds, and no heat

Chrissie Zerbst

Lessons have been learned...

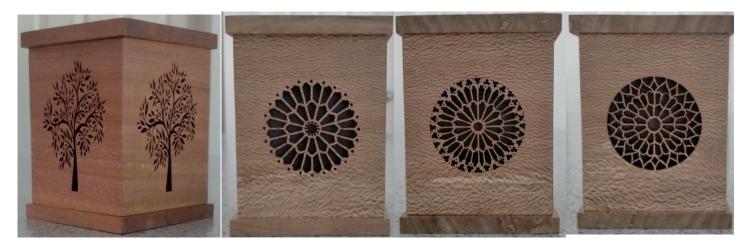
My first whittling/carving job that I managed on my own, an angel, and one of eight Xmas reindeers Zinna & I made for sale at the Yack Xmas Market.

Looking forward to being involved & learning more this year.





Dennis Smith



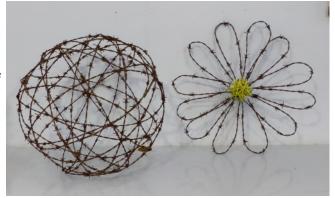
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- (1) This Decorative Lantern with a tree was crafted with a scroll saw in Wild Cherry. There are over 140 individual non connecting holes on each of the 3 sides of the lantern; individually cut (no stacking) so takes around six hours of sawing on each side + all the pre-cut and post-cut time so end-to-end is not a quick project!
- (2,3,4) This Decorative Lantern was crafted with a scroll saw in London Plane having three windows from the Notre Dame de Paris. Each of the three sides has a different window matching the Cathedrals East (Front). North and South Entrances. The south and North sides took around 6-7 hours each of sawing.
- (5) At the 2022 Spirit of the Land festival in Lockhart (NSW) I was inspired by many of the metal sculpture works. One of these was a flower so I reckoned I could do it. I also had seen some wire balls so decided to give it a go. I collected some old rusty barbed wire from a teenage tennis partner's farm in Western Victoria and embarked on these projects during the recent break (break for Xmas and break from woody stuff!).

I set up a few jigs to achieve some regularity in the shapes, watched a Youtube on 'how to make a barbed wire ball', donned some gloves and set about what turned out to be something completely different to what I am used to.

This pic shows one of the flowers (finished with yellow spray paint for the centre) and a 300mm diameter ball.

Makes for some garden art if you have the right sort of garden. Ours really does not blend itself for this type of rustic decoration, however I have found a few spaces where it fits in!



Luke Netherwood







This is my first attempt at building a dreadnought guitar it is easy Indian rosewood with a Sitka spruce top. Just waiting for some fretting gear hear to complete the neck fully.



Paul Kohl

A couple of boards laser engraved





Harry Dennis





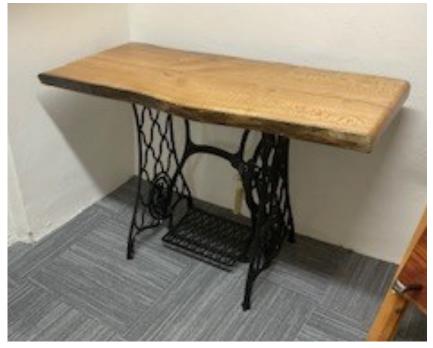
From left to right

- (1) Eucalyptus berihiana Red or Bull Mallee
- (2) On lathe finished prior to being oiled

Bevan S.

Left to Right

- (1) Sewing Table
- (2) House sign





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Martin Lawley

Step chair Made from Tassie oak (K.D. hardwood)

Finished with Cabots Maple stain and 2 coats of Danish oil then a wax polish buffed with 0000 steel wool.











WEEKLY WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES					
DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	NOTES		
SATURDAY	9.00am - 12.00pm	PYROGRAPHY	Every Saturday morning at the Clubrooms.		
SATURDAY	9.00am – 12.00pm	GENARAL WORKSHOP	Work on your own projects.		
SATURDAY	1.00pm - 4.00pm	GENERAL WORKSHOP	Work on your own projects.		
MONDAY	9.00am - 12.00pm	FURNITURE & GENERAL WORKSHOP	Work on your furniture project in our modern and well equipped workshop.		
1st and 3rd TUESDAY	8.30am - 12.00noon	TIMBER MILLING	Located at the Club in the Wodonga showgrounds. except on HOT DAYS (35°+).		
VARYING TUES- DAY'S	6.00pm (Pizza) for 7.00pm (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	9AM-12PM	CARVING GROUP	Come and learn how to hand carve.		
WEDNESDAY	8.00am - 12.00pm	SCROLL SAW WORKSHOP	Come and learn how to Scroll saw.		
WEDNESDAY	1.00pm - 8.00pm	GENERAL WORKSHOP	All welcome to come and join in.		
WEDNESDAY	3.00pm - 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-12.00PM	PEN MAKING	Learn how to turn a fine handcrafted Pen.		
FRIDAY	9.00am - 12.00pm	BOX MAKING	Come and learn how to make a finely crafted Box.		

ALL TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON GROUP LEADERS AVAILBILITY

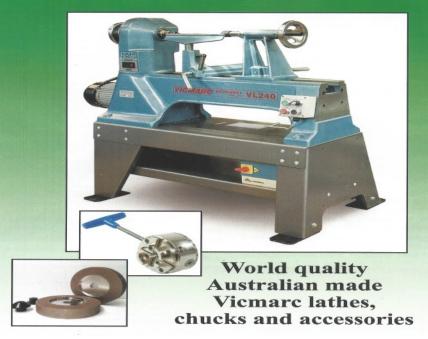
Club Shirts, Caps and Logos.

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

B-Cut. 176 High Street, WODONGA.





UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETING

When February, 13th @ 7pm

Location: Clubrooms—Wilson Street, Wodonga.

All members are welcome to attend

Executive Committee Members 2023-24				
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Pen Turning	Paul Kohl	Thursday 9 AM to 12 Noon	0419 555 357		
Pyrography	Heather & Esther	Saturday 9am to 12 noon	0458208638		
Scroll Sawing	Ed Kilo	Wednesday 8-30 AM to 12 Noon	02 6024 2482	polly.481@bigpond.com	
Wood Turning	Harry Dennis	Wednesday 3 PM to 8-30 PM	0428 578 859	dennispastoral@bigpond.com	
Furniture Group	Martin Lawley	Monday 9.30 AM to 1.00 PM	0412 385 184	martin lawley@optusnet.com.au	

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.