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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

So much has happened since my last report. 2024 has started on a very positive vibe and CCWT, whilst we never went away, will soon be up and running as we were in the past. It is 14 months since we left the Milk Factory and put all our equipment into storage. Thanks to Alan Smith, we were able to locate two containers on his property. Last Friday, 12th January, we began moving the heavy lathes etc. into the hall in Ourimbah. Thanks to the removal company we got all the lathes into position. Unfortunately, time in store has taken its toll and we will have to undertake some cleaning up on the lathe beds. We owe huge thanks to those members who turned out on the three working bees we have held this year. Firstly, we had to lay the timber flooring under the lathe positions. Then this flooring needing painting for protection, then thirdly the big move started. There is still much work to be done before we can become fully operational so more working bees will be held in the next few weeks. Please keep your eye open for emails with dates, and see if you can come along and give a helping hand.



Recently Garry, our treasurer sent me an up-to-date list of financial members. In the financial year 2022/23 we had 80 paid up members. So far, in financial year 2023/24 that number has dropped to 50. This is a disappointing drop in our finances at a time when we are incurring some large costs relating to our procuring and moving into the hall. If you have not yet paid your membership for this year, get in touch with Garry who will be happy to receive your money. The future of our club revolves around raising sufficient revenue. We are confident that we can meet our monthly/annual running costs. Currently we will have the cost of removal, legal fees, materials to adapt the hall and most of all the cost to improve and adapt the electrical system. In raising money for the building fund, we have held three Bunnings BBQs. Two of these were very successful but the third, while still being profitable, was beaten by

extraordinary heat. Our next BBQ is Saturday March 16th. If you are able to help, please contact Ian Stokes or myself. Personally, I find the BBQs most enjoyable. It provides the opportunity to work with fellow members in a different scenario to the workshop.

A few people have put a lot of time into achieving our new workshop. While it is not exactly what we are looking for I do believe that it will allow us to move forward as a club. Looking

at the decline in numbers mentioned above I feel the club was facing a difficult future. You may not agree with the way things have been done. Already we have members' views on different ways the wiring could be installed. We may not agree with the layout of the lathes or sitting spaces. What we have, and the way it is installed, has been decided by those most involved in establishing our new venue. We are always happy to receive constructive comments and advice, but don't be unhappy if your views are not acted upon. You could always stand for the Board and get your opinions aired at Board level.

So, looking to the future we are forging ahead with fitting out the hall. Once this is done, we will be open for business. We are planning a formal opening of the workshop once we are working at normal levels. This is on a date yet to be decided. Opening days and hours are also yet to be decided, and will be discussed at the next Board meeting. During the summer months we will be able to use the extra land around the hall for parking. This may not be suitable in the winter. We will be continuing to support Orange Sky, a charity supporting the homeless, by allowing them to park their van, apparently called Sandy, on our premises.

I hope members feel as excited by these events as I do. We are on the way back, hopefully welcoming back those former members who have delayed their membership fees and new members wishing to learn the crafts that our club offers.

Peter

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ANNUAL FEES:

For anyone who has forgotten to renew their Annual Fees. It's still \$45 (but next year it will rise to \$50... which is still very cheap). If you want to pay electronically then the details are as follows:

Our bank details are:

“Who, me?”

Account name: Central Coast Woodturner Ltd	
BSB	032564
Account Number	135409

Don't forget to send a copy of the receipt to:

Corina.buckman@bigpond.com

Please note:

- ✚ If you are NOT a financial member, then you will definitely NOT be allowed to enter, or use, the workshop.
- ✚ All new members must fill out the appropriate paperwork, including our Medical Form, and have their application approved by the Board, before they can use any equipment.

**Central Coast Woodturners Co-operative Ltd
Minutes of the General Meeting @ Alison
Homestead
held on Saturday 25th November 2023**



The meeting was opened at 10.05am by Mark Board – Vice President.

Minutes taken by Alan Smith.

Attendance: 22 members, 6 apologies, 1 associate and 1 visitor.

Welfare:

- ✚ Phil C is unwell but on the mend.

Minutes:

- ✚ It was moved by Ron Gibbs and seconded by Dom Pirlo that the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 4th Nov, 2023 be accepted. Passed.

Business Arising:

- ✚ Alan followed up with Fair Trading which resulted in the Special General Meeting which was held this morning.

Coming Events:

- ✚ 02-12-2023: Bateau Bay Men's Shed sale.
- ✚ 03-12-2023: Mingara 7.30, start then 9am -2pm.
- ✚ 09-12-2023: Bunnings Tuggerah. Sale items needed.

Lucky Door Prize: Nil



Correspondence:

Inwards:

- Several emails with Fair Trading re: Constitution changes. All resolved.

Outwards:

- Several emails with Fair Trading re: Constitution changes. All resolved.

Business Arising from Correspondence: Nil

It was moved by Ron Gibbs and seconded by Skeeta that the correspondence be accepted. Passed.



Financial Report: Garry presented the report for November 2023.

Income \$220.00 and Expenditure \$1,096.75 leaving a Debit Balance of for the month of -\$876.75



I am a Seenager. (Senior teenager) I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 60 years later.
 I don't have to go to school or work.
 I get an allowance every month.
 I have my own pad.
 I don't have a curfew.
 I have a driver's license and my own car.
 I have ID that gets me into bars and the whisky store.
 The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant.
 And I don't have acne.
 Life is great. I have more friends I should send this to, but right now I can't remember their names.

It was moved by Ron Gibbs and seconded by Skeeta that the financial report be accepted. Passed.

Other Reports:

Carvers:

✚ Having a break until the new year.

Scrollers: Nil

Toys:

✚ Bob B has again donated boxes of toys to the Toy Fund.

○ These and the gift vouchers that were purchased will be delivered to the Women's Refuge.

General Business:

Mark B:

✚ We are getting closer to resolving some lease issues with the Guides.

- Can't move in until lease is signed.
- We will need to notify Council re: change of use.

- ✚ Bunnings BBQ. We need sale items.
 - This will be a normal sale.
- ✚ The Heritage Report was tabled. This has been submitted to Council.
- ✚ Discussion re: new building.

Don C:

- ✚ Will update web-site as soon as things have settled and we are able to move in.

Raffle:

- ✚ John Lea provided a lovely hamper that was won by Graham Craike.

Next Meeting:

General meeting will be at 10.30am on Saturday 3rd February 2024 @ Alison Homestead
 Board meeting 3rd February 2024 @ 8.30am.

The meeting closed at 10.40am



Central Coast Woodturners Co-operative Ltd
Minutes of the *Special General Meeting* @ Alison Homestead
held on Saturday 25th November 2023

The meeting was opened at 10am by Mark Board

Minutes taken by Alan Smith

There is only one item on the agenda.

Over the years our Constitution document has had a large number of amendments and changes.

As a result, it has become very messy and, at times, impossible to follow.

After the recent amendments were registered, I felt the need to retype it in a different format that made it much easier to understand.

It has now been reformatted and retyped (*without changing any other wording*) to make it easier to follow and so that the dot points, page numbers and formatting, now make sense.

Fair Trading will not accept the retyped Club Rules unless it is approved by members at a Special General Meeting.

So, my motion is:

“That we replace the document labelled “Constitution 2018 - amended 2023”, which is held by Fair Trading, with the document labelled “Club Rules - October 2023”.

Note: The required 21days notice was given for this meeting.

Moved by: Alan Smith and seconded by John Butlin.

...Alan Smith (Secretary)

Discussion:

Alan Smith:

- ✚ Outlined the reasons for this motion.
 - No speakers against.

✚ Moved: Alan Smith, seconded: Brian Wilson.

- Vote: For: 21 Against: 0 Abstain: 0. Carried unanimously.

The meeting closed at 10.04am.

Letters to the Editor:

Hi Central Coast Wood Turners,

I am looking for a skilled person to create a new front grill for an Edison Phonograph out of 3ply.

I have the broken original piece to create a pattern.

The attached picture is what the grill looks like.

Do you have contacts with someone that may be about to help?



Many Thanks... Phil Collins.

(If anyone can help Phil out, contact me for his details...Editor)

Hi Folks,

A friend of mine had this silky oak cut down last week. He has offered it to us before he disposes of it.

Anyone interested contact me.

Thanks... Peter



Good evening,

In summary:

1st Berkeley Vale Joys and Cubs are going to undertake a woodwork activity in order to achieve their Special Interest Area badge for Art/craft.

I have attached a photo of a Stave that I inherited from my father, from when he was a Cub Leader a long time ago.

They are used for bushwalking.

The badgework involves 4 hours total of working on something which includes planning, doing and reviewing.

Our children range from the ages of 5 to 11.

I envisaged finding some pretty wood that they could clean up using sand paper, and perhaps paint (or for the older kids, maybe etch or wood burn). I figured I'd need to go bushwalking to find some dead branches to use, but I'm unsure of the best types of wood to use for such a project.

We meet on Wednesday nights from 6.30 to 8pm, and I was looking at the dates of 13/3 and 20/3.

I was wondering if the woodworkers could:

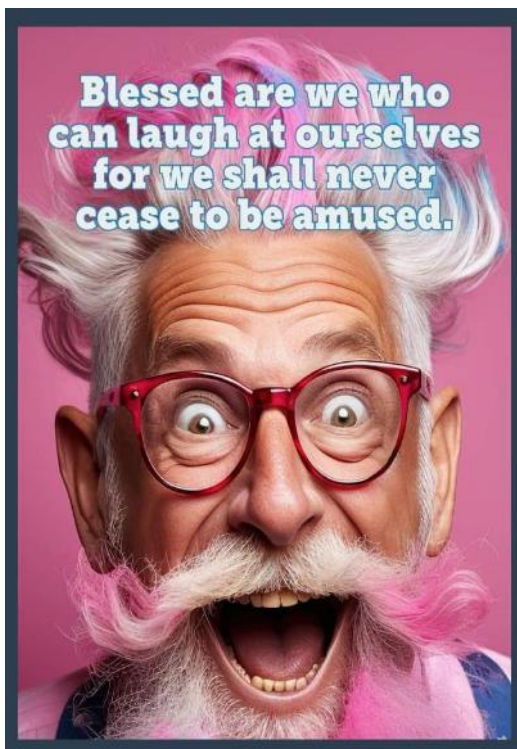
1. Give me advice on the best wood to use and what tools I would need to conduct the activity (we do not have a lot of money, so I will be looking at anything I can find for free or borrow from the community/family/friends)
2. Whether anyone would be willing to donate their time to helping us with the activity at our meeting times? We have our Scout Hall located at Panorama Parade, Berkeley Vale, or we can arrange to visit somewhere to conduct the activity (but I have a lot of red tape/paperwork to complete more than 2 weeks prior to the suggested activity date)

I thank you for any help you can provide, for I am not a crafty person, am pregnant and prone to injuring myself when I try to do things, so I thought getting advice from professionals would be the best thing to do.

My number is 0412028963 should you wish to get in touch. I do work full time, so if I don't answer, I will always ring back as soon as I can.

Kind regards,

Kimberly Smith
Cub Scout Leader
1st Berkeley Vale Scout Group



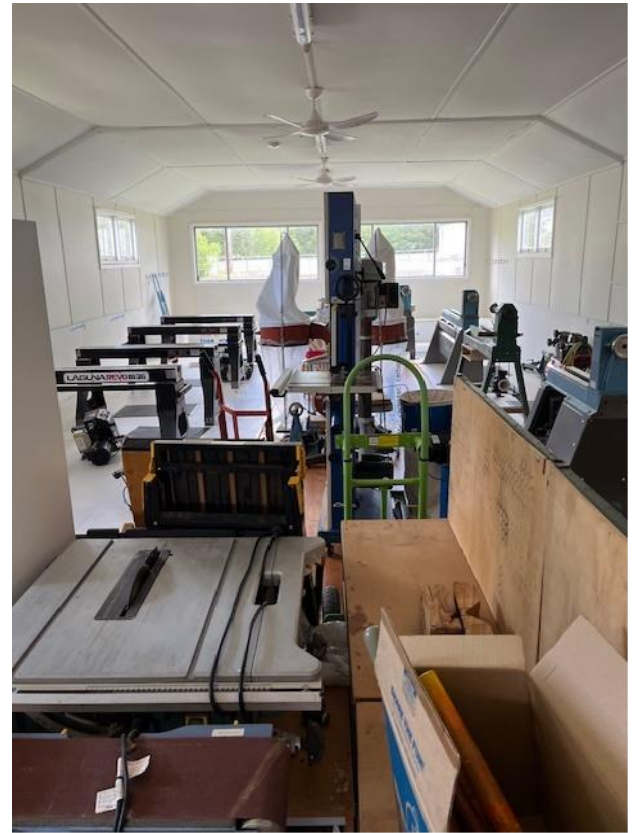
The Big Move is on...

Well, after a LOT of negotiations, planning and good old, hands-on physical effort, our long-awaited move to our new workshop at Ourimbah is well underway.

Many thanks who those who attended working bees, both at the workshop, and at my place.

It would have been an impossible task without our remarkable team of volunteers.

Thank you!!... Editor





We hired the team from Bull's Removals to relocate all of the heavy machinery. They did an amazing job.

We thoroughly recommend these guys.

They arrived exactly on time and got the job done quickly and efficiently with no fuss.

I'm pleased to say that, because of their great work, we had no over-eager, silly old farts injured on the day.

The photo below is of Brian, the owner of Bulls Pick-up and removals.

He has muscles on his muscles and is a great guy.

So, if you need to move anything to anywhere, don't hesitate to give him a call... Editor.



Allan "Cedar" Smith...

I was very pleased when I got a call, a few days ago, to meet with Peter, Allan and Allan's son, Eric, at our new workshop.

After a quick tour we sat for a chat and Allan said that he was pleasantly surprised at the venue and the work that we had already put into getting it up and running.

He then made a very generous donation to our building fund, which was gratefully received.

It's good to have such a wonderful benefactor who is keen to support us.

Thank you, Allan.

ANZAC DAY

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The Palmdale Group will host ANZAC Day Ceremonies at both Palmdale and Greenway on 25th April, paying respect to the memory of our service men and women.

Services and Wreath laying ceremonies will be held at both Palmdale and Greenway.

Palmdale Lawn Cemetery & Memorial Park

57 Palmdale Road, Palmdale
Commencing at 9am, the
service will be held adjacent
to the Defence Force
Memorial.

Palmdale Phone:
4362 1203

Greenway Chapel & Memorial Gardens

460 Avoca Drive, Green Point
Commencing at 11am, the
service will be held adjacent
to the Defence Force
Memorial.

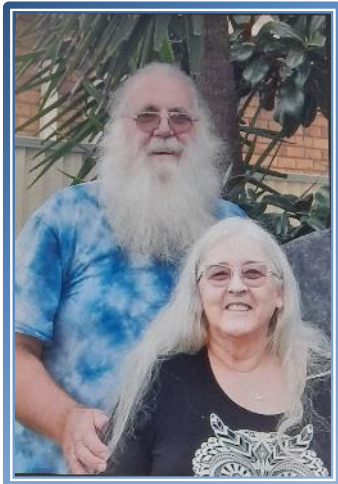
Greenway Phone:
4369 2013



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What's on	When	Contact
Monthly Meeting Woodturning Scrolling Carving Pyrography	First Saturday each month @ 10am. Alison Homestead. <p style="text-align: center;">Good news!! We have found a new workshop, And we will be re-opening soon. (More to come.)</p>	Peter Skeeta, Ron Gibbs Tony Bruckard Sue Wood Valda Barton



EDITOR'S NOTE:

Hi Folks,

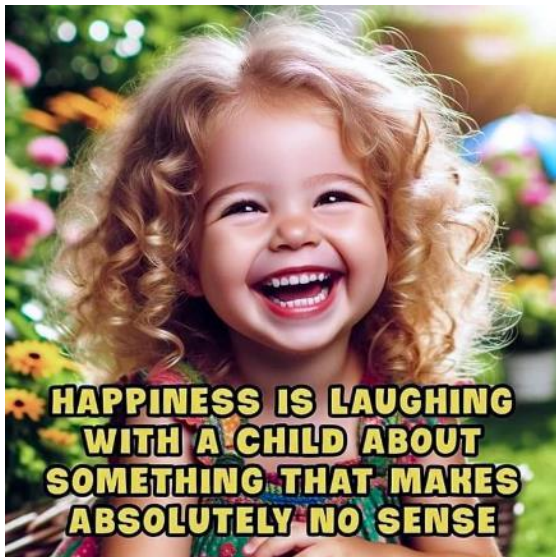
Well, it's been a busy and exciting time for the club. We are about to, at last, relocate into a new workshop at Ourimbah. I want to take this opportunity to express my personal thanks to those that, through their hard work and persistence, made this possible.

I won't mention them by name because it has taken a multitude of workers to get this done... and it would be a sin if I forgot anyone. Rest assured though that everyone from our wonderful President to devoted ex-members has been putting in a huge effort to get this done. Congratulations and thanks to all of you.

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 A big bonus for me is that I now have 2 empty shipping containers at home that I can use to help sort and tidy my own workshops.

Take care and stay safe guys... Alan.

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