



# THE WOODPECKER

Ed 2019-12

## 2019 In Review

In the last newsletter it was reported that Mike Hiley mentioned that the club started in 1996 by each of the committee donating \$5 creating a \$40 commencement pool. Now the club has an excellent facility to interest retired people and help give them a purpose or activity in their senior years. It is also good that people still working want to be members to complete home projects. Listed below are some, but not all of the committee's achievements for 2019.

- ★ Continued to maintain the viability of the club by working with Bunnings and manning their BBQ's.
- ★ Liaised with Bunnings about BBQs in 2020.
- ★ Purchased and painted a container to assist with moving equipment to the new venue.
- ★ Worked with council to agree on the size, location and layout of the new workshop.
- ★ Managed complications and delays with the project architect and site foreman.
- ★ Upon completion of the workshop, organised removal staff to transfer "everything" minimizing the lapse time if members had to carry out the move.
- ★ Financed the \$15k move from Boneo Road and still have funds in the bank.
- ★ Installed internal and external security system.
- ★ Installed a kitchen in the new facility.
- ★ Installed the TV set in the meeting room for training.
- ★ Overcame the difficulty of not being able to use the new dust extractor by using existing equipment.
- ★ Built safety screens between the lathes.
- ★ Made available the jointer which was previously stored due to lack of space in the old shed.
- ★ Conducted the club's most successful Open Day at the Official Opening, attended by dignitaries, the public and service organisations.
- ★ Increased club membership to 95. It's been a very long time since it was that high, if at all.
- ★ Sold a lot of unwanted equipment to support other needs.
- ★ Found a new home for the hand and power tools.
- ★ Built a storeroom to house security cameras and club documentation.
- ★ Converted the tennis court into a car park and made the area safe by constructing planter boxes over unsafe areas.
- ★ Painted car park lines and provided visible safety poles in the car park.
- ★ Installed 2 split air conditioners in the meeting room and workshop.
- ★ Organised Saturday morning sessions for people who work during the week.

- ★ Arranged for Thursday morning classes to start to teach members new to wood turning.
- ★ Connected lighting to the container.
- ★ Organised defibrillator training for any member interested.
- ★ Discussed plans to re-introduce "show & tell" / talks at general meetings.
- ★ Started planning for future developments in 2020.
- ★ Produced a monthly newsletter in a new and colorful format.

In the next newsletter Woodpecker will review the committee's achievements over the last 10 years.

## Toy Handover

The WOSP Toy Handover is on the 14 December this year so that it does not clash with the motor bike enthusiasts toy handover on the first Saturday in December.

Once again the club toy makers led by Gaven Davis and Jeff Killeen have done a wonderful job to ensure there are sufficient toys for "Food for All", "Rosebud Salvation Army" and "Westernport Charities" to distribute to children at Christmas.

## Beginners Class

When the club opens in the New Year, a "Wood Turning for Beginners" class will commence on Thursday mornings.

Rod Bew will be the session leader and lead the beginners through the initial stages of learning wood turning.

Beginners will be provided timber to round a square piece of wood, turn a spinning top, an egg cup and then a lidded box. These projects will introduce the student to the roughing gouge, skew chisel, bowl gouge, scraper and spindle gouge. Sanding and polishing techniques will be demonstrated.

After graduation the student will be expected to provide their own sand paper and polish. They will be strenuously encouraged to purchase eye protection, a dust mask and ear muffs.

## Bunnings BBQs

Unfortunately WoSP has not been allocated many days for fund raising BBQ's next year. However the club is finishing off the year with 3 in quick succession being on 20 December, 22 December and 1 January. Some toys will be given away on 22 December which is a fun day with Bert dressing up as an elf while Santa has nominated John Bayliss to be his stand in. Assisting on the BBQ is a great social day and you get to know more about your fellow members who may attend other sessions to you.

Please check the notice board for some time slots where you can help.



## Defibrillator Training

Recently Dave Gordon, a member of the Sorrento SES, was invited to the club to provide defibrillator refresher training. The attending members rated the review as excellent. Dave brought to the club his mannequins and 3 different defibrillators. He explained if you find a person lying on the ground you should first look for any dangers that may have put him on the floor. After eliminating the dangers prepare to do CPR. When doing CPR the emphasis was push hard and push fast, and be prepared to have another person provide relief after 2 minutes.

Assuming you are not alone when the person is found, have someone call **000** and ask for an ambulance to be sent to the club's address. As the club's address is a bit obscure advise them a person will be waiting for them at the Elizabeth Ave entrance to the Vern Wright reserve. Additionally provide the club's GPS address which is GPS 38.374044, 144.870641.



In the meantime grab the defibrillator, clear the clothing off the person, apply the swabs to the chest and follow instructions as the defibrillator literally tells you what to do.

In general people should be aware of the symptoms for a heart attack which are looking pale, feeling clammy and sweaty, possible pain, nausea, anxiety and a sense of doom.

This is a very brief overview but more detail can be obtained from any of the committee members who attended the training session.

## Snippets & Offcuts

### For Sale

Ray Shirley, whose details are: Villa 42 Martha Cove Village, 101 Pickings Road, Safety Beach 3936. Phone 59081042 or email shirlrar@gmail.com, has a lathe he wants to sell. It was bought new but he is no longer using it. He is asking a fair price for the lathe, chucks and chisels. This could be a good opportunity for someone to get more involved with their turning.

**Saturday Morning** sessions have started and a number of the former evening session attendees have come along and enjoyed the opportunity to use the workshop. Hope to see many more next year.

### The Smithwick Bucket

It started with a talk at the last General Meeting where John Wood Bradley spoke about how he made a bucket with George Smithwick, a sixth generation cooper.

There has been much discussion amongst members and this week Gordon reported he has completed his bucket.



Gordons Bucket

Well done Gordon. So now there are 2 members who can advise you on making buckets.



The Smithwick Bucket

## Membership

Marco Di-Leva is the newest member to join the club. As you come across any new members, make yourselves known to them and welcome them into the club. Current membership stands at 94.

It is interesting to note the club demographic, based on the members ages available.

Not at retiring age	19%
Retired to 79 years of age	29%
With an OBE	10%
Birthday data unavailable	41%

## Birthdays

The best of birthday greetings to the following members. Be sure to ask them what day it is so they can bring in a cake.

### December Birthdays

James Menzies  
David Feather  
Peter Ostojic  
Scott Hanley

### January Birthdays

Meesha Docherty  
Brendan Loy  
John Fitton



Happy  
Birthday

### Rocking Horse

Anne Miller wants to let members know that she will begin making a rocking horse on Friday mornings in the new year. She is inviting anyone else interested in making a rocking horse to join her so they can share the experience together.



**Did you know** you can use the MAPS app on your phone to find your exact GPS. Bring up your app with "mobile data" on. This should highlight where you are with a blue dot. The longitude and latitude co-ordinates will be provided. Note: if someone provides you with longitude and latitude co-ordinates paste them in the search bar of Google Maps. The exact location will be shown. (Thanks to John Parrent for the tip).



**Congratulations** to Syd Johnson who once again has raised another \$450 for Movember to support men's health. Special thanks to the club members who supported him as there are very few who have not been touched by prostate cancer.



## Christmas Lunch

Celebrate the end of a very successful year with other club members at the Christmas luncheon in the Blue Room of the Rye Pub at midday on 11 December. Come along and celebrate the achievements of the year.



## Executive Committee

<b>President</b>	John Bayliss	0449 768 005
<b>Vice President</b>	Dennis Connor	5985 7788
<b>Secretary</b>	Greg Millar	0410 280 695
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jeff Killeen	0409 164 651

## Committee Members 2019

<b>Membership</b>	Scott Hanley	0423 027 429
<b>Social</b>	Anne Miller	0404 317 705
<b>Induction/Safety</b>	Gaven Davis	0418 388 152
<b>Promotion</b>	John Dunn	0405 300 047
<b>Newsletter</b>	Colin Dobson	0417 364 802
<b>Fund Raising</b>	David Feather	0422 117 115

## Working Groups

<b>Newsletter</b>	Colin Dobson	Josie Maré
<b>Maintenance</b>	Noel Archdall Dennis Connor John Feeley Jeff Killeen	John Bayliss Gaven Davis Brian Jones Greg Millar
<b>Toy Advisory Group</b>	Noel Archdall Gaven Davis Jeff Killeen David Palmer	Bert Bartlett John Feeley Anne Miller
<b>Website</b>	Colin Dobson	
<b>BBQ</b>	Jeff Killeen	
<b>Facebook</b>	Scott Hanley	
<b>Merchandising</b>	Rod Bew	

## Key Dates

Christmas Party	11 December
Workshop Close	13 December
Toy Handover	14 December
Bunnings BBQ	20 December
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Bunnings BBQ	1 January
Committee Meeting	14 January
Workshop Opening	20 January

## Just for Laughs

Bob had a lot of work ahead of him so decided to hire a part time helper.

"Your first job will be to sweep up the sawdust," he said handing him a broom.

"Look I'm practically a university graduate," the young man protested.

"No problem, I'll show you how," Bob replied.



## Merchandise

<b>Club Caps</b>	\$15
<b>Beanies</b>	\$17.50
<b>Polo Shirts</b>	\$40
<b>Windcheater</b>	\$60
<b>Jacket</b>	\$80

## Session Timetable

Day	Start	Finish	Program	Team Leader
Monday	9:00 am	12:00 pm	Maintenance	Gaven Davis
	1:00 pm	4:00 pm	Wood Turning	John Feeley
Tuesday	9:00 am	12:30 pm	Wood Work / Turning	Brian Jones
	1:00 pm	4:00 pm	Wood Work / Turning	Gaven Davis
Wednesday	9:00 am	4:00 pm	Toy Making	Jeff Killeen & Gaven Davis
Thursday	1:00 pm	4:00 pm	Wood Work	Rob Oram
Friday	9:00 am	12:00 pm	Wood Turning	Greg Knox
Saturday	9:00 am	12:00 pm	General Wood Work	Colin Dobson

## Club Information

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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.