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SUNCOAST WOODCRAFTERS GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES November 16, 2021 at 7:00 PM Chatelech Secondary School, Library

CALL TO ORDER: Pat Crawford, President, called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.



GUEST INTRODUCTIONS:

 Mike Noble; Mike introduced himself. He's been on the Coast for 7 – 8 years. He's a geologist by profession, done a fair amount of woodworking including attending a few semesters at the Inside Passage School of Fine Cabinetmaking.

MEETING PROGRAM: 'A Talented Trio' Presentations by Ken Parker, Peter Borgmann and Ron Johnson

Rick Budd introduced the trio who he said needed no introduction as they were all well known to the Guild members. Instead Rick risked a joke. The joke went something like; *a 2x4 walks down the street and into the local bar, the bar tender asks what it would you like and the 2x4 says "something to take the edge off.* Rick lucked out and got the laughter he'd hoped for.

First presenter was Ken Parker. Ken talked about and showed the audience the bows he'd made while taking a workshop some years ago in Powel River.

Ken provided the following synopsis of his presentation;

The workshop was conducted by Jamie McDonald at Ravenbeak Nature Works in 2017. There were 6 people in the workshop that made a diverse selection of long bows and my "flat" bow from yew wood logs that had been quartered.

After roughing out on the bandsaw, the bows were fine tuned with rasps, scrapers and sandpaper.

Bow strings were then custom fit to each bow and a dozen arrows made from Japanese Arrow bamboo, turkey feather fletching and target tips.

I also made a long bow style bow from laminated yew heart wood and bamboo.

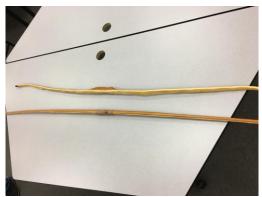
The workshop took 4 days and was very rewarding, as happens from a knowledgeable and patient instructor.



Ken explaining the process



'Flat' bow in hand



'Long' bow is the bottom one



Arrows made of Japanese arrow bamboo



The perfect quiver





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Second presenter Peter Borgmann; Peter showed and described the process of making his original designed music stand.

Peter provided the following synopsis of his presentation;

The impetus for the music stand was to get a stand that would hold four sheets of music rather than just two. This was an ideal project for the start of the COVID lockdown as it didn't require much wood. I went for an Art Deco look and I took the opportunity to pick up two new skills: working with hide glue and steam bending. The project presented a variety of construction challenges but turned out *almost* exactly as wanted.



Peter explaining the thought/design process



Finished music stand



Rough cutting and gluing the circle made of walnut Circle to arm connection

on Finishing the circle and arms



Steam box and steamer bought from Lee Valley



Bending the 'steamed' maple legs



Set up for cutting top and bottom of the legs



Gluing/fastening legs to the stand

Third presenter Ron Johnson; Ron showed and described a chair and bench he'd made during the Covid lockdown.

Ron provided the following synopsis of his presentation;

The chair and bench are made from local Big Leaf Maple with Danish Cord woven seats. I found the design ideas from projects viewed in Fine Woodworking magazines and adapted 2 different designs in the final chair design. The main focus of the presentation was to discuss the pleasures of doing Danish Cord weaving. The two projects had two different weaving styles. The chair has a standard style using concealed L shaped nails to hold the cord and the bench is a split rail weaving style in which nails are not needed for the weave portion. The finishing technique of bleaching wood to remove colour prior to the finish was used on the chair then both pieces were waxed.



Describing the features and design process

Explaining the weaving methods



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Bleached blond chair



Bench with 'double rail' weave

Rick thanked all the presenters and expressed his amazement at how cleaver and talented they are. Rick invited each one to come forward and draw/receive a small gift (handmade yew wood pens made by Pat Crawford).



Pat also thanked the presenters for their most informative and entertaining presentations.

Coffee Break

BUSINESS MEETING:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: - The Agenda was adopted as circulated.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: - There being no errors or omissions noted, it was moved and carried the minutes of the October 19, 2021 General Meeting be accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES or any UNFINISHED BUSINESS: - None

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

a. Treasurer's Report – Chuck Lenfesty

• "There is still money in the Bank" (The finances of the Guild are in good order).

b. Membership Report – Tom Hourigan

• To date there are 54 paid up members.

c. Education Committee- Rick Budd

• The committee has confirmed a presentation by Jonathan Weintraub for the January General Meeting. The subject of the presentation will be the design and construction of his 'work bench'.

CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW BUSINESS:

a. Toys and Gifts Program - Dan Chercover

- Dan requested a show of hands of those making gifts this year.
- Community Services will be accepting gifts Dec. 6 8^{th} from 9:30 3:30.
- Reminder to take photos and put your name on your gifts.
- Formal presentation (and group photo) to Community Services will be Dec. 13th between 10-12 noon. A luncheon will follow at the Buccaneer Restaurant (notice/reminder will be emailed).
- Reminder to bring samples of your gifts to the Christmas Party.
- Albert Edge has donated some gifts again this year. (Will be picked up in the LML by a Guild member).
- Dan Horner brought gift plans to the meeting. Reminder Guild has lots of materials (available from Ken Walker) and reimbursements for other expenditures (forward bills to Chuck).

b. Christmas Party – Pat Crawford

- o December 11, 2021 at the Sunshine Coast Botanical Garden Pavilion.
- Tickets are \$20 per person and can be purchased from Pat. Payment can be made by cheque, cash, e-transfer or at the event.

SHOW & TELL/TIPS & TRICKS:

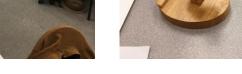
Pat Crawford;

Scroll sawn cell phone holders of various sports figurines. Pat suggested they are easy/simple to make and could be gift ideas for the Toys and Gifts program.



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Pat describing his scroll sawn characters

Sports figurines

ATTENDANCE PRIZE DRAW - Tom Hourigan

• Tim Dayton won a \$25 KMS gift certificate.

NEXT MEETING: Chatelech Secondary School, January 18, 2022 in the Library

ADJOURN BUSINESS MEETING: Meeting adjourned at 9 pm

These minutes have been approved:

Chair

Date

Tim Dayton, Secretary – Suncoast Woodcrafters Guild

