



2018-19 Committee

Your new committee was elected at the recent AGM. The executive committee is John Bayliss, President, Dennis Conner, Vice President, Greg Millar, Secretary & Jeff Killeen, treasurer.

General committee members are Scott Hanley, David Feather, Brian Young, John Feeley, Colin Dobson, Gaven Davis, & Ron Higgins.

Scott & David, former policemen, are new to the committee as is Brian Young, a former timber salesman who has turned some amazing segmented vases.

John Bayliss thanked the retiring members, Rod Bew & Gordon Waddingham, for their contributions over the last 12 months and said he was looking forward to working with the new committee adding that with the WOSP relocation there will be lots of work to organise & be involved with.



Figure 1 BR Scott Hanley, David Feather, Brian Young, John Feeley, Dennis Conner, Colin Dobson FR Jeff Killeen, Gaven Davis, Greg Millar, John Bayliss, Ron Higgins

Membership Renewals

As of the 30th June membership renewals are due and there is generally a big drop off as some people move away and others decide on other activities. Last July membership dropped to 52 and reached a high of 85. However this year membership only dropped to 71 and is currently 75 and is expected to build up in the coming months. Of the 75 84% use email making it easier for the committee to communicate with the members.

Recent investigation into the club history identified that at one stage membership was approximately 150. It is stunning that now WOSP has many more facilities to offer but membership is low by comparison with the early years.

All members are asked to talk to their friends about the club and invite them along to have a look at the facilities available. If you find there are reasons holding them back that the committee can do something about then advise any of the committee or session leaders.

Let's build the club back up to 150.

Relocation

As you are aware John Bayliss & Greg Millar are liaising with the council about the club's relocation. New workshop plans have been made available in the WOSP meeting room. The last report at the AGM was that no contracts have been signed by the council yet. While WOSP has been informed the new premises will be available in January, this date is now viewed as in doubt.

The council geared themselves for a pool 2 year construction period and set an appropriate end date. However, to meet that end date now, everything has to be done in 18 months.

Stay tuned for the next update.

Get Well Soon

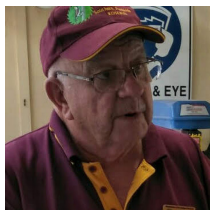


Figure 3 Gaven Davis

WOSP, besides being a workshop for people to complete home projects and hobbies, is a place where you can meet people and get to know them socially. So it is always a shock when you hear some one is suddenly in hospital. So to Gaven & Gordon "Get Well Soon"

Apologies to other members who are not well, but who are not known to the Woodpecker. Hope to see you around soon.



Figure 2 Gordon Waddingham



Snippets & Offcuts



At the recent AGM 10 year award badges were awarded to Allan Smith, Brian Jones and Dennis Capper. Congratulations guys on your contribution & dedication.

The Melbourne Timber & Working



Key Dates

Picture Framing	3 rd September
Committee Meeting	4 th September
Working with Wood Show	7-9 th September
Bunnings BBQ	14 th September
Bunnings Open Day	6 th October

with Wood Show is Australia's premier event for woodworking. From weekend hobbyist and home DIY'er through to the most experienced enthusiasts it is sure wet your appetite. Be exposed to seeing the best in the industry, share their expertise, have fun trying new techniques & tools and experience some of the world's finest timbers, all at one location.

The 2018 Timber & working with wood show is at Seaworks, 82 Nelson Place, Williamstown on the 7th – 9th September.

The AGM approved the WOSP Joining Fee be increased from \$45 to \$70. This does not impact existing members.

The committee is starting a project to document the club history. Back in the late nineties much history was recorded in the early news letters written by the then secretary, Betty Preston.

If you have kept these newsletters or have been involved with the early development of the club contact Colin Dobson as he would love to hear from you.

The TV in the meeting room provides many educational youtube clips to assist wood turners with the use of their chisels, techniques & projects. Feel free to check out what is on there as it may stimulate your imagination and provide new ideas.

Past newsletters identified a few of the jigs available at the club. One can be used to make smart looking bread boards and another can be used for cutting segments for laminating and making a segmented bowl or vase. The next newsletter will provide a new woodturners experience in creating a laminated bowl.

Woodworkers of the Southern Peninsula "Awareness" Day

At Bunnings, Sunday 22 July 2018. By Josie Mare

Given that in 2019, WoSP will be moving from our very 'high viz' position on Boneo Road to a fairly obscure reserve, it is in our best interests to raise our profile as much as possible before that happens.

To that end, Bunnings kindly offered us the opportunity to have an 'Awareness' day at their Rosebud store on Sunday 22 July.

The stall displayed some of our toys and a few items made by members. Anne, Josie, John B and John F were all present to chat and let members of the public know what goes on in our tin shed.

Those who stopped by were certainly interested and some were quite keen to come along and visit us. With luck, we may have attracted a few new members. Should visitors arrive at the club rooms during any of the sessions, please make them welcome and encourage them to join us.

Bunnings have kindly offered us the opportunity to continue having these information sessions in future, possibly when we have our BBQ days which would give us the potential to attract new members and raise our profile. We anticipate only needing one person to 'man' the stall and BBQ volunteers could also supply information as required. Further details on this will be made available as arrangements become more finalised.

Whilst the day was sunny, the wind was bitterly cold. Therefore, the stall was only set up for about 2 ½ hours but we felt it was quite successful and look forward to the opportunity afforded by these awareness days to attract new members and make more people aware of the good work done by our committed teams at WoSP.

New Club Merchandise

Recently Rod Bew researched new club merchandise as the existing club polo shirt is considered heavy, hot & unattractive when it fades. The new polo shirts will be navy blue with white piping. A matching cap & windcheater are also available.

While the committee will be seen wearing the new merchandise it is not compulsory to purchase these items and it is perfectly acceptable to continue to wear the current polo shirts etc.

The merchandise with logo will be priced at Polo shirt with pocket \$40, Windcheater \$60 and Caps \$15