

# Wood chat

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tauranga woodcrafters  
guild inc.

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May was a month of participation, cooperation with neighbouring guilds and organization for our AGM.

## THE PRESIDENT'S PAPERS

A very successful Annual General Meeting was held last Saturday.

Jim Sutherland was not available for the Executive Committee and was replaced by Mike Buck. Thank you Jim for your contributions and I am sure the Guild will continue to benefit from your knowledge and experience. Welcome Mike we look forward to your input. Congratulations to the Officers and Committee re-elected.

Following is my report:

### President's Annual Report

#### Financial Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2019

I am pleased to be able to report on the continuing success of the Guild. However, although we continue to attract new members we regretfully had to close Turning Groups 2 and 3 due to declining group numbers on account of age and health. Other groups however are vibrant and positive and we continue to achieve good results with our Schools programs.

Our financial position is still strong thanks to a number of initiatives. A Lottery Foundation Grant covered our Operational Expenses for the year with only a minimal unspent amount having to be refunded. The Annual Show and Expo contributed handsomely to our Treasury. The BBQ's and Bunnings activities were welcome contributors as was the Scroll Saw Workshop. Well done and thank you for the efforts of those involved in these.

The Show and Expo held in the last week of November, 2018 was a great success. In addition to the usual member's sales and demonstration stalls we had 2 active guest demonstrators who were very popular. A first was a stunning display of 150 plus members creations. From the simple everyday items to the intricately crafted artwork. A magnificent display appreciated by our public. An immense amount of organisation is required to organise this show. Thank you to all who contributed.

Early in the year we completed the machinery upgrade and replacement made possible by the Lion Foundation Grant. To maintain a safe, modern and well functioning workshop the continuing assessment of our equipment and machinery is necessary. A suitability of purpose is an element of this. If you suffered ill health during the year I hope you are now recovered. We also have memories of and remember those no longer with us.

To the Group leader, other volunteers, officials and committee. I thank you for the effort you have you have put in over the year, you have made it possible. We continue to grow in our new home and I look forward to growing with you in the coming year. George Yardley, PRESIDENT

*Slainte,*  
George  
President.

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**Sorby/Carbatec Demo. Thursday. 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.**

Clubrooms. Cherokee Place Mt. Maunganui.  
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Afternoon tea provided and a Sorby tool will be raffled.

To assist with catering please register your attendance with George Yardley if you have not already put your name on the list.

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**Note** that we have nearly 40 people registered for this demonstration and if you have not as yet you should do so ASAP.

# MEETING REPORT

**Member's Health:** Jim Reilly and Lew Tubby both confined but do appreciate visitors.



**Finance:** Healthy bank balance due to the Lottery Foundation Grant covering our operating expenses.

**Equipment:** Concern was expressed by the saw-doctor sharpening the band-saw blades – second time in a month – that the saw is obviously being abused. Damaged teeth and evidence of heating the blade are sure signs that someone is forcing the work through the saw and not letting the saw do the cutting. Make sure you are familiar with the tools you are using at the club – if in doubt get someone to show you how!

**Subscriptions:** Due to the changing manner that NAW requires the affiliation fees to be paid the sub needs to reflect the different charging method therefore after a robust discussion on the matter the recommendations of the Executive committee were accepted , the new subscription will be as follows .

Sub. For an individual member		\$95,
If NAW member at time of paying discount	-\$10	
Discount If paid by the end of June	- \$ 5	
Discount if receiving the newsletter by email	- \$20	
<b>So that the individual sub after all discounts is</b>		<b>\$60.00,</b>
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**National Association of Woodworkers NZ Inc** – is the National body we are affiliated to. The NAW is open to all those interested in woodturning, woodworking and ALL other woodcrafts. The NAW supports us with administration at a national level, demonstrations, symposia, insurance, a very worthwhile discount card and a very popular quarterly magazine. NAW is a great vehicle for you to promote your branch of woodcraft.

You can join through the NAW website [www.naw.org.nz](http://www.naw.org.nz).

**Monthly "Comment"** – Derek made a good job of encouraging everyone who had submitted a piece for "show and tell" . His advice that *"when you take an idea from someone don't be afraid to use it as the basis for your piece – but be ready to change it to suit yourself"* was very timely as we sometimes feel we are stealing another's idea.

**Standout for the day** was Mike Buck's lidded bowl with fine finials.



## GROUP ACTIVITIES

**Woodcarvers** 2nd & 4th Monday of the month, 9.30 am to 3.00pm.



There is more room for carvers with Frazer Pengelly adding vices to the table he built recently. For the last couple of sessions carvers have been busy on various projects while Barwick Harding has added the final touches to his bookend horses in London Plane (see photos). Getting anything in wood to look identical is hard enough let alone horse's heads. Matching the ears was particularly challenging.

*Gavin Bell for Ivan Watchorn (07) 308 7914.*

## **Woodturners**

Hands on Turning - 1st Tuesday at 9:30am  
Monthly Turners Meeting - 1st Tuesday at 1:30pm  
Hands on Turning - 4th Wednesday at 9.30am

Our meeting on the 7th May began with the usual "hands on" session and good participation. During this time we were joined by members from Waikato and Cambridge woodturning clubs led by Grant Taylor, the recently appointed chairman of the Waikato club, who had come to view our workshop and during lunch George Yardley formally welcomed the guests and led a discussion on the planning and sponsorship as well as the tooling up of our present asset which the guests would like to replicate in their area.

Our 1.30pm meeting began with a well stocked "show and tell" table to be followed by 2 demonstrations:



First up was Roger Brand, a modeler, from Cambridge who displayed his amazing scale model of the St. Andrews church in Cambridge. His attention to detail was unbelievable with part of the roof hinged up to expose the interior - once again a scaled replica of the church interior -

it included a massive pipe organ, pulpit, pews, carpet, lights and even flowers as is usually displayed during services. Simply amazing!

A hard act to follow but Lawson Worsnop came up with some interesting items. Firstly what he called a prick wheel which was a 100/125mm rounded wood with a spigot into which 4 or 5 screws are driven from the spigot side to expose the points approx 4mm. The points are used to grip wood which are awkward or out of shape while pressure is provide by the tailstock allowing the lathe to drive the work. It looked a very good and safe system. He also showed a scraper made from a screwdriver and a clever cut down and altered spanner to assist in producing a spigot. Finally he discussed the sanding paper options available today and his preferences.



Altogether a very successful meeting and hopefully the first of many joint meetings.

Jim

*Jim Sutherland 543 482*

## Scroll Saw, Marquetry and Intarsia

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9.30am



14 People attend the meeting on our first monthly meeting with 9 on the next meeting everyone was busy with projects and the workshop was buzzing.

*Japie Volschenk 5423633*

## Open Workshops and Toymakers

2nd and 4th Wed at 6.30pm, 2nd & 4th Sat at 9.30am.

An active bunch of woodworkers of all sorts – an opportunity to make those items you haven't got the gear or knowledge to make at home. Under the watchful eye of Roy and Mike – keen to help with whatever project.

Anyone interested in making toys should come and join us on an Open Workshop day

*Mike Buck 574 4525 Roy Tregilgas 027 640 3793*

## Thursday Students

School group active during the school term involved in woodworking projects set for them by a very enthusiastic group of "grand-dads"

*Mike Buck 574 4525*

## Homeschool Students

Usually 8 students from the Te Puna area – half do scroll sawing and the others woodturning under tuition  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month during the school term.

These students have been learning for about 2 years and becoming quite proficient.

*Mel Yeates for Doug St George  
573 8399*



### DUTY ROSTER - 6 MONTH LOOK AHEAD

June 2019	Wood turners
July 2019	Scroll-saw, Intarsia, Marquetry
Aug 2019	Open Workshop + toymakers
Sept 2019	Wood carvers
Oct 2019	Wood turners
Nov 2019	Scroll-saw, Intarsia, Marquetry

### GUILD CALENDAR FOR JUNE 2019

Tues. 4th @ 9:30am	Woodturners - hands on Turning
Tues. 4th @ 1:30pm	Woodturners – meeting + Demo
Wed. 5th @ 9:30am	Scroll-saw, Intarsia, Marquetry
Sat. 8th @ 9:30am	Open Workshop + Toymaking
Mon. 10th @ 9:30am	Carvers - hands on
Tues. 11th @ 1:30pm	Turners meeting + Demo
Wed. 12th @ 6:30pm	Open Workshop – hands on
Sat. 15th @ 11:00am	Exec Committee Meeting
Sat. 15 <sup>th</sup> @ 1:30pm	Full Guild Meeting + Demo
Wed. 26th @ 9:30am	Scroll-saw hands on
Sat. 22nd @ 9:30am	Open Workshop – hands on
Mon. 24th @ 9:30am	Carvers - hands on
Wed. 26th @ 9:30am	Woodturners - hands on Turning
Wed. 26th @ 6:30pm	Open Workshop + Toymaking

Last Word: from ~~Phil Hansen~~—Greg Taylor... *acting editor*...

*Phil is away swanning around Europe – and going back to his Scandinavian routes - so we do hope he is having a wonderful holiday .*

*Apologies from me for the change of layout – I haven't got an apple mac and Phils template was a bit of a struggle for me to marry up with Mr Microsoft – got there in the end! What it does reinforce with me is that a clubs success is the combined efforts of ALL of the members and having a monthly newsletter is a vital part of letting others know what is going on in each of our interest groups. Please don't be bashful in supplying an article or comment for this newsletter – it would certainly make publishing a breeze.*



*Happy wood crafting!!*  
*Greg*

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