



THE WOODPECKER

Annual General Meeting



A notice of the AGM has been previously emailed to members. COVID has made 2020/21/ a challenging time for the members & the committee. While the workshop has been closed, the committee has remained active. Previous newsletters have provided details of various activities however of particular note is the website now contains more information than ever before and the fund raising efforts have continued despite Bunnings not having their BBQ's.

The current committee is:

Position	Name	Ordinary Committee Members
President	John Bayliss	Archdall, Noel,
Vice President	Dennis Conner	Davis, Gaven
Secretary	Greg Millar	Dobson, Colin
Treasurer	Peter Rodgers-Wilson	Knox, Greg Miller, Anne

Dates to Remember

27th November Toy Handover
 27th November Bunning BBQ
 15th December Christmas Lunch
 23rd December Club Closure
 1st January Bunnings BBQ
 17th January Club Re-Opening

NOTE:
You MUST be a financial member to be eligible to VOTE in the Meeting or Election.

The following is a summary of those members standing for the 2021/22 Committee of Management.

Position	Nominee	Position	Nominee
President	John Bayliss Rod Bew	6 ordinary committee members required.	Archdall, Noel, Davis, Gaven Dobson, Colin
Vice President	Dennis Conner John Parrent		Evans, Max Johnson, Syd
Vote not required for Secretary & Treasurer	Greg Millar		Killeen, Jeff
	Peter Rodgers-Wilson		Knox, Greg Parrent, John

If you cannot attend the AGM a proxy form can be downloaded from the club website. Note the link. <https://wosp.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021-AGM-PROXY-FORM.pdf>

If you are unable to attend the meeting give your proxy to a member of the committee sometime prior to the start of the meeting.

Movember is all about men's health. Globally, more than 1.4M men are diagnosed with prostate cancer each year and all of us Mo bros & Mo Sistas will see those grey clouds at one time or another. Ok so it's been a crazy year and we're coming out of hibernation like tired bears. Fortunately Syd Johnson has a bit more energy than most and is raising money for the cause of men's health.



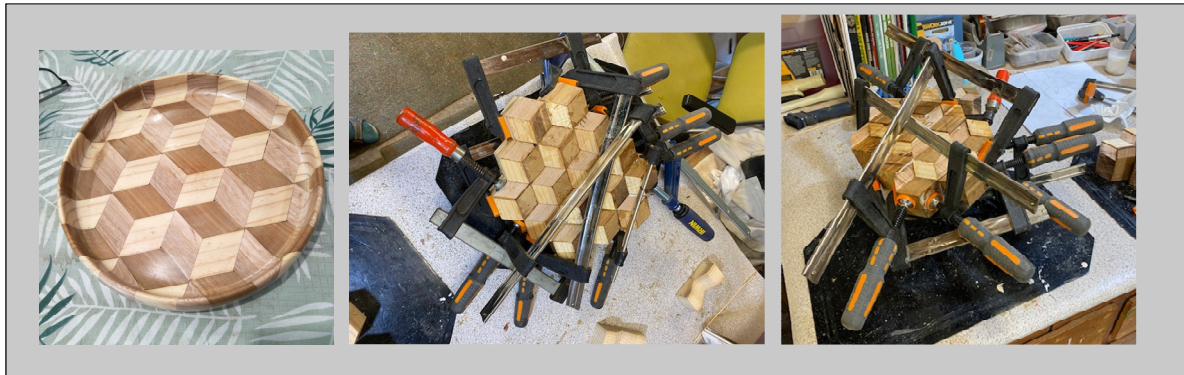
The money goes to a good cause. Like Syd, I would have died many years ago but for the development of medical science. If you would like to help please use the following link to make your donation.

https://au.movember.com/mospace/486723?utm_medium=app&utm_source=ios&utm_campaign=share-mospace

Around the Workshop

David Perry is an interesting person to chat with. New to woodwork David has taken on the challenging task of making a laminated platter.

Meticulous work is required to make each laminated diamond. Then to glue the diamonds together requires patience & a lot of clamps. Fortunately David has been able to continue this project at home during the Covid lockdown. In discussing the project David mentioned the excellent help he has received from his mentor, Gaven.



Snippets & Offcuts



WHAT A STORM it was that we had recently. An incredibly large number of trees were blown over and caused a lot of damage.

For the wood turner it has been a great opportunity to use a chainsaw & collect any amount of timber of a different species. Just imagine the size of bowls that could be made with the blanks of these trees.

The most common trees blown over seem to be cypress. Unfortunately limited knowledge prevents identifying many of the other species.

In any case, if you were to have a chainsaw, a trailer & the energy to collect the timber where would you store it while it dried out.

CHRISTMAS PARTY The Christmas party has been organised for Wednesday 16th December at the Rye Hotel. It's scheduled to start at midday.

A 2 course meal will cost \$25. The main is succulent roast turkey breast & ham off the bone served with roast & baked vegetables. Steamed plum pudding served with delicious brandy custard & double cream is the dessert. Members are also able to purchase meals from the bistro at bistro prices.

Members wishing to attend a relaxed social gathering after a year of lockdown should put their name on the sheet provided on the notice board. Identify whether you want a seniors meal or a bistro meal. Senior meals need to be paid for prior to the function.



PENINSULA FRESH SEAFOOD (PFS) has asked the club to make a large number of oyster knives. If you would like to make a few knives notify Colin Dobson 0417 364 802. This is a fund raising activity for the club. Note that PFS are in the Dromana Industrial Estate and if you like fresh seafood there Monday special is 5% discount for seniors.



BUNNINGS BBQ is schedule for Saturday 27th November. Your assistance on the day would be appreciated.

TOY HANDOVER is scheduled for the Saturday 27th November.

CLUB SHUTDOWN over Christmas New Year period will be minimal again this year. Covid has limited the access to the workshop in 2021 so the committee is looking to close on Thursday 23rd December and reopen on Monday the 17th January.

WoSP SHOP. The committee is looking to establish a "WoSP Shop" to cater for member product sales & provision of member consumables. Often members need items but have to order them online or travel a distance to obtain them. Consequently such items as sandpaper, wood blanks, pencils, pen kits, lacquer spray, etc will be ordered in bulk to be purchased by members as required. Initially only the most popular items will be available but as the need grows so will the stock.

The committee is looking for someone to manage the shop. That person will have sole control but is able to organise assistance from other members from the committee or members as required. If you are interested take the opportunity to discuss the idea with John Bayliss.

WoSP appreciates the donation of \$3200 from the **BENDIGO BANK**. This money goes toward the cost of the rates & toys expenses.



Ritchies IGA is well known for its IGA Rewards program whereby our loyal shoppers are rewarded. Additionally with your registration to the program you can nominate a community service that can benefit from your purchases.

Many years ago the Woodworkers of the Southern Peninsula registered as a community service which can be nominated when you sign up for a card.

When joining the Ritchies Card program you are given the option to nominate your favourite club school or charity (known as Recipients). Each time you scan your card (either physical card or electronic card in the App) when making a purchase at any IGA store, the total is recorded to your chosen club, school or charity. At the end of each month, Ritchies will pay your chosen club, school or charity .5% of the total accrued directly into WoSP's bank account.

Ritchies registration can be done by downloading an app to your phone and creating an account. If you wish to use a physical card you must register your card to your account within 7 days of the first use.

THE WOODWORKER magazine featured WoSP in the “Club Drumbeat” section of the October 21 edition. It is a brief summary of the history and activities of the club. It was originally planned to be featured in alignment with the club’s 25th birthday celebration; however it shows how popular the magazine is as it was another 6 months before it was published.

GET WELL SOON: The Woodpecker wishes Greg Millar a quick recovery after his recent visit to hospital. In addition, Dennis Connor is about to have a quick stay in hospital. Hope to see you soon Dennis.

Carbide Tools?

There is a basic concept that it is better to cut wood fibres than to tear (scrape) whenever possible. Consequently there has been some resistance to carbide tools; however let’s not make snap judgments as first impressions might not tell the whole story.

People are being introduced to our wonderful hobby by using carbide tools as it is easy for them to have quick success

They are able to produce the same beautifully turned wooden treasures that conventional turners love to make, but with much less hassle.

Generally new turners explain:

- They originally only had only a mild interest in turning
- Using carbide tools, they had instant success with their first few attempts and made something useful right away
- They were terrified of having to sharpen HSS conventional turning tools
- After a short while, they were hooked on turning and expressed a deep hunger to learn more.

On reflection there are four pillars in woodturning,

- The Lathe
- Work Holding Devices – Chucks, spur centers, faceplates, etc
- Lathe Chisels – High-Speed Steel & Carbide
- A sharpening station – Grinder, Wheels for HSS, Sharpening Jigs (Wolverine, etc

Carbide tools don’t require a sharpening station. A turner can eliminate 25% of the equipment, the cost of that equipment, and all of the time and energy needed to learn how to use the sharpening equipment and various gouge grinds. By eliminating so much expense and effort, the chance for one to become a successful turner increases greatly.

Carbide turning tools are a great starting point because they are really easy. Carbide tools are scrapers, but scrapers have their place. Most turners who stay with the hobby eventually add HSS tools to their arsenal and acquire a proper sharpening station as it is recognised that turning with razor-sharp HSS tools is faster, cleaner, and easier once you know how.