



The Woodcrafters

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Next Meeting; Saturday September 21st 2013

Group on duty; Group Two Woodcrafter's

Demonstration-Speaker;

Ponderings of the Month

The months pass by quickly; here we are now two thirds through the year. We haven't much time left this year to accomplish those non completed goals we set at the being of the year.

Our annual exhibition is not that far away now. Hopefully you are busy creating a lot of wood shavings making those special items for the exhibition, which makes our exhibition so successful.

There are a number of our members that have been down with the flu virus that is going around. Trust you are all on the mend now.

Our days are like identical suitcases. Some people pack more into them than others. That's because they know what to pack. Everyone gets twenty four hours, but not everyone gets the return on them. The truth is, we don't manage our time, we manage our life.

Time cannot be controlled as it marches on no matter what we do. No matter how shrewd we are we cannot save minutes from one day to spend in another. No scientist is capable of creating new minutes. With all his wealth John Key can't buy additional hours for his day. Twenty four hours is the best any of us can get. Time is the most precious commodity.

We don't really pay for things with money; we pay for them with time. We say in five years, I'll have enough money put away for that holiday home we want. Then I will slow down. That means the house will cost five years, one twelfth of our adult life. Translate the dollar value of the house, car, or anything else into time, and then see if it's still worth it.

It is not the hour that we put in, but what we put into the hour

Peter Seaton



MEETING REPORT;

Members in attendance; There were thirty three members present at today's meeting.

New Members; There were no new Members joined.

Members not well; Ralph Harding is in hospital recovering from a stroke. At the meeting, Harry Bimler thanked the members who came to see him while he was in Hospital, and while he was recovering.

Guild BBQ; To be held at Bunnings this Saturday.

Our Annual Show; all seems to be on track.

Librarian; Merv Griffin has kindly volunteered to take over the role of Librarian.

Guild Special Meeting; We had a special meeting in our Guild meeting today to discuss rule 7.1. e. Life Membership. It was decided to replace this rule of Life Membership on 17/08/2013, to 'No further Life Memberships shall be issued.' The present Life Members will still have the same privileges as before, but will pay the \$6.00 subscription to the Guild, for the Guild membership to the NAW .

Members using Machines; If a financial Guild Member requires to make use of the Guild machinery, this member must have one other financial Guild Member with (him or her), and obtain the Guild key from one of the key holders. This key holder can either go with the member or lend the key at (his or her) discretions. Most committee members and all Group leaders have keys to the Guild Rooms. Members can also make use of the machinery when there is a Group on at that time.

Raffle; Japie Voschenck won the raffle.

Critique; there were several articles on the critique table today. I forgot to take my camera, so was not able to take photos. Lawson Worsnop commented on them. They were excellent as usual.

Our Guest Speaker today; was Barwick Harding with his Wife Suzanne who was on the computer, showing photos through a projector onto a screen. They told us about their trip which started on a Cargo Ship that their son works on, to Pitcairn Island. Barwick said he didn't see much of the first part of the trip as he spent the first few days on his bunk not feeling too well. It took about 8 days to get to the Island. The ship was carrying mainly diesel fuel for the generators on the Island.

Pitcairn Island has very steep cliffs and the only way to get supply's on the Island is to load them onto long boats and take them there. There is only one beach which is access by a very steep track.

They spent three weeks on the Island. The islanders produce articles out of wood and woven baskets to sell to the tourist Ships. There is not a lot of timber on the Island now, as the goats stop the regrown.

Thanks for a great talk about Pitcairn Island

Selby West





From the Editors desk;

Hello Fellow Woodworkers,

After getting back from our Holiday in Samoa, I seemed to have lost all track of time, and I forgot that it was the 3rd Saturday, and the meeting day. So I was very surprised when I had a ring from Peter asking if I was coming to the meeting!!! It then was one mad rush to get ready to go, and picking up some milk for the meeting on the way. I forgot to take my camera so wasn't able to take any photos at the meeting. So I am sorry about that. We had a wonderful time at the 'Savaii Lagoon Resort' on the Island of Savaii, 1 hours ferry trip from the mainland. Beautiful fine white sand and warm water, and a lazy time. The Resort is owned and run by New Zealanders, and has safe water out of the taps that you can drink, which was a real bonus. We took a day trip around the Island and there is a lot to see,



including where the Lava flowed when there was an eruption, in the 1800s. We also saw the Blowholes at the bottom of the Island, and they were spectacular, especially when our guide Sam threw in some coconut husks at just the right time, and they went hurling into space. We also went to a large pond where people can swim with the Turtles, but we did not do that. My wife wished that we could have stayed at the Island longer!! There was a 92 year old NZ man staying there for 6 weeks. Getting away from the Winter, such a good idea!! Selby West

Trivia

1. What temperature is the same on both the Fahrenheit and Celsius sales?
2. What type of regular sweet treat has a name that means "baked twice"?
3. What connects actor Marlon Brando, singer David Bowie and author Boris Pasternak?
4. What did Oscar Wilde described as "the unspeakable in full pursuit of the uneatable"?
5. According to legend, what did Anne Boleyn unusually have nine of?
6. Flocks of what type of bird are called an "exaltation" or an "ascension"?
7. In filmmaking, who is the more senior, the best boy or the gaffer?
8. True or false; lobster blood is light blue?
9. In snooker, what's the points value of a pink ball?
10. Name the Greek goddess of victory, who shares her name with a sporting brand?

Answers on page 13



What's on in our Guild and other Guilds;

Group One. Woodcarvers. Clubrooms. Monday 9th September 9.30 at the Clubrooms.

Contact Ivan Watchorn Ph. 07 308 7914

Group Two; Woodturners. Tuesday 10th September 1.30.

contact Seth Douglas Ph. 576 5815

Group Three; Woodturners. Saturday 7th September the Clubrooms 9.30 am.

Contact Jim Reilly Ph. 577

9574

Group Four; Woodturners. Tuesday 3rd September 1.00pm.

Contact John Adnitt 576 9130 or Harry Bimler Ph. 572 071

Group Five; Scrollsaw and Intarsia. Wednesday 4th September 9.30 am

Contact Laureen Tubby Ph.

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Group Six; Toy Makers. Saturday 14th September 9.30 Tuesday 24th September 6,30pm

Contact Roy Tregilgas Ph.

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Group Seven; Night Shift. Wednesday Nights 10th & 25th, September 6.30–9.30 pm

Contact Roy Tregilgas Ph. 574

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Woodcraft Classes for Home School Students; Wednesdays. 4th & 18th September. 1.00pm

Contact Doug Ph. 573 8399

Main Meeting; Saturday 21st September 1.00 at the Clubrooms.

The Home Show 18th to 20th October

Tauranga Woodcrafter's Guild Annual Show; 15th to 17th November will be held in the Mt. Maunganui Sports Centre, Maunganui Road, Mt. Maunganui.

Guild **BBQ** will be— one at Bunnings Saturday 24th August, and one at Mitre 10 Mega Tauranga Saturday 28th September. So much for me reporting that there was to be one each fortnight!!! It appears that these were the only days left not booked.

Kawerau Woodfest & National Woodskills Competition; 13 to 15th September. Entry forms by 30 July 2013. Exhibits to be received by 31 August 2013. send entries & exhibits to; Woodskills, KEA Building, 60 Onslow Street, Kawerau

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Group Reports

Group One Woodcarvers; 2nd Monday 9.30am

It was great to have ever smiling Harry back, in spite of being unrepentant of giving us all a very nasty fright! He has a tough road ahead to regain his 'Get-up-and-go', but he is, I am sure, aware that all in the Woodcrafter's Guild and carvers in particular, are very much part of his support base. It really was unfortunate that he just missed out on *his*, plus Ivan's and Tom's birthday and mid-year Pot Luck celebration. The luncheon was a lot of fun and our thanks to Tom and Alison (who provided the birthday cake) as they hosted the this year's successful gathering.

Our group day saw everyone busy on their current project. Ken and Tom are both working on 'heads', that seem to be quite popular at the moment. It was good to see Stephanie picking up her chisels again, while Barwick was rather rueing the day that he had decided to carve ferns on a staple studded fence post! Another master piece coming up! Alan meanwhile, spent the time cutting up a large piece of camphor. The ensuing scent (I love it!) would be a new experience for our younger carvers—Braxton and Zane, who are both doing great work. Kallina is also showing her artistic ability. We did however, miss not having Ivan around.

Group One has been all agog to get the full low-down on Barwick's trip to and around Pitcairn Island in a 'tramp-steamer', but we had to wait until it was our "duty day" at the monthly general meeting. What a great experience Barwick! I am sure all were fascinated and most nearly as envious as I. Our thanks to Barwick and Suzanne for bringing us up to date.

This Weeks Howler; "Three kinds of blood vessels are, arteries ,vanes, and caterpillars" (Your problem Harry?)

Jean Crabtree for Ivan Watchorn. Phone 5769011

Group Two Woodturners; 2nd Tuesday 1.30pm

Tuesday, August 13th 2013 Ralph Harding was in the Tauranga Hospital and we hope that he is getting better quickly, as his "Good Lady Marie", ended up having to have Physiotherapy, after her ordeal handling Ralph stuck in the little room. Our hopes are for both of them for a speedy recovery. Harry Bimler is gradually getting stronger. Milan Bacica had a funeral to attend. Ron Buckle had an appointment with the Eye Specialist. Peter Hogarth also had an appointment. We are all getting older and find problems creeping up on us these days. We hope that the others are keeping as well as can be, and looking on the bright side.

Tuesday, September 10th. 2013 is the date for our next meeting at the Guild Rooms at 1.30pm. We are on Duty for the Guild Monthly Meeting on Saturday 21st September 2013. hopefully we'll have enough afternoon tea provided from the Group.

Seth Douglas Ph. 576 5815

Group Three Woodturners; 1st Saturday 9.30am

Ten of us met at the Tauranga Woodcrafter's Guild Rooms on Saturday August 3rd 2013. it is pleasing to that see that Jim Reilly is gradually coming right, after his ordeal and stays in the Hospital. John Harrison had been given a couple of pieces of thick high-speed steel, which he had cut, shaped, and sharpened and made into very strong and sturdy woodturning scrapers. John had made a beautiful job of making the articles, when you saw what was involved in making



them, and as John was saying, how much wear is involved with cutting and shaping of that steel. It is most rewarding when you have made something that would have been difficult to work with. Thank you John for showing us your project and explaining the process. To the other members, please bring your pieces for the "Show and Tell"

We meet again on Saturday 7th 2013 at the Guild Rooms at 9am

Seth Douglass for Jim Reilly 5779574

Group Four Woodturners; on the first Tuesday of the month 1.30pm

Merv was re finishing his cupboard doors by stripping them and the spraying them with Lacquer. He also sprayed a



lazy Susan top and a wooden stand he had made to sit his lap top computer on.

He uses Iso Propel alcohol mixed 1/2&1/2 with thinners as well as steel wool to remove the old surface. Before spraying, he vacuums the work then uses a blower to remove any dust. He mounts the work on a lazy Susan outside on a fine warm day



in an area free from dust.

He warms the lacquer up first, lays it flat then sprays the work with a 50/50 mix of lacquer and thinners. For knobs he uses an airbrush. The lacquer dries quickly and can be recoated in around three minutes. For doing a desk or table top he adds hardener to the



mix.

A fine afternoon tea was served by Mrs Griffiths Thanks for a good afternoon report Sent in by Geoff Warth. Photos sent in by Geoff Warth and Morry Lawton.

Group 4 currently has no designated leader, but contact is through John Adnitt 576 9130 or Harry Bimler 572 2071

Group Five; *Scrollsaw and Intarsia*; Wednesday 3rd 9.30am



We met at the clubrooms as usual on 7th August with eleven people in attendance. Glen Whittaker was back from his overseas cruise. He told us about the amazing wooden craft work that they saw seen being done by when they visited a school in Russia, and also of the extremely fine painting being done with what appeared to be a bush with only one strand of hu-



man hair. I can well believe the painting as when we visited China we visited a factory where they were painting the insides of globes and bottles in the same way.

We had a variety of objects on the display table, an intarsia hawk, a bowl and two small rocking chairs by Russell Smith, a scrolled leopard and three compound cut pairs of giraffes with their necks entwined by Bob Fergusson, a small box by Jacob von Holzen, Several push along toys made by Barry Kenworthy, also an intarsia hand on a piano keyboard. A bowl by Glen, who has almost finished his tiger. Rob Smith's eye has shown a great improvement since his operation.

Our next group meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th September, meeting at the Clubrooms at 9.30am, Visitors are always welcome. please come along and have a look and see what can be done on a Scrollsaw, we can always make a saw available for you to have a try on. Please bring your lunch and help us put the world right over a bite to eat and a cuppa.



Laureen Tubby

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Group *Six Toy Makers*; 2nd Saturday 9.00am and the fourth Tuesday. 6.30pm. second Tues 25th at 6-30pm

When I rang Roy for his reports he told me that he is so busy at work, because of short staff that he just hasn't time to write his reports. He did say that there was not much different than what happened last month.

Editor

Next meetings Saturday morning 14th 9.30am, and Tuesday night 24th 6.30pm at the Guild Rooms

Roy Tregilgas Ph. 574 7405

Group *Seven Night Shift*;

No report

Next meetings Wednesday nights 10th and 25th 6.30pm

Roy Tregilgas Ph. 54 7405

Woodcraft *Classes for Home School Students; 1st and 3rd* Wednesdays 1.00-3.30pm

No Report. School Holidays.

Doug St.George

Building *Report*;

No Report

Doug St.George.



— OBITUARY —

The Club was saddened to learn of the death this week of one of its most valuable members:

'SOMEONE ELSE'

Someone's passing creates a vacancy that will be difficult to fill.

Else has been with the Club since the beginning. He did far more than a normal person's share of the work. Whenever there was a job to do, a social function to attend, funds to be raised, or a meeting to attend, one name was on everyone's lips:

'Let Someone Else do it.'

It was common knowledge that Someone Else was among the largest contributors of his time to the Club. Whenever there was a need for volunteers, everyone just assumed that Someone Else would do it.

Someone Else was a wonderful person; sometimes appearing superhuman, but a person can do only so much. Were the truth known, everybody expected too much of Someone Else.

Now Someone Else has gone. We wonder what we are going to do.

Someone Else left a wonderful example to follow, but who is going to do the things Someone Else did?

When you are asked to help, remember:

*We can't depend on **SOMEONE ELSE** any more.*



THOSE WERE THE DAYS

I REMEMBER THE CHEESE OF MY CHILDHOOD

And the bread that we cut with a knife,

When the children helped with the housework,

And the men went to work not the wife.

The cheese never needed a fridge,

And the bread was so crusty and hot,

The children were seldom unhappy

And the wife was content with her lot.

I remember the milk from the bottle,

With the yummy cream on the top,

Our dinner came hot from the oven,

And not from the fridge; in the shop.

The kids were a lot more contented,

They didn't need money for kicks,

Just a game with their mates in the road,

And sometimes the Saturday flicks.

I remember the shop on the corner,

Where a pen'orth of sweets was sold

Do you think I'm a bit too nostalgic?

Or is it....I'm just getting old?

I remember the 'loo' was the lav,

And the boggy man came in the night,

It wasn't the least bit funny

Going "out back" with no light.

The interesting items we perused,

From the newspapers cut into squares,

And hung on a peg in the loo,

It took little to keep us amused.

The clothes were boiled in the copper,

With plenty of rich foamy suds

But the ironing seemed never ending

As Mum pressed everyone's 'duds'.

I remember the slap on my backside,

And the taste of soap if I swore

Anorexia and diets weren't heard of

And we hadn't much choice what we wore.

Do you think that bruised our ego?

Or our initiative was destroyed?

We ate what was put on the table

And I think life was better enjoyed.

