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BENDIGO WOODTURNERS INC.
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Bendigo Woodturners Activities Program

General Meeting: 4th Monday Monthly 7.00pm

Executive Meeting: 1st Monday Monthly 6.30pm

Tuesday Group: Every Tuesday 9.00am to 12.00pm

General Woodworking: Every Thursday 9.00am to 12.00pm

Toy Group: 1st & 3rd Saturday Monthly 9.00am to 12.00pm

Pyrography Group: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Monthly 7.00pm

Carvers Group: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Monthly 7.00pm

Triton Group: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Monthly 7.00pm

Scroll Saw Group: 2nd & 4th Tuesday Monthly 7.00pm

Wood Turning Group: 2nd & 4th Tuesday Monthly 7.00pm

Group Activities: Saturday (as required) 9.00am to 12.00pm

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Show and Tell

This section of the meeting is open to all members to enable them to exhibit any interesting items that they have made, brought, found or otherwise acquired.

Monthly Competition

Competition for February is Pyrography and March is Scroll Saw. The open competition is for any other items. One entry only in each section per month and once an item has been entered it cannot be entered again later. Entrants will be invited to discuss their entry in detail allowing members to gain from your experiences.

President's Report

Hello Woodies,

Well, the Club seems to be back into full swing now, Australia Day was a successful day, now we turn our focus onto Seymour and then followed by Easter shortly after.

We have received some wood and burls from Danny Whitford, who is a Life Member of the Club so if you are looking for extra wood to make your special items then see Jeff Willey or one of the senior members of the Club for a price, the wood is up the back. We are also cutting up some mahogany with the Lucas Mill which has come down from Darwin and has been drying at Ian Bunton's place for at least 5 years.

We are starting to see an influx of new members with another 3 turning up on last Tuesday night, so if you see new faces around, please feel free to introduce yourself and make them welcome.

By the time of this publication, we will have had another Bunnings BBQ on Feb 19th with another one on March 11th which will only enhance the Clubs' financial position and I thank all those who will be assisting on the days.

I hope everyone is feeling well and looking forward to the next few months which will be very busy, and for those of you suffering ill health, please get well soon.

Keep on Turning!

Steve Brereton President

Vale - Danny Whitford

Danny was a Life Member who left the Club several years ago due to poor health and had only recently moved into high care and passed away on 20 February.

Danny's funeral will be at 10.30am on Wednesday 1 March 2023 at Napier Park Funeral Centre, White Hills. The funeral will also be able to be viewed online. The link is on Danny's Facebook page and his daughters' if you know it. It would be appreciated if Club Members attending could wear Club shirts. The Committee has extended its condolences to his family on behalf of the Club.

Secretary's Report

Hello to everyone again,

I'll start my report with the welcoming of a new member, please join me in welcoming Adrian Angus to our Club.

The year continues to be busy and since our last newsletter we have had the following events:

- Australia Day at Lake Weeroona on 26 Jan 23. A very successful day with club sales exceeding our previous best but a real bonus and thank you goes to our raffle ticket sellers who sold about 19 books of tickets or approximately \$900 worth. An excellent effort with particular thanks to Cheryl Curnick, John Fuzzard and Patrick Curtis. The weather was a little windy at times but otherwise a beautiful day and thanks goes to all who helped.
- Malcolm Hill, Jeff Willey and myself were sitting down at Malcolm's on the day after Australia Day doing the acquittal when my phone went with a call from Bunnings asking if we were interested in a sausage sizzle the next day (Sat 28th Jan). Fortunately, I had the 2 other gents to help in the decision to accept. I have told Bunnings before that we were available at reasonably short notice in case of a withdrawal but never as short as this. Anyway, we found volunteers and made about \$700 on a pretty hot day. Thanks to everyone again.
- Bunnings continues to be a major source of club revenue with another planned BBQ on Sun 19th Feb 23. Another excellent day with nearly \$1,300 cleared.
- And not to stop there, we have another sausage sizzle on Sat 11th March (Saturday of Labour Day weekend).

This part of the year is always busy for the Club with nearly all our major events:

- Seymour Alternative Farming Expo Fri 31 Mar to Sun 2 Apr
- Easter Exhibition Bendigo Trades Hall, View St Fri 7 Apr Sun 9 Apr
 - Major raffle drawn Sun 9th April at this event, so a reminder to all members to get their raffle books back to Jeff as soon as possible.

Stay Safe

John Phillips Secretary

Something A Little Different!

Many thanks to Bob Fredrick for allowing us to publish the lyrics to his song in our Newsletter. Bob is a guitarist, songwriter and keen woodworker based in the USA. I hope you enjoy it!

Dream Shop

Written by Bob Fredrick of Bob's Home Woodshop

To the tune of "The Times They Are A Changin" by Bob Dylan

Come gather 'round woodworkers, near and afar And I'll sing of our craft as I play my guitar. We work in our spaces whenever we can, Where we build our projects and take time to plan And I'll of our craft as I play my guitar We work in our spaces whenever we can For the day we can have everything that we want When we're there working in our own dream shop

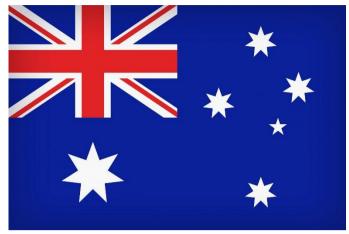
There is ample space, there is plenty of light,
Every tool your desire is within your sight.
The temperature's not too hot or too cold,
There is not a trace of rust, dust, or mold.
There is never a want, you have all that you need
As you work there in your new dream shop

Every board is pristine, there is no twist or cup,
Your supply of hardwoods is never used up.
There are no knots, no twists, and no crook,
They look like a picture in a textbook.
The grain is beautiful, the color is great,
When you're there working in your own dream shop.

The humidity's perfect, not too wet or dry,
Every joint fits perfectly on the first try.
The glue stays open just as long as you need,
And when you're ready it bonds instantly.
Everything you make turn out perfectly.
When you make it in your own dream shop.

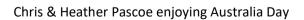
Happenings!

Australia Day











Monthly Competition



Kevin Trevan – Umbrella Stand, Scrollsaw work by Gladys Chelman

Demonstration

Jeff Willey demonstrated and explained the uses of his new LaserPecker engraver





A Work in Progress

Team Scrollsaw — working on the Egret Mirror for the Easter Raffle — ably assisted by Malcolm Hill and Harald Mai plus lots of encouragement from other members — thank you!





Gladys, Helen & Heather

Upcoming Event

Ararat U-turn

28th April – 1st May, at the Ararat Harness Racing Club

U-turn is run by the Central Victorian and Central West Woodworking Clubs.

Woodturners from South Australia, Tasmania, Mornington Peninsula attend turning for 3 ½ days! A wonderful opportunity to see the best of the best in action.

Money from the raffles etc is donated to a local charity. Cost \$100.00 per turner and \$70.00 for the "Turnips" (partners) with various activities arranged for them.

Why not just pop over for a day visit?

For more information contact Jeff Willey .

Events Calendar

February 2023

6th Executive Meeting

19th Bunnings

27th General Meeting

March 2023

6th Executive Meeting

11th Bunnings

27th General Meeting 31st-1&2 Apr Seymour Expo

April 2023

3rd Executive Meeting

7th **– 9**th Easter – Trades Hall Bendigo

24th General Meeting **28**th**-1**st **May** Ararat U-turn

May 2023

1st Executive Meeting 22nd General Meeting

June 2023

5th Executive Meeting 26th General Meeting

July 2023

3rd Executive Meeting 15-17th Sheep & Wool Show 24th General Meeting

Cleaning Roster

January - CarvingFebruary - WoodturningMarch - Scroll SawApril - PyrographyMay - CarvingJune - WoodturningJuly - Scroll SawAugust - PyrographySeptember - CarvingOctober - WoodturningNovember - Scroll SawDecember - Pyrography

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