



**WOODWORKERS of the SOUTHERN PENINSULA Inc**

**Rosebud**

March 2021

# THE WOODPECKER

## 25th Year Celebration Luncheon

*The club's 25th birthday is a note worthy event and should be celebrated proudly considering the struggles it has had over the years & the efforts of many, many member's contributing to its growth.*

**Note:**

Committee Meeting	6 <sup>th</sup> April
25 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Luncheon	11 <sup>th</sup> Apr
Committee Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> May

***Apologies to the recent confusion** that indicated the luncheon was cancelled as that was a mistake. The luncheon is definitely on.*

*The club is minimising the cost to members and inviting a number of dignitaries who have helped financially over the year's.*

***Please get behind the event and set the date aside.** Put your name on the notice board to help the committee arrange catering.*

*A 2 course meal with tea/coffee & a drink voucher will cost \$25. Great value when you consider bar prices are for wine glass \$9, beer \$6.10 & soft drink \$5.50.*

*The menu will be either fish & chips, chicken parma or calamari followed by pavlova, panacota or a mouse. Other dietary needs are available from the hotel.*

## Promote WoSP

It is great to see Membership is nearing 100.

The committee believes that there is plenty of room for growth on a Saturday morning. This time slot is excellent for the home handyman to use the club's equipment before going home to assemble all the timber that has been prepared.

To prompt the home handyman with ideas, the editor is looking for photos of completed projects that could stimulate the handyman's imagination.

If you have any photos please send them to [wosp3939@gmail.com](mailto:wosp3939@gmail.com) & contact Colin Dobson, 0417364802.

My wife and I were sitting at a table at her school reunion, and she kept staring at a drunken man swigging his drink as he sat alone at a nearby table.

I asked her, "Do you know him?"

"Yes", she sighed, "He's my old boyfriend. I understand he took to drinking right after we split up those many years ago, and I hear he hasn't been sober since."

"My God!" I said, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"

And then the fight started...

## Member Projects

### Using the Woodcut Bowl Saver

Syd Johnson has been a member of the club for 6 years & in that time he has undertaken some very challenging projects. His patience has enabled him to complete them with distinction.

From one of the club's wood sales Syd purchased a big hunk of wood. At first you would think of it as a burl but it really was solid wood.

Syd used YouTube to research what he could do with this lump of wood and found a video of a chap using a Woodcut Bowl Saver. The demonstration showed how to get 3 bowls out of a piece of wood the size of which he had.

He was elated when he found the club had a Woodcut Bowl Saver. After more research in setting up the bowl saver he started the cut at 250 rpm. The log was so hard he was not sure he was doing everything correctly.

Much to everyone's delight after 1 ½ sessions working the cut he finally achieved the break through.

Syd had finally settled on using 380 rpm and advised "if the wood had been greener the cut would not have taken as long". Now Syd's next challenges are to cleanup & shape 2 bowls.



### The Garden Room

Past newsletters covered a number of the projects that were completed over the COVID lockdown.

Everyone knows that Rob Oram is an excellent session leader and is well admired for his jewelry boxes & Jimmy Possum chairs. Recently it was noted that Rob had placed photos of his recent Covid project on the notice board.

For those that do not read the Notice Board the Woodpecker has copied the photos for others to appreciate the workmanship.

Rob decided to update his Gazebo. After removing the balustrading he added flooring walls & windows. Sitting amongst the shrubs the garden room looks very inviting. It's nice to see he has not added a TV.

Great Job, Rob.



## Rocking Horse

Anne Miller is always on the go. She is a volunteer toy maker, a member of the committee and always has a project or two on the go. Recently, after many months she finished her rocking horse.

One of the benefits of being a club member is that you can share ideas as you work. Fortunately a number of members tackled making a rocking horse at the same time and were able to assist each other as they progressed. Unfortunately the COVID lockdown prevented them coming together a lot last year. Nevertheless all projects progressed producing excellent work. In the future the "Woodpecker" hopes to have more photos of completed rocking horses to show.



## Black Board

The other completed project by Anne is this black board. Apparently it is used with white markers. Anne made it for her grandson, Colin.



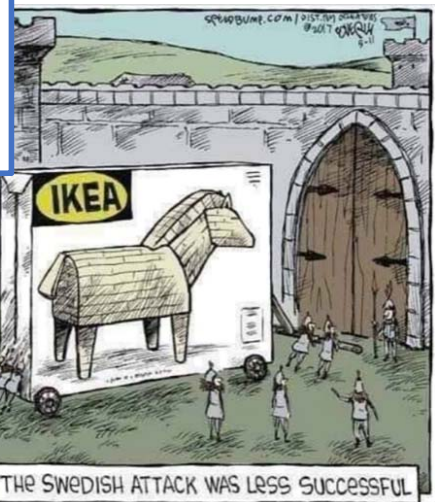
When our lawn mower broke and wouldn't run, my wife kept hinting to me that I should get it fixed. But, somehow I always had something else to take care of first, the shed, the boat, making beer... always something more important to me.

Finally she thought of a clever way to make her point.

When I arrived home one day, I found her seated in the tall grass, busily snipping away with a tiny pair of sewing scissors. I watched silently for a short time and then went into the house. I was gone only a minute, and when I came out again I handed her a toothbrush.

I said, "When you finish cutting the grass, you might as well sweep the driveway"

The doctors say I will walk again, but I will always have a limp.



### **New Workshop MOBILE Number**

Remember the new workshop Mobile number is **0492 952 052**



## Snippets & Offcuts

### Club Improvements

The committee has organised the delivery & installation of a 20" thicknesser in addition to the existing over worked 16" thicknesser. It is huge. No wonder it needs to be a 3 phase machine. No doubt it will prove to be popular with members.

The club is also getting a brake for the large band saw. This is a safety precaution as the blade on the band saw takes an excessively long time to come to a stop.

The storage cupboards have been moved closer to the roller door entrance providing more space to spread the work benches.



**Merchandise**

Club Caps	\$15
Beanies	\$17.50
Polo Shirts	\$40
Windcheater	\$60
Jacket	\$80

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for merchandise

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### Workshop Sessions

Sessions scheduled in 2021 are laid out below. Apart from a Wednesday you are able to wood turn at all sessions. However beginners to woodturning are encouraged to attend Rod Bew's Thursday morning session. More experienced turners are encouraged to attend Tony Haigh's Friday afternoon session to share ideas & experiences.

Monday	1.00pm – 4.00pm	Ron Higgins	0407 857 252
Tuesday	9.00am – 12.00pm	Dennis Conner	03 5985 7788
Tuesday	1.00pm – 4.00pm	Gaven Davis	0418 388 152
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Thursday	9.00am – 12.00pm	Rod Bew	0467 095 104
Thursday	1.00pm – 4.00pm	Rob Oram	03 5931 3797
Friday	9.00am – 12.00pm	Greg Knox	0412 281 225
Friday	1.00pm – 4.00pm	Tony Haigh	0416 204 791
Saturday	9.00am – 12.00pm	Colin Dobson	0417 364 802

