



Thursday Boys - This group from Matapihi School proudly display the work they completed in the last school term

Duncan's Natter:

We now have a show in the making and I want to thank all that have very willingly put up their hands to make this happen.

We have had a kind donation of wood carving tools and books given to us from a family of a carver in Katikati who had died, I believe the carving group will make great use of this gift. There will be a letter of thanks going to the family.

A big thank you goes out to the members of group 4 that have kicked started the wig stand project once more, at the last club day we had twenty stands with more to come, so keep it up you turners and we will have a

good number of wig stands to give to the ladies from Look good- Feel good who in turn give them to women suffering from cancer.

Our next club day is to be a little different in that we will be having Chris Hooten from Taupo giving a demo on tool sharpening in the morning, 10-30 am to 12 noon then from 1 o'clock -2-30pm he will be showing us how he gets a fine thin edge on his turning. This is a free day for the members so pack your lunch and come and enjoy a great demo from a very accomplished wood turner. We are hoping to have a BBQ and hot chips for sale on

the day, so you may not even have to bring your lunch, Collin will cook it for you. Talking about Collin he and other members had a great BBQ at Bunnings a couple of Sundays ago, all stock was sold by 3,30 , will done guys.

We now have most of the material needed for the cover way at the main doors, so it will not be to long before we see that project done also.

We are still in need of a secretary for the Guild, so if this sounds like you, or you would like to have a go, please speak to either Doug or myself.

Duncan Campbell President.

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Finding Tips and Information on Woodcraft

The Guild's Library:

We have a good range of books and dvds and subscribe to some good magazines.

The Guild's Website:

www.taurangawoodcrafters.org

Lots of links to useful sites

The National Association of Woodworkers

Website: - www.naw.org

Links to other clubs, top craftspeople and suppliers

Thursday Boys

As you will have seen on the front page of this month's news letter, the boys from Matapihi school had their celebration morning with us on the 7th July.

I want to thank Mike Buck, Roy Tregilgas, Japie Volschenk, Alan Faulkner, Bob Ferguson, and Glenn Whittaker for their help in making this venture a real success, for both the boys and our guild. The boys went away with the 6- 7 projects that we had helped them with. These were mainly projects done on the scroll saws, like jigsaw puzzles, a Dolphin on a stand, spinning top, (this was a very popular project) then Alan put them through their paces to make a Jacobs ladder. We had to slow these boys down, so we had them make the stools that you can see in the photo. All the ply wood used on the stools was donated to us by The Ply Man in Greerton, so a big thank you goes out to them.

We feel that the boys have grown somewhat by this programme and have learnt not only the basics of scroll-sawing, but they have grown in themselves as well. This is a very worthwhile project, and we, the tutors, hope it will continue. *Duncan.*

MEETING REPORT 18th June

A Demonstration by Chris Hooton is planned for the August club meeting on 20th August, the general plan at present is to have two sessions 10,30 – 12 noon, and 1 pm – 2,30 pm, members to bring their own lunch, but Collin has agreed to man the BBQ with food for sale, also to invite nearby turning clubs to attend.

An extra tier of seating is being considered.

A small sign is to be placed in the glass door, so that people looking for a way to contact us can get phone numbers and email address.

Looking at getting a stamp to mark wig-stands, etc. as being made by the TWG

Demonstration:

Roy Tregilgas presented the meeting with a brief video showing various intricate wooden mechanized movements and how to make spoke type wooden wheels using a pattern, drill, scroll saw and sanding.

There was also a brief look at the school kids recent graduation.

He then went on to demonstrate the various gadgetry he had made to assist when using his table saw, bandsaw and router table. It showed an extensive amount of thinking and skill on his part and there was something of interest for everyone.



Great progress on the Wigstands keep up this good work please, there is a constant need.



GROUP ACTIVITIES

Our Guild has a number of groups, which focus on their particular areas of interest. Members are welcome to attend any of these groups.

Group One Woodcarvers 2nd and 4th Monday 9.30am- 3pm-ish.

Of greatest importance is the putting forward of the date for our Carvers and Partners, pot-luck luncheon. It will now be on Saturday July 23rd at 11.30 am at Harry and Colleen Bimler's

Show and Tell

Thanks to Jim Sutherland for the above report and these photos of the work on display.



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We were all delighted when Duncan arrived bearing a substantial gift from a local retiree, Dennis Beach. The gift included a dremel, a pyrograph machine and carving magazines which are being checked out by Ivan, while Barwick has taken home an impressive box of carving/engraving tools (Pictured,) which he has generously offered to sharpen. These will be kept at the Guild rooms for the use of all carvers looking for a specialist tool (to be used in the Guild rooms only) and for the use by prospective carvers, who are as yet without their own tools.A big 'Thank you' to Dennis.



We were also pleased to have another visit from Invercargill carver/crafter, Clarrie Brake.His lively interest and positive comments were refreshing. We will look forward to his next family visit. To cap our day- Alan has broken his record! In spite of having wood at hand, he didn't once venture near the band saw ! ? ! Wow!

We are pleased to hear that Selby is now home and making good progress and Bob Ferguson is chirpy in spite of still being in hospital.

This week's Howler; 'The climate of the Island is wet but embracing' (You don't say !)

Next Meetings; July 25th and August 8th. Jean Crabtree for Ivan Watchorn (07) 308 7914

Group Two Woodturners: 2nd Tuesday at 1.30pm

GROUP TWO & GROUP THREE have the same loyal personnel who attend the 1st Saturday mornings of the month and the 2nd Tuesday of the month, have decided to share GROUP TWO'S turn with the GUILD 3rd Saturday Meet. Ie; September Meeting will be GROUP'S 2 & 3, which means all the other Group's turn comes a month sooner. We apologize for any inconvenience that may occur for the other Groups. For years now, the same two Groups have provided for the Meetings and are all getting older. GROUP TWO met on Tuesday, 12th July, 2016 at 1.30 p.m. Many Thanks to Milan Bacica, Jim Dekker and Danny Jordaan for their Show and

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Guild Calendar for August

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| Tues. 2nd at 1.00pm | Group 4 Turners |
| Wed 3rd at 9.30am | Group 5 Scroll-saw |
| Wed 3rd at 1.00pm | Homeschool Class |
| Sat. 6th at 9.30am | Group 3 Turners |
| Mon. 8th at 9.30am | Group 1 Carvers |
| Tues 9th at 1.30pm | Group 2 Turners |
| Wed 10th at 6.30pm | Group 6 Night W/shop |
| Sat. 13th at 9.00am | Group 6 Toymakers |
| Wed 17th at 1.00pm | Homeschool Class |
| Fri 19th Entries due | Kawerau Woodskills |
| Sat 20th at 11.00am | Committee Meeting |
| Sat 20th at 1.00pm | Full Guild Meeting |
| | Group 1 on Duty |
| Mon 22nd at 9.30am | Group 1 Carvers |
| Wed 24th at 6.30pm | Group 6 Night W/shop |

Tell and Danny for his method of turning a wooden Morse Two taper and for providing the measurements and results. It was certainly a great afternoon exchanging knowledge from trial an error to perfection.

We meet again on Tuesday, 9th August, 2016 at 1.30 pm.at the GUILD ROOMS. Seth Douglas 576 5815

Group Three Woodturners: 1st Sat at 9.30am

GROUP THREE met on Saturday, 2nd July, 2016. Thanks to all for making the morning a successful learning morning. We will be joining GROUP TWO in September, which means that it will bring the other Groups turn a month earlier for their turn in providing the necessaries for the 3rd Saturday Meetings. We apologize for any inconvenience that may occur in the altering of the system. We are also getting fewer and sharing is the most sensible alternative. Chris Bromell and Selby West are both recovering from a stay in Hospital and we wish them a speedy recovery.

The next Meeting is on Saturday, 6th August, 2016 at 9.30 a.m. at the Guild rooms, 3 Cherokee Place, which is off Aerodrome Road, Mt. Maunganui. Seth Douglas for Jim Reilly 577 9574

Group Four Woodturners: 1st Tuesday at 1.00pm

For our July meeting Geoff Warth demonstrated how to make an alternative one piece pen and was ably assisted by Doug st. George. Practically all Geoff's turning was done using only a skew chisel and he showed great tenacity to ensure a good finish. The opportunity was available to "have a go" following the demonstration.

We also had a reasonable collection of items for the usual "show and tell" table.

Pictured: Geoff brandishes his skew while Doug completes a boring job!

Our next group meeting - August 2nd - will be a bowl saving and vacuum turning demonstration by Mike McCarthy. This will be followed by a "hands on" wooden mallet turning session.

Please bring your appropriate tools.
Jim Sutherland 543 4829



GROUP 5 SCROLL-SAW AND INTARSIA

1st Wednesday at 9.30am

The scroll saw meeting this month was well attended, thank you for those who bring their own scroll saws it was well used, we are looking forward to see all the people who was unwell back into action, until next month keep safe.

Greetings, Japie Volschenk 542 3633

GROUP 6 TOYMAKING AND OPEN WORKSHOP

2nd Saturday 9.00am, 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 6.30pm.

Another month gone by and Doug is after me again. Wish there were more hours, days and months in the year to fit retirement into. We had a first time visitor and hopefully a new member join us the other night, Welcome James, he made a set of wheels for a drift cart. It never fails to amaze me as to what projects the Open Workshop members come up with.

Our August meetings are: Wed 10th at 6-30pm, Sat 20th at 9-30am, Wed 24th at 6-30pm and Sat 27th at 9-30am. See you there in numbers. Roy



The Toy Group are working hard to make as many toys as possible for our show sales this year and would appreciate toy donations from all guild members. It is your Guild that benefits along with the Hospital Childrens ward and the Salvation Army.
Our next meeting is: Sat 13th at 9-30am
Roy

Timber for Sale

In a corner of the workshop is a pile of Tasmanian Blackwood boards and some boxes of Turning Blanks. Contact our Wood Recovery Officer Mike McCarthy if you want to purchase any of this wood. All proceeds will go to Guild funds.

EDITOR'S COMMENT:

Membership of the National Association of Woodworkers (NAW)

Why should I join the NAW?

What's in it for me?

Why does our club have to pay a membership levy to the NAW?

Why should I have to join to get the magazine, when the club is already a member?

From time to time I hear such questions and it saddens me that these, "them and us" attitudes exist, along with various other negative ideas about the NAW.

It's an old adage, that "Unity is Strength," and that is what the NAW is all about.

The National Assn. is simply a coming together of the Woodcraft Clubs from the length and breadth of NZ, to form a stronger unity. The NAW is part of us, and we are part of it.

The whole purpose of the National Association is to provide benefits to us all:

The NAW is able to attract and arrange and sometimes sponsor, top demonstrators from around the world, to come to NZ. Sometimes touring from club to club, sometimes coming to big events, such as the Symposium currently being organized by South Auckland.

The NAW also sponsors 2 people a year to do an ornamental turning scholarship, which is a 3 day course with Fred Irvine in Hamilton.

NAW members get preferential spaces for any touring demos and cheaper entry fees to them.

The NAW produces an excellent Magazine, Creative Wood, by pulling together the writing, photographic and woodcraft skills of members and people from around NZ and further afield.

The NAW is able to get Public Liability Insurance for the whole organization, at a much cheaper rate than individual clubs could get for themselves.

It costs money to do these things and the only source of money for the NAW Cttee is from our subscriptions, they are always struggling to make ends meet, on a very tight budget.

There are 42 Clubs affiliated to the NAW , with a total membership of 1616.

Only 600 of these individuals are financial members of the NAW, think what a different scene we would have if we could lift that total to 1000 members!

So let me turn the questions around:

Why doesn't every Woody want to join the NAW?

What can each of us do to support and strengthen the organization that does so much?

Why is the membership levy for clubs so cheap?

Who else can you invite to join the NAW?

Local member Peter Macrae is the NAW Membership Secretary < pmacrae@xtra.co.nz >

WHAT'S ON AROUND N.Z.?

KAWERAU WOODSKILLS COMPETITION 22nd to 25th September 2016

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