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Presidents Report August 2024:-

Another month finished and now we are into August with plenty happening in the workshop. Lex has started a project for the Racing Club, it is a set of steps to a podium, I'll leave that for Lex to explain. There will be a call out to all members to help with a special project for the Show Society, it is to cut out a great number of chickens in profile, Lex will have more information later.

We have had a problem with the key to the timber storage and Mill shed go missing. If you need to open the shed return the key to its hook as soon as you have opened the padlock. This will help to keep control of the key.

I won't steal any of Hearther's thunder about the Scroll saw weekend was a great success and the compliments on the layout and how clean the workshop is as well as our new dust extraction unit.

If you haven't been in to the workshop for a while, call in and have a look and a cuppa, you are always welcome.

Martin Lawley.



Group Reports to August 2024 Committee Meeting

Cottage Report:-

The Cottage has been a little quiet over the last few weeks with the weather not all that good. Thank-you to our members that have filled the roster for the last 3 weeks enabling the doors to be open as per our advertised times.

Although the sales are not that high those people who have been through the Cottage have said that it is nice to see such talented people making some great items.



Furniture Group:-

We have had a good month with quite a few members attending with Michael Ballantine back into the workshop, after an illness layoff, and is working on a piano stool, Ivan was in a couple of times working on a new work bench for his garage as well as Gerard, back from Europe, helping with an induction of a new member, thanks Gerard. I have been working on the fishing pole rack, which is needed shortly, end of the month, I am pretty sure it will be finished in time. Tom has been in as well doing his usual thing in making Christmas trees.



So, until next time, let's keep making saw dust.

Martin Lawley.

Timber Milling:-

No Report

Group Reports Cont.

Pen Making:-

The cold weather has kept things quiet. I have been busy building a sled for the next pen group workshop "How to make Chevron pen blanks" to be held on a Saturday afternoon. If you are interested in attending, please let me know. I am still looking for some volunteers to make some pens for the club which will be sold at the cottage with all proceeds going to the club.



Woodturning Group: -

With some of our turners away chasing the sun, we still have good numbers on Wednesday nights. Pamula is starting to get the hang of the tools and is producing some nice work. Katie has been in and not only sharing her knowledge on Pen turning but also producing some nice ones herself. Chris V and Marshall have been playing in the hard timber-world with some very difficult materials to work with but have turned a great Burl-Pot Puree bowl and Marshall has been



playing with something akin to stone but made a very nice small bowl. Unfortunately, Faith & Jodie has been tied up with work and limited their free hours of late.

Mark H has been fair tearing through some nice pieces that I think have been put on the "LIST" that some of us males seem to come across with family in mind. Harry D has been kept very busy with guidance to the newer members but also the upcoming International Conference of Woodworkers.

We would also like to welcome Bob Shepherd to our Wednesday night group. Bob has done a bit of turning a fair while ago and is looking forward to finding his feet again.

Enjoy the turning. Lex

Group Reports Cont.

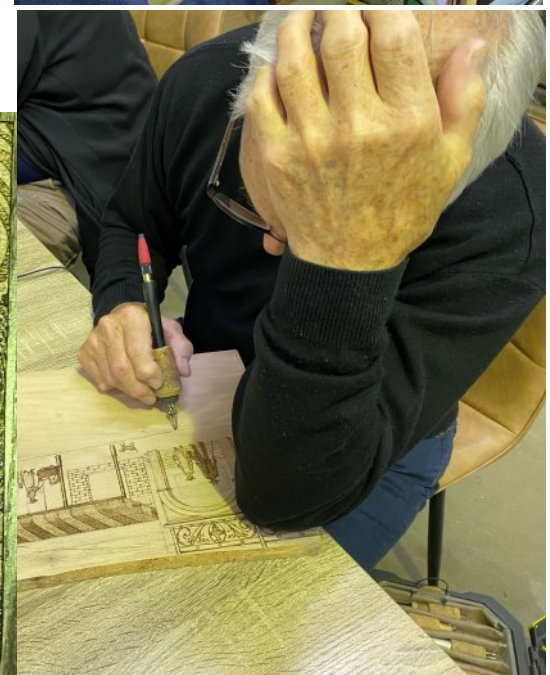
Pyrography:-

As the new coordinator for the pyrography group, I want to express my heartfelt thanks to Heather and Esther for all that you have done as group coordinators before handing on the baton. I also want to thank all the members for being so friendly and supportive to new members, including myself when I joined about 18 months ago. It's wonderful to see everyone sharing their time and knowledge so generously.

Heather has been taking a short break from pyrography as she has been busy preparing for the scroll saw weekend event held at the end of July. Fiona has had a tough fight with Covid, but she's recently sold her first items at the cottage, including the pyrography ostrich featured in the June newsletter.

Esther experimented with pyrography on leather but has now returned to working with wood and is currently creating a beautiful flower design. Stefan and Cosette have also been busy; Stefan has finished pieces including his swimming fish and his sailing ship where he blends pyrography with carving. Cosette's sailing ship is a stunning piece with an extremely detailed background.

Peter has been carving beautiful designs on the tops of his boxes, and we also welcomed back Kevin and welcomed new member Bree. Happy Burning, Kim



Group Reports Cont.

Saturday General workshop: -

Very quiet with only Joel and Katie in over the last 2 weeks. Although not many members are attending on Saturdays it has given Ross and myself time to do the required maintenance and a couple of jobs for the club, cutting down 6 Red Gum sleepers for a local Joinery Business and making a set of steps with handrails for the Wodonga Racing Club.

Box Making:-

We have had another steady month with good attendances. Trish and Decklan have several attractive projects nearing completion, well done. Box making is on Friday mornings.

Colin Rhodes

Carving: -

No Report



Workshop Report:-

We have had some problems with the Saw Stop again with the brake going off for no apparent reason. A new blade & brake have been ordered and the old one sent to Saw Stop in Brisbane to try and find out why this keeps happening (4 times in the last 18 months). Other than that everything else is going well in the workshop.

Lex Filling in for Dan

2024 Annual Scroll Saw Weekend

We hosted our 18th annual Scroll saw Weekend on the 27th & 28th July, we had 18 people registered to come but unfortunately 2 of our members had to pull out due to contracting Covid so that left us with 16 scrollers, it was a tight fit but we managed to get everyone set up in the tea rooms where it was much warmer for everyone.

Our guests travelled from as far away as Murray Bridge in SA, the Blue Mountains, Sunbury, Wangaratta, Kiama, Sydney, Donvale, Leongatha & Shepparton.

As most visitors had booked 2-3 nights' accommodation, we decided to go out to dinner on Friday night the 26th at "The Lincoln" to welcome them to Albury/Wodonga and prior to dinner we took some of them for a tour of our Cottage.

After cooking up a hearty breakfast on Saturday morning everyone was keen to get scrolling and doing the projects we had organised for them. At morning teatime our President Martin welcomed everyone to our club.

On Sunday we conducted 8 Lucky Door Prizes consisting of a jar of Esther's famous Anzac biscuits, wood from Don Slade and gift vouchers from Helen & Owen Harris, first drawer of the raffle and Esther's biscuits went first, she has the reputation of making great Anzac biscuits.

All our guests commented on how great the tea rooms looked and were impressed with our new tables and chairs, also there were many compliments on our workshop especially how well it was set out, how clean it was and just loving our new dust extractor. Overall, they couldn't believe it was the same place and how much it has improved over the years.

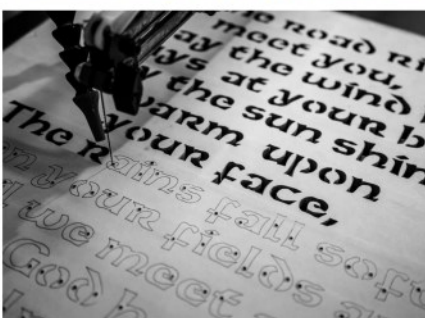
Our visitors brought some of their projects to have on display so we could all see what each other has been doing as well as being able to show our public visitors what we are all about, we picked up 2 new members from the weekend, one for scroll sawing and the other furniture making.

Kim and I would like to thank everyone who helped us put this weekend together, especially Colin for cutting up and sanding wood for our projects, moving furniture around, doing dishes and sweeping floors and mainly putting up with me, also we would like to thank Jutta again for designing and making our name badges this year as well as bringing some projects along for display, Esther for her biscuits and slice, Helen Harris for her amazing fruit cake, Lyn for her cake and slices and also for helping with dishes and preparing food, Andres for his advice and showing how one of our projects could be done differently and also to Adam for coming along and taking his professional photos of our group. A big thank you also to Don Slade for bringing his wood which was very sort after by us and visitors, Helen & Owen Harris for supplying us with the blades we need to do our work and to everyone else who contributed what they could to make the weekend a success.

I must give a very special thankyou to Kim, because without her the weekend wouldn't have been the success it was, her ideas and culinary skills turned out to be exceptional and kept everyone well fed, as well as all the effort she put into setting up and cleaning up which was a big job.

Overall, we all had a great experience with lots of laughter, talking and fun, oh yeah and scroll sawing as well. We thank everyone for their friendship and sharing their talents, experience and tips with us. Looking forward to next year. Heather & Kim

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Yvonne who cut this project a few years ago but was not sure about how to put it together, so with a bit of help from Andres on Wednesday she now has a completed project and very happy with it.



General Meeting—Guest Speaker

Justin Gordon—Physiotherapist

We were fortunate enough to have Justin Gordon, Physiotherapist from Kirinari Heath run through a presentation to us on looking after our bodies as we get older. He took us through longevity; asked us to think about what we want to be doing at 102; provided some general mobility information around shoulders, back, hip and knee and demonstrated general things we could incorporate into our daily routine to help build up some strength to stay mobile. For more information, make sure you check out <http://kirinari.com.au/>

Some great information and a huge thank you to Justin for generously giving us his time.



UPCOMING SCHEDULE

10

SEPTEMBER

COMMITTEE MEETING @ 7PM

08

OCTOBER

**AGM + GENERAL MEETING
@7PM**

12

NOVEMBER

COMMITTEE MEETING @ 7PM

10

DECEMBER

COMMITTEE MEETING @ 7PM

Around the Workshop:

- Wodonga Bunnings – Father’s Day event 29/8/24. 6pm – 8pm.
- Bunnings BBQ’s: dates are Saturday 23rd November 2024. (Noted)
- Thurgoona Men’s Shed EXPO. 30th November @ Albury Showgrounds. (Noted)
- Workshop closures - from Show Society, not being adhered to - if workshop closed it should be adhered too.
- Club to sell the small Thicknesser and Saw stop table saw and purchase a new table saw after prices being obtained and reviewed by Committee.
- Wodonga Senior week will be from 9am -4pm on 9th October 2024 – workshop will be open for the event.
- Discussions on our Christmas event, other venues will be looked by Martin & Lex as options due to the German-Austrian Club being now closed.

Around the Workshop cont.

Checking all used or recycled timbers for nails

If anyone is going to use any recycled or old timbers and put them through any machines please run the Metal Detector over it first. The Detector is in the small draw unit beside the Woodwiz.

Used timber has put through the Thicknesser and there are a number of destroyed cutters which have had to be replaced.

Many thanks for your help



Hearing Protection around the workshop

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

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 in sound usually means something is wrong!!!!!!!

****SAFETY GLASSES MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES IN THE WORKSHOP****

Your safety in the workshop is *not negotiable*.



WORKSHOP CLOSURES

Following a discussion with the Secretaries of the Wodonga Show Society and the Racing Wodonga, we will now remain open with the exception of Race days and any other events that will require the whole area to be closed, we will be advised in advance.

Racing Closure dates :

- Monday 9th September
- Saturday 19th October
- Friday 29th November

WEEKLY WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	NOTES
SATURDAY	9am - 12pm	PYROGRAPHY	Every Saturday morning at the Clubrooms.
SATURDAY	9am - 12pm	GENERAL WORKSHOP	Work on your own projects.
SATURDAY	1pm - 4pm	GENERAL WORKSHOP	Work on your own projects.
MONDAY	9am - 12pm	FURNITURE & GENERAL WORKSHOP	Work on your furniture project in our modern and well equipped workshop.
TUESDAY	9am - 12pm	General WORKSHOP	Work on your own projects.
1st and 3rd TUESDAY	8:30am - 12pm	TIMBER MILLING	Located at the Club in the Wodonga showgrounds. except on HOT DAYS (35°+).
VARYING TUESDAY'S	6pm (Pizza) for 7pm (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	2pm - 5pm	CARVING GROUP	Come and learn how to hand carve.
WEDNESDAY	8am - 12pm	SCROLL SAW WORKSHOP	Come and learn how to Scroll saw.
WEDNESDAY	1pm - 8pm	GENERAL WORKSHOP	All welcome to come and join in and work on your own projects.
WEDNESDAY	3pm - 8:15pm	WOODTURNING	Learn the art of Woodturning. Clean up time starts 8.15pm Sharp. Clubroom door is locked at 8.30pm.
THURSDAY	9am - 12pm	PEN MAKING	Learn how to turn a fine handcrafted Pen.
FRIDAY	9am - 12pm	BOX MAKING	Come and learn how to make a finely crafted Box.

ALL TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON GROUP LEADERS AVAILABILITY

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 any of these items they can be ordered directly through B-Cut

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**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.
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