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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Hi Folks,

Following on from an emergency board meeting last Friday I am anxious to meet the deadline for items to be included in the next Hobby Turner which is the 15th of the month, TODAY.

I called the emergency meeting of the board to deal with a matter that had arisen at the club meeting the week before. Following the usual sausage sizzle it was left to one member to put all the equipment away in the container while the rest of us all sat down to the meeting in the club room. This led to the possible resignation of one very valuable member of the club. At the same meeting it also became clear that we must address the question of falling attendance at our monthly meetings. Attendance at the last meeting was down to 23.



Increasingly we seem to be 'taking for granted' those who are most actively involved in running our club. I repeat 'our club' for the club is only as good as its members, all members, not just the few. Too often I find the instructors also sweeping out the workshop and the clubroom. Those of us who use the workshop and club facilities clean and oil our lathes, to differing degrees, after use, but what about the rest of the workshop. Dust accumulates under other equipment and at high level. Anyway the board are discussing various ways of sharing the load.

With regard to raising attendance at club meetings this is on the agenda for board discussions. We are aware that we need to improve the content of meetings in order to attract greater attendance. These are your meetings so please think hard about things that would attract you to attend. Do we need to move the time of the meeting? Mid-day on a Saturday may be very inconvenient for many. Do we need more speakers and demonstrations? I encourage you to think about this and feel free to contact any board member with your suggestions.

My email address is peterhamilton1@hotmail.co.uk

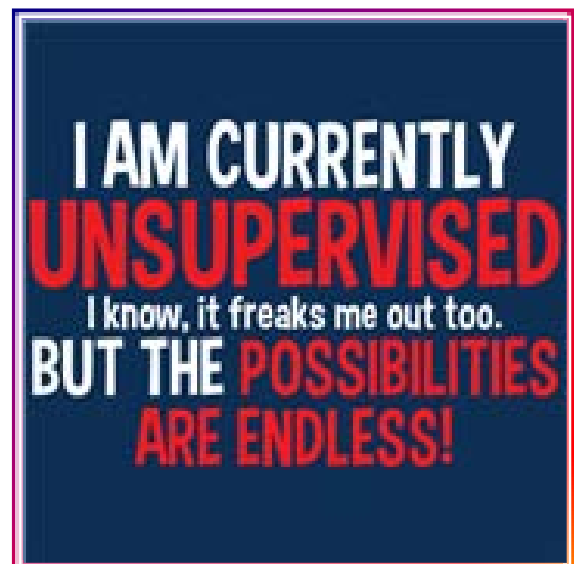
Yes, it is a UK address, which I had before I came to Australia and which is just too hard to change.

When I joined the club I wanted to return to a skill I had touched on briefly at school and again when I first entered the workforce. Career, marriage, children and sport, prevented me keeping turning up. Since starting again I have discovered a whole new hobby which is more extensive and far reaching than I had imagined. For me it is not just the end product, a wooden object, but the whole process. I enjoy going out to cut recently felled trees with a group of club members. Cutting the wood down to blanks, either for my own use or that of the club, is very rewarding. Attending the workshop on Fridays and most Saturdays is more than just using better lathes but includes the camaraderie of a group of people with similar interests.

Hopefully the discussions of the board and other members will result in an upturn in attendance and greater participation in running the club.

Finally to miss-quote:

"Stay calm and keep turning"... Peter



**Minutes of the General Meeting
held on Saturday 6th July 2019**

Meeting held in the lunchroom at the workshop.

The meeting was opened at 1.00 pm by Peter Hamilton

Minutes taken by Dom Pirlo



Guest Speaker: There was no guest speaker.



Member Thumbnail Sketch: There was no thumbnail sketch. Allan (Cedar) Smith will present his thumbnail sketch at our next meeting.

Show and Tell: Conducted by: Allan (Cedar) Smith

Name:

Guilio Marcolongo
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Ron Gibbs
Ron Gibbs
Ron Gibbs
Brian (Skeeta) Wilson
Kevin West
Kevin West
Peter Hamilton
Peter Hamilton

Item:

Tea Caddy
Tea Caddy
Sugar Bowl
Manta Ray
Manta Ray
Spoon
Pillow
Carving
Carving
Platter
Platter

Woods used:

Red Cedar
Camphor Laurel
Huon Pine
Jacaranda
Camphor Laurel
Blackwood
Huon Pine
Mahogany
Pacific Maple
Sycamore
English Elm

Once again an impressive variety of high quality work was on display.

President's Challenge was won by Kevin West who was awarded a \$10 gift voucher.

Attendance: 23 members, 9 apologies (Peter Kun; Brian Duncan; Lesley Duncan; Barry Peick; Ray Gorman; Michael O'Rourke; Reg Watt; Lois Watt; Carol Jennings; Kerry Robertson.) and 0 visitors.

Welfare:

Reg and Lois Watt are recovering from the flu.

Minutes: It was moved by Brian (Skeeta) Wilson and seconded by Allan (Cedar) Smith that the minutes of the monthly meeting held in June be accepted. Passed.

Business Arising:

There was no business arising from the June minutes.

Coming Events:

- ✚ Kids Day Out - 3rd Nov. Narara Valley HS – "Skeeta" will co-ordinate.
- ✚ Craft Extravaganza 16th-17th November. Posters are available for members to distribute.
- ✚ Christmas Party -24th November. \$35 pert head. "Rooster" taking deposits.



Correspondence:

Inwards:

- ✚ Adrian Van Vliet – Subs.
- ✚ Cliff Hobson – request for memorabilia for Gosford RSL Sub Branch museum.
- ✚ Invitation – Kid's Day Out Inquiries re: two young students visiting the workshop.

Outwards:

- ✚ Letters of thanks sent to Mary Rathborne and Elizabeth Stewart.

Business Arising from Correspondence:

- ✚ Members asked to support request from Gosford RSL for service memorabilia if they are in a position to do so.
- ✚ Student visits OK – encouraged. Normal workshop procedures to be followed.
- ✚ Kids Day Out – Club will participate again – “Skeeta” to co-ordinate.

It was moved by Bob Norris and seconded by Bob Bamforth that the correspondence be accepted. Passed.



Financial Report: Garry presented the report for June 2019.

There was a pleasing improvement in sales from the Sydney Timber, Tools and Artisan Show. Club is financially sound but will probably need to increase membership subs next year.

Financial figures are available to members on request.

It was moved by Garry Buckman and seconded by Dave Farrell that the financial report be accepted. Passed.

Lucky Door Prize: Won by Peter Hamilton who received a \$10 shop voucher.

New Members:

- ✚ Mario Grech (Mary) 62Helsman Blvd St Huberts Island 0433303543
- ✚ Michael O'Rourke (Tirsa) 32 Calantha Dr Wyoming 0405636099
- ✚ Michael Sippel (Laraine) 1541 Mandalong Rd Dooralong 0428551363
- ✚ David Hopkins (Diana) 9 Kawai Ave Chittaway Bay 0411141760

A very warm welcome to all of our new members. To get the most from your Club, you are encouraged to take an active part in Club activities.

Other Reports:

Workshop:

- ✚ David Farrell – Has been away but addressing on-going maintenance needs in the workshop. Repairs and improvements to bandsaw blades are ongoing.
- ✚ It is vital that members who use the workshop ensure that equipment is used correctly.
- ✚ All items are to be returned to their correct places and equipment and workshop cleaned satisfactorily – this would greatly reduce the workload of the trainers and workshop manager.
- ✚ The BTM grinding wheel was irreparably damaged when someone placed the aluminium tool rest against it. A replacement has been purchased but these are very expensive to replace. This will now be used without a tool rest.

- ✚ It was decided at the board meeting that, “Only competent and accredited members use the BTM wheels for sharpening chisels.” Members using the workshop will ask one of the trainers to sharpen chisels as necessary.
- ✚ Only qualified persons are to undertake repairs to Club equipment.
- ✚ Members who are not trained, or don’t feel competent to use any Club equipment must seek assistance from one of the trainers.
- ✚ As many items of equipment, such as Vernier callipers and short drive screws are missing or damaged, it is proposed to keep them in the trainers’ cupboard and members can request them as needed.

Carvers:

Kevin West: Three new members are learning this craft and going well. He reminded everyone of the Multi-Design Challenge. Details will again be placed in the Hobby Turner. Members are strongly encouraged to participate.



Scrollers: No report.

Toys: No report.

Library:

Dom Pirlo: No new books this month but members were reminded that excellent books for skills, ideas and inspiration are available for borrowing. Newer members are especially encouraged to make use of this excellent resource. Please follow the procedure for borrowing and returning books.

Merchandise:

Laurie: There is a good variety of items for sale to members in the Club shop. Let Laurie or Kerry know if there are specific items you would like included for sale in the shop.

A number of “old stock” items were on sale at discounted prices before the meeting and this was very successful.

General Business:

Club members, especially Board members, need to make a record of procedures for future members to follow when filling that position. Newer members are especially encouraged to offer to fill shadow positions.

The Club needs to look at ways that newer members can be encouraged to become “Club members” and take an active part in Club activities. Perhaps greater emphasis could be placed on this during the interview process.

There was general consensus that more members could “pitch-in and help” with the overall running of the Club.

Lolly Bowls.

Phil: Has quite a good supply but needs many more. Thanks to all of the members who have contributed.

More wood is being sourced to cut into blanks for lolly bowls. Alan Smith has agreed to store it in his yard.

There was considerable discussion about ways to encourage newer members to participate actively in Club activities.

There was general agreement amongst the members present at the meeting that new members should attend a minimum of three meetings once they join.

Motion: “That new members be required to attend at least three meetings as part of their membership.”

Moved Ron Gibbs and seconded by David Farrell.

The motion was passed with Alan Smith voting against it.


Allan (Cedar) Smith will give a thumbnail sketch at the next meeting on 3rd August.

Next Meeting:

General meeting will be on Saturday 3rd August 2019

Board meeting 2nd August 2019.

The meeting closed at 1.55pm



AN ODE TO OLD AGE

*There's quite an art to falling apart
as the years go by.
And life doesn't begin at 40,
That's a big fat lie.
My hair's getting thinner,
my body is not;
The few teeth I have
are beginning to rot.*

*I smell of Vick's-Vapo-Rub,
not Brut No. 5.
My new pacemaker's
all that keeps
me alive.*

*When asked of my past,
every detail I'll know,
But what was I doing
10 minutes ago?*

*Well, you get the idea,
what more can I say?
I'm off to read the obituary,
like I do every day;
If my names not there,
I'll once again start -
perfecting the art of
falling apart.*

A Message from the Carvers:

Things are going well with the Carvers. We've had several new starters recently. They are very enthusiastic and are already producing some quality items. Just a reminder that we meet on Mondays from around 8am until after lunch.

Come along and have a look.

We are always looking for new members.

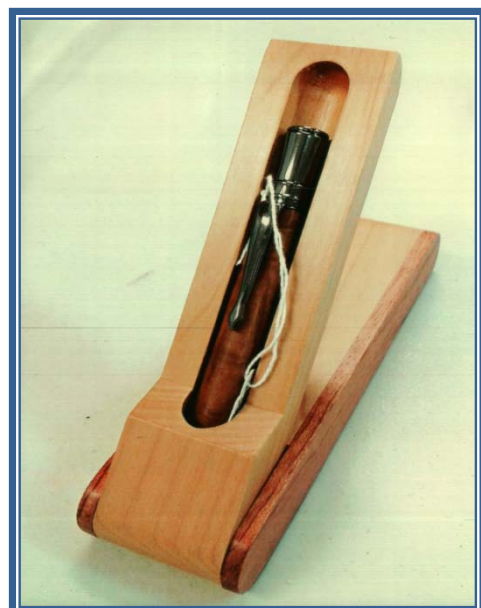


Thanks to Steve F for making and donating the pen.

Pen Raffle:

Drawn on Saturday, 8th June 2019 by Alison Stead (Consultant: Creative Memories Scrapbooking).

The winner was: Margaret Tierney.





Four brothers left home for college, and they became successful doctors and lawyers and prospered. Some years later, they chatted after having dinner together. They discussed the gifts they were able to give their elderly mother who lived far away in another city.

Milton, the first said, "I had a big house built for Mama."

Marvin, the second said, "I had a hundred thousand dollar theatre built in the house."

Michael, the third said, "I had my Mercedes dealer deliver an SL600 to her."

Melvin, the fourth said, "You know how Mamma loved reading the Bible and you know she can't read anymore because she can't see very well. I met this preacher who told me about a parrot that can recite the entire bible. It took twenty preachers 12 years to teach him. I had to pledge to contribute \$100,000 a year for twenty years to the church, but it was worth it. Mamma just has to name the chapter and verse and the parrot will recite it."



The other brothers were impressed.

After the holidays Mom sent out her Thank You notes.

She wrote: "Milton, the house you built is so huge I live in only one room, but I have to clean the whole house. Thanks anyway."

"Marvin, I am too old to travel. I stay home. I have my groceries delivered, so I never use the Mercedes. The thought was good. Thanks."

"Michael, you gave me an expensive theatre with Dolby sound, it could hold 50 people, but all of my friends are dead, I've lost my hearing and I'm nearly blind. I'll never use it. Thank you for the gesture just the same."

"Dearest Melvin, you were the only son to have the good sense to give a little thought to your gift.

The chicken was delicious. Thank you!"

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Kevin's Design Challenge:

Reminder of Kevin West's Design and Create a Masterpiece Challenge.

To be completed for the October meeting:

All members are encouraged to participate. The brief is to design and create an item involving the following skills: Turning, Lidded Box, Captive Ring, Beads and Covers, 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.

Use as many techniques as you can.

Kevin is generously offering \$400 in prize money for this Creative Challenge.



Little girl: "Daddy, who is God?"

Dad: "Can we talk about this later sweetheart? Daddy is working."

Little girl: "I'm wondering because Mummy keeps calling him."

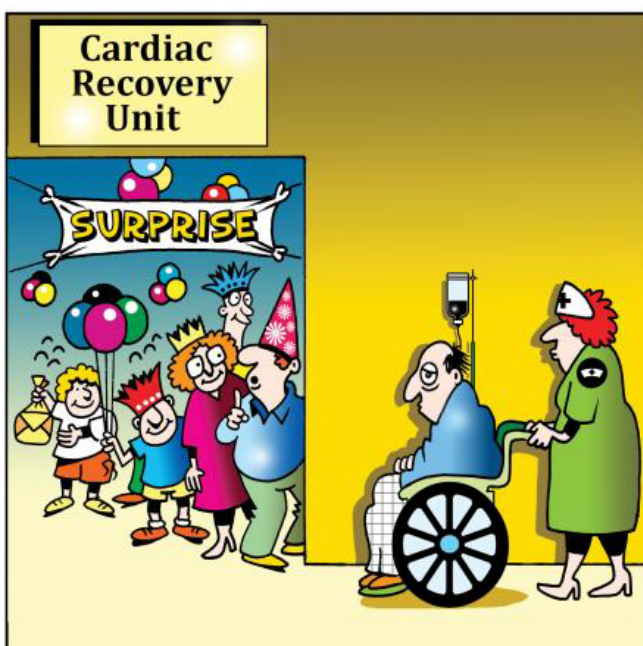
Dad: "What? What's Mummy doing?"

Little girl: "She's sitting in the bathroom looking at that little stick with the plus on it and saying 'Oh God'."

Dad: "Oh God!!"

Little girl: "See now YOU are doing it too."

Would the lady who left her 5 children at the basketball stadium please come back and collect them. They're beating the Sydney Kings 41 – 3.



Note from the Treasurer:

Annual Membership Fees are now due!!!

If you did not have the option of attending our April monthly meeting you may not have heard that the board has decided to leave all fee's as they were in 2019.

So I would like to remind you all of the methods you can use to pay your dues. There are two that have been in use for the past many years, a third that was introduced last year is the pay by transfer and this year we have another new method.

The first method is, Find me at the workshop and pay me directly by cash or a cheque made out to Central Coast Woodturners. I am usually at the workshop on Fridays and the Saturday of the monthly meeting... sorry, but some of us still need to earn a living. I will write a receipt for you then and there.

The second, put your cash or cheque into a sealed envelope, print your name clearly on the outside and hand it to one of the shop keepers or any board member. I will collect these, write receipt's and put those receipts on the spike outside of the shop for you to collect next time you're in the workshop,

The third transfer your dues (\$40) directly into our bank account and ask for a copy of the transaction to be sent directly to my E-mail account.

I will write a receipt once I confirm the transaction has been successful and put it on the spike outside the shop and per option 2.

The e-mail and account details you will need for this are:-

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

Don't forget to send copy the receipt to:

Corina.buckman@bigpond.com

AND now the new method for this year:

The fourth, as most will be aware we have this year introduced EFT-POS into the workshop and now you can also pay your dues using this method, if you want to do this please see me or one the store guys and pay.

Make sure you get an EFTPOS receipt for your records and ensure that whoever takes your payment writes your name on our copy so I can update my records.

Sales Events 2019

Enquires – Frank Barton 0429006918	
21 st to 24 th Aug 2019	Deep Water Plaza Woy Woy
8 th Sept 2019	Steiner School Fete
14 th to 15 th Sept 2019	Wyong Orchid Festival
23 rd to 26 th Oct 2019	Imperial Centre Gosford
3 rd November 2019	Narara Valley High School
4 th to 10 th Nov 2019	Lake Haven Shopping Centre
5 th to 8 th Dec 2019	Tuggerah Super Centre

- ✚ If a man speaks in the forest and there is no woman to hear him, is he still wrong?
- ✚ When can we say that we're really grown up?
 1. When we leave school?
 2. When we get married?
 3. Or when we stop blowing bubbles in our milk with a straw?
- ✚ Sometimes I just look at a person and feel sorry for their dog.
- ✚ Don't look at me like that. Someone has to set a bad example.



The poster features a central yellow box with the text "November 16th and 17th". Surrounding this box are various images of craft projects, including pottery, woodwork, and textiles. At the top, there are logos for the Central Coast Woodturners Co-op. Ltd and the Elderslee Foundation. The text "CENTRAL COAST CRAFT EXTRAVAGANZA" is prominently displayed in the upper middle section.

Hi Folks,

As you are probably aware, we are hosting the Central Coast Craft Extravaganza in the grounds of the Wyong Milk Factory on 16th and 17th of November. We will be demonstrating and selling all our crafts at this event (all commission from the sales will go to the Central Coast Outreach Centre... one of our favoured charities). Commission for the event, as we don't have to pay additional rent, will be 10% of all items sold.

During normal sales it is expected that those that are selling items will be there to assist at the tables, for this event we are only asking that they be available for some time over the weekend, so the more we have selling the less time you will be expected to attend.

We expect to fill the tea room, cavers/scroll saw room and a number of marquees up towards the coffee shop with items to sell and it will not be one table per person or craft, we will mix all and any item that our members wish to put out for sale for the weekend, what gets sold will be backfilled with something else.

We do not care if you have 2 or 222 items that you want to put into the sale your product will be welcome. Note that as we still want to keep the level high, as the event is as much for talking about our craft and selling the items, we have 4 people selected that will judge if the item is of a standard to be put on the table. Saying all this I would expect any of our members to submit below standard items anyway. THIS MESSAGE IS BEING SENT TO THOSE NEWER MEMBERS IN PARTICULAR THAT MAY HAVE JUST A FEW ITEMS THAT WANT TO TRY AT A MARKET, NOT JUST TO THOSE THAT USUALLY SELL.

Ok so what we need from you right now is to know who would be interested in attending as either a seller or a demonstrator or just to help out with answering question or directing people around the area for some time over the weekend, any of you that are interested please let me, John Butlin or Dom Pirlo know at your earliest, I would like to get a meeting up during September to discuss and formalise the event from our side.

In Craft... Garry Buckman

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,

Well winter has been fairly kind to most of us so far. The days have been fine with lots of blue sky about and we've had plenty of opportunities to get outside and get stuff done.

People had even started complaining and saying that "It's too dry... we really need some rain." Well the rain came yesterday and again today, but now those same folks are saying that it's too wet.

Some people just like to have something to whinge about and if there isn't anything then they'll invent something.

Everyone has lots of challenges and ups and downs in their lives but it's how we react and how we handle these challenges that determines what sort of life you will lead and ultimately what sort of person you will become.

Do you want to go through life as someone who is constantly miserable with the weight of the world on your shoulders? When people say "Hello" do they no longer ask "How are you?" for fear that you might tell them and spend the next 15 minutes boring them with every detail of your aches and pains?

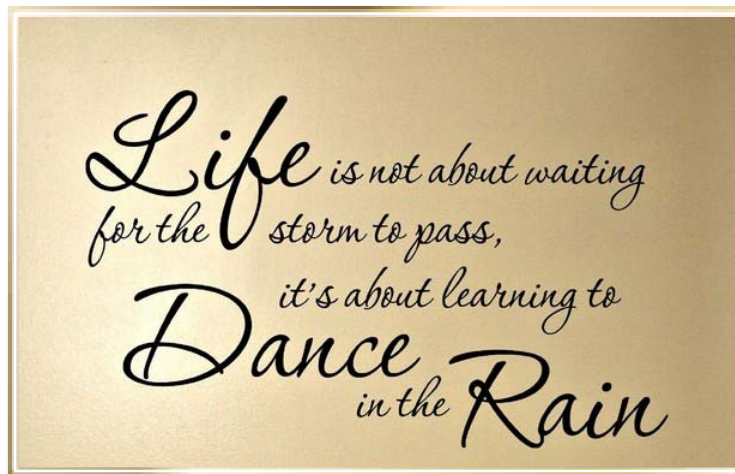
Would you rather go through life as someone who others find easy to talk too and someone who brightens the day for those that you encounter?

When we go through our day we are the ones responsible for our actions and attitude. We can decide to have a good day or a bad one. We can approach life with a positive outlook or be miserable... it's entirely up to us.

Make a decision today about what tomorrow is going to be like.

Opt to be positive and inspire others. Attitudes are contagious and habit forming.

Take care and stay safe guys... Alan.



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E-mail: smiff@bigpond.net.au

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