



WOODWORKERS of the SOUTHERN PENINSULA Inc

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THE WOODPECKER

Relocation

The Big Picture

As at 3 May 2019 a visit to the new site showed the shed walls up and the roofing and sides on. An additional concrete forecourt has been added and a front end loader was levelling the workshop surrounds.

The shed is really taking shape and recent progress has been exciting to track. So much so it was decided to have a working bee at the Besgrove workshop to box items not being used with the aim of minimising the down time during the relocation.

Now on 10 May the roof is on and the electricians and carpenters are starting work on the internals.

Members should note the relocation has been forced on the club as council wants the area for a swimming pool. With no lease, council is within its rights to move us on. However they have been generous in providing a larger workspace with extra facilities to meet OH&S standards plus a 5x5x5 year lease.

The actual delivery and relocation of the new workshop is proving to be full of complications and delays. John Bayliss and Greg Millar have been the clubs interface with council with the aim of protecting the club's interests. John and Greg have attended numerous meetings with council to manage the complications and delays that arise.



New workshop taking shape

Some of these complications have been difficult to resolve. At committee meetings, frustration at delays has been expressed and there is little appreciation of the amount of personal time taken to participate, resolve issues and report updates. Soil tests, sinking pylons and change of site manager are some of the complications resulting in the late delivery.

A recent issue arose because the site manager wanted all our machinery and equipment moved to the new workshop NOW to connect it to power and the ducting system. However council are not able to provide a definite date as to when the workshop will open to members. This could mean the current workshop would have to close now for up to 10 weeks, perhaps more. John stood firm and said "NO". So now after Certificate of Occupancy becomes available the ducting contractors will return to complete the connection to all machines. Only then will members be allowed to use the new facilities.

Whilst it's exciting to watch the progress of the workshop as it takes shape, members are *not* allowed on site without permission from the site manager and the WOSP President

At the moment *some* activities the site manager needs to organise before the Certificate of Occupancy can be obtained include:

- Kitchen installation with washing machine, sink and tiling
- Electricity to all machines, dust extractors and compressors
- Mezzaine plus stairs
- Security System
- Two showers, toilets and wash basins
- Levelling the external area.

Once the CO is available some but not all tasks that need to be completed before workshop sessions commence include:

- All machinery to be moved from Besgrove St.
- Contractors return to complete the ducting connections.
- Walls to be plastered
- Container to be moved and emptied
- A place needs to be found for everything from the container.
- Piping from compressors to delivery points to be run.

Due to the lead time of these activities the committee will need to decide what can be done by members and what will be sub-contracted. It is expected sub-contractors will be faster than members in completing the tasks.

Unfortunately the club is working blind trying to both be ready for the relocation and keeping the existing workshop open as long as possible. It is a balancing act to know what gets done now and what can wait a while as there is no committed completion date.

So to all members, please look at the big picture, trust your club representatives and remember it is easy to make decisions with 20/20 hindsight.

Projects

Recently John Hanley completed a round jewellery box with drawers. What is different about the box is that it

was not turned but done with a band saw. Then he made an intarsia flower to enhance the top. The box internals have been covered in red flock. Well done John for showing us something different.



Congratulations to Alan Smith for making a circular wheel. Alan was challenged as to the best way to do this but after the Friday brain's trust (FBT) looked at the problem, a solution was found. Now Alan is inspired to make a boat. It should be good for the FBT.



Membership Drive

The committee are preparing for a membership drive. It wants to advertise the club, its current and new address and the facilities available to members. The plans are twofold. Firstly, it will provide a physical presence at the Rosebud Plaza and Bunnings to display products, pictures and talk to the public.

A sub-committee has been set up to use social media to advertise the club to those who do not go to the Plaza or Bunnings.

Membership Stats

Welcome to the newest member of WoSP, Brendan Loy. Currently there are 86 members, 73 (85%) of which use email. The committee is trying to obtain the birthday of all members to better understand the age demographic of the club and be able to wish each member birthday greetings. All members are reminded that it is a time honoured tradition to bring birthday cake to the workshop.

Birthdays

The very best of birthday wishes to these members. Hope you have a top day and enjoy the year ahead.



Gaven Davis	6 May
Con Keegan	20 May
Ralph Forster	27 May
Bill Gorissen	2 June
Nick Porter	8 June
Tim Fox	14 June
John Feeley	15 June
Ern Garro	19 June

Key Dates

Turning in the Park 2019	16-19 May
Bunnings BBQ	24 May
Relocation Date	May (TBC)
General Meeting	12 June
AWTEX	14-16 June
AGM	14 August
Timber, Tools & Artisan Show	25-28 August
Live-in Camps	
- Forest Edge	19-21 July
- Down Under Turnaround	13-15 September

Timber, Tools & Artisan Show 25-28

August

Melbourne Showgrounds Early Bird price

\$16

The newsletter cut-off date will be the Friday BEFORE each committee meeting.

To broaden the "Woodpecker's" scope, Gaven Davis has volunteered to provide future articles on safety and Jeff Killeen will contribute articles of interest on "toys" All members are encouraged to submit articles of interest for publication at the editors discretion.

Our History

10 Years Ago

Time goes by quickly as you get older but it's always nice to look back and see what has been achieved and by whom. While WoSP was started in 1996 we don't have a lot of photos going back that far. However there is a photo from the **2009 RYE NEWS** under the heading "**Santa's helpers ready for the big day**", showing different toys made by the club members and who some of those club members were.

How many people can you identify? "Woodpecker" is interested in finding out who the 3 members on the left are. If you know, please provide feedback to the "Woodpecker" editor.



23 Years Ago

One of the plus's from the recent working bee was that the top of the office and kitchen areas were cleaned out. Beneath the many layers of dust were some archived papers and photos from the period 1996-2001. It is hoped the next newsletter will contain a little more of the history of Woodworkers of the Southern Peninsula.

In the beginning...

In 1996 a small group of men obtained Council permission to use an existing dilapidated 25m² gardeners shed which was behind the Rosebud Community House as a workshop. At the official opening in 1997, after repairs and an extension, the workshop had been extended to 48m².

Projects

The "Woodpecker" was most impressed at the recent sculpture by Scott Hanley. All the driftwood, which appears to be ti-tree, was found locally.



Out and About



The 2019 Australian Woodturning Exhibition will have a public showing of competition entries on Fri-Sun 14-16 June. The viewing of entries can be seen at "The Banquet Rooms" Second floor, Kingston City Hall, 985 Nepean Highway, Moorabbin VIC 3189. Besides the exhibition there will be Daily woodturning demonstrations.

Ticket Price \$8

If you are interested in entering the competition the entry form, conditions of entry as well as further information is available on website www.awtex.com.au or you can approach the Woodpecker editor.

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES
12 MAY 2019

Woodturning Camps

Do you want to improve your woodturning? Do you want to be assessed and set a new challenge within your reach? Then have you considered attending a 3 day camp for novices and experts alike, all with the aim of sharing their love of wood turning?

Two camps are being held in Victoria, one in July and the other in September

- ▶ July 19 - 21 "Forest Edge" - Forest Edge CYC camp, Neerim East. Contact: Mary Reynolds. lakeviewmary@gmail.com
- ▶ September 13 - 15 "Phillip Island Down Under Turnaround"- The island CYC camp, Cowes. Contact: Caroline Talbot (03) 5956 7300 or bc.talbot@bigpond.com

The Down Under Camp has listed the cost at \$210 with 120 beds available. Food and accommodation is provided for the 3 days. You will need to bring your own lathe, chisels & timber to turn. You also need to consider the projects you will work on although that may change as you chat with other attendees.

You will have access to Guilio Marcolongo, an internationally known professional woodturner. Last year Jim Carroll from Carrolls Woodcraft Supplies along with Richard Raffin and Neil Ellis from U-Beaut Polishes attended the camp and are expected again in 2019.

Additionally you will be exposed to new ideas and techniques. For example have you ever thought of turning a hat?

This is a great opportunity to meet other people who love wood turning. Application forms are available from Colin or you can go direct to the contacts above.



Snippets and Offcuts

The Knox District Woodworking Club (KDWC) started in 1988 and have over 150 members. David Feather was formerly a member of the KDWC and has provided the "Woodpecker" with an introduction to their newsletter editor. As these newsletters become available they will be left on the meeting room table for your interest. Hopefully we are able to share various ideas on wood working.

Fund Raising

The Bunnings BBQ's have been a fantastic means of helping WoSP become financial. The members who donate 2 hours of their time each BBQ day will be able to see the fruits of their labour as the new work shed takes shape.



BUT we must also say a big thank you to the volunteers who cut the onions for each BBQ. Thanks to the Hanley family, John, Scott & Sean, John Bayliss and Bert Bartlett.

Many thanks also to the Bendigo Bank for providing a grant to assist with reducing the costs incurred with toys and the rent of the new facility.

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