

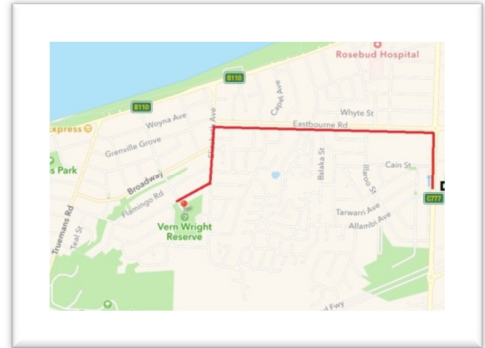


## Club Relocation

By now everyone knows the club has to relocate to the Vern Wright Reserve at Capel Sound. While the council are providing a new shell with power and dust extraction there are a lot of other costs that need to be covered. Fortunately Bunnings through Alyce Fogarty are donating a new kitchen. Bunnings appreciate the effort the club makes on community days and the like. Thank you Bunnings

However as soon as we take possession of the new workshop the club will incur an invoice for \$2000 for rent, insurance & Fire insurance. In the past the club has only had to pay a minimal amount for the current premises.

As only 25% of club members contribute with the Bunnings BBQ the committee feel that is not an option as this expense should be paid by all members. Over the coming months the committee will ponder other options. Any suggestions would be welcomed by the committee.



**Dual Drum Sander** The maintenance costs of the dual drum sander have reached the stage where it is requested anyone wanting to use it **MUST** request setup assistance from the session leader.

Each sandpaper role on the dual drum sander costs \$40 and because equipment misuses it has had to be changed 2 or 3 times a day. Members are even loading the wrong width sand paper onto the dual drum sander which adds to the problem.

The dual drum sander must not be used for:

- Sanding pine
- Where glue is on the laminated timber
- Where the timber has been painted.

Additionally the dual drum sander is for fine work and not where you are impatient and want to remove a lot of timber in a hurry. In these situations use the thicknesser and if it is busy, be patient and wait.

If you want the freedom to use the dual drum sander without session leader supervision come to the Monday maintenance session and learn how it and other equipment is maintained.

## Free Fire Wood

The club no longer receives concessions from the council to dispose of its excess rubbish. Taking the trailer to the tip with waste timber costs approx \$70 and this happens a number of times each month. So the club is trying something new to offset costs.

Waste timber is being placed in a container on the concrete apron in front of the club free for anyone to take. Hopefully with winter coming there are people around with fireplaces that require kindling. Spread the word.

Alternately the committee would appreciate the donation of any unused tip vouchers. They can be placed in an envelope, with your name on it, and left in the office FEES slot.



**Football Sweep** 37 people have entered the club's football sweep. The prize money is enticing as 1<sup>st</sup> \$750, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$400, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$230 with 2<sup>nd</sup> last paying \$46. Thanks for Ronny organising it again.

## Monday Maintenance

WOSP is an excellent club providing a great service to its members.

The members that keep the club functional are the committee, the BBQ volunteers, the session leaders & the few members who provide Monday maintenance.

It is the latter group seeking assistance. Imagine if noone emptied the dust extractors or the vaccum cleaners. Noone removed the waste timber. Noone cleaned the inside of the equipment or replaced the globes. Noone replaced the sandpaper of the sanders and noone repaired faulty equipment. There are numerous of other maintenance activities.

Everyone would be looking for another club to join.

The maintence crew would like to have enough volunteers so they can set up a roster where a person need only help out once a month.

Besides eliminating the above problems there will be benefits to the individual. When you consider we join the club to learn how to do things whether it is from our session leaders or our peers, there is an extension to this learning and that is "looking after the equipment we have".

So the volunteers will learn how to properly maintain different equipment. Hopefully they will be able to pass this knowledge on to other members at various sessions.

If you can see your way forward to help once amonth please advise your session leader or Gaven Davis

## Council of Woodwork Clubs

WOSP is a member of the Council of Woodwork Clubs. The CWC newsletter promotes club functions throughout Australia. eg WOSP Open Day.

Woodpecker has only highlighted Victorian club activities. More info can be found on the CWC website <https://www.councilwoodworkclubs.org/>

May 5 - 6	Wangaratta Woodworkers Inc Scroll Saw Week End
May 26-27	Ballarat Wood Show, Dawson Street North, Ballarat
June 2 - 3	Albury Wodonga Woodcrafters, 9th Annual Woodcarving Weekend
June 22-24	2018 Australian Woodturning Exhibition Kingston City Hall Moorabbin

## CWC Special Request

*I am writing on behalf of a local community organisation to inquire whether you have any members who may be able to help us with a work working project.*

*We are a small Buddhist centre located in Upwey and last year we were offered a beautiful scaled model of a traditional Chinese Pavilion made from imported oregon wood. The model was built at Melbourne University School of Design by masters students as part of their training.*

*We installed the pavilion at our centre as shown below in the photo. Unfortunately in a recent storm a tree fell down and landed on the structure smashing a lot of the larger beams. We are seeking a crafts person skilled in wood working to reconstruct the pavilion so we can re install it again at our centre.*

*Quite a lot of the pieces are still OK but there will are also a lot that will need to be fabricated from scratch or glued together from broken pieces.*

*Do you have any members who could tackle this unique project and would be interested in helping to bring it back to life? If not, your members may know of other crafts workers who may be able to help us.*

*The model is not particularly heavy so it can be reconstructed in anyone's work shop and then transported here for installation, which is what was done by the architecture students.*



## What's Interesting

Have you seen the new VicMark pen blank chuck available from GPW. Its only \$125.

To celebrate the Commonwealth Games taking place in our own backyard GPW will be offering \*free shipping for a limited time.

Simply spend \$99 or more, enter GAMES as the coupon code and select the \*free shipping option



Purchasing online is fine if you know what you want but that is not always the case.

Recently I purchased a contour sander from Arbotech, an excellent product. Naturally there was postage but I had already wasted my time going to Carbatec as they did not have one.



With the sander came a limited supply of adhesive sand paper. Knowing I would run out I started to make 50mm sized sand paper and put a hole in the centre to attach it to the flexible disc. However I found the sandpaper would stick on the piece being sanded as there was no adhesive.

A friend showed me he had a number of the flexible discs and he super glued the sand paper to them. When blunted he replaced the sand paper. I followed his lead and purchased some more flexible discs.

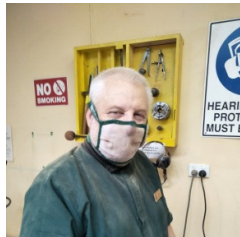
My objection is that I had to pay for more freight. If I had of known about the usage of the flexible discs I would have bought them with the contour sander.

The moral of the story is online purchasing only gives you what you ask for, not any practical experience about the use of the product.

Long time WOSP member, Dennis Carr, dropped into the club recently to catch up with as many people as he could. It was not that long ago that Dennis sold the family home to move back to England. However there must be something in the appeal of the peninsula as he & his wife are looking at returning to Australia.

Bunnings are having a community day on to 10<sup>th</sup> May 6-8pm. WOSP have been invited to promote itself by providing a woodturning demonstration similar to what was done at the club's recent Open Day. If you are interested to be involved contact John Bayliss or Greg Millar.

Recently Josie Mare crafted a promotional brochure for WOSP. It will be used on days like the Community Day or Bunnings BBQ as it succinctly details what the club is about.



Nice to see more people use dust masks & ear muffs but you cannot put a price on safety.

The club recommends members provide their own safety equipment. This includes goggles, gloves, dust masks, ear muffs, etc. The dust masks generally available tend to be uncomfortable and do not last long.

Gaven Davis is able to place a bulk order for 10 or more dust masks that are more comfortable, durable & washable.mask. The cost is \$49 plus postage. If 10 or more members order a mask the expected postage expense would be approx. \$1.

The Sorrento Community Centre are seeking interest in setting up the Port Nepean Men's Shed to cover Portsea, Sorrento, Blairgowrie & Rye

Their demographic for a "Men's Shed" is "open to people of all ages, male and female"

Note the url for the survey if you would like to contribute.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GVDYLL>

### Key Dates

Picture Framing	9th April
Committee Meeting	1 <sup>st</sup> May
Picture Framing	7 <sup>th</sup> May
Community Day	10 <sup>th</sup> May
Bunnings BBQ	11 <sup>th</sup> May
Bunnings BBQ	9 <sup>th</sup> June