

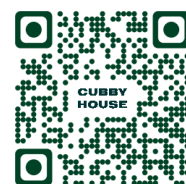
# NEWS LETTER – MARCH 2023



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## ***MARCH BIRTHDAYS***

Barry Belford  
Marjorie Butler  
Clinton Findlay  
Brian Lindop  
Lyndon Hale  
Tony Vosnakis

## ***PRESIDENTS REPORT***



I mentioned in my last report that I will miss the February and March Maxi Days. I am now adding April as well. Keith Jones recovered from Covid. In fact, the PCR test showed he didn't have Covid. So much for the RAT tests. The main thing is that Keith is OK.

Nevertheless, it shows that the COVID virus has not gone away and we must always be vigilant, particularly when mixing in public places.

On a sad note, I acknowledge the passing of Jeff Tucker on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at the age of 92. Jeff had been a member for 17 years and was always willing to help out at the Bunnings BBQ's and toy making. A number of the club's members attended Jeff's funeral service on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Jeff you will be greatly missed.

Along with other organisations that use Oyster Bay Oval, Keith Jones and myself attended a meeting conducted by Sutherland Shire Council at 5pm on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023. This meeting was to provide an update on the Council's proposed Masterplan Design for the Oyster Bay Oval which includes the Cubby House clubhouse.

The information provided gave no comfort for the club in relation to where our future premises are going to be located. Our response is included in this newsletter.

I have been approached and asked if the Cubby House would assist a man who suffers from autism. His carer will be with him at all times. His name is Shane Chaperon and he would be a volunteer and his duties will be cleaning inside and outside the Cubby House. If you would like to know more about this arrangement, I am happy to answer any questions.

Shane also collects cans and bottles so it would be appreciated if you could think of him when you are having a drink.

On Mini Day, Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 members will make a list of the toys we are making, the quantity required and the name the lead toymaker for each toy. The aim is to provide some structure to this activity. Details will be placed on the notice board.

Upcoming events:

- April Maxi Day (15/4/2023) Demonstration – Abortech – The Host is Keith Moses
- Toy Week – 24/4/2023 to 28/4/2023
- Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Blue Mountains Woodturners Mini Symposium
- Next Bunnings BBQ fundraiser – 22/4/2023

Until next time continue to enjoy your woodturning and/or woodworking.

Phil Dean

President

## **TRAINING**

Our trainer, John Moss is back doing his woodturning training courses. The next course will commence on Tuesday night, 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023. This course is more directed at our new members. The first four to register will get a place. To register please call John on 0406 450875

## **FOR SALE**

We have been given a second-hand LG television set by Bunnings Kirrawee. The price is \$100 and proceeds will go to the club.

## **Committee Meeting held at the Cubby House Oyster Bay Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 10am**

### **MINUTES**

- 1 Meeting opened by the President – 10.02am
- 2 Attendees – Phil Dean, Tom Hill, Steve Hopper, Alan Pentecost, Keith Jones, Frank Williams & Keith Moses  
Apologies – Glen Lavender, Simon Hardman
- 3 Minutes of the Committee Meeting dated 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023 discussed and confirmed. No business arising from the minutes. – passed by Keith Jones and seconded by Alan Pentecost
- 4 Correspondence. Incoming and Outgoing  
Any business arising from the correspondence – N/A
- 5 Reports – President – Report to be tabled in the Newsletter  
Secretary - As the secretary was not in attendance, his report and correspondence is held over until our next meeting  
Treasurer – March: Income \$1,249.85 Expenses \$2,110.75 Loss for the month \$860.90 Main points to note in Expenses – Timber purchase \$890 Insurance \$280  
Treasurer Report passed by second by Alan Pentecost and seconded by Tom Hill
- 6 General Business
  - March Maxi Day Saturday, 18/3/2023 – Demonstration – Bowls – Host-Tom Hill
  - Oyster Bay Oval Masterplan Design – Phil Dean and Keith Jones met with Sutherland Shire Council and other users of the Oyster Bay Oval for an update on the Council's plans to upgrade the area. The club's response is incorporated in the March Newsletter. I would like to thank Frank Williams for his input in our response
  - Next Bunnings BBQ – 22/4/2023
  - A presentation on the use of resin is being organised through Stuart Jamieson from the Paint Wholesalers. We are waiting on Stuart to get back to us and will be followed up by Phil Dean
  - A review of the wooden toys – A Toy Committee will meet on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March (during the Mini Day) to document the toys to be made and the quantity. A lead toy maker will be named for each toy
  - Next toy week – 24/4/2023 to 28/4/2023
  - Applying for grants to purchase of new equipment – Ongoing discussion
  - Pen kits for sale – Please see Phil Dean

- We have been given a second-hand television by Bunnings Kirrawee. It is in working order and for sale for \$100. Proceeds to go to the club
- This meeting acknowledges the passing of a wonderful member in Jeff Tucker at the age of 92. Jeff was a member for 17 years and was always willing to lend a hand, particularly with the Bunnings BBQ's and toy making. Jeff will be greatly missed

Closed 10.59am

Phil Dean on behalf of Glen Lavender  
President                      Secretary

## **OUR RESPONSE TO COUNCIL REGARDING OYSTER BAY OVAL**

**From:** Oyster Bay Cubby House <secretary@oysterbaycubbyhouse.com.au>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 7 March 2023 1:17 PM

**To:** Diarmuid O'Reilly <DOReilly@ssc.nsw.gov.au>

**Cc:** deanpj@bigpond.com; larmstrong@ssc.nsw.gov.au; Councillor Hassan Awada <hawada@ssc.nsw.gov.au>; Councillor Haris Strangas <hstrangas@ssc.nsw.gov.au>

**Subject:** Oyster Bay Oval masterplan - stakeholder consultation

Hi Diarmuid,

Thank you for your invitation to the session to provide an update on the Oyster Bay Oval Masterplan Design. We understand and support in principle the Council's desire to upgrade the oval and surrounding area.

We were however very disappointed that the latest plan makes no reference by name or inference to our club which in turn does nothing to give us any certainty about our future at the current location, or indeed our ability to continue to provide a service to the community. None of our concerns that were expressed in our submission last year have been addressed or discussed. (For ease of reference our submission has been reproduced below). The building in scenario's 2 & 3 are still referred to as multipurpose use which, as outlined in our previous submission, would not work from a health and safety position.

We suggest that a possible solution could be the construction of a 2-level building. Our Club would occupy the ground floor which would enable our equipment to be securely and safely locked away. The first floor, with external access and shared facilities would then be available to the general public as a multipurpose facility.

Diarmuid, while we fully understand that this project is to improve the current sporting facilities at Oyster Bay Oval, we hope that Council can understand the concern our club and it's 120 odd financial members has for its future under the existing draft plans, and would welcome the opportunity to meet with yourself and other interested parties to try and come up with an amicable solution for all concerned. The Club is seeking direction from the Council as to what our future accommodation will be.

### **PARKING**

No parking was indicated in the plan directly in front of the proposed building. Club members would have to compete with the general public and oval users for the car places along Como Road. They might find

themselves parking 200/300m from the clubhouse if they are lucky to get a park at all. Most of our members are in their seventies, eighties and nineties and always bring with them their tools and items they are working on. These items can be heavy and may require more than one trip. The proposed removal of a number of existing trees would create the space for off street parking for the members.

Kind regards,

*Phil Dean*

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Original submission - Oyster Bay Oval masterplan

### **COUNCIL SUBMISSION – OYSTER BAY OVAL MASTERPLAN CUBBY HOUSE TURNERS AND WOODIES INC**

The Cubby House Turners and Woodies Inc (the club) have occupied the premises known as 88A Como Road Oyster Bay since 1996. The club's location forms part of the Oyster Bay Oval. The club provides the following:

1. Gives the opportunity for any member of the general public (both men and women) to learn the art and skills of woodturning/woodworking
2. Support the ageing generation (particularly those in retirement) through friendship and caring for their mental health
3. Support local charities each year by making in excess of 600 toys for the less fortunate families in the area. All members have the opportunity to assist with making the toys

The club needs to be part of the proposed masterplan for the Oval as we provide support for the community as outlined above. We note that the masterplan has provision for a multi-purpose clubhouse and community building. To enable us to produce those toys we require a wide range of wood working machinery which from a safety point of view could not be accommodated in a shared facility. This machinery is in turn connected to a dedicated dust extraction/collection system for the health and safety of our members and the community. This is a big safety issue and essential in any building we occupy.

The existing building/location has its shortcomings and we outline the following:

#### **ACCESS AND LOCATION**

Entry to and exit from the property has always had a real element of danger. The entry/exit is positioned just short of a bend in Como Road at the same time as descending down a hill. Cars coming in the opposite direction are unsighted due to bushland near the bend in Como Road which leaves little time when trying to enter the club property. The danger could be reduced by either:

1. **Existing club premises** - Moving the entry/exit further down Como Road (away from the bend) but would take part of the existing parkland or
2. **New building** – Build new premises next to the car park at the opposite end of the parkland

#### **PARKING**

There is no defined off-street parking, just the space in front of the club house where you also have to dodge trees that also occupy the area. Parking would be increased if the area had a tar surface with marked parking spaces and proper drainage (See also Access and Location). The removal of some trees would be required.

We currently have 102 financial members, 18 of whom joined in the last 2 years, showing the increasing demand in the community for a facility such as ours. Our needs for now and in the future would ideally include:

1. A larger building, either new build or extension and upgrade of existing building. We have outgrown the existing building and are currently using a 20ft shipping container for storage. At present we only have space for one work bench where additional work benches would allow improved productivity and increase our ability to generate a greater number of toys each year. We have estimated that if a new building were to be erected it would need to have a minimum floor space of approximately 500 square meters.
2. Outdoor Space – The club currently has an outdoor covered area at the front of the building. This area or a similar covered open-air area is required and utilised for painting the toys and working on larger projects.
3. A combined kitchen / coffee area of approximately 30 m<sup>2</sup>
4. A toilet block comprising 1 – 1800mm urinal – 2-male p.c.'s – 2 Female p.c.'s and 1-Disabled Unisex Toilet.
5. A combined Library / Meeting room of approximately 30 m<sup>2</sup>
6. A room approx 16 square metres dedicated to dust creating machinery including linishers, disc and spindle sanders etc. to reduce the amount of dust permeating the rest of the workshop area
7. We introduced opening on Tuesday nights to accommodate the needs of working age members. Opening at night gives them the opportunity to use the club's equipment. Under consideration at the moment is to open a second night

The Cubby House Turners and Woodies Inc agrees with the Council's efforts to upgrade the Oyster Bay Oval area and the club wants to be included in any enhancements.

In backing our submission Psychologist, Dr Mike Martin has written (see attached) in support of the benefits the club provided to members.

Kind regards,

*Phil Dean*

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# Cubby House Turners and Woodies Committee for 2022-2023

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

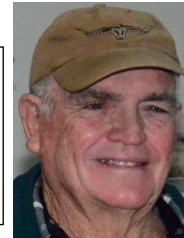
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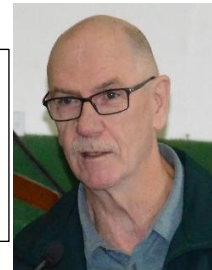
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Ordinary committee members – Simon Hardman, Keith Jones & Alan Pentecost

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## *Jeff Tucker Tribute*









**Show and Tell - On the table & on the tools.**

**Keith Jones**



**Chris Mclennan – anyone need a nurse and the crew she feeds**



**Frank Williams**



**Barry Belford**



**Merv Larsson**





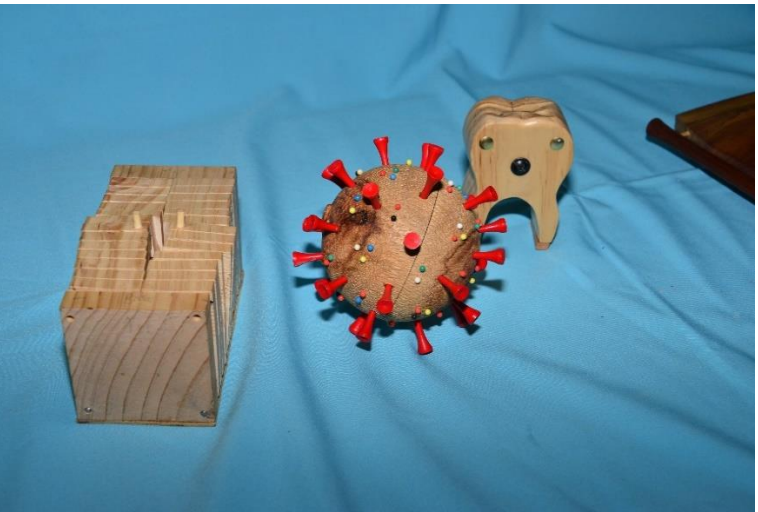
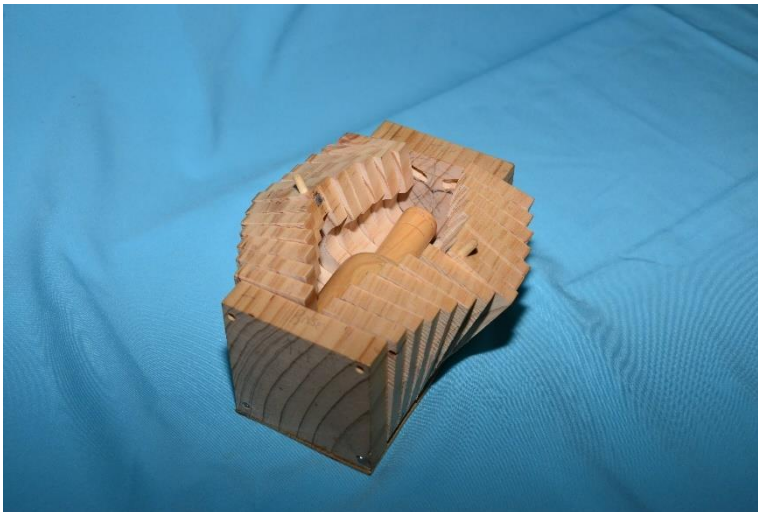
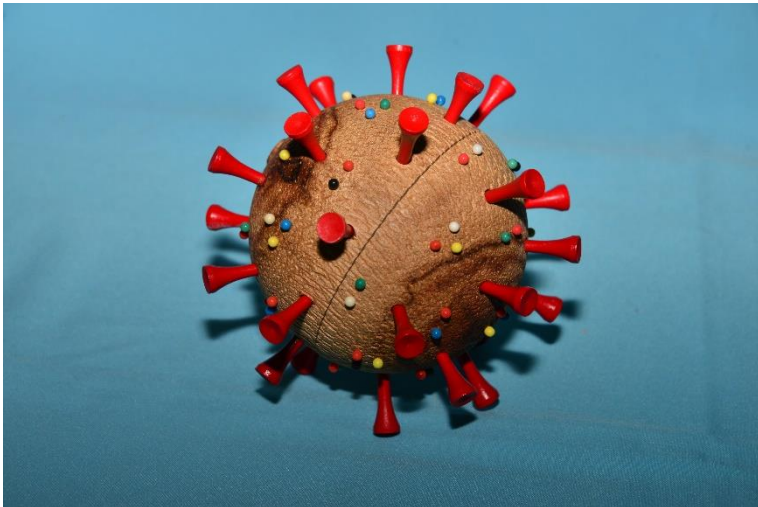
**On the tools – David Brackenbury & Bill Black**



**John Janson**



Stephen Chin



## And the winners Tom Hill – Novice Turning



## Val Lipping



## Malcolm Stuart







## EVENT CALENDAR 2023

Note: - The following information may be subject to change in date or content,  
if in doubt contact a committee member.

**March 2023**

Sat	4 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	7 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	8 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Mon	13 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day & Committee Meeting @ 10am
Tue	14 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	15 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Sat	18 <sup>th</sup>	Maxi Day – Host Tom Hill Demonstration: Bowls
Tue	21 <sup>st</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	28 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs

**April 2023**

Sat	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	4 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day & Committee Meeting @ 10am
Tue	11 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Sat	15 <sup>th</sup>	Maxi Day – Host Keith Moses Demonstration: Arbortech
Tue	18 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	19 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	25 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	26 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day

**May 2023**

Tue	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mini Day
Sat	6 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	9 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Mon	15 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day & Committee Meeting @ 10am
Tue	16 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	17 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Sat	20 <sup>th</sup>	Maxi Day – Host Michelle Brown Demonstration: Giving back
Tue	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	24 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	30 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	31 <sup>st</sup>	Mini Day

**June 2023**

Sat	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	6 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	7 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Mon	12 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day & Committee Meeting @ 10am
Tue	13 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	14 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Sat	17 <sup>th</sup>	Maxi Day - Host ----- Demonstration: -----
Tue	20 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	21 <sup>st</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	27 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	28 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day

**July 2023**

Sat	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	4 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day & Committee Meeting @ 10am
Tue	11 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	Mini day
Sat	15 <sup>th</sup>	Max Day – Host ----- Demonstration -----
Tue	18 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	19 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	25 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	26 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day

**August**

Tue	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mini Day
Sat	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	8 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	9 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Mon	14 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day & Committee Meeting @ 10am
Tue	15 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	16 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup>	Maxi Day – Host Paul Higgins Demonstration – Jigs & Custom Tools
Tue	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mini Night 1700 to 2100 hrs
Wed	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mini Day
Tue	29 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Night 1900 to 2100 hrs
Wed	30 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Day