

THE WOODY-WOODWORKER NEWSLETTER No. 381 – JULY 2019



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MEETINGS HELD ON
2nd & 4th SATURDAYS OF THE MONTH
GIPPSLAND WOODCRAFT GROUP HALL
843 MAFFRA / ROSEDALE ROAD, (C487)
NAMBROK
from 10.00am

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	Ian Henderson	Ralph Chilver	Roger Langford
	Graeme Ingleton	Andrew Knowles	Peter Vranek
	Ross Noske	Len Graham	Robert Ahearne

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HEALTH AND SAFETY SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

As you are aware we have been gearing up to implement the OH&S policy as laid out in the books at the Club. The committee has decided to commence the system starting from Saturday 27th July.

We already insist two people must be present when machinery is being operated so this will now mean at least one of those people has been signed off to use that machine. For those not signed off, you just need to have a checker with you as well as an assistant when you have a task that requires a particular machine or piece of equipment so you can be signed off if you use it in the correct manner.

GETTING AND SPENDING

During April we did demonstrations at three local functions; sales at the Nambrok School fete and auction brought in \$139, which included eight watch-your-pen-being-made by Ben and Ashley (profit from each pen is around \$7), a key ring, rolling pin, exercise blocks and a goblet.

Sales at the twilight Stratford Shakespeare Festival were \$13, while sales at the Heyfield Vintage Machinery weekend amounted to \$129, pens proving popular once again with another seven being made, and a turned bowl selling for \$35.

Stuart Baird gave us \$50 for running an auction of his tools and bits and pieces, while \$45 came from an auction of club incidentals.

I did a repair to a dining chair for \$20, and the Australian Woodturning Exhibition raffle tickets members purchased netted \$38. A total \$135 has been banked so far for the Open Day raffle, \$535 has been received in subs, entry \$210 and \$30 from the drinks' fridge and tea and coffee jar.

We stocked up on pen kits, a mandrel and mandrel saver from Pop's Shed at a cost of \$177.96, a storage box for pen parts for the trailer \$20, and dominoes used in the construction of the four garden benches cost \$38. Some plywood for the kitchen dresser reno and oak timber for the garden benches \$134.80, paper cups for open day \$18.82, and our membership and public liability insurance with the Council of Woodworking Clubs set us back \$425.

Our Bendigo Bank balance on May 31 stood at \$25,449.62.

NORM HYDE, Treasurer

ANNUAL OPEN DAY REPORT

Another open day wrapped up after a most enjoyable day. Visitors arrived to several vintage cars lined up at the front of our club and most made their way into the machinery shed to see Ashley and Ben making up pens for a bargain price of \$10.



A walk up the ramp led them past Cyril and his dueling barbies as he prepared sausages, hamburgers and fried onions for the hungry crowd. Glen and Yvonne Bradley had a great selection of old tools both for sale and as displays.

For one dollar a ticket could be purchased to go in the draw to win a completely refurbished No 4 Stanley plane with all proceeds going to the club.



Paddy had a table he wanted restored so Ross Noske joined him for the day to help scrape off the original finishes

Paddy also had a stationary engine ticking over and answered questions on its history.

Peter Youngs Lucas mill was a real draw card and kept a number of people mesmerized as it turned some very large logs into beautifully featured boards of black wood and walnut. The Lucas mill was kept busy until around 5pm



Anyone entering the meeting room was greeted by the sight of tables with an assortment of cakes and treats free to sample. Margaret Beckett, Freda and Margaret Lamb dished up generous servings of sausages and hamburgers, while Peter Vranek took orders and money.



Ian and Lois manned the front table and talked visitors through the process of filling out a door prize ticket and detailed the seven prizes to be won in our raffle, encouraging most to purchase at least one ticket.

In the workshop Henk had his rocking horse set up and facing the right direction.

A selection of items he has made including some brain teasing puzzles were laid out to create interest.



Geoff Howe had two marble machines set up that he had designed and made. The precision timing of each process amazed all who saw it.

One of the busiest stands was the tea and coffee table with several members taking turns serving and carting water. The fact there was a large container of buttered coffee scroll on the table contributed to the popularity.

Mik Lawrence made up pens using 308 bullets - these were very well finished. He sold a number on the day with proceeds going to “Pens for Troops” which he is a great supporter of. Some visitors gave five dollars to have a slimline pen made up and included in the shipment to the troops. The pens are issued with a card detailing who supplied the pen kit, who made the pen and the material used.

A number of items were sold from our display table with some members taking the opportunity to sell off items they brought along. Flyers were handed out by Colin and Titch between sales.

Len and Malcolm had various carvings on show around them as they chipped away at current projects. I spoke to one gentleman who plans to return and try his hand at carving under guidance from our talented team.

The only incident on the Open Day was when a trailer navigating the back area came into contact with the ramp barrier at the edge of the car park. Even though the touch was slight it resulted in both posts breaking off at ground level and the metal returns snapping off as the barricade hit the ground.

On closer inspection it was found both posts had significant rotting and it was only a matter of time before it would have collapsed which could have been very serious if someone was beside it or had a car parked close by. The rebuilt barrier will be installed soon. Painter and hole digger wanted



OPEN DAY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

As well as attracting many visitors, our Open Day on June 8 ended up generating some extra funds. Many people must have pictured themselves sitting out in their garden on the first prize in the raffle, a mountain ash garden bench seat. Undoubtedly, this helped boost ticket sales, with a total \$865 being raised.

Glen and Yvonne Bradley were kept busy at their display table selling raffle tickets for a hand plane generously donated by Glen, which brought in \$42. Titch Ahearne and Colin Elmore excelled at the sales bench, with \$156 being taken; Ben and Ashley Thompson set themselves up in the machine shed where they made up \$30 worth of pens.

Meat from Ranford's Butchers, Sale, cost \$188.40, with bread bringing the total to \$196.20.

Our barbecue team cooked and served up \$281 worth of tucker; after the wash-up we made around \$85, but there is enough meat left over to feed everyone at the annual meeting.

The cafe bar attendants served up around \$75 in tea and coffee after expenses.

TREASURER NORM

OPEN DAY RAFFLE RESULTS

- 1st prize:** The garden seat made by Ian Henderson was won by Lyn Noske, Traralgon
- 2nd prize:** A \$200 gift card from Bunnings Traralgon was won by Pam Austin. Heyfield
- 3rd prize:** A \$100 voucher from Pop's Shed was won by Jemma Rutter. Traralgon
- 4th prize:** A toy truck and animals made by Norm Hyde was won by Pam Boyce. Nambrok
- 5th prize:** A curling wand from Harvey Norman Traralgon was won by Brenda Boothman. Traralgon
- 6th Prize:** A beard trimmer from Harvey Norman was won by Anthony Byrne. Heyfield
- 7th Prize:** A meat voucher from Ranfords Butchers, Sale was won by Kerry Peel. Newry



Glen and Yvonne Bradley raffled off a reconditioned Stanley No 4 plane which raised \$42 for us.

The plane was won by David Johnston from Toongabbie

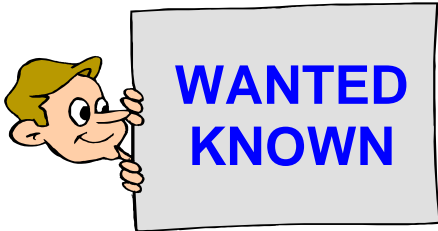
Brian sold a winning ticket to Jemma who won the Pop's shed voucher for \$100

PENS FOR TROOPS

At the Open Day, Mik Lawrence turned bullet pens for visitors and all funds raised are to be used to supply pen kits to anyone who wants to be involved.

I have some kits to hand out so if you want to make up some pens come and see me and I will add you to the list. All pens are presented to the troops with a card detailing the material used, who supplied the kit and who turned the pen, so be sure to include these details when you return your finished pen/ pens.

ASH sawmill have supplied Jarrah off-cuts which can be cut into pen blanks.



**Please make welcome three new members to our group:
Debbie Day and Troy Varney from Loch Sport and Greg Watts, from Sale**

Those who have NOT paid their 2019/2020 membership fee are now unfinancial and for insurance purposes need to attend to this matter **urgently**.

Place the correct amount in an envelope with your name and what the payment is for and hand it to Norm. Or you can pay it direct to our account *Bendigo Bank details: BSB 633-000. A/c No. [1477-77080](#)*. Adults \$50. Family \$85. Junior members \$15

If you need to use the first aid kit please make a note of the injury and treatment in the book and if items are getting low or out of date let Norm or myself know.

Warren from Marine Timbers will now give his talk on using resin for projects on Saturday October 12th instead of September.

PROJECTS:

ASH Sawmill has requested 100 sets of spatulas with ASH logo laser engraved on them so Taffy and I spent some time at the club on Friday 27th breaking down the timber into strips.

We decided to cut out the spatulas at home.

More help would be welcome.



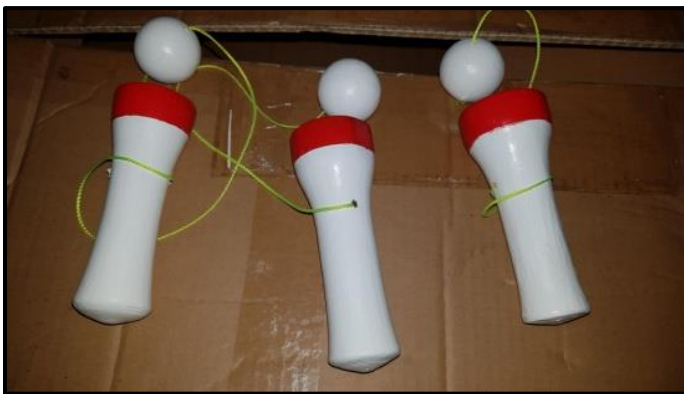
ASH have also ordered 100 spirit levels with laser engraved logo

We have been asked to make up a community notice board for Dargo General Store.

We also have a few restoration projects lined up

After a successful run of demonstrations, plus the Open Day, we need sales items for the trailer

CUP AND BALL



Thanks to John Pritchard for turning up some cups for the cup and ball sets we sell at displays - I painted them and attached the balls. These always generate a lot of interest and laughs at the displays.

FOURTH SATURDAY

As always a busy workshop. John gave Colin some bowl turning tips while Ben turned up a small bowl on the mini lathe and found the height adjustable stand meant he could get a clear run at the bowl leaning over the lathe.



LIGHTING UPGRADE

Ross Coulthard, our electrician, sent his team to start our light upgrade on the afternoon of Monday 2nd. Paddy opened up for them and after a few hours the new wiring was all installed in the workshop along with four of the new lights.

They returned on Wednesday afternoon and installed the remainder of the new lights and replaced our existing centre lights with LEDs. They then replaced the meeting room and machinery shed lights with LED lights.

The difference is amazing, a number of members have commented on how all the shadowing was gone. The lighting over the machinery and saw bench will greatly improve marking out and cutting tasks. Signs have been placed in the workshop acknowledging the support of Wellington Shire which enabled us to complete the total upgrade.



Before upgrade



During upgrade



After upgrade

JIM KEE BEREAVEMENT

In the last newsletter I wrote about the generous donation of black wood to the club by Jim Kee. Jim was one of our founding members and always supported the group.

Sadly, I was informed during June that Jim had passed away. A card has been sent to his family. Ian had previously organized a certificate of appreciation for his donation of timber.

KITCHEN CABINET RESTORATION

Work has been progressing over a number of months to restore the large kitchen cabinet. Being very old it had significant wear in drawer slide and a couple of drawers needed new sides and tracks made up.

One door had a significant dent possibly from a hard kick but with clamps, blocks, glue and plastic wrap it was recompressed back into its original form.

Several layers of paint were removed followed by lots of sanding. A first coat of paint was commenced but stains started bleeding through.

A quick visit to Bunnings for some problem-solving stain blocker. Ross and I applied the sealer on Tuesday 18th followed by a coat of paint - no stains evident.

Norm and I attended the club Friday 21st and applied the second coat to door backs and replacement top as well as the cupboard inside.

At the Saturday meeting the tape was removed, trims painted and a final rub down given. Stain was applied Monday. Sealing coats to go!



HONOUR BOARD

Five years ago we made up Honour Boards for Traralgon West Fire Brigade.

Late last year Brian Soal requested we make up an extension for one of the boards, so the task was added to our job list. It wasn't until this month the time was found.

The veneer sheet was ordered from Variform in Morwell and delivered to Ian's home on Wednesday 12th. Ian spent part of the morning preparing timber for a Nambrok school project and later in the day cut the sheet to size, dressed the red mahogany and attached it to the board with his domino system.

Thursday, after the session with the kids from Nambrok, he clamped the end cover strips and on Saturday fitted the other cover strips and the French cleat.

Two coats of clear finish were applied. The board was picked up a few days later and a Board made previously was dropped off to have some damage repaired.

Ian carried out the repair immediately and delivered the Board to Traralgon the next day. Now that's service!





A GOLDING LATHE, with tools as displayed in the drawers, and on the shelf under the lathe.

Alterations and modifications to the tools and lathe include an extension to the lathe bed, from 96cm to 150cm.

Set on a home made wooden stand, with 4 drawers, and a tool rack.

Overall size, 175cm wide, 125cm high, 55cm deep. Motor size ??

Price \$480.00 negotiable.

Phone Margaret 03 5148 2237 or 0456 359 433.



Makita Vacuum Cleaner, 26L, 1200W AutoStart outlet. Adjustable suction. Comes with three replacement dust collection bags. \$150.00.

For details contact Ian on **0408 361848**



Barbara from Churchill has a copy turning lathe for sale. 90cm bed , 1" x 12 tpi.

The lathe is variable speed and comes with two chucks, live centre and some tools. Copy turning attachment.

Has a large swing enabling wider bowls and platters. Asking \$700 ono.

Barbara also has a 150mm GMC bench grinder in good condition for \$35 and a Triton 200 work centre with extension and 235mm Makita saw for only \$400. For more details call Barbara on **0429 110332**.



CLEANING ROSTER 2019

2 nd SATURDAY	4 th SATURDAY
July 13th Rob Wetton , Paddy Boyce	July 27th Peter Vranek, Dennis Booth
August 10th Robert Ahearn, Alex Prodanovic	August 24th Ross Neilson, Lynton Minto
September 14th Paul Gibbs, Robyn Clark	September 28th Ben Mcinnes, Geoff Howe
October 12th Anthony Byrne, Colin Armitage	October 19th Doug Siggins, Lyn Marsh
November 9th Ralph Chilver, Graeme Ingleton	November 23rd

If you cannot attend your turn, please arrange a swap with someone on this list.

TIMELY REMINDERS

Show & Tell	Activity
July 13th Something unique. Item or a tool	Andrew Wilkerson will demonstrate hand cutting dovetails
August 10th Something made from Ash or Jarrah or a combination.	ANNUAL AGM. All positions vacant. Vince Hurley will chair the meeting
September 14th A lazy Susan or serving tray	Volunteer required
October 12 Surprise us !!	Warren from Marine Timbers will show us how easy it is to use epoxy with your woodwork
November 9th A miniature or A Christmas decoration	Open to suggestions
December 14th A decorated top, Giant top, Miniature top	Pop's Shed Spinning top contest Hand spun String driven

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Kencor Sales (Bolts etc), Morwell – 5133 7765	Pro Draft Pty Ltd, Architects, Morwell – 5133 8007
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