



AGM Elections

After the elections at this year’s Annual General Meeting your new 2017-18 committee is as follows.

- President John Bayliss
- Vice President Rod Bew
- Secretary Greg Millar
- Treasurer Peter Rodgers-Wilson
- Committee: Gaven Davis, Colin Dobson, John Feeley, Ron Higgins, Jeff Killeen, Gordon Waddingham

Key Dates

Picture Framing Night	2 nd October
	4 th November
Committee Meeting	3 rd October
	5 th November
Bunnings BBQ	29 th October
	23 rd December
Christmas Luncheon	13 th December
Open Day	Jan 2018

One of the main issues to be managed by the committee this coming year will be the the club’s relocation to another site. Refer to the Swimming Pool article for more information.

Additionally at the meeting Dennis Connor was awarded a Life Membership to the club. Congratulations Dennis. That award is not easily obtainable but you certainly deserved it.



Swimming Pool / New Workshop

AFTER waves of community demands dating back decades, a new \$30 million swimming pool complex will be built in Rosebud. Mornington Peninsula Shire councillors recently voted to look at design options for the Southern Peninsula Aquatic Centre to be constructed **on land next to their Besgrove St offices**.



Figure 1 John Bayliss & Betty Preston excited about the decision of a new swimming pool.

Campaigner Betty Preston said the community was ecstatic. “It is marvellous, we want an aquatic centre, it is what we need,” Ms Preston said. “I’ve been involved for 18 years; this has been going on for so long. We are very happy, we’re delighted, it is now just a matter of the council finetuning the details.”

While the site has been locked in, exact details of what will be part of the new complex is yet to be decided.

As well as choosing if the pool should be 25m or 50m in length, indoor or outdoor, the shire is looking at uses including a hydrotherapy pool and spa, wellness centre, sauna, learner’s pool, multipurpose room, a cafe and a perhaps a gymnasium.

However no final decision will be made until costing options will be provided in December.

Accepting that the construction of a new pool would mean the relocation of WOSP’s workshop, a meeting was arranged between WOSP officials & council representatives. At the meeting it was recognised the club had outgrown its size. The club’s current roofline is 315 square metres and no objection was made when John Bayliss requested that our new premises should be at least 400 square metres.

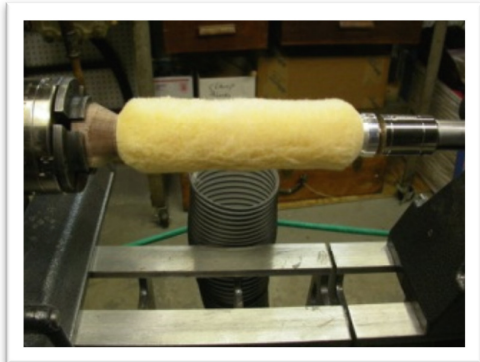
Two new locations for WOSP were proposed. The first option proposed was within the grounds of the council offices behind the police station & fire brigade. However as this area would be impacted by the construction of the swimming pool it would mean the club would have to be closed until the new pool was built.

The second location would be at/on the tennis courts in Elizabeth St West Rosebud. This appears to be the most likely spot for the new WOSP workshop.

Club members will be kept informed as any progress is made but at this stage no new news is expected until the contractors provide the council the costings of the various options.

Tips, Jigs & Techniques

In collaboration with Gaven Davis, the Wood pecker will publish articles each month about different ideas or jigs that may be useful to members. This month features the pInterest idea of a paint roller buffer and a jig for drawing arcs of various sizes.



Paint Roller Buffer

On occasions there is a requirement to buff or polish the bottom of the bowl or other wooden pieces. The photo shows how a paint brush roller can be used in lathe as a polishing tool.



Adjustable Workshop Made Arc by Frank Sand

Trying to bend a long, flexible strip and trace an arc at the same time can be tricky. To make it easier, I made an adjustable arc that can be locked into any curved shape I want. The arc is made from a strip of 6mm pegboard (about 600mm long), a nylon string and a cord lock that I bought at a fabric store.

EASY ASSEMBLY. First, cut the nylon string to twice the length of the pegboard strip and tie it to one end. Next slip one end of the string through the cord lock and then loop that same end through two holes in the opposite end of the strip. Finish up by feeding the string back through the cord lock (inset photo).

ADJUST TO SIZE. To change the size of the arc, simply move the looped end of the string into a different set of holes in the pegboard strip and adjust the cord lock.

Restoration

John Johnson's chair restoration was completed over a number of months. It was interspersed with making pen & pepper mills. Initially when the first photo was presented to the Woodpecker he considered it to be firewood. However John explained his project and as he progressed with the restoration the Woodpecker was able to take a few more photos.

John was an upholsterer in a previous life and by looking at the end product one could see he is a real craftsman. As we know there is always a hiccup in any project. For John, his daughter has not decided on the covering fabric so he now working on other projects until the decision is made.



Toy Team need Assistance

It's September already and Christmas is fast approaching. The Toy Team have worked short handed as a number of members have travelled north for the winter. Additionally, there has been a struggle to find a spray painter and the backlog of toys requiring painting is increasing.

The Toy Team are a group of friendly men & women who donate their time to ensure some children are not forgotten at Christmas. There is great companionship amongst the team as there is time to socialise not just work.

The Toy Team would appreciate your assistance should you have any Wednesday available to help them.

It should be noted that the local charities depend on the toys made by the Toy Team when assembling their Christmas hampers. Additionally, the Bendigo Bank grants the club at least \$2000 each year to ensure WOSP continues this work. This grant and others would not be available to WOSP if it was not for the work done by the Toy Team.

Please help.

Club TV



The club has purchased a television and it has been installed in the meeting room of the club. It is planned that the TV will be used as an educational & promotional tool within the club.

John Feeley & Colin Dobson are gathering a number of videos & training clips that can be used for instructional purposes. These videos will be catalogued in a book where you can choose which one you would like to view to see the technique as to how a particular activity can be completed.

As soon as the catalog is ready each session leader will be shown the process so that they will be able to demonstrate the operation to attendees.

Note: the TV does not have an aerial to receive free to air TV & is not connected to the internet. It will be used solely for member instruction.

BBQ's

As you are aware Bunnings allocate BBQ dates to non profit organisations at the beginning of the year. WOSP has been fortunate in that should an organisation cancel, Bunnings calls us to fill the void. While the late notice is often a problem there is a regular number of members that volunteer or provide assistance once contacted by Ron Higgins.

Recently the club benefited by 2 cancellations and made \$1200. This is extremely useful considering the club will incur relocation expenses within the next 3 years. The council is expected to pay for a new building but the club could incur the fitout costs. So the more we have in the bank the better the fitout.

So your help when Ron calls would be very much appreciated.

Tool Register

Recently the committee agreed members may borrow some tools provided those tools do not impact the next session. The tools may be borrowed with the permission of the session leader who will record the lending in the tool register.

Tools must be in working order on return. If not its replacement or repair must be paid for by the person who borrowed the tools.

Lathe chucks are definitely not available to be borrowed from the club.

Safety Sessions

Members who have been travelling during the winter can still request a safety session from Gaven Davis.

Club Membership

Last year WOSP had 96 members. Since June 30 the number of paid up memberships did drop to the mid fifties however currently the number has grown to 71. At least 6 members are still enjoying the warm weather and will rejoin on their return.

Approximately 80% of the memberships have an email address and are easily updated with club notices as required. The committee would encourage all members to have an email address. If anyone has concerns as to how to go about this they should contact Colin Dobson who will provide assistance as required.

Advertising WOSP ~ Open Day

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Naturally the committee is interested in growing the club. For a start it is planning an Open Day in January where the club will be open for anyone interested in woodworking.

Getting the word out there is difficult and the committee would appreciate your ideas as to how the club can be advertised and grown. Should sessions be available for members interested in intarsia or pyrography? Should we have Saturday sessions? Who do you think could be a session leader? Why not discuss these topics when you have coffee at your next session at the club.

Share your ideas.

Football Sweep

2017 Home & away season is over. For the football tipster it has provided a lot of unexpected surprises as can be surmised by club's winners average of 5.7 out of 9. At thi stage who is game to pick the premiersip winner.

The prize winners of the club football sweep are:

- Equal 1st Eric & Judy Higgins with 131 won \$400 each
- Equal 2nd David Peirce & Warren Lewis with 129 won \$225 each
- 3rd Place went to Nathan with 127 \$300
- 2nd Last was Leanne Peirce who with 101 won her money back \$46
- Clair with 96 correct tips had the honour of being in last place & was presented with a wooden spoon.



Project Opportunities

Just recently an old sewing machine was dropped off at the club with the thought someone might like to restore it. The drawers seem OK but the top will need to be replaced. The sewing machine itself will require work. Perhaps you would prefer to transfer its life into a plant stand or something else. It is in the meeting room if you want it. If it is not gone within the week it will visit the tip.



A semi completed model of the HMS Victory 1765 has been donated to the club by a person who is physically unable to complete.

The model, parts & model plans are available to anyone interested in completing the project. The only request by the donor is that he receives a photo of the model once it is completed.

If you are interested in project contact Bert Bartlett for further information.