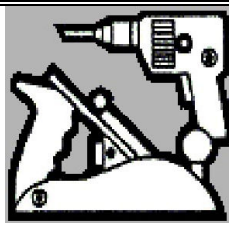


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President's Report

The last Committee meeting for 2008/09 was held on 22 July. There have been some nominations for the A.G.M. to be held on Wednesday 12 August, but as yet not sufficient for a full committee. The last year was stressful until the rent assistance promised by the Monash Council was paid in the middle of June.

Our Secretary is presently submitting an application for the grant for the 2009/2010 financial year. The next year should be smoother.

It is important that we continue to search for more suitable premises that are non-commercial. The Bogong Ave. Scout's Hall has been allocated to the "Men's Shed".

Your Committee have approached the Girl Guides and Scouts in Legana St. with no joy. Any leads or contacts members may have with a view to solving this situation will be followed up.

The Club attended the Ashwood Family Fun Day, Clayton and Oakleigh Festivals, Senior's Expo as well as having an Open Day on Australia Day. We also had a display in the Clayton Library. These activities are important for the Club and Committee welcomes assistance when these days come about throughout the year.

The Committee is getting a newcomer's simple kit together, as is done when one joins other organisations. Members will be made aware of ways they may be able, within their scope, to help at the Club. If more members assist even a little it lessens the burden on the few. It is only fair, then everyone benefits.

I thank all members of the Committee for the work they have put in for the Club. Thanks also to Peter Hughes, our Newsletter Editor and Toy Group Leader, John McGarry who has much knowledge and skill in woodworking and is always willing to help anyone. Various duty members who open the clubrooms for members use, Cameron McKerral Club Web site creator, Wolfgang Becker Safety Officer who is responsible for all the signs advising on the safe use of machines, Bruce Hartland for having the signs printed as well as the hard copy Newsletters, Tony McLachlan for keeping the Table Saw and Drop Saw working efficiently, Geoff Allen for the new Drop Saw fence, Ray Ffrench for his Toddler chair/Stool Making classes, Bob Morrison for getting so many started in Woodturning,

George Perry for his Wednesday afternoon sessions and Mary Mosca for assisting in many ways, Club members for being members, and Laurie Stuart for general handyman work.

It is always a risk to list "Thank You's" individually so if I have overlooked anyone, please take a Thank You too.

Keep safe Helene Longton

July Club Night

On this night Carl Lutz gave an interesting talk and demonstration on sharpening Turning and Carving chisels. Thanks Carl for again giving of your time and experience.

A Show & Tell followed:

Hans Kopp showed some pens and other small items and Phillip Dunstan showed a pen he had made from Native Olive and a Kaleidoscope of Blackwood, Sassafras and Huon Pine – complete with stand.

Annual General Meeting

The A.G.M. is on Wednesday 12 August at 7:30 pm at the clubrooms. After the formal part of the meeting, Tom Phillips will describe how to make a Rocking Horse and Show & Tell will follow.

Club Fees.

Just a reminder that Club Fees for the 2009/10 Financial Year are due. The fee has been continued **at ONLY \$75**, which you must agree is great value.

Non financial members are not entitled to vote at the forthcoming AGM, but perhaps more importantly you are **not covered for Insurance**.

Timber from Shed

Timber taken from the shed for use in your various projects must be paid for. We do not ask for any where what you would have to pay for from a retail or wholesale outlet and it is a real privilege to have access to such a supply. Much of the timber comes from Moorabbin Timber and we only have access to it via their generosity and to Tom Phillips who collects it for the Club. Whilst a Gold Coin donation is generally OK for small lots of KD hardwood and Radiata Pine, a sense of value should be applied to larger lots and to more exotic timbers. Please speak to the Duty Officer as to what is a reasonable donation for what you are planning on using.

Housekeeping of Machines and Equipment

It is important to list in the Maintenance Book and/or Accident Report Book any damage, broken blades and wear and tear on equipment, need for any replacement of sale items, and report to the Duty Officer of the day. Do not leave it up to others, **IT IS YOUR CLUB AND YOU HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES.**

Dust Extractors

The Duty Officers are responsible to ensure that members turn the handle on the filters of these machines after their timber has been dressed by the Thicknesser, the Table Saw and the Linisher. This will keep the machines operating most effectively. A tap on the side of the filter helps too, by loosening the dust

Sanding Machines

When using the disc or belt sanders please clean the belts and discs regularly using the cleaning sticks provided and when you are finished. This prolongs the life of the belts and discs. Also clean the portable sanders when using them too.

Sharpening Chisels, Plane Blades and Other Cutting Tools

Is there a member or two with expertise in this area who could and would be willing to do this job now and again and/or teach willing pupils (members) to do it for themselves and/or the Club?

The more members who know how to do this properly the better the Club's tools will perform. It is apparent that some members attempt to sharpen tools who do not know how to do it correctly and end up damaging tools.

Clean Up After Yourself

As you use tools and machines please clean up (including the floor). Too often some members seem to think it not their responsibility to do this and leave it to others. Often this results in the Duty Officers having to stay behind and spend time cleaning up the workshop ready for the next group.

Woodturning Tips

The following were found in an article by Steve Russell an English Woodturner as published in the magazine "Woodturning" (issue 198).

1. To reduce the chance of movement on turned boxes, rough turn the top and bottom and let it rest for two days before final turning and fitting the lid.
2. When working with oily exotic timbers (dalbergia's and similar), wipe mating surfaces with acetone, or methylated spirits prior to applying adhesives for a better glue bond.
3. To reduce the darkening of light coloured timbers when using oil finishes, seal the bare wood surface with a lacquer, or dewaxed shellac sealer. When dry, lightly scuff and apply the oil or another compatible finish of your choice.
4. To reduce sanding by up to 50%, learn to use scrapers effectively. Shear scraping usually results in a better finish than conventional scraping. By using dedicated shear scrapers, or Irish ground gouges the bare wood surface can be scraped to the equivalent of 240-320 grit before sanding.
5. To reduce checking in green wood rough cuts out, immediately bag or seal after turning. Even a few minutes in the open air can cause some species to begin developing end checks.

Discounts are available from the following:

Note: Discounts are only available on presentation of your current membership card.

Australian Wood Panels , 40-42 Winterton Rd., Clayton.	9543 5033	
Baileys Toolbank , Unit 4 Rowen Crt. Box Hill.	9897 1911	
Blackwoods , 31 Fowler Rd., Dandenong	9518 2222	
The Delta Group Shed 2, 577 Plummer St. Port Melbourne	1300 887 558	
Flatman's Timber & Hardware , High Street Road. Syndal. ***	9802 9211 ****	
A. Lewis & Co , 302 Jasper Rd., Ormond.	9578 6218	
Malvern Paint & Timber Finishes , 1933 Malvern Rd., Malvern East	9885 2883	
Magnetic Abrasives, Now Known as "Abrasiveflex" and are located at 14 Bastow Place, Mulgrave		9562 1788
Mathews Timbers , 125 Rooks Rd., Vermont.	9874 1666	
Moorabbin Timber , 230 Wickham Rd., Moorabbin.	9553 0155	
Sachy's Industries , 43 Browning Drive, Glen Waverley.	9803 2370	
Shiver me Timbers , 217 Kororoit Creek Rd. Williamstown.	9397 5993	
Woodworking Warehouse , 11 Citrus St. Braeside.	9587 3999	

**** There is now doubt as to whether Flatman's offer any discount to members of WWInc.

This is to be confirmed.

Why We Love Children

A nursery school pupil told his teacher he'd found a cat, but it was dead.

'How do you know that the cat was dead?' she asked her pupil.

'Because I pissed in its ear and it didn't move,' answered the child innocently.

"you did WHAT?" the teacher exclaimed in surprise.

'You know,' explained the boy, I leaned over it and went "Pssst" and it didn't move'

A small boy is sent to bed by his father.

Five minutes later....'Da-ad...'

'What?'

'I'm thirsty. Can you bring a drink of water?'

'No, You had your chance. Lights out'

Five minutes later: 'Da-aaaad....'

'WHAT?'

'I'm THIRSTY. Can I have a drink of water??'

'I told you NO! If you ask again, I'll have to smack you!!'

Five minutes later.....'Daaaa-aaaad....'

'WHAT!'

'When you come in to smack me, can you bring a drink of water?'

An exasperated mother, whose son was always getting into mischief, finally

Asked him 'How do you expect to get into Heaven?'

The boy thought it over and said, 'Well, I'll run in and out and in and out and keep slamming the door until St. Peter says,

'For Heaven's sake Dylan, come in or stay out!'

One summer evening during a violent thunder storm a mother was tucking her

Son into bed. She was about to turn the light out when he asked with a tremor in his voice, 'Mummy, will you sleep with me tonight?'

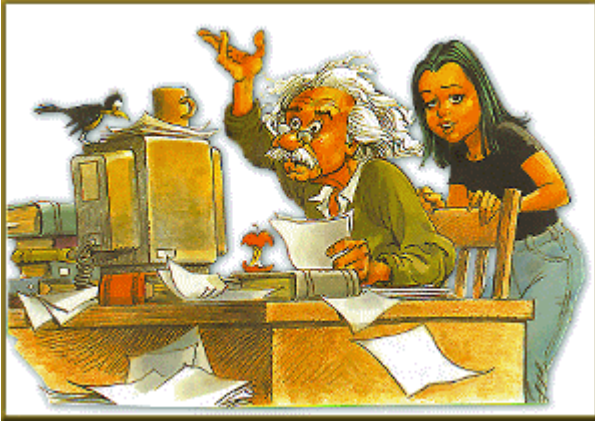
The mother smiled and gave him a reassuring hug.

'I can't dear' she said. 'I have to sleep in Daddy's room.'

A long silence was broken at last by his shaky little voice:

'The big sissy.'

Quick Check for Alzheimer's



The following was developed as a mental age assessment
By the School of Psychiatry at Harvard University?

Take your time and see if you can read each line aloud without a mistake.

The average person over 40 years of age cannot do it!

1. This is this cat.
2. This is is cat.
3. This is how cat.
4. This is to cat.
5. This is keep cat.
6. This is an cat.
7. This is old cat.
8. This is fart cat.
9. This is busy cat.
- 10 This is for cat.
- 11 This is forty cat.
- 12 This is seconds cat.

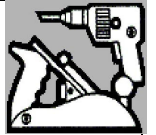


Now go back and read the third word
In each line from the top down.

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Workshop Opening Times

General Woodwork

Monday (only on public holidays) 9 am – 12:00 pm

Tuesday 9 am – 12:30 pm

Wednesday 9 am – 12:30 pm

Thursday Closed

Friday 9 am – 12:30 pm

Saturday 9 am – 12:30 pm

Dec. to February

9 am – 4:00 pm

March - November

Closed

Sunday

Special Interest Groups

Monday: Assisted Woodwork 9 am – 12 pm
(except public holidays)

Monday: Woodturning SIG 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Tuesday: Toy & Carving SIG 1 pm – 4:00pm

Wednesday: Assisted Woodwork 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Monthly Club Night: 2nd Wed. of the month
7:30 pm – 9 pm

**NOTE: Only members working in SIG groups on designated days and times
Are allowed to use the workshop at these times.**

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