



The Woodcrafters

The Tauranga Woodcrafter's Club

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Next Meeting:	February 19, 2011
Group on duty	Group 1.

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Next Month's talk-Demonstration:

Geoff Brann will talk on his journey through China last year.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT

A CLEAN START

What a delight to come to the first meeting of 2011 and find that two members have, on their own initiative, spring-cleaned the kitchen and social room! Walls, ceilings and floor are clean, curtains have been washed, cupboards and shelves have been tidied and cleaned and probably a decade's worth of unmentionable rubbish has been disposed of. A big *Thank you* to Harry Bimler and Roy Tregilgas, this kind of pride in the club is an example to us all.

January is a quiet month, with many people away and some groups choosing not to meet. Thank you to Group 5 for a good demonstration of all the things you can do with a scroll-saw, at the Club Meeting. All the groups will be in action again for their February meetings, and we look forward to another good year of encouraging each other, and turning unlikely looking bits of wood into things of great beauty.

I wish you all a busy and happy new year.

Doug St.George.



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Is a member of the
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Meeting Report

We didn't have our usual committee meeting this month.



At our Club meeting there were only about 25 members present. There was a good display on the table, with a big portion of work from Group Five who were on duty this month.



Ian Scott won the raffle.

Four members of group Five; Jacob von Holzen, Barry Kenworthy, Lauren Tubby, and Roy Tregilgas, had their Scrollsaws set-up, and were each giving demonstration, while members present moved around, and watch each one in turn. It worked well, and other members were able to see what can be achieved with these machines.



From the Editor's Desk;

Hi Everyone,

I hope everyone had a great Christmas, and are looking forward to another great year.

Not a lot to report this month. I have one less page in this Newsletter.

Selby West

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Group Reports

Group one; Woodcarvers

Eight attended. A special hard labour day (6th January) by Alan, Ivan and I saw the new carving tables process to a stage for discussion on side flaps, bench vice size and base size. Details were finalised on the 10th January, by general consensus of those present, more or less.

On the matter of carving we saw some excellent work from Geoff, a couple of heads carved in relief, Harry and Tom each with a sculpture based on the same form but differing in size and material. Harry's a beautiful piece of black Walnut and Tom's in Mahogany. Alan and I each produced a lump of wood vaguely resembling a human head.

Note that Carving Group is on duty for February 19th meeting please bring a plate. Geoff Brann has kindly consented to give a talk on his journey through China last year

Next Group meeting 14th February 2011
Ken Hawkeswood Ph. 5780074

Group Two; Woodturners

Many thanks to Lawson Worsnop, from Ngongotaha for ringing to inform us of an Event that was taking place in Putaruru, at the Putaruru High School Hall, the following day, Sunday, January 9th, between 1.30pm and 4.30pm.

The public were invited to come along on the Sunday afternoon (free admittance) to view the goings-on.

The Event was called "Collaboration" where the woodcrafter's worked jointly in threes to plan and create articles from the pieces of wood that they had been given, whether it was an awful piece or otherwise. With the "Collaboration" where they work jointly in teams of three, they had commenced on Monday the 3rd January, and were working through to Tuesday 12th January, when the items were to be auctioned off to the highest bidders. They had Woodturners, who created the item and then there were others who did colouring and others who carved and enhanced the work. Altogether a great work of art and a grand display of professional workmanship. Many thanks to Harry Bimler for driving Lauren and Lew Tubby to the venue. I had Jim Reilly, Selby West, and Geoff Atkins, and the

seven of us from Tauranga and the Mount had a great day. We had our afternoon tea under the shade of a tree, away from the hot sunshine. We had been kindly offered a room to have our afternoon tea, but decided to have it outside in the shade. With people away due to the holiday period, we weren't able to get replies to the telephone calls.

We wish you all a great and Prosperous New Year.

Group Two meets again on Tuesday, 8th February, 2011.

Seth Douglas Ph. 576 5815

Group Three; Woodturners

Hope all of you had a good break and also found some time for the important things of life ≈ like woodturning. So I hope you will have something to show and share at our next group meeting on Saturday 5th, February 2011 at the Clubrooms

Jim Reilly 577 9574

Group Four; Woodturners

The next meeting for group 4 will be on Tuesday 1st February 2011 at 1pm at the Club rooms.

Wishing Group 4 and all Club members a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Mike Harold Ph. 575 0767

Group Five; Scroll saw and Intarsia;

A smaller number of our members than usual met at the clubrooms on the 5th of January.

Barry Kenworthy brought along a nice intarsia piece featuring owls. Our newest group member Rob Smith showed us some of his work, including stands that he had made for his wife to display her bonsai plants on. Jacob and Roy also had articles on display. I was working on my first piece of marquetry. It is great to see the variety in the work that the group is doing. As our Group was going to be the Club duty group for January a discussion was held regarding the demonstra-

tions we were going to do at the meeting. As usual our day concluded with lunch and a chat upstairs.

Don't forget to register if you are interested in coming to our Scrollsaw Workshop which is to be held on Saturday 26th March.

Our next group meeting will be held at the clubrooms on Wednesday the 2nd of February. Commencing at 9.30am. If you have not been before and wish to come along, please remember to bring your lunch.

Laureen Tubby 572 0104

BEGINNERS GROUPS;

Doug St.George. 573 8399

Toy Making Group.

Next Group meeting Saturday 12th February 2011 at the Clubrooms

Roy Tregilgas ph. 574 9822

HELP!!!!

I lent 2 DVD's to someone in the Club last year. The member I thought I had lent them to, told me I didn't, so it must be someone else. They were; one by Andy Lodge on "Tazza" and the other by Robert Rosand on miscellaneous items.

Would you please return them to me. Thank you.

Jim Reilly

Woodworking Machinery for sale

1. Triton saw bench. Mark 3, with router table and with Hitachi 187mm portable saw attached. Some minor rust on bench top. \$120.00.
2. Ohio Forge 10inch Bandsaw, single speed, with motor and stand. Throat height is 145mm. Belt will need replacing. \$120.00
3. 4in. Belt/disk sander with 1/3 hp motor all on a stand. \$75.00
4. Ohio Forge, 1/2 inch drill press 5 speed, similar to Ryobi 12mm unit. \$40.00
5. Dyna 4 speed lathe with 1/2 hp motor. Speeds 850 to 2510 rpm. Bed approx 1metre in length and has one 150mm face plate. Live little end. All on largish solid stand. No tools or chuck. Good beginners lathe. \$160.00

The above equipment looks in reasonable condition, but has not been powered up for trial. The brand name Ohio Forge appears on bandsaw and drillpress and is made in Taiwan.

For further details refer to Tas Davie, ph. 576 8066, or contact owner Mrs Crabb at 576 3179 to arrange an inspection.

SCROLLSAWS

By Jacob von Holzen

CLOGGING SCROLLSAW BLADE;

If you find the piece of timber you are cutting keeps clogging the blade or is burning, try a strip of cellotape over the line along which you are cutting. Cutting through the cellotape seems to lubricate the blade and also to act as a cooling agent and prevents burning.

CUTTING PLASTIC OR SIMILAR;

Cut at a very slow speed. If the blade speed is too fast the plastic will melt and adhere to the blade.

DENTS IN TIMBER;

If you accidentally knock a dent into a piece of timber, wet the dent with water, cover with brown paper and apply a hot iron. Repeat until the dent has disappeared. Allow to cool and sand lightly.

NAILING THIN TIMBER;

When nailing thin timber, 3mm to 6mm. I always drill pilot holes to avoid splitting. I use a brad selected for the job as a drill bit. Cut off the head of the brad and use in the drill. Saves a lot of heartache.

GLUING A NARROW FACE;

To apply glue to a narrow face, hold the glue container as you would a pencil, and guide the nozzle of the glue container with your middle finger rubbing the edge of the timber as a guide. Squeeze the glue container gently while doing so. A neat controlled bead of glue can be spread down the centre line quite easily.

GLUING OVERLAYS;

To apply glue to the underside of fretted overlays, I use a small roller covered with foam plastic to spread the glue in a even layer.

GLUING SMALL ITEMS;

Small items can be held together with rubber bands. Spring clothes pegs make handy little clamps. Bricks make ideal weights to hold down items while the glue is drying.

GLUING SURFACE;

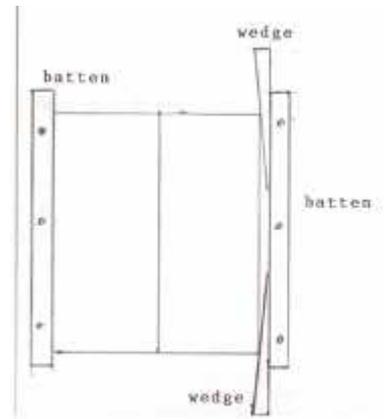
I have a piece of 18mm particle board which fits my work bench. This I cover with a plastic sheet and use this surface for all my glue jobs. The plastic prevents the glued workpiece from sticking to the surface of my work bench.



JOINING SMALL Thin BOARDS;

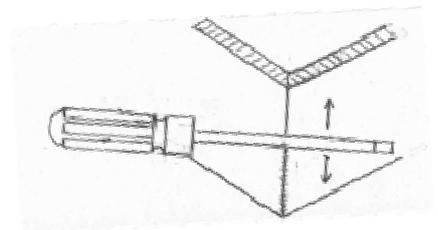
Small thin boards are easily glued together using the method illustrated in the drawing. Place a piece of plastic sheeting under the work. Brad down two battens about 6mm further apart than the width of the pieces of timber to be joined, glue the joint, rub together. Then knock in the two wedges until tight. Place a weight (brick) over the boards to stop from bowing up.

The wedges I cut from 18mm stock, 150mm long and 12mm wide.

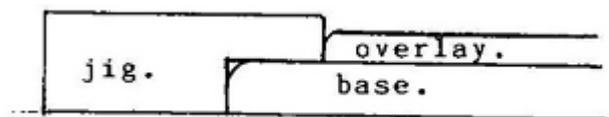


ROUNDING MITRED CORNERS;

Using a round tool (screwdriver) rub up and down the outside edge of the mitre applying pressure against the edge while doing so. This will crush the sharp edge and result in a smooth rounded edge.

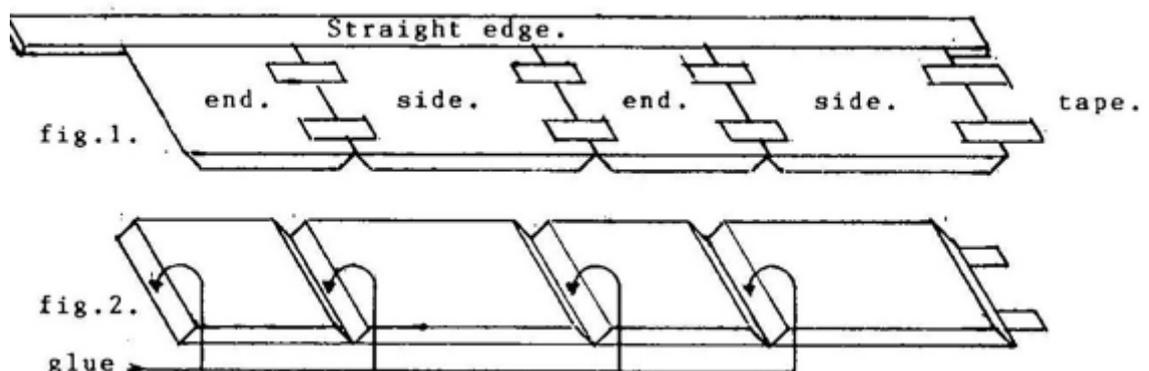


When I glue overlays onto the base timber, I make little jigs with a notch cut from one end to help me position the overlay correctly.



GLUING A MITRED BOX;

Gluing a box with mitred corners can be a problem. My method makes this simple. I lay the pieces in sequence (end-side-end-side) along a straight edge, face side up, and tape the joining edges together with strips of tape and one end. See fig. 1. then turn the taped pieces over and apply glue to the valleys and the untapped end. See fig. 2. Stand on edge and fold the ends together and wrap the loose ends of the remaining tape around the final corner. Check with a set square and add weight until dry see fig. 3.



Tracing our Club's History

August 2006; Fourteen members visited the Hamilton Club, and had a very enjoyable day with them. They had demonstrations of lathe work, scrollsaw work, and woodcarving, throughout the day. At the time I commented in the Newsletter, that I hope we had more of these visits.

September 2006; Our Treasurer, Fred Lawrence after just losing his wife, felt he couldn't cope with the job, so Tony Little was persuaded to take the job on. Fred remained on the committee.

October 2006; Jim Reilly decided to cease writing his "Sawdust and Shavings" column in the Club's Newsletter. We had a Demonstration with Vaughn Richmond, with twenty attending with included Mark Von Dadelszen, and three from the Whakatane Club. A questionnaire compiled by Doug St.George, was sent out to all members in this Newsletter for members to fill in and return to Doug.

November 2006; Only nineteen members took the opportunity to have their say, and many have been very constructive in their comments in responding to the above questionnaire. The summary of responses was printed in this Newsletter.

December 2006; As the results of the recent questionnaire, it had been decided to streamline the formal side of the meeting by letting the committee make decisions, re-finance etc., having no apologies, in fact the shortest possible time that it can be done in. The raffle and critique will remain. As I was away at this meeting Graham Williams took notes for me.

January 2007; I note that I cut the print size from 12 points to 10. It seems like members were having problems reading it, so after a couple of Newsletters afterwards, changed to 11 points.

February 2007; Graham Harwood send me his first article, which was to become a regular column for the next year.

March 2007; There was to be a cost of \$5.00 per member for our Clubs to remain as a member of the of the National association of Woodworkers. The committee felt it was important that the Club remain a member for the benefits we get from it. To cover this cost, the committee recommended that we put our subs up at the AGM the following month.

April 2007; The AGM; as there were no other candidates all the committee was re-elected, and Tas Davie was elected onto the committee. After some discussion it was decided the subs should be increased to cover the cost of the NAW membership. Committee for year 2007 were; President; Ivan Watchorn, Vice President; Lawson Worsnop, Secretary; Ralph Harding, Treasurer; Tony Little, Newsletter Editor; Selby West, Librarian; Jim Reilly, Workshop Manager; Ralph Harding, Wood Person; Mike McCarthy, Club Electrician; Graham Harwood, Committee; Alan Martin, Barry Kenworthy, Tas Davie.

May 2007; 13 members met at the Clubrooms at 9am for a visited the Whakatane Club on Saturday 28th. Jacob had a hours drive to get there by 9am too. We then filled up the cars for our trip over to Whakatane. We had a great time there.

June 2007; We had members from both the Hamilton and the Whakatane Clubs to visit our Club on Saturday 30th. As all the demonstrations were held in the Clubrooms, our visitors didn't have to go out in the rain. After afternoon tea, the visitors were taken around to see Milan

Bacica's workshop, before heading off home.

August 2007; Doug St.George started up the Woodturners Beginners Course on Saturday 18th, and there were 8 new members present, plus five old hands were had come along to help.

October 2007; There was some discussion why we have a Show; here are the main reasons why we do have a Show.

1. To help kept our subscriptions down as low as possible.
2. For members to have a stall, and sell and display their work.

3. For members to promote our Club to the public, with demonstrations etc.

It was decided to have a Show again in 2008 and Group Five would put it on. There would be a change of venue as a lot of the stallholders did not want it held at Baycourt.

December 2007; The Club was also offered a space at the "Bay Events Home Show" at the Mount Action Centre, in May 2008, which was accepted. Our own Show for 2008 was to be held at the Greerton Hall next year.

April 2008; I notice I had made several changes of the front page of the Newsletter in the last few months, and it has gradually developed to what I have now. At our AGM the only change in the committee was; Alan Martin retired from the committee, and Peter Seaton was elected in his place.

May 2008; Peter Seaton commented on the Club's Stand at the Home Show, and said it was well received by the public. There were several enquires about the Club, and members sold quite a few things, over the three days.

August 2008; Our funding for the 2008 Show was not confirmed until August, and Ralph, our Secretary said at this meeting; Ladies and Gentlemen, your Show Convener has come in for a certain amount of criticism concerning arrangements and so forth. I understand there has been some suggestion than we cancel our demonstrators because we can't afford them. Why do we have a Show Convener if we don't trust them to do their job? The exhibitors already know what they are going to show and try and sell, they know they will be allocated stalls etc. How can anybody make definite arrangements when they are awaiting for replies to these applications? I believe that another thing we should not lose sight of is the fact , that the Club is a Woodcrafter's Club. This covers **all aspects of woodwork**, not just woodturning, but cabinet making, carving, intarsia, marquetry, scrollsaw, and of course modern woodturning, colouring and out of square designs that are becoming popular. To attract more people why don't we have other displays--we hope to have the Spinners and Weavers--why not the Embroidery Club? This way we are catering for the women folk. They don't have large displays. Other Clubs step outside the square—why not us if we can afford it.

This is a plea for understanding the difficulties that can cause misunderstanding and often frayed nerves. Etc.

Ralph Harding

Secretary

Compiled by Selby West

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This Club/ Guild aims to assist members to improve their woodworking skills. Not all such activities occur in our Club premises, and some activities or events are promoted through this Newsletter and others directly to members in some other ways, but they are still Club/Guild activities, please support them. These activities may include personal and group tuition of members by other members (we all try to help one another for the benefit of the Club/Guild in this way) sessions in member's workshops, wood-gathering, events promoting our activities to members of the public, and other such

REGISTRATION FORM

TAURANGA WOODCRAFTERS CLUB SCROLLSAW WORKSHOP

Saturday 26 March 2011

9.00am to 4.00pm

At Clubrooms 60 Yatton Street, Tauranga

Name _____

Club _____

Email address _____

or Postal address _____

Phone Number _____

Preference Please select

Scrollwork

Intarsia

Level of competency –Please select

Learner

Intermediate

Advanced

Will you be bringing your own Scrollsaw? Yes/No

Lunch, morning and afternoon tea will be provided.

Cost including materials \$20.00 per person

Closing date for registrations Saturday 5 March 2011

Registrations to

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