WOODWORKERS of the SOUTHERN PENINSULA INC

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WOSP Christmas Lunch

Here is another reminder that the Christmas Lunch will be at the home of Max Evans, 271 Dundas Street, Rye on the Wednesday 14th December. The luncheon will be a main & a dessert for a cost of \$22

There will be an excellent Christmas Hamper Raffle, a door prize and lots of fun & frivolity. So I expect to see you there.

Key Dates

Toy Handover Christmas Lunch 2017 Neighbour Day 3rd December 14th December 19th March

A Heart Starter for Woodworkers.

Photos & story Barry Irving



Figure 1 Paul Nitas presents the defibrillator to John Bayliss

Paul Nitas CEO Hillview Quarries visited the WOSP workshop and presented a defibrillator to President John Bayliss. The joint board of Hillview Quarries and the RE Ross Trust provided the grant for the defibrillator. President John Bayliss said "That a recent health scare involving a member had put the club on notice that a defibrillator as well as members updating their first aid qualifications was urgently needed". John also said "That their 85 members would feel a lot more at ease knowing that this life saving device would now be on hand should it be needed". In response a gift of a hand turned pen & desk set along with a certificate of appreciation was presented Paul thanking him on behalf of the members. The woodworkers of the Southern Peninsula conduct a range of woodworking skills to both men &

women of all ages at their workshop in Boneo Road. A special group the "Toy makers" spend 12 months crafting and painting toys that number between 800 and 1,000 each year. These toys are then distributed to agencies, Salvos, Westernport Giving Program, Southern Peninsula

Food for All, and Good Shepherd Australia.

Defibrillator Training

The cost of defibrillator training has also been covered by Hillview Quarries. Training was conducted by David Gordon on 10th November at the club. David demonstrated the use of the defibrillator in conjunction with CPR. The members John Parrent, Joe Raulli, Eddie Hunter, Ron Higgins, Dennis Connor, Greg Millar, John Bayliss, Colin Dobson, Gaven Davis & Jeff Killeen attended and were involved in the discussion of various scenarios that could occur within the club.



Figure 2
Defibrillator
Training

Newsletter Availability

Approx. 30 newsletters have been produced over the last 3 years. Hopefully there have been some interesting articles that members may wish to refer. To assist with availability and club advertising all newsletters are being added to the club website. Hopefully in the near future the will be a comprehensive article on the history of the club.

Did You Know

- Currently the club has 87 members of which 69 use email. That represents %79 of the club. Please check out the club website www.wosp.com.au and suggest any improvements.
- Have you noticed the dead tree between the clubrooms & the storage shed has been completely removed?

Toy Handover December 3

To most December 3 is just another Saturday but for the club it is a celebratory day as it culminates the completion of almost 700 toys by a group of club volunteers. During the year these volunteers donate each Wednesday to toy manufacture. John Parrent excels in the general organisation while Bert Bartlett ensures there is a jig to simplify the making of any toy.

The toys include rocking swans, prams, bikes, garages, helicopters, ambulances & police cars, fire engines, push carts, ironing boards & irons, wheelbarrows, tool boxes, carousels, trams, ride on trucks, doll cradles, quoits. In addition there will be a number of trick boxes plus naughts & crosses games.

The toy will be donated to representatives from Food for All, Salvation Army, Rye Lions & Westernport Charities who in turn will distribute them to children within the Mornington Peninsula. The function will also be attended by representatives from Bunnings, Bendigo Bank & Hillview Quarries, fantastic supporters of WOSP.

All club members are invited to attend the toy handover.

Jigs & Routers



Figure 4 Kevin Cross

Routers are not an easy tool to use in the workshop. So when Bert Bartlett starts to use a router there is an immediate interest as to what he is doing because it is sure to be educational. As it happens Kevin Cross has a lot of pens to be made and want to make wooden pencil cases for them all. While Kevin cut the timber to size, Bert set about patiently making the jig. Most members would resort to buying plastic cases from Pop's Shed for \$1. However Bert demonstrated his experience & patience by slowly putting



Figure 3 Bert's Jig

together a jig most people would call firewood. Nevertheless, by the end of the session perfect wooden pencil cases were being made.

2016 Achievements

In the next newsletter I would like to do an article on what the club and its members have achieved in 2016. Various activities have been done to improve the club, advertise the club and improve its financial position. In addition, members will have completed a range of projects over the year so I invite you to list your achievement / projects on the relevant sheet on the noticeboard or by emailing me with a picture. Note the email address in the footer.

Get Well Soon

WOSP is the type of club that values its members. Consequently one of the roles on the committee is to monitor all club members and be aware of any member unwell. Ernie Garro takes this role seriously but he cannot do it all by himself. You are invited to notify Ernie of anyone who is ill so that he can take steps to pass on the club's best wishes.

Greg Knox is a member who is battling at the moment. Greg is one of the club's gentlemen and there are not many. You may recall from a past newsletter, Greg is a Friday morning attendee and is an enthusiast sports car driver. Currently his battle with cancer is heading in the right direction although it has not been easy. While his current diet is meagre it is still better than it was and is getting better. Greg, with your wife, you

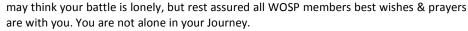




Figure 5 Greg Knox



John Kremser ~ Thanks for your service

For those of you who do not know, John Kremser is retiring from tutoring at the end of the year. John has been the Friday morning tutor for a number of years and I have been fortunate to learn from him. He challenged me with a kaleidoscope which I passed only after doing it 3 times. Where I might lack assurance to start his presence gave me the confidence to progress. Since the more recent newsletters have been available there have been a number of articles about John & his turning skills. Members today are spoilt with the equipment available. John had to build his own lathe and he did it with imagination by utilising what was available.

With the retirement of Len Williams & John the club is losing turning goliaths whose knowledge & presence will be missed.

Diarilmari Timber Products (pron. "Jar-il-mari")

During the year club members take time out to travel. Gaven Davis recently came across Djarilmari Timber Products in Denmark, WA. "Djarilmari" means "place of trees" in the Nyungar language. He found the company was internationally recognised as wholesale timber merchants specialising in exotic Western Australian hardwoods. Western Australian timbers are prized worldwide for their rich, beautiful colours and spectacular grain features.



Figure 7 Left to right, Sheoak, Rib Fruited Mallee, Red Morrel, York Gum, Jarrah

Djarilmari takes pride in collecting timber in ways that conserve the environment. Timber is salvaged from farm clearance and from road construction sites and sourced under license from government



Figure 6 Knife Blanks

regulated forest areas. Long term sustainability of the resource is a priority.

Australia's leading supplier of Western Australian Native Timbers to the Fine Woodworking Industry. These include, natural edge slabs, jarrah & goldfields burls, lace Sheoak / Sheoak, figured jarrah, sculptural pieces, knife blanks, clock faces, desert timbers, veneers, turning blanks & pen

blanks.

Figure 7 is a bowl turned by Gaven from some of the timber blanks purchased from Djarilmari. In fact, have Gaven show

you the bowl so you can really see its beauty.

On behalf of the club I enquired on their bulk ordering prices from a club. Their pen blanks are \$3ea (all timbers), knife blanks \$15 ea (140mmX40mmX35mm, whole mallee type burls (WA species) are

\$7/kg. Turning discs ie 300mm diameter & 50mm thick are Figure 8 The base timber is western approximately \$25-\$30.

If you are interested in being part of a bulk order where the postage is split the spire is Rose Gum please advise me in person, by email or by filling out the form on the notice board. Thanks Gaven for sharing this interesting find with us.



Aust SheOak, top ring is Wandoo, the lid is Tasmanian Huon Pine and

For more information on the range & colour of their Australian timbers refer to their website



www.djarilmari.com & their Facebook site Djarilmari Timber Products

Picture Framing

Over the past couple of months Rodger Stebbing has been making himself available to teach people the art of picture framing. Unfortunately very few members have shown the interest in being involved. So to still provide the service but not waste Rodger time it has been agreed with Rodger that the class will be available on the first Monday afternoon of each month until membership interest demands a change.

Wood Turning Ideas



At the Peninsula Woodturners Guild (PWG) in Frankston I noticed a turner with a round nut. On enquiry I was informed it was for starting a turning project. You can glue the nut to the piece you want to turn and when dry wind the nut onto the thread at the headstock.

In the past you could use a plate or a screw to get started. So now it is possible to use a threaded round nut. The next question is how one is made. Typing "making

threaded nuts" into Youtube gave me a lot of ideas but nothing practical to me. So my next question is "how do I buy one"? Well they can be purchased from PWG Wednesday Shop. I will advise the price the next time I visit.

My Own Chisels

Tool availability at WOSP is unbelievable. There is very little you have to supply yourself. However recently I thought I would like to have my own wood turning chisels and be responsible for looking after them, including their sharpening. There is no better way to learn how to sharpen chisels that to sharpen your own.

As I only wanted to work on small projects, the advice was to get a small spindle gouge, a small bowl gouge, a roughing gouge & a skew chisel. Sorby Chisels are excellent but not cheap and I wanted value. So I went online to McJing to purchase what I needed. Roughly the price was \$40 per chisel without handles and postage \$14. At \$10 per handle I could have purchased the handles but being a wood turner I thought I would make them.

It was not hard to find the timber without cracks for the handles. Another consideration was to ensure the handles were not too long as the tailstock could interfere when using a midi lathe

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The first task was to round the four pieces of timber then use the Jacobs chuck to drill the holes required for the spindle & bowl gouges. The shaft on the skew chisel & the roughing gouge are rectangular & tapered. Consequently I used a vernier to measure various points on the chisel shaft and drilled that size to the appropriate depth. Using a 3mm wood working chisel I widened the length of the hole to fit the rectangular shaft. Each chisel was then placed into a woodworking vice & the handle was tapped firmly onto the chisel. Then for the rectangular shaft chisels a sliver of a dowel was tapped into the gap on each side of the shaft. The benefit of not using glue is it becomes possible at some later stage to put the chisel back in the wood workers vice and tap the handle off for reuse.

The best way to sharpen a chisel is to find a person to whom you are confident with and have them demonstrate it to you. Once the chisel has been sharpened create the final cutting edge by using a diamond

Regular application of linseed oil on the handles assists the timber to fractionally swell creating a tighter grip on the shaft.