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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Important Dates:

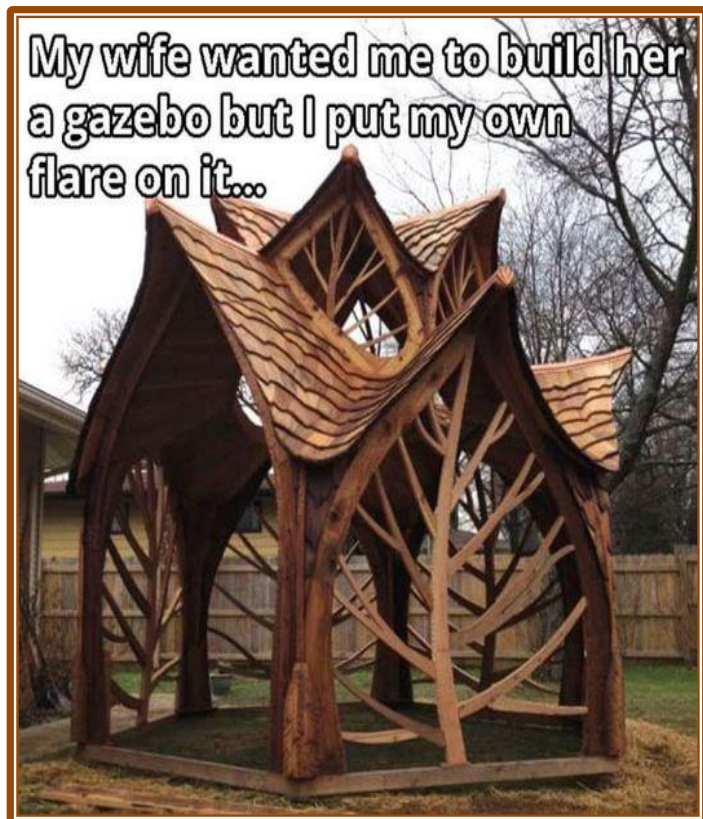
I must apologise for getting some of the information, given out before, totally wrong. I failed to take into account that the upcoming weekend is a 'long weekend' and therefore some of the dates and workshop open days have changed.

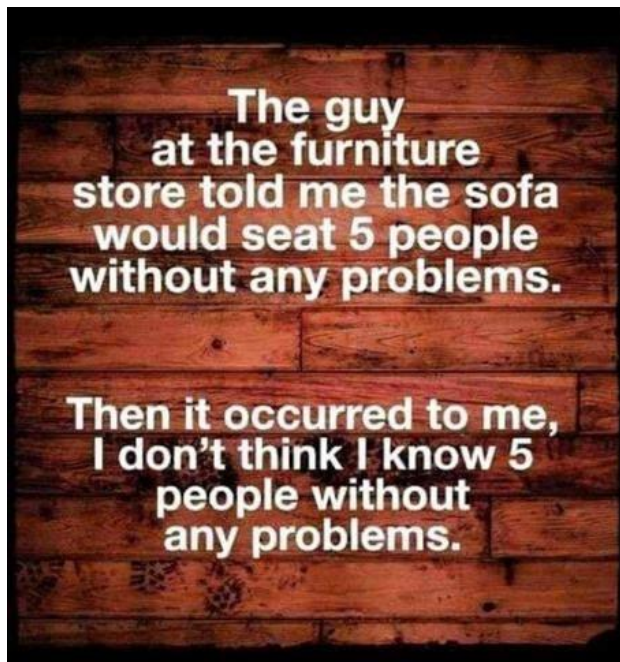
- ✚ The Club meeting 6th October 2022 will be at the Red Tree Theatre, 2/160-162 Pacific Highway, Tuggerah, beginning at 10.00 an. This will include a 'Show and Tell'. There will not be a BBQ.
- ✚ CCWT workshop will close, finally, on Monday 7th November 2022. This is not the end of our time in the workshop though, as we will need as many people as possible to pack things ready for moving into our new premises or storage.
- ✚ Please consider our closing date if you are planning any major projects.



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 Monday in November, 7th November 2022. This date has been chosen to allow those members using the workshop to complete any projects that they are currently working on. This will allow approximately six or seven 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.

We have made quite a few sales recently but anybody who has items for sale in the gallery at the workshop should make arrangements to retrieve said items asap. 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 items that 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

As a child, we were so poor, all my school clothes came from the Army Surplus

I was the only Japanese general in my class

Central Coast Woodturners Co-operative Ltd
Minutes of the General Meeting held on 3rd
September 2022
Venue: Elderslee Foundation (Red Tree Theatre)
Time: 10:00am



Meeting opened at 10:31am by Acting President Peter Hamilton.
 Minutes taken by Carol Jennings.



Attendance: 33 Members, 0 associate, 3 apologies and 1 visitor.

Show and Tell was conducted by Steve Farr. He commented on the quality of the work and picked Peter Hamilton's bowl for the \$10 gift voucher.

Name	Item	Woods used	
Ron Gibbs	Bowl	Eucalypt	
	Bowl	Eucalypt	
	John Butlin	Vase	Jacaranda & Cedar
	Bowl with handle	Coolabah Burl	
Peter Hamilton	Bowl	Western red cedar,	
	Bowl	Jacaranda	
	Bowl	Burl	
	Bowl	Burl	

Minutes: It was moved by Graham Craik and seconded by Ron Gibbs that the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 6th August be accepted. Passed.

Business Arising: Acting President Peter spoke about the current situation for the club to find new premises. There is no current lease in place and the club was given 90 days to vacate. This has been negotiated to the New Year, however, there has been nothing given in writing to the club at this stage.

Members shared their thoughts and possible sites for the club:

Alan spoke about possible locations such as Alison Historical Site and the possibility of a new workshop, however, it is in the developmental stages. Another consideration was Wyong PS, however, this is not suited due to the condition of the buildings. Alan requested members to consider all options and see this as a great opportunity for a bigger venue.

Mannering Park Men's Shed have offered the use of their facilities and will also show how they applied for grants/funding. We can be affiliated with a Men's Shed and can apply for

grants under their banner. Other Men's Sheds will also be willing to share premises, as they do not open 5 days a week, as an interim.

Garry stated that Grants can take over 6 months to be approved and we need to look at immediate solutions as well as long term solutions. We also have to keep in mind that we are a not-for-profit organisation and consider if the grants have implications on this fact. We also have to consider the cost of rent.

John Lea has spoken with Shannon Swain (Wood Mill) who will speak to the owner of the Old Nursery at North Wyong on our behalf of us, to consider the site as an option.

There is a meeting organised for 12/9/22 with Adam Crouch.

Alan Smith has offered to store equipment on his property. It was suggested that a contact be made to the Woodturning Magazine for advice. Alan stated that the Hobbyturner has a wide audience and he will write an article and will also put it on the Face Book page and our website.

Garry urged all members to put any suggestions in writing to either the Secretary, Peter or Alan.

It was suggested that a letter of thanks be given to the Dairy for our time spent there, after the club receives paperwork to officially vacate the premises.



Correspondence:

Inwards: There has been an interest in new members for the lathes, pyrography, carving and scroll sawing. However, due to the current situation, there will be no acceptance of new members at this stage. This is also stated on the website. There is a suspension of accepting more timber at this time. If any members would like any timber, please give Alan a call as there is plenty available.

Outwards: Answered email enquiries re: Memberships.

Business arising from Correspondence: Web site has been updated with the new information regarding membership.

It was moved by Mark Board and seconded by Brian Wilson that the correspondence be accepted.



Financial Report: Treasurer Garry Buckman tabled the Financial Report for 2021/2022. Garry gave an update for the financial year. The club had an operating loss of \$1446.13 compared with a loss of \$1833.21 for the previous financial year. Garry informed the meeting that the Club remains financially sound although income has reduced due to a lack of sales and fewer members.

Moved by Alan Smith and seconded by Ron Gibbs. The financial report for the year is attached.

Lucky Door Prize: Won by Graham Craike, who received a \$10 shop voucher.

Other Reports:**Workshop:**

John Lea requested that members not only clean the lathe that they have used but other areas around them, including the cupboards etc. Band saw blade has been lasting longer. Blue Lathe has been put back together and is waiting to be tested. The new members have been turning very well. Currently the workshop space 64 square metres when looking at new premises we would like to get 100 square metres for safety and comfort. A request for clean towels was made.

Scrollers: Doing well.

Pyrography: Doing well.

Toys:

Meeting with Women's Refuge has been re-scheduled for 16/9/22. John asked for ideas for the raffles. Next raffle will be guessing how many jelly beans are in the jar. Sales have been good, still accepting toys and need more lolly bowls.



Library: Please utilise the books and magazines available.

Merchandise:

Items selling slowly. An order will go in for Dust Jackets so please ask for your name to be added to the list if you want one.

General Business:

Mark Board spoke about We Care Connect and donations given approx. \$2000 this year. 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.

Sales:

Garry addressed the comment that we are not having sales. He stated that to have sales at a shopping centre for a week cost approximately \$800 a day to be there and the Club generally runs at a loss. Garry suggested that we sell as a group as not everyone can attend every day and for the whole amount of time a day and not have enough items to sell. The best place to sell items is from the workshop, however, people are not interested in coming in on the weekends. If you are interested in areas to sell products, come and speak with Garry. People need to organise and coordinate the sales for them to occur.

There will be no Craft Extravaganza in November due to the current circumstances.

Next Meeting:

General Meeting will be on Saturday 8th October 2022 at Red Tree Theatre, Tuggerah.
Board Meeting 23rd September 2022.

The meeting closed at 11:31 am.

Central Coast Woodturners Co-operative Ltd
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 3rd September 2022
Venue: Elderslee Foundation (Red Tree Theatre)
Time: 10:00am

Meeting opened at 10:00am by President Peter Hamilton, who welcomed members to the meeting.

Minutes taken by Carol Jennings.

Attendance: 33 Members, 0 associate, 3 apologies and 1 visitor.

Minutes: Peter Hamilton read the minutes of the AGM of 5th October 2019. It was published in the July and August edition of the Hobby Turner. It was moved by Phil Clements and seconded by John Butlin that minutes be accepted as read. Passed.

President's Report: Peter Hamilton presented his report for the year 2021/2022.

President Peter thanked the Board members for their support during the past 4 years and acknowledged the significant contributions that they made to the club.

The President's report is attached.

It was moved by Garry Buckman, seconded by Brian Wilson that the report be accepted. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Garry Buckman tabled the Financial Report for 2021/2022.

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Election of Office Bearers: The Chairman declared all 11 positions on the Board vacant and asked for nominations for the new Board. As there were less nominations than the Board positions to be filled, it was not necessary to hold a ballot.

The roles of President, Secretary and Treasurer were filled by Peter Hamilton (Acting until the position is filled), Carol Jennings and Garry Buckman.

The new Board for 2022/2023 is as follows:

President: Peter Hamilton

Secretary: Carol Jennings

Treasurer: Garry Buckman

Directors: Mark Board (Vice President)

Alan Smith

Phil Clements

Brian Wilson

Dom Pirlo

Clare Buckingham

Ian Stokes

Richard Alexander

Nominations for an additional Board member were called from the floor. As there were no nominations the position will be filled as soon as possible by the President approaching potential members.

As there were no further business the meeting was declared closed at 10:31am



Well, the move is definitely underway.

Eight of our Board members turned up on Wednesday at our property to start preparations for the delivery and installation of two x 20ft containers.

Despite almost constant drizzle all day the job was completed by early afternoon.

The footings are very solid and could probably support the Eiffel Tower. They're definitely not moving any time soon.

I want to thank everyone who came to help, especially Mark Board, who, using his skills as a builder, got everything done accurately and with a minimum of fuss.

The only problem with having the job done by Board members was that we had a few too many alpha males who thought that the job should definitely be done their way. Sanity prevailed however, and now we await delivery of the containers.

We definitely need help in packing up the workshop and store, so if you can lend a hand, please contact Peter Hamilton for details.

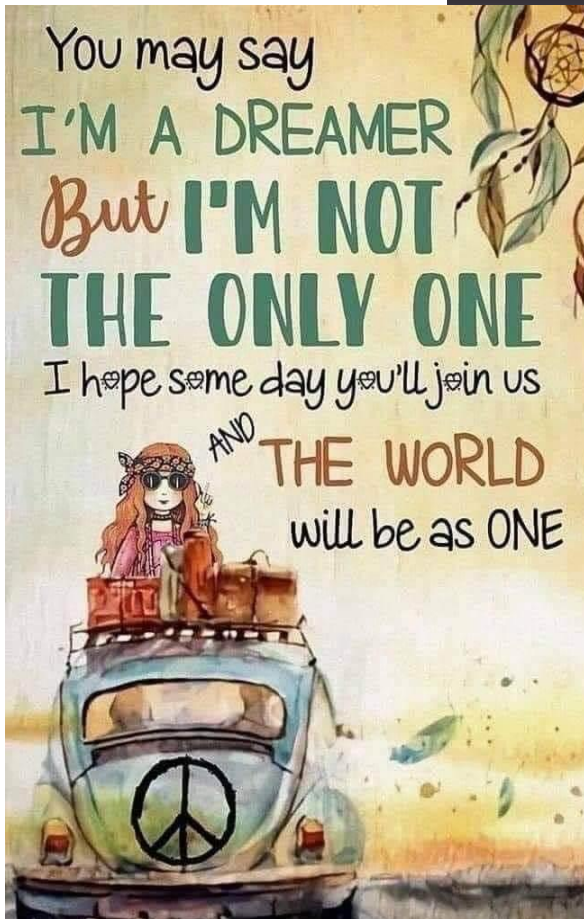


Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined.

... Henry David Thoreau



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



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,

Well, summer is just around the corner and very soon Christmas, and the warmer weather, will be upon us.

As a club, we have a lot to get done in the next couple of months.

Our move from the Milk Factory needs to be completed by Christmas and we will need heaps of help packing things up and moving them. We are

hiring movers for the heavy stuff but we will move a lot of the smaller stuff ourselves.

We are temporarily putting all of our gear into storage until we find a new home but that doesn't mean that the club will cease to function. We will still be having our monthly meetings at Tuggerah and the Hobby Turner will still be going out as always.

The Board is still working very hard to locate new premises and we will be keeping everyone well informed of our progress.

What we would also encourage everyone to do, is to get really busy making some brilliant items for Show and Tell each month.

Don't just think "Oh, yeah" and then forget about it. Get of your bum, get out of your arm chair, get out to the shed and actually make something. Even making the simplest bowl will give more satisfaction and pride, that watching a re-run of Big Bang Theory or playing games on the computer.

Don't just think about it. Do it. Show that, even though we will be temporarily homeless, we are still a very strong club constantly practicing and improving our crafts.

Remember: Our trainers, and many other talented members, are always keen to help and they are only a phone call away. If you need help contacting someone, just call me, and I'll point you in the right direction.

Take care and stay safe guys... Alan.

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