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Exhibitions: Centres	Position vacant		
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	Assisted by Jim Christie	4388 9148	
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Life members:	Bob Bamforth, Mark Board, Garry Buckman, Barry Carson, Margaret Deacon, Brian Duncan, Ron Gibbs, Ray Grennan, Alan Hagan, Peter Hamilton, John Lea, Laurie Luthje, Alan Smith, Dorothy Thomas and Brian Wilson		
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Yes, me again. Having attended the AGM last September, far from passing the President's roll to a successor not only did I leave still as the President, but also added the role of Treasurer to the list. Still, no matter, as we have several changes to set up and settle in to our future. We are lucky that enough members put their hand up to serve on the Board, so they were all elected unopposed. We were pleased to welcome Steve Farr as our new Secretary and Richard Waterfield has also joined the board.



I referred to changes that we have started to implement.

Most importantly we have changed our bank from Westpac to the Bendigo Bank. The Toy Fund now has its own separate interest-bearing account. We also have an interest earning account for Building and Donations. The third account is our operating account. This, along with changes, for not-for-profit organisations like us, introduced by the government, mean we have had to return our EPTOS machine. Replacing it is proving a longer process than we had thought, so for the moment we remain a cash only club.

I referred to changes to organisations such as ours as we are now required to improve our accounting and reporting process. Whilst there is no suggestion our accounting was not accurate it was just not fit for purpose under the new regulations. Alongside our new bank accounts, we have now introduced a programme called 'Cash Flow' to help monitor our monthly reports.

Unfortunately, we have had notice of a further death of one of our members. Barry Peick passed away recently and once again Skeeta has been asked to say a few words on behalf of the club. On the plus side we continue to recruit new members.

I am often asked which day is the best day to attend in order to guarantee a lathe. On the whole the workshop is being well used, though there is the occasional day when the number of members using the club is rather low. It is important that numbers using the workshop remain high. Firstly, our instructors give up a lot of their own time and they do not always bring their own projects, expecting to be helping members. Secondly, we need a certain number of attendees, paying their \$5, in order to meet the monthly financial commitments of the club.



Talking of instructors, we will soon be reaching the end of the training course run by Skeeta on Thursday afternoon. Congratulations to those members who have managed to stay the

"According to society, luxury is:

- Cars
- Expensive clothes
- A lavish lifestyle

The real luxuries in life:

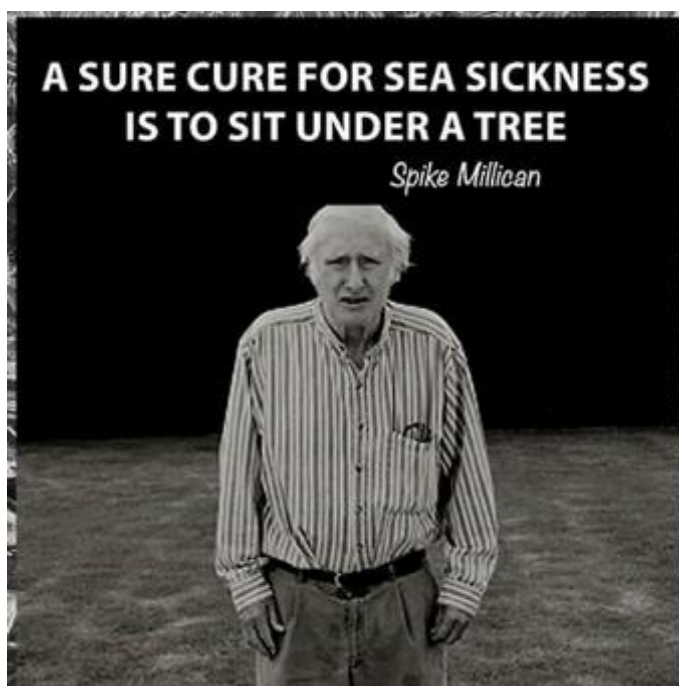
- Slow mornings
- Freedom to choose
- A good night's sleep
- Peace of mind
- Calm and boring days
- Being present
- People you love
- People who love you back

These are not things to be acquired, but rather the results of a purposeful and fulfilling existence."

course and particular congratulations and thanks to Skeet for his patience. He had three false starts to this course owing to the pandemic and then losing our workshop.

Our up-coming monthly club meeting will be preceded by an Extraordinary General Meeting. In order to meet with new regulations, and thinking to the future applications for grants etc., it is necessary that we complete 12 months of reconciled accounts. As we have missed the start of the financial year in July the board decided to change our financial year to October/September. This is a change to the constitution which can only be done by the members at an AGM or an EGM. Members have received the necessary notice of this change but we will give more details at the EGM to be held immediately prior to our next meeting on Saturday 19th. The workshop will be open in the morning, followed by a BBQ before the EGM beginning at 12.30pm.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the EGM and Club meeting... Peter.



**My boss said to
always dress for the
job that you want...
not the job that you
have.
Now I'm in a
disciplinary meeting
dressed as Batman!**

**Central Coast Woodturners Co-operative Ltd
Minutes of the General Meeting @ Alison Homestead
held on Saturday 7th September 2024**

The meeting was opened at 12.30pm by Peter Hamilton

Minutes taken by Alan Smith



Guest Speaker: Nil

Show and Tell: Conducted by:
Mrak B

Name:

Hailey Pestell

Item:

Box
Bowl w. live edge
Lipped bowl
Bowl
Platter w. pyro, paint and carving
Bowl

Woods used:

Raintree and snakewood
Banksia
Mango
Unknown
Jacaranda
Red gum burl

Richard Alexander

Bowl
Shallow fruit bowl
Fork bowl
Chair leg

Juniper
Conifer
Camphor laurel
Bird's eye pine

John Butlin

Box
Bowl
Bowl w. finial

Myrtle and banksia
Silky Oak w. paua shell
Melaleuca

Winner: Hailey P.

Lucky Door Prize: Vicki R.

Attendance: 26 members, 8 apologies, 0 associates and 0 visitors.

Welfare:

- ✚ Kevin West's funeral was well attended. Our thoughts are with his family and friends at this sad time.
 - Thank you, to Valda for keeping us informed of Kevin's situation.
- ✚ Bob Chivers is not well.
- ✚ Ron Gibbs has been unwell.
- ✚ Robert Pike is also out of action.
- ✚ Barry Peick is being moved from Gosford Hospital to Hillview @ Woy Woy.

Minutes: It was moved by Dom P and seconded by John L that the minutes of the monthly meeting held in August 2024 be accepted. Passed.

Business Arising:

- + Peter H: Gave a report on the successful sale at the Free-trade Fair.
 - o Thank you, to everyone involved.

Coming Events:

- + Yarn Show in Nov... details to come.
- + Valda has organised a joint membership drive and sale w. the Lapidary Club for Sat 9th Nov 2024.
 - o Valda to follow up.



Correspondence:

Inwards:

Valda:

- + Valda raised a problem with the toilets and suggested that they be unisex.

Excerpt from Board meeting:

“Motion 1: “That the toilets be unlocked when the building is opened up each day and that the key is not left out in the open. Also, we will install barrel bolts or a Vacant/Occupied lock to avoid confusion.” Moved: John L and seconded Richard A.

Passed.” This has been done.

Mark B:

- + Indicated that he had received paperwork stating that the unimproved capital value of the Guide Hall Site is \$215,000.

Outwards:

- + Answered several emails re: new workshop and opening times.

Business Arising from

Correspondence: Nil



It was moved by Vicki R and seconded by Richard A that the correspondence be accepted. Passed.



Financial Report: Due to the absence of our Treasurer. Peter presented the following reports for August 2024.

Income \$1,446.15 and Expenditure of \$1,322.64 leaving a balance of + \$123.51 for the month.

Toy Fund \$0.00 out and \$343.85 added

Building Fund \$0.00 in and \$0.00 out

New Members:

Our membership has risen over the last few months and we are now around 63.

Raffle: Won by Vicki R Second prize: Don C.

Other Reports: Nil

General Business:

Alan S:

- Change General Meetings to the 3rd Saturday each month (due to parking issues), starting on 19th October.

Peter H:

- We have done a complete overhaul of our finances and transferred accounts to Bendigo Bank Wyong.
 - We have done this because when applying for grants etc our finances must be squeaky clean.
- We would like to thank Garry B for the work that he has done as Treasurer in recent years.
- The Toy Fund now has its own interest-bearing account.
 - Thanks to John L for his continued excellent work in raising money for disadvantaged kids.
- Garry's square can no longer be used by the Club, but we thank him for providing it.
- Bendigo Banks square and EFTPOS rates are much cheaper.
- We are looking to change the Club's financial year to end on September 30th, instead of June 30th. More to come on this.
- Money from sales will run through an account operated outside the Club by four members.
- Motion 6 from the last Board meeting was explained and discussed.



✚ Excerpt from Board meeting:

Motion 6:

- “ALL money collected through the Club MUST be counted by at least 2 members and records kept before the money can leave the clubhouse.”
- Moved: Peter H seconded: Mark B. Passed.

✚ MYOB or Cashflow Manager will be purchased by the Club to keep accurate financial records that can be easily reconciled against bank records.

✚ We have installed a new letterbox outside the workshop and we change our mailing address to 8 Ourimbah Creek Rd Ourimbah 2258. Alan S will notify the Men's Shed Assoc., Alison Homestead, Fair Trading and it will also be changed on the website and HT.

✚ There is a sale at Mingara in Oct. All profits would come to the Club. We agreed in principal if EFTPOS is sorted out by then.

Valda:

- ✚ The joint membership drive / open day etc with the Lapidary Club next door was discussed.
- We will need helpers and demonstrators on the day. More info to come but see Valda if you have questions.

Alan S:

- ✚ It is possible to have a membership drive in the shopping centres. Wyong Family History Group have just done this and it's free.

Don C:

- ✚ There are lots of items available through The Shop and an order will be placed with Timberbits soon.

Next Meeting:

General meeting will be at 10am on Saturday 19th October 2024. @ The Workshop.
Board meeting 11th October 2024 @ 12.30pm.

The meeting closed at 1.50pm.



Annual General Meeting:

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 2nd September 2023 @ Alison Homestead

Meeting opened at 1.50pm by President Peter Hamilton, who welcomed members to the meeting.

Minutes taken by Alan Smith.

Attendance: 26 members, 8 apologies, 0 associates and 0 visitors.

Minutes: The minutes of the AGM of 2nd September 2023 were accepted as read. (Published in HT).

It was moved by Brian W, seconded by Dom P that the minutes be accepted. Passed.

President's Report: Peter Hamilton read his report for the year 2023 / 2024. It was moved by John L, seconded by Brian W that the report be accepted. Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Due to the untimely resignation of the Treasurer, Garry Buckman, a day ago, and his absence from today's meetings, there was no end of year financial statement prepared.

Peter will collect all of the financial records from Garry this week and he, and Chris S, will prepare a financial statement for our October meeting.

Election of Office Bearers: The Chairman declared all 11 positions on the Board vacant and stated that there were only 10 nominations to refill these positions.

Peter thanked those who were stepping down from the Board for their efforts this year.

The roles of Acting President and Secretary were filled by Peter Hamilton and Steve Farr (respectively) and with Chris Strong assisting in the role of Acting Treasurer.

As a result, our Board and elected officers for the coming year are:

The new Board is as follows:

Acting President: Peter Hamilton; Secretary: Steve Farr and Acting Treasurer: Chris Strong

Directors: Richard Alexander, Mark Board, Bernie Careil, Dom Pirlo, Ian Stokes, Richard Waterfield and Brian Wilson.

Peter congratulated the new Board.

Peter called out Mark Board, who was presented with Life Membership to the Club.

As there was no further business the meeting was declared closed at 2.40pm.

**A lot of women complain that their husbands never listen to them.
I'm very proud to say that I've never heard my wife say that.**

Annual Membership Fees were due at the end of June!!

*If you haven't paid yet, then you are now unfinancial and cannot
use the workshop!!*

If you want to pay your fees now, or make a donation, then the options are listed below.

Annual membership fees are \$60.

I would like to remind you all of the methods you can use to pay your dues. There are two methods available.

The **first** method is: Pay by cash if you are at the clubhouse. Ask for a receipt.

The second, and preferred, method is: Transfer your dues (\$60) directly into our bank account and ask for a copy of the transaction to be sent directly to Chris's e-mail account (details below). Chris will then email you with confirmation of receipt.

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

Account name: Central Coast Woodturners Ltd
@ BENDIGO BANK
BSB: 63300
Account Number: 220952246

Don't forget to send a copy of the receipt to:

kstrong@bigpond.net.au

Note: DO NOT deposit money into our old Westpac account as we have changed all of our accounts over to the Bendigo Bank at Wyong (details above).



Here are some more inspirational pieces from my:

“Projects: To Do” folder.

We should all have a folder on our computer where we can save projects that inspire and challenge us.

We should also keep a notebook beside our TV chair because you never know when inspiration will strike.





I've reached the age
that when I take
Neurofen, it has no
idea what part of my
body to even start in
to help me!

What's on	When	Contact
Monthly Meeting Woodturning Carving Scroll Sawing Pyrography	Third Saturday each month @ 12.30pm @ the Workshop. Mon, Fri and Sat mornings from 8.30 until lunch. Tuesdays @10am at the Workshop. TBA	Peter Skeeta, Ron Gibbs Sue TBA Valda Barton



EDITOR'S NOTE:

Hi Folks,

As we travel through life we encounter many thousands of people each year. Some are casual acquaintances; some become friends and only rarely does someone make a real difference in your life.

I want to relate a true story that happened to me a few years back:

“In today’s fast paced world, where everyone seems to be in a rush and stressed about finances, their job, their health and life in general it is often hard to, literally, give thanks for many of the things that most folks take for granted.

I’ve found, over the years, that it costs nothing to say “Thank You”; to give a kind word when needed or to praise someone for a job well done.

A few years back I was filling up with petrol at Tuggerah and a brand new HSV Holden pulled up at the next pump. It had all of the ‘bells and whistles.’

The driver in his mid-30’s got out and I told him that I was impressed by his car.

He thanked me and said “You’re Mr Smith, aren’t you?”

After introducing himself, he told me that I had taught him some 20 years earlier and that he

was a Sergeant in the army now. I remembered teaching him... he was one of the good, quiet ones.

He and three mates, who had all been in my Maths class, had just returned from East Timor.

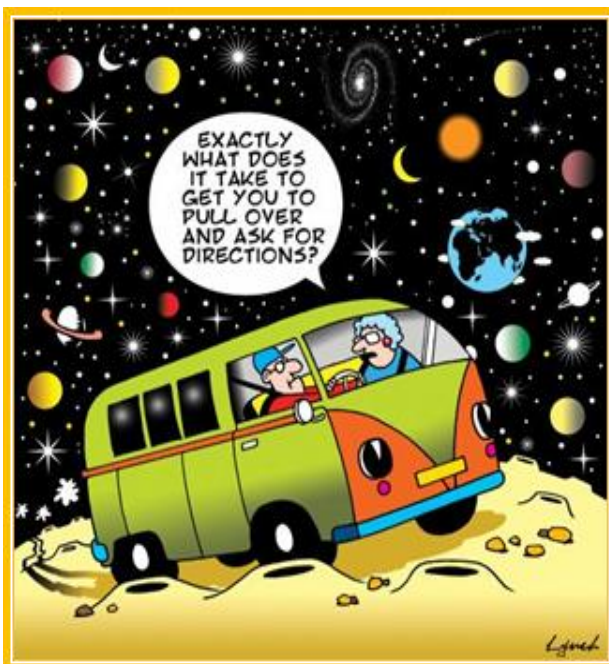
The car had been bought with some of the bonuses he had earned for fighting over there.

He told me that he and his three mates were having a beer after coming home and starting talking about the people who had made a great difference in their lives.

He said “... and your name came up.”

With that, he walked around the pump, put his left hand on my shoulder and then shook my hand.

He looked me in the eye and thanked me for making a difference in his life.



He was a quiet 15year old student who has grown into a fine young man. He says that I made a difference in his life, but that day he made a huge difference in mine too. I'll never forget him."

Take care and stay safe... Alan

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