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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

October has gone and as we move into November we can look forward to a very exciting time in our Club. This month we have several sales events and at the time of writing the Craft Extravaganza is less than two weeks away and by the time you read this I hope it will have been a great success both as an event and also as an advertisement for our club. The club Christmas lunch is coming at the end of the month. We have a planned working bee on the 11<sup>th</sup> December to clean the whole workshop and other rooms ready for the holiday break.



In the past few days two events have reminded me how important safety is at all times. The first event I did not witness myself but occurred when a member was moving some large logs. Though proper footwear was being worn a large log fell on his foot causing extensive and continuing pain to his big toe. It is those times when we say to our selves “it’ll only take a minute I don’t need to wear any protection” when something does happen and serious injury can follow.

It was whilst collecting some green wood for the club that I was reminded about the dangers of some timbers to different people. We were collecting silky oak and I know some people can have a serious reaction to the dust given off by this and other timbers.

Add these two together and it shows how necessary it is to wear proper protective equipment and clothing at all times when working with wood. As wood turners we are using potentially dangerous equipment and we should be encouraging **everybody** to wear facemasks when cutting and breathing apparatus when sanding. Chainsaws should also carry the same warnings.

Last weekend I attended the Kids Day Out where Brian ‘Skeeta’ Wilson was demonstrating and Barry Pike was displaying and selling some of his products. Whilst sales were at best described as slow for Barry, Skeeta’s demonstrations received some attention and possibly have brought us some new members. I enjoyed plenty of time talking with them both and had one-to-one instruction from Skeeta on the lathe.

Lastly, a reminder that we have had to move the next club meeting from the 7<sup>th</sup> December to Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December. As this is the last report of the year can I wish all members and their families a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Peter Hamilton



## Minutes of the General Meeting held on Saturday 1st November 2019

The meeting was opened at 1.00pm by Peter Hamilton

Minutes taken by Dom Pirlo

### Guest Speaker:

John Lea introduced Louise and Pamela from Toukley 50

Plus Leisure and Learning Centre Incorporated to talk about their not for profit organization. Pamela Gallagher gave an informative presentation to the meeting about the range of activities available and the many benefits that members can take advantage of. Access to the small buses to take small

groups to events at a reasonable cost seemed especially attractive. The annual joining fee is \$6.00 and members of our Club were strongly encouraged to join. Pamela left newsletters and membership forms for our members. Buses can only be hired to transport financial members of Toukley 50 Plus L & L Centre Inc., hence the need for our members to join.



**Show and Tell:** Conducted by Kerry Robertson.

**Name:**

Kerry Robertson

Kerry Robertson

**Item:**

Segmented Bowl.

Segmented Bowl

**Woods used:**

Jacaranda and purple-heart rim.

Jacaranda with hairy oak rim

As usual Kerry had produced two magnificent bowls finished to a very high standard.

Kerry explained the process for making these beautiful pieces and volunteered to bring examples at various stages to completion for display at the Craft Extravaganza.

**President's Challenge:** Kerry Robertson won a \$10 gift voucher.

**Attendance:** 24 members, 10 apologies, 0 associates and 2 visitors.

**Apologies :** Tony Hartman, Carol Jennings, Reg and Lois Watt, David Farrell, Brian Wilson, Mark Board, Steve Farr, Frank Barton, John Butlin, Ron Gibbs and Bob Norris.

### Welfare:

✚ Laurie Luthje has hurt his back but is recovering.

✚ Jerry Paine's health continues to deteriorate. We wish him a speedy recovery.

**Minutes:** It was moved by Brian Duncan and seconded by Alan Smith that the minutes of the previous monthly meeting be accepted. Passed.

### Business Arising:

Nil.

### Coming Events:

✚ Craft extravaganza preparations are progressing well. Members are encouraged to participate.

- ✚ Garry has organized a major raffle with significant prizes. Tickets will be sold by members on the days.

- ✚ Many sales – unfortunately many clash with our monthly meetings. Members are encouraged to participate as fewer venues are now

available to the Club. Members will be selling at Lake Haven Shopping Centre, Tuggerah Supa Centre and Shopping Centre and at the Kid's Day Out.

**Central Coast Woodturners – Sales Events 2019**  
**Enquires – Frank Barton 0429006918**

21st Dec 2019 Tuggerah Market  
 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> Mar 2020 Deep Water Plaza  
 11<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020 Lake Haven Shopping Centre  
 June 2020 Working With Wood Rosehill  
 June 2020 Harvest Festival Peats Ridge  
 21st to 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 2020 Deep Water Plaza  
 2nd to 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020 Lake Haven Shopping Centre  
 Dec 2020 Tuggerah Super Centre Not yet confirmed



**Correspondence:**

**Inwards:**

- ✚ e-mail from Frank Barton re sales.
- ✚ Bill Allen – Informing members that some Silky Oak timber is available for collection next Monday.
- ✚ Several e-mails inquiring about the Club and membership.

**Outwards:**

- ✚ e-mails have been responded to.

**Business Arising from Correspondence:**

- ✚ President Peter responded to Frank's e-mail.
- ✚ Members to contact Bill Allen on 43283331 if interested in the Silky oak timber.

It was moved by Peter Kun and seconded by Lesley Duncan that the correspondence be accepted. Passed.



**Financial Report:** Garry presented the report for October 2019. The large expenditure by the Club for the month was the Air-Conditioner. Insurance will be a major item for next month. Generally our Club finances are satisfactory.

Income \$2,423.84 and Expenditure \$6,748.35, leaving a debit Balance of -\$4,324.51 for the month.

It was moved by Peter Kun and seconded by Alan Smith that the financial report be accepted. Passed.

**Lucky Door Prize:** Won by Alan Smith who received a \$10 shop voucher.

**New Members:**

The Club extends a warm welcome to Pierre Mefflin and hope he will find that his membership will enable him to enjoy interesting and rewarding experiences through woodworking and interaction with other members.

**Kids Toy Fund Raffle:-**

John (Rooster) Lea drew his monthly raffle. Bob Chivers won the set of tools and Garry Buckman won the wine. Congratulations and thanks to everyone who purchased tickets.



## Other Reports:

### Workshop:

Working sessions organised to maintain equipment and thoroughly clean the workshop were reported earlier. Workshop clean -up will be on 11<sup>th</sup> December.

### Carvers:

Chris Walsh reported that the section is going well and he will prepare a more detailed report for the next meeting.

### Scrollers:

Clarrie Rodgers reported that the section is going OK but would benefit from additional members.

### Toys:

Bob Bamford has brought in a large quantity of beautiful and interesting wooden toys he has made during the year. He informed the Club that, due to his health, he will be unable to continue next year.

Bob has generously offered to run a Toy Making Workshop early in the New Year. He will bring his templates and members will be able to make a variety of toys through his tuition.

John Lea informed that there is over \$7,400 in the Toy Fund. \$4,000 has been allocated to purchase vouchers and toys and an additional \$800 will be allocated to purchase discounted items from

**good360.** The Elderslee Foundation will purchase these discounted items to donate to Outreach Central Coast.

### Library:

- ✚ No new books but members are encouraged to borrow from the great collection of books the Club has and to also borrow the magazines that have been donated.
- ✚ Good to see members borrowing from the books put out on display.
- ✚ Members are asked to check if they have any outstanding books and to return them or re-borrow if necessary.

### Merchandise:

- ✚ Some excellent second-hand items are available at good prices.
- ✚ There are lots of items for sale in our shop. See Laurie for details.

### General Business:

- ✚ **Motion:** As our monthly meetings clash with sale dates, it was moved Dom Pirlo and seconded Brian Duncan **“That the Club’s December monthly meeting be moved to the second Saturday of December”**. Carried. Garry Buckman will e-mail all members informing them



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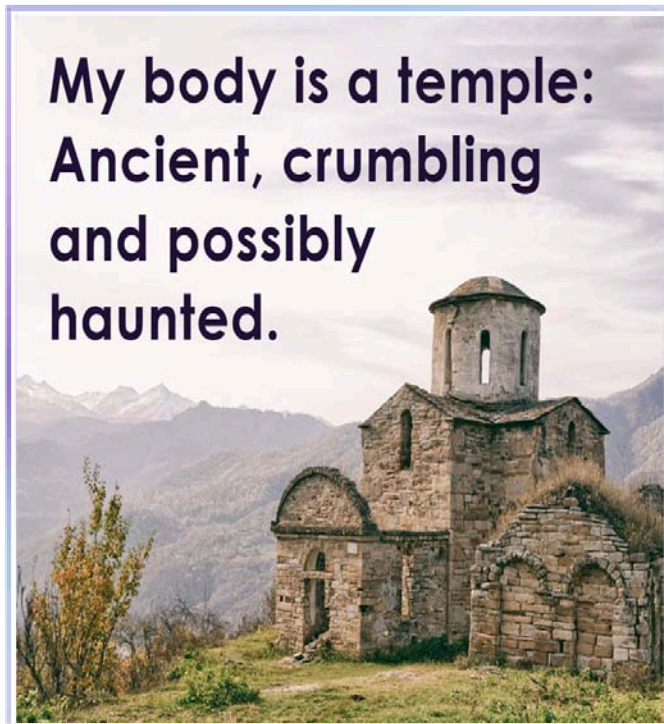
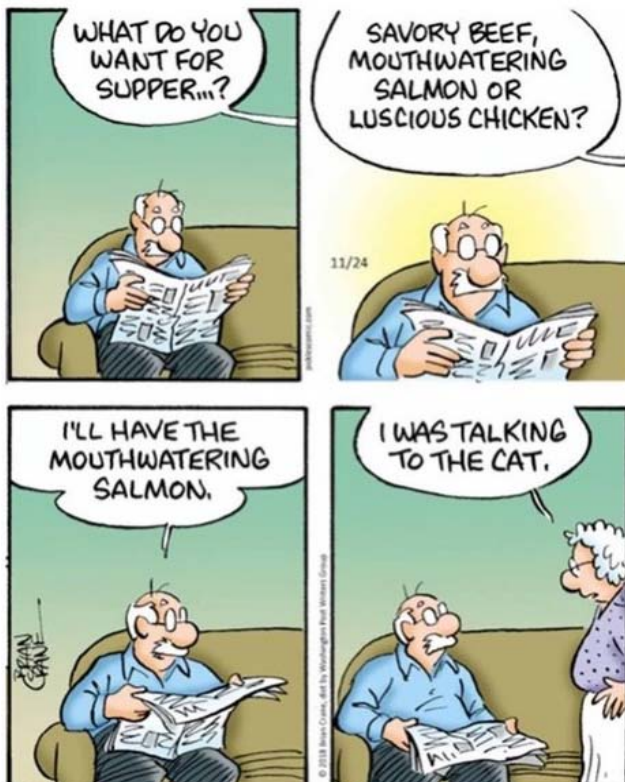
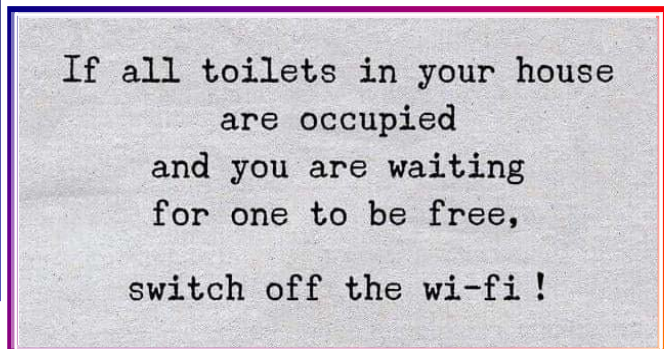
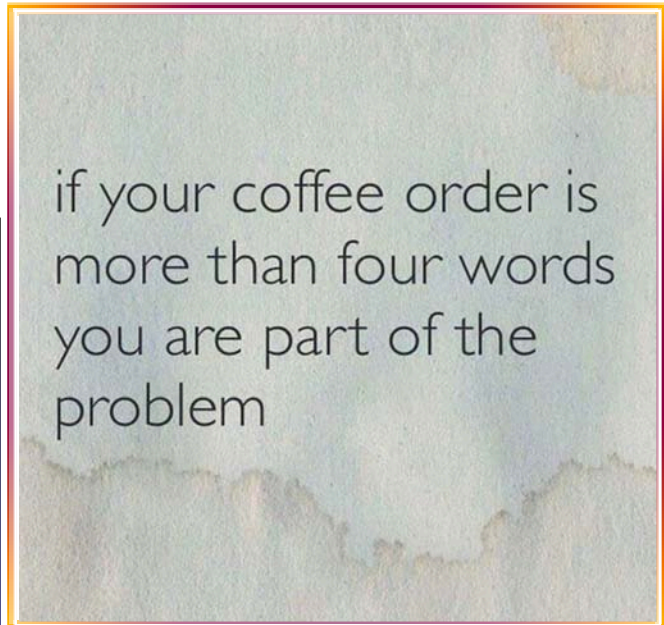
- ✚ Alan Smith reminded members that he has large quantities of various timbers available at his place. Members are asked to contact Alan when they wish to get some of the wood. A donation to the Toy Fund is expected.
- ✚ Timber and working bee at Alan's next Friday – Dave, Alan, Rooster + 2 others.

**Next Meeting:**

General meeting will be on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>  
December 2019  
Board meeting 13/12/2019  
The meeting closed at 2.15pm

**TWO TIPS FOR CHRISTMAS:**

- 1. Forget the past  
You can't change it.**
- 2. Forget the present  
I didn't get you one.**





## Vale: Rosalind Gordon

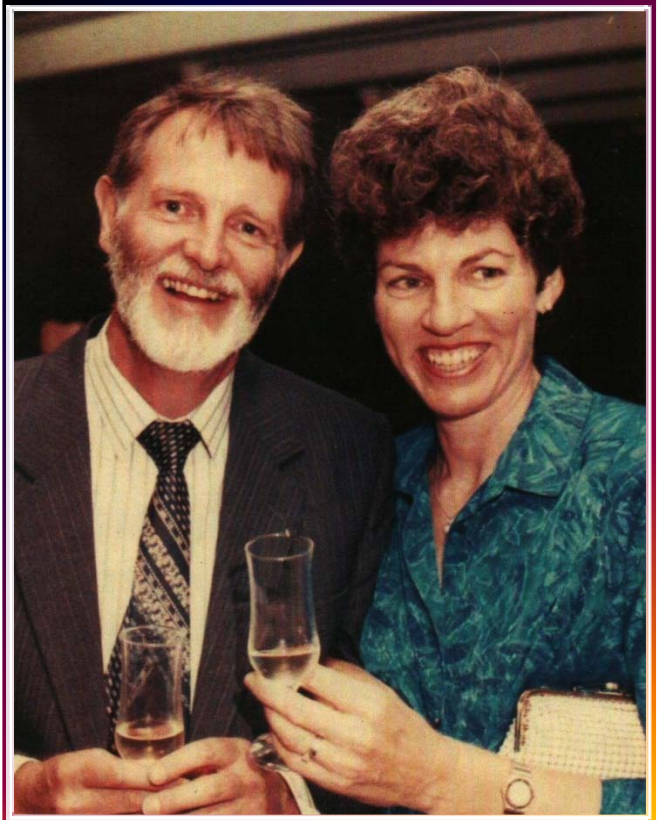
Sadly, we recently lost one of our greatest supporters.

Ros passed away on the 11th Oct. at Greenwich Hospital. Her funeral service was conducted by Creighton's at the Greenway Chapel at 12.00 noon on the 22nd Oct.

She was a wonderful lady and she will be greatly missed.

Ros had been living in Sydney with his son so that he could be with Ros every day during her illness.

Our thoughts and condolences are with Ross and his family at this time.



When you buy from a woodturner, you get more than a thing. You get years of practice, mistakes, innovation, and creative inspiration. You not only get a gift, you get part of the Artist's soul.



Kissing couple:

Another visit from our friend across the ditch:

# Robbie Graham:



We recently had a visit from our good friend Robbie Graham. Robbie and his lovely wife, Sue, are the owners of the Wildwood Art Gallery in a beautiful area in New Zealand.

“**Wildwood Art Gallery** is situated in the beautiful and inspiring Lake Taupo region, 13 kilometres south of Taupo Township at scenic Waitahanui, a renowned trout-fishing village on the Eastern side of the lake. On display in the gallery you will find fine art, woodturning, sculpture and paintings by husband and wife team, Robbie and Sue Graham, plus quirky pottery and more.”



Robbie has been a very welcome visitor to our clubhouse for some years now and this year he ran a demo and a hands on day where participants were shown how to make one of his highly acclaimed seed pods.

Robbie’s friendly, easy going teaching style made the time fly but everyone took home some great ideas and learned some new skills. Thanks Robbie, we eagerly await your next visit and thanks Sue, for loaning him to us again.



**Never laugh at your wife's choices.  
After all, you're one of them!**



# Craft Fair:



This year we ran our first Annual Craft Fair. It was the brainchild of our Treasurer, Garry Buckman. Garry his enthusiastic did all of the organising, planning and consultation with the stallholders, as well as much of the setting up.

The event gave all of our talented artisans the opportunity to show and sell their wares. We had a great deal of outside interest as well with a wide variety of stalls including wood working supplies, soaps and essential oils, scrapbooking, artists, jewellery, pottery etc.



Rooster ran two raffles with the proceeds going to the club and the Toy Fund. Our members did demonstrations of turning, carving and scrolling and this attracted a lot of interest and several new members.

The weather was kind to us and it was a very successful day.

Well done to Garry and his team!







**Why is Santa kind of scared of chimneys?**

Because he's so claus-trophobic.

**What do you call a cat on the beach on Christmas Day?**

Sandy claws.

**How did the ornament get addicted to Christmas?**

He was hooked on trees his whole life.

**What do you call a naked Santa Claus?...** Saint-knicker-less.

**What do you call a kid who doesn't believe in Santa?...** A rebel without a Claus.

**How is Christmas exactly like your job?...** You do all the work and some fat guy in a suit gets all the credit.

**What do you call Santa's little helpers?...** Subordinate clauses.



# It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas:



Great food, great company and lots of presents, what more could you ask for?

Our Christmas Party this year was organised again by John "Rooster" Lea (in the yellow top hat) and he did an exceptional job as always.

Rooster also spends all year "picking our pockets" to raise money for the club's Toy Fund.

Each year we raise the money to buy gift vouchers and toys and we donate these to a worthy cause so that those less fortunate can have a present or two at Christmas.

For the past few years we have been supporting the Central Coast Outreach Centre who provide comfort and support to those in desperate need within our community.

This year we donated \$2,000 worth of gift vouchers, \$2,000 worth of new toys and many boxes of toys made by our members.

Through our association with the Elderslee Foundation and our good mate, Janine Gibbs, we were also able to supply CC Outreach with an additional \$16,000 worth of clothing, toys and

personal items for distribution this Christmas.

Our members should be very proud of our efforts and they should be exceptionally proud of Rooster who gives his heart and soul to our club. So, thanks mate for another wonderful effort this year and we'll all look forward to having our pockets emptied by you again in 2020.

Take care and Merry Christmas!!







Hi Folks,  
Tony Hartmann is selling a Crane Sports exercise bike with proceeds going to the club's Toy Fund.

He can be contacted at:  
[tonyhartmann52@gmail.com](mailto:tonyhartmann52@gmail.com)





# Driftwood Sculptures by Debra Bernier



Debra Bernier turns forgotten trees into eternal life.

“Each piece of driftwood that I find on the beautiful beaches of Victoria, British Columbia, holds a secret story.

Where the tree came from, where it once grew, how it fell and how long its bits and branches have been turning over in the waves, are all untold.”



**Poem: Pensioners knickers.**

Roses are red

Violets are blue

Ethel's are green

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 it's getting to be that time of year again.

We're heading towards the "silly season" where our roads become clogged with escapees from the city; our shopping centres will be packed with people who have left everything to the last minute and credit cards across the country will take a real beating. Very soon, schools will be out for the summer break and all of the gremlins will be out and about adding to the chaos.

Unfortunately, amidst the madness of the season many folks forget the real meaning of Christmas.

**It is a time to give thanks for the many blessings in our lives; a time to catch up with family and friends; a time to relax and enjoy life and, most of all, Christmas is a time of love.**

**The love of family and friends, both past and present, is what sustains us through the years.**

To me, a heartfelt hug from a loved one, a cuddle from a grandchild or sharing a laugh with a mate is worth more than all of the presents and bling... presents are always nice too, though.

Some folks aren't as lucky as us though and they do it tough over Christmas. Take the time to check on your neighbours and friends. Take the time to sit and have a chat. Take the time to help out if it's needed. Take the time to tell people that you're really glad that they are a part of your life. Take the time to make family and friends feel appreciated and loved. Just take the time...

Lynda and I would like to wish everyone a joyous, happy and safe Christmas and a New Year that is filled with sunshine, happiness and love.

Take care and stay safe guys... Alan.

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E-mail: [smiff@bigpond.net.au](mailto: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. Don't just turn up.

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

**There's nothing like the joy on a kid's face when he first sees the PlayStation box containing the socks I got him for Christmas.**