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## **Presidents Report November 2024:-**

As the year slowly draws to a close and we start to look forward to Christmas we reflect on the year so far and ask ourselves has it been a good year for working with wood? I do think we have had a very good year with the workshop looking so good that other clubs want to come and see what we have done.

A special thanks to the members who looked after the members from the Bendigo woodworking club who came to see what and how we have made our workshop so clean and professional-looking. Thank you very much.



Later this month we have the Bunnings BBQ in Albury on the 23rd of November. If you can help, there is the list in the workshop so don't hesitate to put your name down. Next year we have Craft Alive at the Wodonga Showgrounds, it will be held on the 20th – 22nd of February 2025.

Also don't forget the Wodonga Show in March, so start making items to enter the competition or for the sales table. Entry forms will be available early February along with the different categories. It looks like it will be a bit busy for the start of the year.

Martin Lawley.

## **Group Reports November 2024**

#### Cottage Report: - No report

## **Furniture Group:-**

We have had quite a few members coming in over the last month, which is great to see as we are now using the workshop except for the other Monday when we had power issues, which were fixed the next day.

Members have been working on several different projects with Gerard working on an unusual box construction which will be finished soon.

Tom has been in machining timber for his Christmas trees as well as his Wombats.



Our next major exhibition is the Wodonga Show so start working on your entries and if you have any problems come in on a Monday morning and we can help you solve them, hopefully.

The project that the group has is a draw leaf dining table for another club member, which is slowly progressing. Until next month let's keep making sawdust.

Martin Lawley.

## Pen Making:-

This month has been fantastic for the club pen project! A huge shoutout to Rod for diving in and taking on some pen kits, we appreciate your effort! It's such a fun and meaningful way to support the club, so if anyone else wants to get involved, I'd love to have you on board.

Ivan is putting together a beautiful pen stand,

which will make an amazing Christmas gift. These stands are coming along quite nicely. I'm excited to welcome Luke to the group – he's already made his very first pen, and it looks great!

Paul has been busy making up some table saw jigs that can be used to create segmented pen blanks for the group. More information to follow soon on an upcoming workshop using these new jigs safely for pen segmenting. Just a reminder: our pen group now meets on Saturday afternoons, so if you've ever wanted to try making your own pen, come join us! With Christmas just around the corner, a handmade pen is a perfect gift idea. Everyone is welcome – we'd love to see you there!

Cheers, Katie

### Carving:-

Since changing our Carving Day to Wednesdays, we have been getting up to four members per week attending. Thanks to all of you, for it has opened the Group up. Regrettably it is still not fitting in with the Yackandandah

lady members, although they have indicated that they will try. I have attempted to keep in touch with them - but it not easy. However, I will continue.



Bob Cox

#### Woodturning Group: -

The turners are a full house on Wednesday nights. As well as our usual members we have had 3 new members join us over the last few weeks. Our new turners Rod, Luke, Neville are starting to get the hang of the tools and what can happens if all the plans go a tad wrong.

Mark H has had some very nice results from large Red Gum Burls that where a real challenge not only to turn due to their hardness but



having to be glued and resined to help hold them together.

Chris A and Katie are turning out some very nice pens and Luke has also caught the pen bug and doing well. Bob S who has returned to turning after a long absence is have a great time fulfilling his partners wish list of things she would like.

Harry has been busy with the new turners teaching them the basics as well as being away for a few weeks at the Wood Collectors conference.

Lex

Pyrography:- No report.

## Box Making:- No report

## Sawmill Report:-

We've been tidying up a lot of mess in the shed, clearing and processing piles of random timber, and stacking for wood type. We've had great attendance, with on average 6 people for the last few mill sessions, which lets us run both the slab and dimensional mills. Special mentions to Bevan with his tractor, considering no one wants to lift 100kg logs, and Ross for keeping everything maintained.

Please, for anyone wanting to drop logs off, con-



tact the committee prior to leaving logs - we want to avoid 'unidentified donations' as much as possible. Also, if you are keen to donate logs - a usable minimum size is 30cm across and 100 cm long and useful maximum size is 80cm across and 300cm long. Smaller means it's probably a bandsaw job or firewood. Bigger means get in touch. If it's not a log, we probably don't want it.

Theres been a discussion regarding onsite milling at members' properties. This is not a thing we can do as a club, as our insurance doesn't cover the mills being used for club work away from the club site.

Finally, if any general members are keen to look through the wood we're preparing in the shed, you're most welcome, but please, do not unstack or move anything. If you really want to play with stacks of wood, come to a milling session. We're putting a great deal of effort into making it a neat, orderly and valuable club resource, and help to progress that is always useful.

Dave.

### Scroll Saw:-

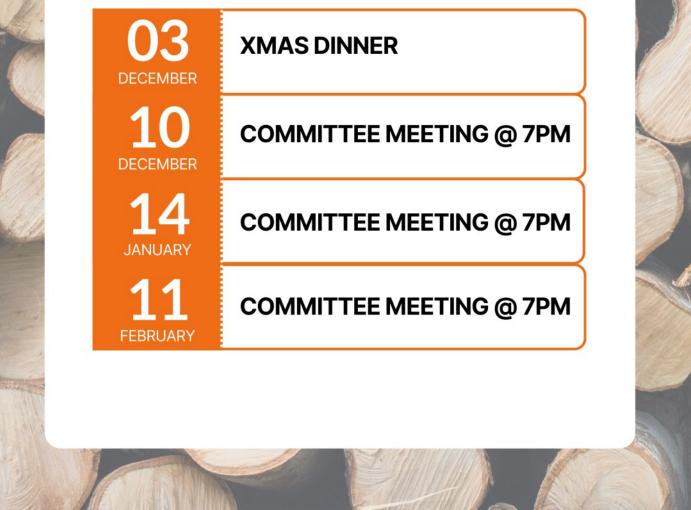
Our Wednesday's have been very well attended with all saws in use. A big thankyou to Andre for serving all of the Scroll saws and Colin for machining timber for us. Our group are being keep very busy making things for Christmas using a large variety of timbers.



Ed

## Workshop Report:- No report Saturday General workshop: - No report

# UPCOMING SCHEDULE



## **November Bunnings BBQ**

The BBQ held was a great success with approx. \$2500 gross (exact not yet tallied).

I would like to thank the below who gave of their time on a very HOT day with some members doing double shifts. Amongst these there we some not all that well with rib injuries and two very new club members who came to help.

Peter Hurcum, Ross Graham, Ray Tobin, Kris Van Dussen, Dennis Smith, Neil Sonneman, Martin Lawley, Heather Clutterbuck, Colin Rhodes, Cheryl Seymour, Kim Young, Neville Young (New) and Luke Bell (New)

From all of the clubs membership - THANKS!!!!



## **Christmas Party Details**

#### COST

The cost will be \$15.00 per/head.

#### **EVENT**

Meal will be 2 courses:

Main: Alternate plates with hot meat and veg or a self-serve salad bar with 2 various meats Desert: Alternate Fruit Salad & Ice-cream or Xmas Pudding & Custard.

For more information please contact:

#### Ivan Leishman

Mobile: 0409451989 or via email: leishmanivan@gmail.com

## **GV Woodworkers Annual Wood Show**

Myself, Colin Rhodes and Dennis Smith attended the 32nd Annual Woodworking Show at Shepparton on the 26th and 27th October, Martin and Ann Lawley attended Sunday as Shepparton accommodation had been booked out since March of this year so they could only come for the day. This is the second year for us and the event is getting bigger every year, they had an extra 23 stall holders plus the National Scroll Saw Exhibition was also held there as well. Their raffle was again very generous and their products were very well made unfortunately we didn't win anything.

Although the event was much bigger this year, public numbers were down due to having so many other events happening in Shepparton that weekend plus we had a lot of competition this year as well and people are obviously finding it hard with the cost of living, our site was smaller due to the Scroll Saw Exhibition but hopefully we will have a larger one next year all going well.

Our sales were down by half this year compared to last year of which \$249 was clear profit to the club.

It was great to see some of our members attend the show during the weekend and buying up wood as there was certainly plenty to choose from.

We can recommend to other members to take part in these shows, its great getting to know people from other clubs and stall holders and learning from each other, it's a very friendly atmosphere and we would love for other members to join us.

A special thanks to the GV Woodworkers for putting on another great show.

Hope to see you there next year.



Heather Clutterbuck



It is that time of the year again when we put our hand into your pockets for 2024/2025 annual membership renewal.

2024-25 Membership Fees are:

- Family \$100
- Single \$70
- Junior \$30

Your fees can be paid via Eftpos at either at the Workshop/Cottage or by direct deposit .

Bank details are: BSB 64000 Account: 111172575 Ref: Your name and the word membership

If you do not wish to renew your membership, please advise the Secretary.

Many thanks, Lex

## **Workshop Christmas Closure**

Workshop closure for Christmas/New Year period: 23 Dec 2024 to 1 Jan 25 Inclusive.

If you would like to use the workshop during this closure period, please contact:

- Paul Kohl 0419 555 357
- Ross Graham 0427 237 531



## \*\*Reminder\*\* Workshop can be opened outside group listed times as long as there are two members on site at all times.

## For Sale

5 bandsaw blades for sale— money is to go to the club funds.

- 2 blades 2.4mt x 10mm 6teeth per inch
- 3 blades 2.4mt x 10mm 4 teeth per inch.

Price \$15.00 each. Contact Martin Lawley for further information



Free storage jars—now at clubrooms

## Around the Workshop

1.Mill safety needs: update of procedures and safety requirements after complaint by Bevan Seymour:

**RESOLUTION BY COMMITTEE:** To purchase a pair of Chaps for chain saw usage at the Clubs premises. Members may bring their own saws in to use on mill days. On the 19/11/24 – A full retraining and update of all safety requirements for all members who use the Mill in relation to Procedures/compliance will be presented by Ross Graham and Gerrard Cresser.

2.Committee agreed that due to the increased extraction and filter systems now in place in the workshop, there are no restrictions on species of timbers that can used/personnel precautions to be taken by each person as they see fit.

3.Each group to put forward a request from small things to improve their operations: Each Group leader to put requests to the Committee with requirements and costings.

4.Workshop closure for Christmas/New Year period: 23/12 to 1/1/25 Inclusive.

5.If current Grant application is unsuccessful the club will purchase a new Dishwasher. Club will now purchase a 16" Carbatec Scroll saw and safety Chaps.

## Show and Tell

## Dave Van Damme

(L) The finished commission for a local bear brewing couple. Hops and barley on a silky oak panel,120 x 70cm. Waste and edging done with a plunge router and everything else with hand chisels.Finished with polyurethane. Was a great project, and the couple love it.

(R) Finished the monster skull, all power carving, jaw, skull, teeth and horns were all separately carved and then dowel and glued.



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## Show and Tell Cont.

#### Declan

(L) Completed another great keepsake box

## **Cheryl Seymour**

(Below) Bee-Happy coasters





## **Kevin Ennis**

(Below) This is the slab of camphor laurel that Ross Graham flattened on the wood wiz for me to make a single leg table. The leg and base had to made from pine as no camphor pieces were available so a shellac finish was used to match as far as possible the table colour.



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## Show and Tell Cont.

Pyro group celebrating Esther's birthday



#### **Ivan Leishman**

Latest bowl creation. Half moon pen stands



### Kris Van Duursen

Red Elm counter levered wine bottle holder with real wine



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DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	Co-ordinator	Phone	Email	NOTES
Monday	9:00am - 12:00pm	Furniture & General Workshop	Martin Lawley	0412 385 184	martin law- ley@optusnet.com .au	Work on your furniture pro- ject
Tuesday	9:00am - 12:00pm	General Workshop	Paul Kohl	0419 555 357	collin- class@hotmail.co m	All welcome to come and join in and work on your own projects
Tuesday 1st/3rd	8:30am - 12:00pm	Timber Mill- ing	Ross Graham	0427 237 531	rwgra- ham12@bigpind.c om	Located at the Club in the Wodonga showgrounds. Except on HOT DAYS (35° +).
Wednesday	8:00am - 8:00pm	General Workshop	Lex Manning	0418 627 911	manningja- nelex@gmail.com	All welcome to come and join in and work on your own projects
Wednesday	8:00am - 12:00pm	Scroll Saw	Ed Kilo	02 6024 2482		Come and learn how to Scroll saw
Wednesday	12:00pm - 4:00pm	Carving Group	Box Cox	0408 700 660	bobmol- ly6@gmail.com	Come and learn how to hand carve
Wednesday	3:00pm - 8:15pm	Woodturning	Harry Dennis	0428 578 859	dennispasto- ral@bigpond.com	Learn the art of Woodturn- ing
Thursday	9:00am - 12:00pm	General Workshop	Paul Kohl	0419 555 357	collin- class@hotmail.co m	All welcome to come and join in and work on your own projects
Friday	9:00am - 12:00pm	Box Making	Col Rhodes	0418 691 997	crhodes@bigpond. net.au	Come and learn how to make a finely crafted box
Saturday	9:00am – 4:00pm	General Workshop	Lex Manning	0418 627 911	manningja- nelex@gmail.com	All welcome to come and join in and work on your own projects
Saturday	9:00am - 12:00pm	Pyrography	Kim Young	0403 126 816	kimandhay- don@gmail.com	Come and learn the art of wood burning
Saturday	1:00pm - 4:00pm	General Workshop	Ross Graham	0427 237 531	rwgra- ham12@bigpind.c om	All welcome to come and join in and work on your own projects
Saturday	1:00pm - 4:00pm	Pen Making	Katie Hardman	0428 598 191	news@awwinc.co m.au	Learn how to turn a fine handcrafted pen

All Times Are Subject To Change Based On Group Leaders Availability



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## 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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