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Welcome to the newsletter for June 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER: Committee Meeting 24th June, 1.00pm in clubroom.
Monthly Meeting 3rd July, 1.00 in clubroom.

Club membership fees are due and payable now. Bank details: Westpac, Berwick.

Account name BDWW, BSB: 033-609. Account number 416074. Please add your surname as a referral.
To pay personally see Peter Angwin at the clubroom.

JUNE GENERAL MEETING SHOW & TELL:



John McMahon made the platter at left, using Clyde Road Oak. The large crack in the wood didn't deter John who filled it with several applications of coffee grounds and glue. John has embellished the edge of the platter using a texturing tool.

Keith Towe made the small lidded box below left using jarah and sassafras. An interesting feature of the box is the finely turned lid which doubles as a spinning top as the base of the lid is turned to a

shallow point. The earrings are also by Keith using a piece of purple gidgee that was not big enough to make a pen.

The plaques at right are by **Chris Drysdale** using his CNC machine. The

plaque above is one of two that Chris made, showing the variety of fonts that Chris is able to use. The little dog Harpo is also one of two that Chris showed us.

As I was unable to photograph the larger plaque to its best advantage I have held it over until next month when I can get a better photo from Chris.



CLUB INFORMATION:

MEETINGS:

COMMITTEE
24th June

GENERAL
3rd July

SPEAKERS ETC
Hare & Forbes

FARMERS' MARKET
22nd June
13th & 27th July

Committee of Management:

<i>Contact Details</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>
President	Len Preece	59405564
Vice President	Brian Crowe	9702 2041
Secretary	Richard Gething	9704 5417
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Treasurer	Peter Angwin	5941 1272

Committee

Rick Hoare	9707 4608
John McMahon	9796 1097
Martin Van Diemen	9707 5305
Ken Whitefield	9704 9701
Ken D. Barnes	0419 114 738

Monthly meeting speaker - *temporarily vacant*
 Functions Coordinator - *Rick Hoare*
 Newsletter Editor – *Elsie Hoare*
 Public relations – *Len Preece*
 OCF users group – *Len Preece*
 Toy Coordinator – *Ken D. Barnes.*
 Workshop Coordinator - *Brian Crowe*
 Health and Safety Coordinator – *Whole committee*
 Member’s welfare coordinator – *Ken Whitefield*
 Kits for kids coordinator – *Ken Whitefield*
 Raffle Coordinator – *Len Preece*
 Farmers Market Coordinator – *Martin Van Diemen*
 Special interest group coordinators – *Depends on group*
 Librarian – *Keith Towe*
 Screws – *Martin Van Diemen*
 Paint – *George Young*
 Timber coordinator – *Martin Van Diemen*
 Web/Web master – *Jack Croucher*
 Mens' Shed coordinator - *Wayne Lucas.*
 Great Art Show - *John McMahon (with sub-committee)*

All material for the Club’s monthly publication is to be submitted by e-mail ricels@bigpond.com by hand, or by phone to the editor by the 15th of each month: Letters to the editor must be sent to the committee.

PLEASE NOTE: Those members wishing to use the workshop on Saturdays other than Farmers’ Market Saturdays must make private arrangements with a key-holder. For safety reasons, there must always be two members present in the workshop whenever it is being used.

Membership Fees:
 Individual Joining Fee - \$40.00
 Single Membership - \$65.00
 Family Membership - \$100.00
 No Attendance Fee.
 Tea & Coffee complimentary.

Workshops & Meetings:

Weekly	Hours	Activity	Leader
Monday Morning	9.00 am – 2.30 pm	Toys -	Eric Guthrie
Tuesday Morning	9.00 am – 2.30 pm	Toys -	John Damon
Wednesday Morning	9.00 am - 1.00 pm	General -	Bob McArthur
Wednesday Evening	5.00 pm - 9.00 pm	General -	Bill Bradshaw
Thursday Morning	9.00 am – 1.00 pm	Fine W/work -	Maurice Deeker
Friday Morning	9.00 am - 1.00 pm	General -	Richard Gething
Saturday Morning	9.00 am - 1.00 pm on market days or by private arrangement on other Saturdays.		

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Berwick Woodworkers wish to thanks **Gary Maas MP** State Member for Narre Warren South, and his staff for their support in printing this newsletter for us. 9704 6055.

Berwick Woodworkers also acknowledge with gratitude the generosity of **Ephraim Finch** who has supported the club for many years with donations of top-quality timber. Without Ephraim's gifts, the work we do for local underprivileged children would be considerably curtailed.



PRESIDENT'S NOTES

It was very sad to hear of the passing of two of our members in the last week: Cec King, a long term member and one who supported the club, also Malcolm Adaman, a relatively new member who was always ready to help anyone. These two members will be sorely missed and we offer our condolences to their families at this sad time.

Jack Croucher is still waiting to have his hip operation. We hope that Jack can receive the attention he desperately needs. We hope it will be sooner rather than later.

The new honour board is being prepared at the moment and the old one updated. We should have them completed and hung up in the lunch room in the next couple of weeks.

The telephone line is currently being sorted out and we hope to have it connected shortly. A temporary solar light has been installed at the end of the veranda and another will be fitted above the workshop door shortly. Finally our Farmers' Markets are going very well and it is important that we get good support from all members. The last couple of markets we have been a little light on numbers so if any member can spare an hour or two on the fourth Saturday of every month, your help would be very much appreciated. Remember it is these markets that keep the club healthy financially. These markets take a lot of organising and I must thank Geoff Rankin and Martin Van Diemen for their great efforts.

Len Preece - President.



SOME SAD GOODBYES.

As **Len Preece** has already mentioned, the club has had some sad news over the past few weeks. We were all saddened to learn of the passing, following a lengthy illness with cancer, of **Denise McGinty**, wife of long time member **Bert McGinty**. Denise was a popular member of the 'wives & partners' as she regularly accompanied Bert to Club activities. Our condolences and best wishes are with Bert and his family.



Condolences also to the family of **Ces. King** who passed away on June 7th. A staunch club member for many years, Ces was well liked among those who knew him. The photo at left, sent to me by Keith Towe, was taken as Ces celebrated his 90th birthday last July. As Len has already stated, Ces will be sorely missed about the club.

Club members received further sad news when we learned that **Malcolm Adaman** had suffered a severe heart attack from which he did not recover. Malcolm had been with us for a little over a year and was an enthusiastic member, attending some of our social gatherings with his wife Jeanette. Our condolences and best wishes go to Malcolm's family.



KLEINEKOORT FAMILY DONATION. The club had an unexpected visit recently when **Boukje Kleinekoort** and her daughter, **Esther**, called in to offer the club a donation of some of Joe's woodwork. Boukje has agreed that the items can be sold. Here is an opportunity to do a little early Christmas shopping. Boukje has sold the home she shared with Joe in Berwick, so that she may move to be close to her daughter in Cranbourne, and is offering Joe's machinery for sale. Photographs and further details are on the lunch table in the clubroom. Boukje and Esther completed their visit with a tour of the new premises and agreed that Joe would have been very impressed. See more photos of Joe's work on the following page.





Above are some of Joe's toys that are available for sale in the clubroom.



ANOTHER SURPRISE VISIT. Past member **Bob Dawe** and his wife **Janet** were in the area recently and dropped by to see what we're getting up to these days. Lilydale's air is obviously agreeing with the two as they don't look a day different from when they left Berwick about seven years ago. Here they are with **Bill Bradshaw** and **Bob McArthur** as they paused for a moment during their tour of the workshop.

While we shiver in the inevitable temperatures to be expected at this time

of year club member **Ken Whitefield** and wife, **Anne** are enjoying something



warmer in the North of Australia. Halfway through their trip Ken sent these photos to **Peter Angwin**.

No prizes for correctly guessing where they are.



IMPORTANT REMINDER!

The club members pictured below are the experts to whom the club has entrusted the maintenance of the machinery. One of these members **MUST** be notified when something goes wrong with a machine.

Under **NO CIRCUMSTANCES** may an unauthorised member make an attempt to repair or modify the club's equipment.

The club is continually meeting the unnecessary expense caused by well intentioned but disastrous mishandling.

As a result of misuse the club's router and band saw now need major repairs while the belt sander's obvious need of attention was also ignored by the user.



Len Preece Brian Crowe John Damon Bob McArthur John Membrey

If a machine doesn't feel right or sound right DON'T CONTINUE. Please let someone know. DON'T TRY YOUR OWN REPAIRS.

DEFIBRILLATOR DEMONSTRATION.



Following the club's purchase of two defibrillators, a special meeting was held so that we could invite a representative from St. John's Ambulance to give us instructions on using the devices. **CPR Training Officer, Dush Dedic** visited us on Wednesday 19th to explain the procedure.

Dush took us through an imaginary event, explaining in detail, how to go about helping someone who has suffered a cardiac arrest. Calling 000, quickly assessing the situation, checking for personal danger and signs of consciousness in the patient were covered clearly.

The machine must **only** be used in the case of cardiac arrest, when the subject is not breathing and there is no pulse; it must not be used in the case of heart attack and Dush took care to explain the difference between the

two. In heart attack the patient is usually conscious, in which case the defibrillator is **not** used. The defibrillator gives clear, verbal instructions for its use. Each instruction is repeated in case it is not understood the first time.

The batteries for the unit have a life span of 4 years and are able to be used 200 times before replacing the battery pack. Treatment pads can only be used once before replacement.

In the photo at above Dush demonstrates the position for placing the treatment pads on the torso of a child which is front and back rather than both on the front as in an adult.

There was time for questions at the end of the demonstration.

There is an excellent video explaining the use of a defibrillator at St. John's website, www.stjohnvic.com.au

The club's defibrillators can be found in the library section of the clubroom and near the finishing room in the workshop. There is also a leaflet of instructions and all accessories necessary in each defib box. box

Berwick District Woodworkers Club.
Minutes Monthly Meeting 5th June, 2019.

Meeting Commenced 1.00 pm

Welcome to Members President Len Preece welcomed 22 members.

Apologies

Ken D Barnes, Ken Humphries, Alexander Drysdale, Mark Bellis, Bob McArthur, Wayne Lucas, Lance Baker and Ces King.

Ces King is not well, Bert McGinty has returned and Joyce Hayes is doing well after her operation.

Minutes of previous monthly meeting. – 1st May 2019.

- In Newsletter.

Motion to accept minutes. Proposed – Pat Mahoney. Seconded – Brian Crowe. Motion carried.

Business arising from previous meeting

- The bollards are being installed.
- The turning smocks are expected shortly. We will send the clothing for the logo when smocks are received.
- Westpac Bank has nominated us for a grant.

Correspondence.

- A summary of the correspondence from the latest committee meeting was read.

Motion to accept correspondence. Proposed – Ross Blackwood. Seconded – John Damon. Motion carried.

President's Report.

- A meeting was held with the OCF today.
- The telephone will be connected. We are waiting for a phone call.
- The new brass plaque is finished.
- Quotes for the exhaust fan and new door way are being obtained.
- Minor roof and toilet faults will be fixed.
- Quotes for additional lighting and security cameras for the outside are being obtained by the OCF.
- We must abide by the OCF parking restrictions.
- The kitchen boiling water will be turned down.
- Further ground works are being done.
- The next meeting with the OCF will be on the morning of the first Wednesday of the month.
- We have received an offer from Vic Roads for timber packing etc from the Berwick level crossing works. Chris Drysdale will follow up.

Motion to accept the President's report. Proposed – Ross Blackwood. Seconded – John McMahon. Motion Carried

Treasurer's report.

- As attached.
- Our balances are adequate for our expected outlays.
- Currently we have 86 financial members.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Proposed – Martin Van Diemen. Seconded – Pat Mahoney. Motion carried.

Farmers' Market.

- Going well at the moment. We need extra volunteers for the 4th Saturday.
- The financial returns from the market have been good.

Functions

- Our next club lunch will be on 15th August.

Demonstrations.

- Hare and Forbes will be attending our July meeting.
- The AGM will be held at the August meeting.
- There will be a BBQ and meeting on 19th June to demonstrate the new defibrillators and CPR. The BBQ will be at 12.00 pm and the St John demonstration will be at 1.30 pm. We will install our units in a clear location with adequate signs.

Newsletter.

- All going well.

General Business.

- The honour boards will be installed shortly.
- The wind up handle on the router table jammed and handles were damaged when the lock was left on. We had to rebuild and regrind them.
- The bearings on a sander were badly damaged and were replaced.
- A bandsaw guide and blade were not set up correctly.
- When problems or difficulties occur, switch off the machine and ask for help immediately. The machines run at high speed and are dangerous if not used correctly. Listen to the noise of the machine and call for help immediately.
- Open the dust gate slide when you turn a machine on. A notice will be added to the machines.
- The “Painting for Parkinson” group has asked us to help with a sausage sizzle on the 31st August. We do not have any certified food handlers. We will raise this at the next committee meeting.
- Our lack of a telephone has become a health and safety issue for our members. We are pushing to have the telephone connected.
- The large brad point drill is missing.
- If there is a delay in improving our outside lighting can we install something temporary?

Show & Tell.

- Presented by Brian Crowe.
- We need further items of all standards from members to display.
- We can take a scrap of timber and make something to display as a competition.

Door Prize.

- Won by Elsie Hoare.
- Extra donated gift voucher won by John Damon.

Meeting closed at 2.50 pm.

Next meeting Wednesday 3rd July, 2019 at 1.00pm.

President - Len Preece

Secretary – Richard Gething.

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The children were lined up in the cafeteria for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples.

The Nun made a note and posted it on the apple tray:

"Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies.

A child had written a note:

"Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

That's all for now. Best Wishes until next time.