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Guild Meetings; 3rd Saturday afternoon of each month
1.00pm at our Guild rooms.

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Next Meeting; Saturday 20th June. 2015

Group on duty; Group Five Scrollsaw Group

Demonstration-Speaker:

From our President;

Welcome to a new chapter in the life of Tauranga Woodcrafters Guild, I would like to thank the members for electing me and trust that we will all continue to enjoy the Guild as we have in the past.

My thanks also go to the old members of the committee for standing again and to the new members of the committee, I say welcome and thanks for putting your hands up for this job.

We are still in need of a Secretary, so if there is anyone out there who feels that they would like to take this on, please let one of the committee know.

The next few months will be an active time with the extension to the new Guild Buildings being added. Also being able to sort ourselves out as to what goes where etc.

I am looking forward to working with you all and to the new challenges ahead.

Duncan.

MEETING REPORT;

Member's present; there were 34 present this month's meeting and the AGM.

Members not well: Geoff Warth had a stroke and can't drive for a week, and Lew Tubby is still waiting for his electric wheelchair. He would like members to come and see him. Please ring first.

New Members; No new members.

Next Show; we still require a Show Coordinator, and one or two more on the Show committee, for us to have a Show this year. Our Shows produce a lot of extra income for the running of the Guild.

Annual General Meeting;

Subscriptions; the subscriptions for this year were set as follows;

Member and Partner \$85.00, Member \$80.00, Youth \$20.00, Life Members \$6.00

New Committee. President Duncan Campbell, Vice President Craig Dean, Secretary at this moment not filled, Treasurer Margaret Dekker, Newsletter Editor Selby West, and Committee; Roy Tregilgas, Stephanie Simpson, Colin Milne, Japie Volschenk, and Allen Faulkner.

Certificates; Doug St.George and Mike McCarthy both received a Certificate for all the work and effort they put in on our New Guild Building

Raffle; the raffle was won by Brian Crawford

Critique; there were a number of articles on the Critique table. The critique was done Lawson Worsnop.



Music Box House by Jacob Von Holzen

Scrollsaw Box with red pattern by Rob Smith.



Our guest speakers/demonstrators for our meeting were Geoff Warth and Colin Milne making pens.

Geoff explained the method he used, using two short pieces of wood for the whole pen.

Colin demonstrated making a pen, using just a single short piece, and the pen fitting taking up the rest of the pen length, as can be seen in the photo. Colin was using a piece of acrylic on the pen he was making. This material seems to turn quite easy, using ordinary woodturning tools. After getting it roughly down to size he used a file, and then it was a matter of going through all the different sanding grades to get a very good finish. When the pen was done, it had very nice finish.

Thanks Geoff and Colin for a very entertaining demonstration.

Selby West



From the Editors desk;

Hello Fellow Woodworkers

Thank you for all for your confidence in trusting me to be the Editor for your Newsletter again for another year. I enjoy doing it, and as my wife often says, I would lost without being able to do it, but I know there will come a time when I won't be able to. When that times comes I hope we will be able the find a member to take over, as I feel we do need a Newsletter, and when I am a bit late sending it out, I often receive emails or phone calls enquiring if it has been sent. Anyone is welcome to visit me to see how I go about putting the Newsletter together. Seth Douglas was the first Editor in the Guild who had a computer, but he wasn't connected to the internet, but he also printed them off, and hand delivered some, and posted the rest. Our next Editor Ian Clark didn't have a computer either, so he had to pass everything over to a woman outside the Guild, to type it all up on her computer, and provide a copy to photocopy for Ian, which made her Editor. When Ian decided to just stop doing the Newsletter, it left our Guild with the decision of not having one, if we could not find someone to take the position. I had not long had my first computer and was still learning how to use it, but I decided, yes I would like to do it. As I had nothing to work with, I had to start from scratch, setting it all up on my computer and getting the first Newsletter out. This was before I had started going to SeniorNet, but I started learning a lot about how to use the computer which I applied to the Newsletter, and for these who were in the Guild at that time, you would have seen from my first attempts with the Newsletter, to the many changes to what I hope is a reasonably well presented Newsletter. Another first for the Guild was the change from the printed copies to encouraging members who had a computer, to receive their Newsletter by email, saving both them and the Guild a lot of money. This also enabled me to send our Newsletter to all Clubs/Guilds in New Zealand, plus to some firms who our Guild deals with.

Our AGM went well with all positions being filled, except the Secretary, so hopefully someone in the committee will step up for this. The Building committee; Doug St.George, Mike McCarthy and Merv Griffin will continue until the extension on our Guildrooms has been completed.

Selby West

What's on in our Guild and other Guilds around New Zealand?

Group One. Woodcarvers. Clubrooms. Monday 8th June. 2015 at the Guild rooms 9.30 am.

Contact Ivan Watchorn Ph. 07 308 7914

Group Two; Woodturners. Tuesday 9th June. 2015. At the Guild rooms 1.30pm

Contact Seth Douglas Ph. 576 5815

Group Three; Woodturners. Saturday 6th June. 2015 at the Guild rooms 9.30 am.

Contact Jim Reilly Ph. 577 9574

Group Four; Woodturners. Tuesday 2nd June. 2015 at the Guild rooms 1.00pm.

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

Group Five; Scrollsaw and Intarsia. Wednesday 3rd June. 2015 at the Guild rooms 9.30 am

Contact Laureen Tubby Ph. 5720104

Group Six; Toy Makers. Saturday 13th and 27th June. 2015 9.30am, at the Guild rooms

Contact Roy Tregilgas Ph. 574 7405

Group Seven; Night Shift. Wednesday night 10th and 24th June 2015, 6.30pm to 9.30 pm at the Guild rooms

Contact Roy Tregilgas Ph. 574 7405

Woodcraft Classes for Home School Students; Contact Doug Ph. 573 8399

Tauranga Woodcrafters' Guild full meeting; Saturday 20th June 2015.

Demonstration; Grant Oxenbridge will be bringing Chris Pouncy to our Guild to demonstrate Sorby tools from 10am to 1pm on Monday 6th July.



Group one Woodcarvers; 2nd Monday 9.30am

Our last meeting coincided with '**shift day**', so this was our first gathering in our new premises. **WOW!** What a difference. Everything neat, tidy and even the 'old' seemed pristine! Whoever organised the lighting was a genius among all the genii who slaved and endured to bring all this to fruition. The carvers. Along with everyone else, I am sure, cannot find the words that would adequately express our thanks to **all** those who put so much time and effort into this project.

As is fitting, along with our new premises, we welcomed a new carver, Sara Uckun. Ivan wasted no time in starting her on a project. In the meantime, Barwick has resurrected a complicated high relief carving that he started many years ago. Alan, again, true to form, spent most of his time noisily employed at the bandsaw! The long table in the 'work' area proved useful to Harry who was able to sort out photocopied sheets and check on patterns in books, involving a new departure for him - 'Chip Carving' Elephants are featuring in Tom's new high relief picture and that will keep **him** quiet for a while! Lexie's cat is not the only thing coming on nicely for her! A satisfying time was had by all.

I apologise for the absence of our April report. It got stuck in my computer and forgotten! Better luck for May!

The 8 members at this month's meeting continued to voice their appreciation of being able to be in our new premises (once they got the light switches sorted!)

- All were busy. Harry's forte into Chip Carving affected a great deal of interest, with many (including Ivan1) having a dabble., Equal interest and debate, arose over Tom's latest carving from a photo of a mother elephant and her very young and older offspring. The photo was analysed in detail, even down to 'body language'! Geoff, meanwhile, was working on a delightfully quirky caricature of a long bearded hombre on his beleaguered donkey. Alan, of course, was cutting wood. This time for his 'tomahawk' door stops> Lexie and Stephanie were making progress on their pieces and Barwick's energies were directed towards his latest masterpiece of a scene that some of us, incorrectly identified as 'Little Red Riding Hood'
- It was with sadness that we learnt that Tom's wife, Alison, had suffered a stroke. A quick trip to the hospital, found her bright and cheerful and beginning to make progress. Keep it up Alison and that is not *only* because of your expertise in hosting wood carvers social events!
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- **This Weeks Howler;** "The British used mostly **Aztec** troops to do their fighting at Gallipoli: (Apparently a hundred years may alter perceptions for some!)

Next Meeting; Monday June 8th, 9.30 a.m.

Jean Crabtree for Ivan Watchorn. Phone (07) 308 7914

Group Two Woodturners; 2nd Tuesday 1.30pm

Group Two met at the new Guild Building at No 3 Cherokee Place, Mount Maunganui on Tuesday 12th May 2015 with a very good attendance. Unfortunately, next month we will have a couple away for two months, soaking up the sunshine. Many thanks to Jim Dekker for bringing along some of his work and explaining how he went about creating them and finishing the pieces. Very well done and thanks again. We had Chris Monroe turn up at the end of the meeting and was telling Milan Bacica and I, that he used to be in the Guild about 22 years ago and was looking forward now, as it is getting to the stage of having time to do some turning etc.

We meet again on the 2nd Tuesday, June 9th 2015 at 1.30pm. I'll ring to confirm the venue. Happy and safe working as the weather gets colder.

Seth Douglas 576 5815

Group Three Woodturning 1st Saturday 9.30am

Group Three met at the brand new Guild Building on Saturday 2nd May 2015 at 9.30 am with a very good attendance and everything ran smoothly, as usual. Different topics were discussed as well, and it was a good session.

Our next meeting is in the new Guild Building at 3 Cherokee Place, Mount Maunganui, on Saturday 6th June at the usual time of 9.30 am

Seth Douglas for Jim Reilly 577 9574

Group Four Woodturners; 1st Tuesday of the month 1.30pm

On May 4th Group Four met at the club rooms where Mike Mc Cathy had organised wood to make wig stands, a lot were started and yet to be finished. Thanks to Mike and Marion for a lovely afternoon tea.

At our June meeting Doug St George is going to show us how he does Steam wood bending.

John Adnitt 5769130

Contacts; John Adnitt Ph. 576 9130 and Harry Bimler Ph. 572 2071

Group Five Scrollsaw and Intarsia; 1st Wednesday of the month 9.30am at the Guild rooms



The two top left were done by a visitor to our Group meeting, and were done with a knife. He was very interested in what we do in our Guild. The photo top right was one of Jacobs's fine work, and the one on the left was some of Glen Whittaker's. He also makes his own frames too. Selby for Laureen Tubby

Phone 572 0104 (please leave a message on the answerphone if no one answers)

Email ltubby@xtra.co.nz

Group Six Toy Makers; 2nd and 4th Saturday 9.00am at the Guild rooms

Our main objective since moving to our new rooms has been re-organising ourselves of which we have now achieved. It is now time to get stuck in and make toys or should I say more toys as Peter and Duncan have been quietly working away on some for a while in their own workshops. Other than that there is no great news to report. If any of the newer members are interested in joining our group you will be more than welcome, bring your lunch as we finish the day over a cuppa and a chat.

Meeting days for June (half the year gone by already) are Saturday 13th (the Queens official birthday) and the 27th at 9-00am.

Roy

Our June meetings are the 13th & 27th at 9-00 am. Roy ph.574-7405

Group Seven Night Shift; 2nd & 4th Wednesday

Being a younger group the attendance varies, as life is not as straight forward for them as most of us. Last week only half the class attended along with Collin and myself but there are good projects on the go. Kirsty is making a Retro cabinet which is nearing completion (hope to see it on a club day) and Matt is making some sort of card game? Which seems to be very fiddley. Craig bought along a piece of 4 x 4, looked at it, handed it around and took it home again, he is going to make acorns for his bed posts. He did help others with their projects though.

June meetings are the 10th & 24th at 6-30pm.

The June meetings are on the 9th & 23rd at 6-30 pm.

Roy ph.574-7405

Building Build Report

We have packed a lot of work in to a busy year.

At this time last year I was reporting to you that grants for the project were coming in, and that we were ready to apply for Resource and Building Consents.

We subsequently made a strategic decision to build in two stages, in order to avoid a lengthy delay getting Resource Consent for the larger building.

Through the winter months we were accepting quotes, confirming contracts, negotiating details of the lease with Council, arranging Insurance and all the myriad details of getting the work under way.

Building started in September and it was good to see things actually happening, after all the months of talk and paperwork. The shell was closed in and the floor was in place by early December.

Our own volunteers have put in great efforts over the summer months and we were able to move in to the completed Stage One on 9th March 2015. Since then we have been experimenting with the placement of equipment, and enjoying using the new space. My thanks again to everyone who has helped.

I am now able to report that Resource Consent for Stage Two has been granted and we are about to prepare plans and apply for a Variation to our Building Consent, to go ahead and complete the building. We believe that the funds in hand should be efficient to do this.

I am willing to continue as Building Project Convener, to see the project completed.

Doug St.George
For the Building Committee.
May 2015

Home school Class Report Doug St.George.

No report

Presidents Annual Report 2015

As I reflect over the last three years as President, it has been exciting to see the many changes and challenges that we have faced as a Guild. These would not have been able to be addressed and dealt with (in most cases!) had it not been for the willingness of you all to be involved and to muck in. I just want to say a big thank you for the support and encouragement as we travelled together over these past three years. Especially to the Executive team for all their time and effort, they all have done a great job.

It is awesome to finally have our new Guild workshop up and running and to be able to enjoy a purpose built building. A very special thanks, to all those of you who contributed to the planning, construction, and relocating all of our equipment. A big thank you also, to our much appreciated and valued sponsors', Tect, Lottery Grants Board, Lion Foundation, Pub Charity, First Sovereign, Define Design and the many firms that contributed materials. Without them this new building would not have been possible.

In addition a big thanks to all of you who have supported Power and Machinery Tools during the last couple of years. Our Guild is appreciative of them for the financial contribution they have made to our funds. So guys, remember to shop at Power and Machinery this coming year, as it does contribute towards our Guilds income, and it makes a difference to our financial position.

The home school children classes are functioning well thanks to all involved. Duncan has just started another school class for less fortunate children, on every Thursday during the school term. He has set out a plan for the year showing them what they can achieve, provided they apply themselves. There have been interesting developments with other Clubs where they have been running a half day course for five days through the school holidays. This could be a good idea for us in the future.

The National scroll day course went well with 22 participants attending. According to the comments, the new building made a huge difference. The course was once again well organised and run. Our thanks to Jacob and Laureen for a job well done.

Our annual show was a great success, with an interesting mix from other non-woodcraft clubs. Thanks to the team led by Mike for the number of records that were broken, an excellent result. Well done guys!!!

Our groups have progress steadily, thanks to all those who take the lead. Let's continue to look at the way we run our groups and see whether we can make them even better.

Thanks to all those who have organised, and helped with fund raising, especially the barbeques at Bunning's and Mitre 10. These have been a great success.

There are many other people who contribute to the success of our Guild and who sometimes fly under the radar – people like Rob who manage our website brilliantly, and John who maintains our equipment. We so appreciate all that they do.

As we reflect on the coming year may we continue with our team building effort, and supporting the incoming President and Executive team in their endeavour to make our Guild a place of learning, enjoyment and comradeship? Let's not hold on to the past, but move on and embrace the new and challenging opportunities that almost certainly will arise thus, making our Guild an exciting organisation to be a member of.

Peter Seaton

Workshop Report

New Workshop;

The past few months of this year have been busy with the workshop shift from Greerton to our new Guild building at 3 Cherokee Place Mount Maunganui.

Before the shift we sold two of the older lathes and the large engineering grinder. The lathes sold were the yellow Teknatool TL 1000 and the small Vicmarc 100. Both lathes and the grinder were sold to Guild members. These lathes were replaced by another a Hafco Woodmaster WL-18 that was donated by the late Guild member Mike Harold.

All the machinery and hand tools have been placed in the new building but it is clearly obvious we need the extra 50 square metres of floor space to create working room around the machines. We also need to be able to set out permanent seating.

New Additions;

Doug has made two large work benches complete with a pair of vices each. These grace the central area of the workshop and will be a great asset particularly for the toymakers and the carvers. Many thanks to Doug for them.

Three of our machines, the belt sander, table saw, and large bandsaw have been fitted with adapters so they can be coupled to the dust extractor whenever they are used. I hope this initiative will help reduce dust in our building.

Now is the time to look to the New Year with confidence and hopefully an extension to our building.

John Harrison

Workshop Maintenance.



These are the five charitable trusts which have given us grants for our new building