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EDITOR'S REPORT:

Hi Folks,
I know that this is where the President's Report usually goes but Peter and Jillian have been away on a well-deserved break and their return was, unfortunately, delayed.

Mark, as Vice President, has stepped up to temporarily fill Peter's shoes and he's doing an excellent job. He's currently very busy putting paperwork together for Council and he asked me to let you know what's happening.



Well, we now have two 20' containers on my property for the club to use. Mark and the team did an excellent job when setting out the footings and the containers are sitting off the ground, level and ready to go. One will have all of the heavy equipment and the other will house all of the smaller stuff. We think, at the moment, that these two containers will be enough for our needs.

Mark picked out the containers, organised their delivery and a crane to position them. They are clean, dry, weatherproof and vermin proof.

As you've already been told, next Monday 7th November is the last day that the workshop is going to be available for members to use the equipment. The real fun will start on Tuesday 8th November. This is when every available member and friend will be very

busy packing up all of our "stuff" ready for the movers on Wednesday 16th November.

Now, we are going to be paying these guys by the hour and we need to have everything packed and ready BEFORE they arrive at 8am on the 16th.



Rooster is sick at the moment as he has inhaled a lot of dust, even though he was wearing a good quality respirator, when he pulled all of the dust extraction pipes down. He is also nursing cracked and broken ribs.

If he is well enough though, he will be the ONE PERSON IN CHARGE of the move when loading at the workshop end and Skeet will be the ONE PERSON IN CHARGE at my place when unloading. We need the moving day to go smoothly, so it's important to know who is making the decisions and we all need to follow their instructions.

After the 16th there will still be quite a few smaller things to move and some extensive tidying up to be done at the workshop.

For all of the above activities we will need every available person to come and help. If you have able bodied friends bring them along to help.

Please check with Peter Hamilton on 0416 306 009 to see when and where you can be the most use, as he will be the overall co-ordinator on the 16th and on all of the moving days.

We need to have everything gone and the workshop left reasonably tidy by the end of the year.

As well as organising the removal and storage of equipment etc, the Board has been very busy elsewhere.

We have followed up every lead that we have been given on the possible location of a new workshop.

We are still looking into occupying the old Dooralong School, possibly as a temporary measure, or maybe even permanently.

There are some problems associated with this though.

The biggest problem would be that the Department of Education could, at any time, just decide to sell the school because it is sitting on 5 acres of prime land. Then we would be in the same situation again.

Another problem here is that they are proposing to put the occupation of the school site out to public expressions of interest. This means that anyone could apply to use the school and the Education Dept. would probably go with the submission that was the most financially rewarding for them. If that is the case then, unfortunately, we don't have the funds to compete.

We have also looked at several other possible venues too. I had a call from a lovely lady recently saying that there was a big workshop space behind her local church that we could use. Upon investigation though, it was half of a double garage with an area of just 18 m².

The venue that we are currently pursuing though, is a site at Alison Homestead. After much negotiation with Council, they have offered us the use of some vacant land

This morning my son said his ear hurt and I said on the inside or outside, so he walks out the front door, comes back in and says both. Moments like this got me wondering if Im saving too much for college.



in the paddock to the left as you come through the gate.

This will be a lengthy process as we will have to get plans drawn up, get them approved by Council and raise the money, through grants etc, to build our workshop.

This is our best option at present, although we are still very much in the investigation and planning phase.

If we follow through with this site it will possibly take a couple of years before we have a viable workshop again, so we are still looking for alternatives for a short term, or possibly long term, solution.

At the moment though, our main focus is on packing everything up and moving.

We need everyone to step up and help out with this.

Don't just leave it to the few who usually get everything done.

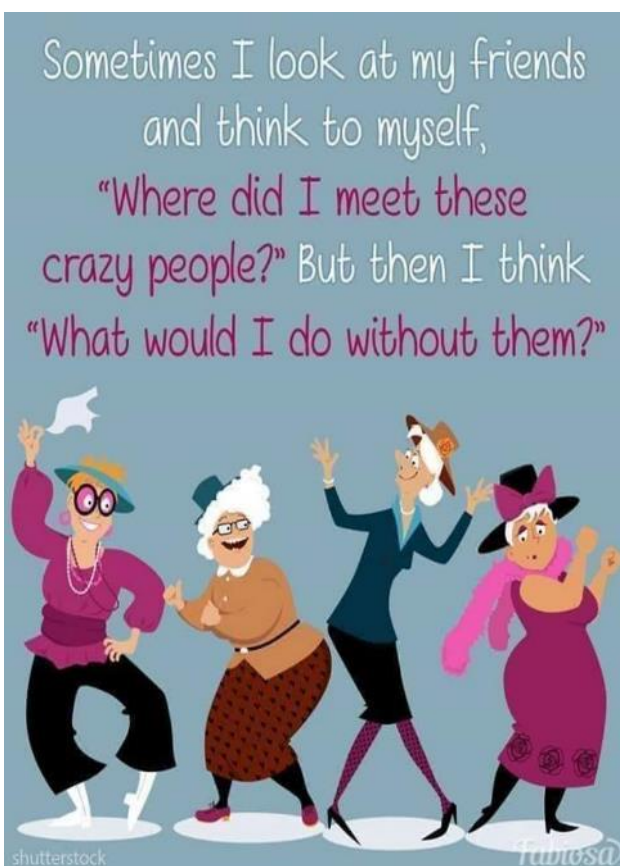
Remember: It's your club too...

IMPORTANT:

The monthly General Meeting for November is being held at Alison Homestead. Get there at 8.30am for a 9am start. We must start on time and not "stuff about" during the meeting as the facilities are being used by another group later in the morning. There are some chairs available but BYO just to be sure.

Our December monthly meeting, on 3rd December, will be at the home of Richard and Margaret Alexander at 18 Longview St Wamberal. It will be a 10am start and afterwards we are staying for a Christmas Party. There will be BBQ facilities and a pool available. Everything else is BYO. So, BYO chair, food and drink. No food etc will be supplied.

Take care. Alan



Call me crazy
But I love to see
people **happy** and
succeeding.
Life is a journey, not
a competition.

**Central Coast Woodturners Co-operative Ltd
Minutes of the General Meeting held on 8th
October 2022**

Venue: Elderslee Foundation (Red Tree Theatre)
Time: 10am



Meeting opened at 10:01am by President Peter Hamilton.
Minutes taken by Carol Jennings.

Attendance: 21 Members, 0 associate, 4 apologies and 1 visitor.



Show and Tell: was conducted by Bill Allen. He commented on the quality of the work and offered valuable advice. He then picked Richard Alexander's music box for the \$10 gift voucher.

Name	Item	Woods used
Mark Board	Vase	Cedar & Jacaranda
Richard Alexander	Large platter	River Red gum
	Clock	Red Mallee Burl
	Music Box	Red Mallee & Jarrah Burls
	Fruit bowl	Jacaranda
	Bowl	Needle Wood
	Heavy Bowl with live edge	Red Mallee Burl
B. Careil	Bowl	Banksia

Minutes: Previous minutes were read by President Peter. It was moved by Alan Smith and seconded by Ron Gibbs that the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 3rd September be accepted. Passed.

Business Arising:

- Richard asked if no new members are being accepted, whether names are being taken so they can be re-contacted once a new premises is established. Peter stated this was occurring.
- Garry stated that one new member has been accepted as they were a long-term member from Lalor Park, and they were aware of the current situation and were proficient in their skills not needing any assistance.
- A member asked how many financial members were in the club and Garry replied 93 members.
- **Peter will speak to Ben re: Sale items in the Gallery inside the Tavern, and whether they can continue to be there. Peter will organise the thank you letter to the Dairy for the Club's appreciation over the many years of being there.**
- Vicky raised the fact that We Care Connect are moving from their premises due to wanting a permanent location rather than a yearly lease. **Vicky will follow up the cost of the lease.**

- The current container that CCWT uses that is located at the Dairy is owned by the Dairy. This needs to be emptied. There is useable shelving in the container that can be re-used.



Correspondence:

Inwards:

- Alan received a letter from Cassie (Central Coast Council), stating their support in principle for the Woodturners shed to be built. They would like some plans to be drawn and any input from members to assist with this please contact Alan Smith.
- Alan stated that once the article was published in the paper, he was contacted by Calvin Smith from The Entrance Rotary Club. He offered his assistance in assisting with writing submissions for grants. **Peter and Alan will follow up with Calvin.**
- Emails received with people wanting work done e.g. Trophy stands. All are passed onto Skeeta to organise them.
- Peter stated there has been some issues with the incoming emails from the website, Skeeta is also not receiving them. **Peter will follow up with Don.**

Outwards: Many emails about the move have been sent.

Business arising from Correspondence:

- Alan spoke to a lady from Men's Shed Australia, at Newcastle. She had stated that there were no disadvantages in joining and advantages were the ability to access insurance and apply for grants. **This will be pursued and investigated by the Board.**

It was moved by Mark Board and seconded by Skeeta.



Financial Report:

- Not yet finalised. A couple of hundred dollars profit for the month coming from sale items.
- Payment of \$8,140 for the 2 containers. Another container may still be needed, as well as the cost of the removalist.
- Insurance will also need to be paid. **Garry to follow up if insurance will be covered once items are moved.**
- A proposal was made that members continue paying their fees even if the workshop is closed this was seconded by Ron Gibbs. It was voted and agreed by 20 members and 1 abstention. It was passed.
- Membership fees can be paid through the bank account: **Central Coast Woodturners LTD BSB: 032-564 Account number: 135409** or cash/card at the club house. Fees are \$45:00. For further details see Garry Buckman.

Moved by Dom Pirlo and seconded by Ron Gibbs.

Lucky Door Prize: Won by Brian Lydford who receives a \$10 shop voucher.

Toy Fund - Guess the amount of lollies prize: Jess won, with the closest guess to 509 lollies.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Important Dates

CCWT workshop will finally close on Monday 29th November 2022

Club meeting 1st October 2022 at Red Tree Theatre, Tuggerah

The workshop is open as usual on Saturday 1st October 2022

Well, it has finally started. Today at the workshop we made the first move towards leaving the Milk Factory. Following our board meeting held on Friday several crucial decisions were finalised. It was agreed that the workshop would close on the last Monday in November, 29th November 2022. This date has been chosen to allow those members using the workshop to complete any projects they are currently working on. This will allow approximately four weeks to affect the removal by the 1st January 2023. At the same time as pursuing several possible sites for our workshop we have also started to plan moving everything into storage until we can secure a suitable site.

As usual some members have come up trumps by offering temporary storage facilities. It was agreed that we do not spread our assets around but try and concentrate on keeping everything together. Alan Smith has kindly offered space at his property for us to place container storage. Discussion at the board meeting ranged from 2 x 40ft containers, 1 x 40ft + 1 x 20ft container and finally, after the meeting Alan's preferred option of 3 x 20 ft. containers. The club will purchase these containers, which must be in good condition. In the meantime, Phil Clements has offered limited space in a container he rents at the moment. This will allow us to start moving, which we did today.

It is planned that a removal company will deal with all the heavy machinery. The lathes etc. are too heavy and too expensive to risk damage to them or injury to our members. However, once the move is under way it will be 'all-hands-on-deck', to pack all our equipment so that it can be safely packed and stored. We do not have the time to wait until the workshop closes so the packing begins now.

Although sales of items displayed at the workshop will continue, we have made quite a few sales recently, anybody who has items for sale in the gallery at the workshop should make arrangements to retrieve said items. I am still in negotiations regarding the gallery in the Tavern.

We will soon start to pack away our extensive library. Could anyone with books from the Club library please return the books as soon as possible?

Our next Club meeting will be held on 1st October 2022 at 10.00am. As last month, the meeting will be at the Red Tree Theatre, 160/162 Pacific Highway, Tuggerah. We will hold a show and tell during the meeting. Please bring along some item you have made. The workshop will be open as normal but there will not be a BBQ.

At the time of writing, we do not have any news of possible sites. There are a number of possible locations, which we are pursuing but as yet nobody has come back to us with any indication of possible success. Members of the Board have had meetings with both our State MPs. We are also in contact with Central Coast Council and other organisations here on the coast. We have to be mindful that our members come from all parts of the Central Coast and a central location is the most desirable option. There are other considerations such as the floor, power, toilets and parking. Clearly as a not-for-profit organisation we cannot afford commercial rents.

The new board, elected at the AGM last month, continue to look on this move as an opportunity for the Club to further grow and prosper. With everybody's help we look forward to a new situation and the next chapter in the future of CCWT... Peter

Other Reports:

Workshop: Skeeta spoke about cleaning up your lathe and taking a good look at how far your shavings are going too and cleaning that as well and surrounding cupboards etc.

Carvers: Sue stated they are willing to pack up their area. Boxes have been provided.

Scrollers: Doing well and are ready to pack up equipment.

Pyrography: Doing well and are ready to pack up equipment.

Toys: \$3000 has been donated to We Care Connect. Money has been spent by the organisation going to people of need. We provide what is requested such as clothing, bedding and nappies to children 0-16 years as well as young mothers. It is distributed by social workers to the families in need.

Coast Shelter will receive toys and vouchers for Christmas to accommodate the Women's Refuges in the Central Coast. Still accepting toys and we need more lolly bowls. See Rooster if you need more wood to make the bowls. Give the bowls to Phil.



Library: Please return any books, so the packing up process may start.

Merchandise: Items are still available to purchase. An order will be placed for the Dust Jackets.

General Business:

- Bill proposed that the Club pays for ½ of the container for Alan for his kind generosity of storing our equipment. Alan thanked Bill for his sentiments but stated he was willing to pay the full amount.
- Bill raised the issues around sales and the need to make money. Prices of shopping centres were discussed. He believed we need to act like a Cub and not just individuals.
- Garry stated that the cost of running local sales in the last year as tripled. In the past year at 4 locations the total profit was just \$32.
- Peter raised that organising sales is a huge job. There have been issues in only selling items if you are at the sales. This is difficult to those who work, have medical commitments or may be sick on the day.
- Dom stated that it had previously been moved and passed by the Club to be able to sell other people's items if they could not attend due to other commitments.
- Richard asked about selling items on commission. e.g. an outlet in Sydney to sell our items. It was also mentioned that a member sells their items online. You must also consider the cost of then sending the items or having them picked up. Issues such as who would be organising the transactions.

- Garry stated that the Craft show was designed to sell items and spread them across several tables. Items will be sold by everyone attending and members not just selling their own items. People put in the time that they were able to give to help. He stated he has no issues with organising sales but need other members to be involved and be the sales organiser as it is not just up to the Board members to organise. He will also organise the EFTPOS machine etc for the sales. Garry plans to hold sales at the Dooralong site if it comes available once a month. This will include lots of advertising. It was put out to the members to take the role of Sales organiser on.
- Dom stated that the Kariong sales is not going to be held at Kariong but at Gosford showground on 18th December 2022. Dom will co-ordinate this event. It is for one day only and will cater for about 6 people wanting to sell items. If you want to sell items, contact Dom Pirlo.
- Peter Kun has wood available e.g., Cedar and Oregon. Pick up on Friday if you are interested.
- Graham requested that the microphone be used for the next meeting.
- Barry Peick has had surgery.
- Garry is following up a location for a Xmas BBQ.
- Peter will send an email re: asking what times members are available to assist with the move. He will then contact the individuals as he organises a Working Bee around people's availabilities. This will be done either by email or phone calls. Packed boxes need to be the size so people can lift without causing injuries. Alan has bought 20 plastic crates for the chisels.
- If you need any support with projects, then Skeeta is available to assist if he can.
- **The next meeting will NOT be held at Red Tree Theatre.**
- **Workshop will close on 7th November 2022.**



Be silly. Be fun.
Be different. Be crazy.
Be you.
 Because life is too
 short to be anything
but happy!

Next Meeting:

Board Meeting 28th October 2022.

The meeting closed at 11:37 am.

Don't you hate it when someone answers their own questions? I do.

Vale: Kerry Robertson.

It is with a sad heart that we notified members of Kerry's passing.

On Monday 31st October Kerry's funeral was held at Palmdale.

It was pleasing to see such a good attendance of family, friends and many of our members.

As you know Kerry was gifted a Spitfire flight in England a few years ago. It was the highlight of his life and he often said that he would love to repeat the experience, but it was out of the question. Kerry had his final flight in a spitfire inspired coffin.

Kerry joined the Club 2003/4 and formed a friendship with Ron, sharing their skills at bowl turning. He instigated the search for a clubhouse and then took on the role of equipment officer maintaining tools and machinery. He was involved with tutoring HSC students as well as others. Sales played an important role, as many of his items have gone overseas as well as graced numerous Australian Homes.

We all have our own memories of Kerry which will remain forever.

Our thoughts are with Margaret, Damian and Stephanie.

You are now at peace.

Namaste... Skeeta

Kerry Francis William Robertson

29.06.1939 – 23.10.2022

Late of Bateau Bay
formerly of Goulburn

Aged 83 years

Husband of Margaret.

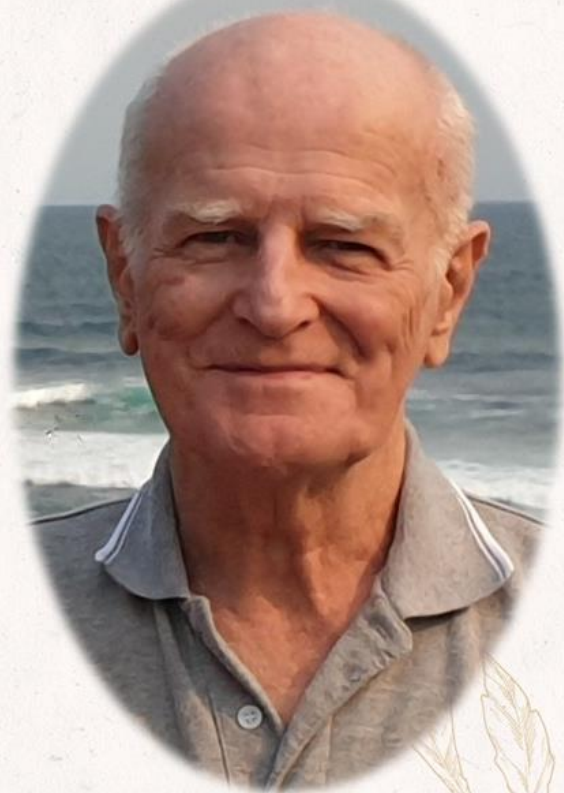
Father of Damien & Stephanie.

Gramps of Jemma & Olivia.

Loved family to Nicole, Maxine,

Kirby, Gemma (Dec.) Scott,

Andrew & Thomas.



Those we love don't go away; They walk beside us every day;
Unseen, unheard but always near; Still loved, still missed and forever dear.



Here are some more inspirational pieces from my “Projects: To Do” folder.



IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

Whilst we are moving all of our equipment around, and putting most of our gear into storage, the Board has decided on the following:

For the benefit of members, we have decided to:

- ✚ Place a large band saw and the thicknesser at Mark Board’s place for the supervised use by members.
- ✚ Place the big grinder and sharpening jigs at Skeeta’s place to allow supervised members to sharpen tools.
- ✚ Rent out the smaller lathes to newer members at a nominal fee to encourage their continued participation. See Skeeta, Rooster or Peter for details.

Please don’t just turn up at anyone’s home and expect them to let you use the equipment. Always ring first and arrange a mutually acceptable time to call in... Editor

I am going to re-instate the **Come Visit My Shed** list. If you would like your name to be on the list, then please give me a call, text or email... Alan (Editor)

What's on	When	Contact
Monthly Meeting	First Saturday each month. Old Milk Factory Wyong.	Skeeta
Woodturning	Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays: 8 – 12	Skeeta, Ron Gibbs
Scrolling	Every Saturday of the month 8 – 12.	Clarry Rogers, Ron Dunn
Carving	Mondays 8.30 – 2.	Kevin West, Sue Wood
Pyrography	Every Saturday of the month 8 - 12	Valda Barton

**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).

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



EDITOR'S NOTE:

Hi Folks,

What a busy, stressful and exciting time our club is going through at present.

I'm sure that the end result will put the club in a much better position, with much better facilities and a bright future ahead.

As one of our long-time members said at our October meeting: "We've done all of this before." Now, we just have to work as a unified group and keep looking ahead at our ultimate goals.

It's very important that we all get in and do whatever we can to help during the next 6 weeks or so. Don't just pack up your own little part of the world and then sit back. Get in and help the other groups too. There is a heap to be done. Also remember that the removalists are only moving all of the heavy stuff.

It's our job to move all of the little stuff. If you are physically not able to help then we understand, but perhaps you have a strong son, daughter, grandchild or "apprentice" that you can send in your place. If so, just call Peter to work out the best time and place for them to help out.

We will get there; it will be a good outcome and in years to come we'll wonder why we didn't make this move sooner.

Take care and stay safe guys... Alan.

Alan Smith (Smithy) 229 Hakone Rd,
Woongarah. 2259.
Ph: 0243 921 864, Mobile: 0414 186 963,

Dorothy Dawson has filed for divorce after finding out that her 84-year-old husband, Barry, was not deaf, which he pretended for years to not listen to her.

According to the divorce papers, Barry hasn't said a word in ten years of marriage!

To communicate with her husband, Mrs. Dawson learned sign language, and the wife says for two whole years she learned sign language.

As soon as I started succeeding, communicating with him in sign language, Barry started having vision problems and signaled to me that he didn't see well.



**My wife slowly removed her shirt and bra during an argument where I was winning...
... it was a booby trap.**