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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Hi Everyone

Success – success – success

Or if, at first, you don't succeed, try, try and try again.

I have just spent a great afternoon with Alan Smith and getting a large quantity of wood cut on the horizontal bandsaw. I have tried twice before to have wood cut but without success. This time, thanks to some ingenuity by Alan, and a new blade, everything went well. It now means I have a lot of turning to do, just as I am about to travel. Oh well, I will rough turn as many as I can and put them in a good place to dry out.



I must say while it is nice to enjoy a holiday period I am not sorry Christmas and New Year are behind us for another year and we can get back to our usual routine. There is a good turnout at the workshop on Fridays, and it certainly seems busy on Mondays when I have been able to drop in. Saturday mornings are still underutilised, often with only two or three turners, so if you want to use the workshop this is a good day to come.

Once again there was a good turnout for the demonstration at the beginning of the month. Steve Attard provided an informative morning on using resin in his wood turning. Whilst not to everybody's taste it was certainly a good morning and provided food for thought for those wishing to take their turning in a different direction.

I have been to all the workshop open sessions stressing the need for thorough cleaning of the lathes at the end of each session. Proper cleaning, and blowing out of the electrical components, is essential if the lathes are to continue to perform at their best. Cleaning includes using the lubricant spray. If you are in any doubt please ask one of the instructors to take you through the cleaning operation.

Ron has arranged for "Robbo" to come to the club for another whole day in March. We are not certain exactly what he will be doing but details will be posted in the Hobby Turner. There is a list in the workshop so if you are interested please sign up.

Happy woodworking... Peter Hamilton



Thursday March 7th we have **Ian 'Robbo' Robertson demonstrating** all methods of turning at the Wyong milk factory workshop 9am til 3pm.

A small charge of \$10 will cover lunch, morning and afternoon tea.

If interested contact John 'Rooster' Lea asap on 0428927241.

Minutes of the General Meeting held on Saturday 1st February

The meeting was opened at 12.30 by Peter Hamilton

Minutes taken by Dom Pirlo

Apologies: Bob Norris

Guests: Chris Strong and Maree Wright.



Show and Tell: Conducted by: Reg Watt

Name:

Barry Peick
Peter Kun
Peter Kun
Ross Gordon
Ross Gordon
Laurie Luthje
Laurie Luthje
Kerry Robertson

Item:

Bowl
Square Bowl
Two lamps
Bowl
Lidded box
Bike – Scroll saw
Table and Chairs – scroll saw
Two Bowls Very thin walled.

Woods used:

Dawn Redwood
Camphor Laurel
Cotoneaster
Camphor Laurel
Camphor Laurel
Huon Pine
Radiata Pine
Jacaranda.

Reg gave an interesting and informative critique on the items.

Barry Peick won the \$10 gift voucher for his bowl turned from a rare and unusual wood.

Attendance: Not recorded.

Welfare: Nil reported.

Minutes: Moved Kerry R, seconded Peter K that the minutes of the CCWT November meeting be accepted. Passed.

Business Arising: Nil.

Coming Events:

Frank Barton will make a list of coming events available for the Hobby Turner.

Central Coast Woodturners – Sales Events 2019

Enquires – Frank Barton 0429 006918

18th to 24th March 2019

1st to 2nd June

7th to 9th June SWWWS

3rd to 6th July 2019

21st to 24th Aug 2019

14th to 15th Sept 2019

23rd to 26th Oct 2019

4th to 10th Nov 2019

5th to 8th Dec 2019

Lake Haven Shopping Centre

Harvest Festival Peats Ridge

Rosehill

Imperial Centre Gosford

Deep Water Plaza Woy Woy

Wyong Orchid Festival

Imperial Centre Gosford

Lake Haven Shopping Centre

Tuggerah Super Centre

John (Rooster) Lea will organize another visit from Robbo - probably in March.

Lalor Park invitation to pen making demo on 3rd Sunday in March.

Sydney WWWS will be in June.



Correspondence:

Inwards:

Nil

Numerous e-mails re: membership, opening hours etc.

Outwards:

Letter to Milk Factory re proposed Craft Expo

Answered lots of email enquiries re: membership, opening hours .
etc.

Business Arising from Correspondence: Nil

It was moved by Laurie L and seconded by Allan Smith that the correspondence be accepted. Passed.

Lucky Door Prize: Phil Clements who received a \$10 shop voucher.



Financial Report: Garry presented and tabled the reports for November, December 2018 and January 2019. These are available from Gary.

New Members:

Philip Sutherland 16 Fiesta Cres. Copacabana 2251 0414968044
philip.sutherland@gmail.com WT

Welcome to the club.

Other Reports:

Workshop:

David F: Cleanliness of workshop and machines after use is often of concern. Shavings are to be swept from machines and floor. Machines need to be vacuumed and then the remaining dust must be blown off with the air hose. Beds and moving parts then need to be oiled. All equipment that is used **MUST** be returned to its correct place. This is the responsibility of the members who use the workshop - not the trainers.

The safety screens for the lathes are mostly complete - one to go!



The use of the band saws needs attention. Only members who have undertaken the specific training are authorized to use the band saws. Too many blades are being broken - often due to incorrect use. The large band saw should only be used for straight cuts and the smaller one with the thinner blade can be used to cut gentle curves - but is unsuitable for tight curves. If you are not confident in using the band-saws, ask the trainers for assistance.

Correct blade tension needs to be maintained. Only trainers are authorized to adjust the tension.

I am investigating possible alterations to improve the efficiency of our dust extraction system - including, cleaning the dust bags and purchasing new ones.

Carvers:

- + New members are doing well.
- + Generally going OK.

Scrollers:

- + Going well.

Toys:

- + Need as many as possible. More toy makers encouraged.
- + We need dozens of spinning tops for our open days – also any other small wooden knick-knacks.

Library:

- + There are lots of books available to borrow. Some great ideas and inspiration are available.
- + Ron G. has purchased his own equipment and program to convert VHS tapes to DVD. Hopefully he will be able to convert some of the club tapes to enable members to view some of the interesting demonstrations.
- + Please return books and magazines when you have finished with them - or renew them after two months.

Merchandise:

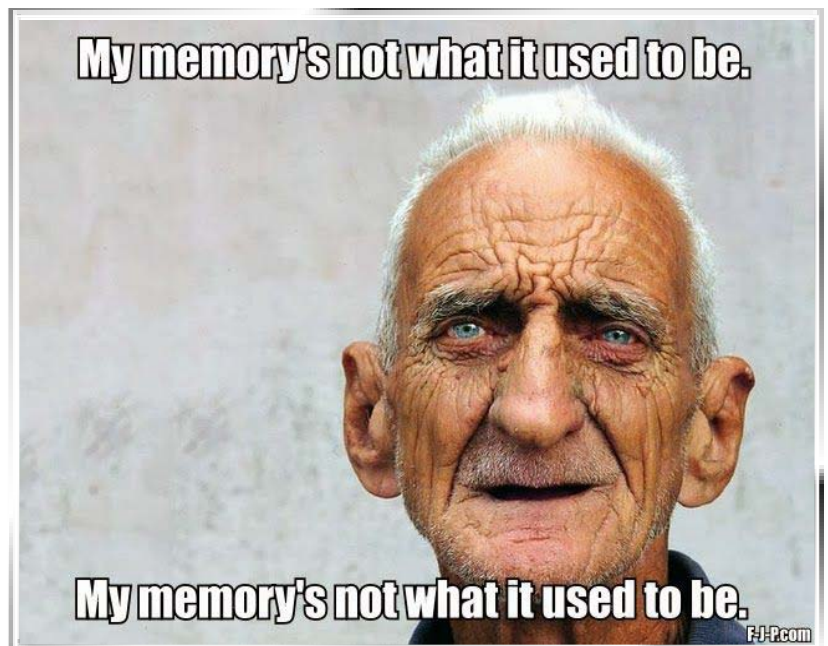
- + There are lots of items for sale in our shop. See Laurie for details.
- + Let Laurie know if there are items that you would like stocked in the club store.

Lolly Bowls:

- + Phil C: As usual the lolly bowls donated this year were greatly appreciated. We need many dozens to donate at the end of this year. All members are asked to contribute. Wood blanks for LB's are available at the workshop.

General Business:

- + Peter H. Club urgently needs a publicity officer. Can you help?
 - o Special thanks to Brian Duncan who has agreed to publicize and promote the club's sales events.
- + Special thanks to June Barton for her time and effort in the money collection and accounting at the club sales.
- + Kerry felt that it is not necessary to publicize the club's donations. Arguments for and against. No change.
- + John B. discussed the proposed Art/Craft Extravaganza. Location of stalls.
 - o Groups will be contacted for participation.



- Proposed to form a small committee to organize the event. Contact John B. if interested.

- ✚ Kerry. Lunch for monthly meetings. Catered for 68 people but ran out of meats as many people took several pieces. There was much discussion. General agreement that it is very difficult to calculate exact amounts - we often have considerable leftovers. Matter will be brought up at the Board meeting.
- ✚ Concern that people who have asked for hard copies of the Hobby Turner are not getting them. Peter H. will investigate and remedy the situation.
- ✚ The club has just over 100 financial members. A members list will be e-mailed to members.
- ✚ Talk and demonstration in the morning by Steve Attard from Lalor Park was well received by members and the many visitors. No doubt some of the members will try skills and techniques he demonstrated – although many are already very familiar with using resin to enhance some woodworking projects.

Next Meeting:

General meeting will be on Saturday 02 /03/ 2019
Board meeting 01/03/2019

The meeting closed at 1.40 pm.

Monthly Meeting Reminder.

All members are encouraged to attend the Club's Monthly Meetings. They are a great opportunity to share ideas and clarify any issues. Your participation helps to make your Club better at meeting our member's needs.



Reminder of Kevin West's Design and Create a Masterpiece Challenge.
Date will be set for early this year. Members are encouraged to participate and design and create an item involving one or more of the following skills: Turning, Lidded Box, Captive Ring, Beads and Coves, Finials, Intarsia, Surface Finishes, Offset Turning Segments, Carving, Pyrography, Clear and Coloured Resin Finishes, Painting, Embossing – and anything else you may wish to include in your creation.



Letters to the Editor:



Our Club was represented by two members, Bev Clark and Sue Wood, at the Toukley and District Art Society - Market Day on the 15th. December, 2018.

This came about when Sue, also a member of Long Jetty Pottery Club, was invited to displaying some of her woodwork on the day.

Bev and Sue accepted the invitation to run a stall at the market. Each bringing their own variety of woodwork.

On the day an official from the Gallery Art Society was greatly impressed with the quality of their pieces. This resulted in an invitation for them to display their work, as the **"Gallery's Guest Artists"** from 24th January to 21st March, 2019.

The girls decided to accept this invitation - Sue has a collection of her carvings, Bev has a collection of her sculptures, so a combination of their pieces makes up this display.

Their work can be viewed, Monday to Friday inclusive, 10 am to 3 pm.

As this was their first time running a stall by themselves the girls would like to thank several CCWC members for their guidance in preparing for the above event. Rooster and Skeeta for their instructions on the erection of the Gazebo. Frank Barton, for all information and assistance on the legal requirements that go into the preparation for such an event.

Sue Wood

Retirement Home Rules:

On her first day at the seniors complex, the new manageress addressed all the seniors pointing out some of her rules; "The female sleeping quarters will be out-of-bounds for all males, and the male dormitory to the females.



Anybody caught breaking this rule will be fined \$20 the first time." She continued; "Anybody caught breaking this rule a second time will be fined \$60. Being caught a third time will cost you a fine of \$180. Are there any questions?" On this point, an older lady named Alice stood up in the crowd and inquired: "How much is a season pass?"

Stop being afraid of what could go wrong and
Start getting excited about what could go right.



A man was riding on a full bus minding his own business when the gorgeous woman next to him started to breast-feed her baby. The baby wouldn't take it so she said, "Come on sweetie, eat it all up or I'll have to give it to this nice man next to us." Five minutes later the baby was still not feeding, so she said, "Come on, honey. Take it or I'll give it to this nice man here." A few minutes later the anxious man blurted out, "Come on kid. Make up your mind! I was supposed to get off four stops ago!"

Students in an advanced Biology class were taking their mid-term exam. The last question was, 'Name seven advantages of Mother's Milk.' The question was worth 70 points or none at all. One student was hard put to think of seven advantages. He wrote:

- 1) It is perfect formula for the child.
- 2) It provides immunity against several diseases.
- 3) It is always the right temperature.
- 4) It is inexpensive.
- 5) It bonds the child to mother and vice versa.
- 6) It is always available as needed

And then the student was stuck. Finally, in desperation, just before the bell rang indicating the end of the test he wrote:

- 7) It comes in two attractive containers and it's high enough off the ground where the cat can't get it. He got an A+.



"I wasn't sure if the wine was breathing, so I've been giving it mouth-to-mouth."



"It's from the hospital where you were born. You're being recalled for manufacturing defects."

God may have created man before woman, but there is always a rough draft before the masterpiece.

Steve Attard's Demo:

We were very lucky to have Steve visit this month and demonstrate many techniques relating to the use of resins.

The day was very well attended, with visitors also coming from Maitaland and Lalor Park clubs.

Steve is an excellent demonstrator and a very skilled artisan.

If you ever get the opportunity to watch him... don't miss out.




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This is my neighbour.

She's single...

She lives right across the street.

I can see her house from my living room.

I watched as she got home from work this evening.

I was surprised when she walked across the street and up my driveway.

She knocked on my door...

I rushed to open it.

She looked at me, and said, "I just got home, and I'm feeling so sexy! I have this strong urge to have a good time, get drunk, and make love all night long!"

Are you busy tonight?"

I immediately replied, "Nope, I'm free... I have no plans at all!"

Then she said, "Good! In that case, could you watch my kids?"

Sometimes it sucks being a senior citizen.



FOR SALE:

Reg W is selling his: Carbatec sander/Linisher (\$200), Jooltool and a good 14cubit foot compressor. All of his equipment has been very well maintained and is in excellent condition. He can be contacted on: 02 43928396. He lives in Woongarah.

**Failure is not the opposite of success...
it's part of it.**

Seven Wonders of the World.

A group of students were asked to list what they thought were the present "Seven Wonders of the World." Though there were some disagreements, the following received the most votes:

1. Egypt's Great Pyramids
2. Taj Mahal
3. Grand Canyon
4. Panama Canal
5. Empire State Building
6. St. Peter's Basilica
7. China's Great Wall

While gathering the votes, the teacher noted that one student had not finished her paper yet. So she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. The girl replied, "Yes, a little. I couldn't quite make up my mind because there were so many."

The teacher said, "Well, tell us what you have, and maybe we can help."

The girl hesitated, then read, "I think the 'Seven Wonders of the World' are:



1. To See



2. To Hear



3. To Touch



4. To Taste



5. To Feel



6. To Laugh



7. To Love

The room was so quiet you could have heard a pin drop. The things we overlook as simple and ordinary and that we take for granted are truly wondrous! A gentle reminder – that the most precious things in life cannot be built by hand or bought by man.

—DG—

What's on	When	Contact
Monthly Meeting	First Saturday each month. Old Dairy Co-op Wyong.	Skeeta
Woodturning	Mondays 8 – 4; Fridays 8 – 12 and Saturdays 8 - 12.	Skeeta, Ron Gibbs
Scrolling	Every Saturday of the month 8 – 12.	Clarry Rogers, Ron Dunn
Carving	Mondays 8 – 4.	Kevin West, Bev Clark
Pyrography	Not available at present.	

**Note: The Club's Workshop is located in the Old Dairy Co-op premises at 141 Alison Rd, Alison (about two kilometres west of Wyong).

The 'SHOP' is open from 8am – 12noon Mon, Fri and Sat for those wishing to replenish supplies.

All of the above times are subject to change on long weekends and holidays.
Check with organizers for details.



EDITOR'S NOTE:

Hi Folks,

As a kid, my grandmother, Nan, lived close by and I was lucky enough to spend a lot of time with her. She was a wise lady who lived a simple life and, even though she lived alone, she was rarely lonely. Family and friends would always drop in for a chat or she would ring someone on her 'new fangled' telephone.

Nan was a kind, quiet lady and she looked like the 'typical' grandmother, with grey hair, glasses and a beautiful smile. She lived in a small home that was always tidy and warm and I think that, for her, life was good.

She always had time to listen when we kids spoke to her and she always seemed to know the right things to say.

If you were feeling down or miserable she would encourage you look for something positive in the situation and she would say that there is always beauty and kindness around you if you just care to look for it.

She was right of course and her words have proven themselves time and again throughout my life.

Life is always a matter of decisions. If you are in a bad spot you have a choice to make. You can dwell on the negatives in your life and become bitter and disillusioned or you can look for the beauty and kindness around you and raise your spirits.

It may be something as simple as being stuck in traffic or sitting outside a dress shop whilst you wife is trying on every dress in the shop or it may be that you are working through a life altering event. Concentrating on the simple things and always looking for the best in every situation can become second nature if you practice enough. A positive approach to life won't solve every problem but it will leave you feeling better at the end of the day.

One of my favourite poems that I first heard many years ago is:

**“Isn't it strange how princes and kings, and clowns who caper in sawdust rings,
And common people like you and me, are the builders of eternity.
Each is given a list of rules, a shapeless mass, and a bag of tools,
And each must fashion e'er his life has flown, a stumbling block or a stepping stone.”**

Take care and stay safe guys... Alan.

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Come Visit My Shed:

These members have volunteered their services but please do them the courtesy of phoning up first to arrange a mutually beneficial time to meet.

Laurie Luthje	4390 3105	Eric Charles	4390 8460	Ron Gibbs	4388 2675
Kerry Robertson	4334 1565	Bill Allen	4328 3331	Barry Peick	4372 2069
Eric Lysaght	4339 3445	Bob Bamforth	4340 5262	Alan Smith	4392 1864
Allan Cedar Smith	4355 1022				

Please respect the privacy of members. Do not just rock up and expect them to bow to your every wish...
Editor.