



# The Woodcrafters

## TAURANGA WOODCRAFTER'S Guild NEWSLETTER

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### **Committee;**

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**Club Meeting;** 3rd Saturday afternoon of each month  
1.00pm at our Clubrooms.

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**Next Meeting;** Saturday October 20th

**Group on duty;** Group Three Woodturners

**Demonstration-Speaker; Lawson Worsnop** will be speaking about his experiences at the big woodturning symposium in San Jose in United States of America.

## Ponderings of the Month

We all know of trouble and difficult times close up and personal – bad health, empty bank account, blighted love, grief, loss of your job, the list goes on. Does it surprise you that this is part of life? Probably not.

Trouble and difficult times can reveal to us the moral fibre of our souls. I have never seen a woodwork workshop without hazards. They are all part of wood crafting. Some of the most challenging pieces are those with the most hazards. They go a long way to test the woodcrafters skill against the most complex pieces. Just this last week one of our members had a small tussle with a power machine.

Oliver Wendell Holmes said "If I had a formula for bypassing trouble, I wouldn't pass it around. I wouldn't be doing anyone a favour. Trouble creates a capacity to handle it..... Meet it as a friend, for you'll see a lot of it and you better be on speaking terms with it "

Let's not think it strange when trouble and difficult times come along our life's pathway, as life is using it to test the stamina of our character.

**Until you value yourself, you won't value your time; until you value your time, you won't do anything with it.**

**Peter**



## MEETING REPORT

### Committee Meeting;

**Apologies;** No apologies

We discussed the Club becoming a Incorporated Guild, and went through the revised rules before presenting them to the main meeting.

The Committee also discussed my revised costing for the Newsletter, which was agreed upon and passed.

A card was sent to John Morris, on the death of his wife.

### General Meeting;

**Members in attendance;** 35 members present, 1 visitor, plus our guest demonstrator.

The first item to be discussed was whether the Club should change to become a Guild, and after some discussion it was passed.

The next item was changing to a Incorporated Society. There was quite a lot of discussion on this, but it was eventually passed, so now the Guild will go ahead with these changes.

**BBQ;** to be held at Bunning's 19th October 8am-4pm. Volunteers required to man the BBQ, and hand out flyers for our Annual Show.

**Our next Annual Show;** our show is progressing very well. We will need members to help putting the signs out and help at the show too. See the notice elsewhere in this Newsletter.

**New Members;** no new members.

**Raffle;** Seth Douglas won the Raffle.

**Critique;** Derek Kerwood did the critique.





**Our Demonstrator today;** Dick Veitch from South Auckland Woodturning Guild. Dick said he was going to turn a seed pod. Here (photo on left) he has a container with several different seed pods that he brought out to show, but he said he would turn a bean pod, (photo on the right.)

Here in photo (centre) he has started a square blank of kauri and is turning the centre part to a round, leaving the two ends square, for his various off-centre positions. I think he said there were 20 different off-centres, which were with a paper template glued onto each end. The headstock end was marked in numbers, and the tailstock end was marked in letters to save confusion.



Here (on the left) he is working on one of the off-centres. The finished results are pictured on the right.

Thanks Dick for a very interesting Demonstration. The photo below is some turned and carved spoons Dick brought along.



Selby West



## WHATS ON

### **Woodturning New Zealand International Symposium**

4 to 7 October 2012

Entries are now open for the International Symposium run by South Auckland Woodturners Guild Inc. for more information go to [www.sawg.org.nz](http://www.sawg.org.nz)

**Deadline;** registration forms with full payment must reach the treasurer at the address shown on form by 19th September 2012.

#### **Programme Outline;**

Thursday evening we have dinner and then meet, and see presentations by the 14 demonstrators.

All day Friday- demonstrations to watch. Friday evening-very special Woodturners entertainment.

All day Saturday- demonstrations to watch and then better evening Woodturners entertainment.

Sunday morning-demonstrations. After lunch, the final raffles are drawn, instant gallery prizes announced, and turned wood items auctioned.

**Location;** Wesley College is a superb venue for this gathering. There is sleeping space for several hundred people in twin, four bed, and larger rooms. New Zealanders will have to bring sleeping bag and pillow, but for those from overseas we will provide bedding for a small additional cost

**Tauranga Woodcrafter's Club Annual Show** 2nd,3rd, and 4th November 2012 at the Mt. Maunganui Sports Centre, Maunganui Road. The Mount.

There will be Trade Stalls, Members Stalls, etc. Live Demonstrations in Woodturning, Woodcarving, Scrollsawing, as well as a Sausage Sizzle.

Mike McCarthy

### **ANNUAL SHOW. Lunches, Morning and Afternoon teas**

FOOD AND HELPERS REQUIRED November 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup>

We have a permit to sell food at our Show again this year. Donations of suitable food are required. I am happy to do extra baking if you prefer to make a donation towards the cost of ingredients instead of baking. I will be making the sausage rolls, the same as previous years. Please no packets of bought biscuits. If you have any queries as to what to bake please give me a call.

We also need help in the kitchen, i.e morning helpers for food preparation, making sandwiches, filled rolls etc. We are required to have two people in the kitchen whenever we are serving food, and also if someone could pop into the kitchen from time to time to wash the cups it would be appreciated. If you are able to help at any time over the three days would you please contact me and let me know what time you would be available so that I may prepare a roster.

The kitchen made a great contribution towards the success of the Show, when it was held at Greerton, so lets try and do the same this year.

Laureen Tubby Phone 572 0104 Email [ltubby@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ltubby@xtra.co.nz) .





## Group Reports

### **Group One; Woodcarvers; 2nd Monday**

9 members met at the Clubrooms on Monday 10th September, and worked on their own carved items. Ivan helped Joshua to start a Maori Tiki of quite large size.

Subjects for the new Group project included a higgledy piggery house and a folded shirt.

The Groups highlight of the month was the excellent hot pot dinner, hosted by Jean Crabtree at her Ngatai Road Home on Tuesday 4th September. Twelve of us enjoyed good food, wine and each other's company. It was pleasing to have Stephanie with us, who in spite of a very slow healing ankle injury, was in her usual fine form. Many thanks Jean from us all.

Next meeting at the Clubrooms Monday 8th October.

Peter Steward for Ivan Watchorn. Phone 576 9011

### **Group Two; Woodturners; 2nd Tuesday Afternoons, 1.30pm**



Group Two met at the 'Men's Shed' on Tuesday, 11th September, 2012. Considering the awful wet and cold weather, we had a marvellous time at the 'Mens Shed'. I had previously arranged with Dave Harper, and made the appointment for Group Two's monthly meeting at the Shed. On our arrival, there was a hive of activity that afternoon, and Dave showed us around the joint and explained how the building had been renovated and how they were funded, and of donations of machinery, timber, money, tools, nails, bolts, and screws etc., is still being donated to the "Men's Shed". They repair things for people as well and receive donations for their efforts. Donations come in from estates as well and the system runs well. Murray Fox, whom most of us know very well, from SUPER SAWS down in the Judea Industrial area, was working in the Men's Shed that day. We had high regard for the professional way that Dave Harper conducted the afternoon event and we are most grateful for his time and expertise. Dave used to teach Woodwork at the Wickham School, which has since closed down, and was only a hop-step and jump away from where the Men's Shed is located. As Dave was saying, they were extremely lucky that they had overseas students, and they listened and did what you asked and showed them to do,

which made for ease with tutoring. I could imagine, for those of us, who don't have machinery or the know how, this would be the ideal place to go to, for the odd job. Alisdair Field and others could very well benefit from paying them a visit, with their needs etc. We went to the Clubrooms for our afternoon tea and discussion, with Group Two being responsible, being on Duty on Saturday, 15th September. It was good to see Ian Dawkins and Selby West, who were able to come. Harry Bimler sent his apologies as he had an appointment that afternoon and couldn't possibly get to the meeting. I will take him some other time. I showed them the latest Renovator Dual Saw double blade cutter as shown on Television. 'Happy Woodworking'.

Group Two wish to thank the Committee for arranging the Guest Speaker Dick Veitch for us. We meet again on Tuesday, October 9th. 2012. I will ring to confirm the Venue.

*Seth Douglas Ph. 576 5815*



### **Group Three; Woodturners;** 1st Saturday 9.30am

Group Three's September meeting was held at the Clubrooms on Saturday 1st September 2012. We had 10 members to watch and listen as well as question while Jim Reilly showed us how to turn pieces of off-cuts, whether it was round, square or oval in multiple pieces at the same time, with a shaft through the drilled holes to make wheels and finish them the same size. The topic was making wheels the same size, and by doing the turning with multiple segments champed on the lathe with the axle size already drilled, and the axle and wood clamped up between centres. Jim had the ideal gadget and the mini gouges to perform the task, and finished great sets of wheels with his method. I didn't demonstrate on the lathe but showed them different holesaws, for wood and some steel cutting and arbors that discharge the cut piece so easily when completed. There was the 60mm wheel cutter, which shapes the outer part of the wheel as well as cut out the same size wheel every time in one operation. I showed them the latest Renovator Dual Saw double blade cutter as shown on Television.

Group Three are on Duty for the October monthly meeting, so please bring a plate, with some goodies on it, of course. Remember that it won't be long now for the things that we have made to donate to the worthy causes, to be picked up.

Group Three meet again at the Clubrooms on Saturday, October 4th 2012 at 9.30am.  
Seth Douglas for *Jim Reilly 577 9574*

### **Group Four; Woodturners;** 1st Tuesday

Twelve members of Group Four turned up at the Clubrooms at 7.30am, to go on a shopping spree. The Group hired a 12 seated mini van, and set off to Auckland with Mike Buck at the wheel. With a comfort stop and refreshment at the top of the Bombay Hills, we were at our first stop- "**Machinery Warehouse**" by 10.30am. After Seth completed business for his School, and we had had a good look around, we set off to "**Jacks**," where a large sanding machine was purchased, along with a few small bits and pieces. Our next and main destination was "**Carba-Tec**", We all had a good look around and made many purchases. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the folks at Carba-Tec for the use of their lunch room. After lunch, and more shopping, we headed to a secondhand machinery and tool shop in Panmure.

As a Group, we spent over \$1600, the largest item just over \$1,000.00 and the smallest item - two secondhand drill bit extensions for a dollar each. After refreshments at the Copper Kettle we were back at the Clubrooms by 5.30pm.

Our next Group Four meeting will be on Tuesday October 2nd. We will visit the Gallery of Kevin McCardell and then back to the Clubrooms. Geoff Warth will be in the chair.

*Mike Harold Ph. 575 0767*

### **Group Five; Scrollsaw and Intarsia;** 1st Wednesday

Everyone, including Barry, was very busy at our group meeting this month working on our marquetry pictures. Under Jacob's guidance, we worked on cutting out and fitting the trees to the background that we had completed last month. Jacob had an example of one that he had completed up to that stage and showed us how he finished the project off, by squaring up the



picture and making a frame for it. We did not have time to finish our cutting out, so all of us will have some homework to do. It has been really enjoyable having everyone working together on the same thing. The intarsia big horned sheep that Barry had on our display table was very much admired. He had used an enlarged photo of mountain scenery for the background.

Next meeting-

Our next group meeting will be held at the Clubrooms on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October commencing at 9.30am. New members and visitors welcome. We stop for lunch, so you may like to bring yours with you.

Lauren Tubby Ph. 572 0104

### **G**roup Six; *Toy making Group*; 2nd Saturday

Toy stocks are at last growing and there is more on the go, so it's now looking better for the Show. This month's meeting was very productive with all the machinery, as well as three laths going, great to see the workshop so busy.

Most of the toy group members joined group 4 for the trip to Auckland to visit all the 'big boys toy shops', and there was a reasonable amount of money that changed hands. It was a great day out, we travelled in a comfortable twelve seater bus, and at \$25 a head it was very economical. Maybe we should look at a few more excursions to other places like that, in the future.

At the October meeting we need to discuss the possibility of an extra meeting to make sure we have everything completed before the Show.

October meeting is the 13th at 9-00am

Roy

*Roy Tregilgas Ph. 574 7405*

### **GROUP 7 Group Seven NIGHT SHIFT ;**

Not much I can report on this group, as it is much the same night after night, the usual five or six turn up and get on with their projects. Bryce finished an Indian styled lidded container and made a nice job of it, his wife did ask him when is he going to make 'something useful', so we will see what he comes up with for his next project. Craig always seems to have a segmented piece on the go, of which you would have seen the latest effort at last month's meeting

October meetings are 3rd & 17th at 6-30pm.

Roy

Roy Tregilgas 547 7405

### **B**UILDING REPORT *July 2012*

#### **BUILDING REPORT**

It is a waiting game, as the wheels of Council grind slow. They are reviewing the rules around consents for building on the Reserve, then they will assess our eligibility under those rules.

The Picket Fence project will be required in November, so at the next meeting I will be looking for firm commitments of time for a couple of working bees. This project will bring in around \$2000 towards our building fund, in addition to the gates which have already earned us some \$1300.

Meanwhile we are off to our old haunt of Tonga for a couple of weeks. We will be installing a new kitchen in the vicarage there, where good friends of ours have recently moved. I hope to bring back some good pictures of their carving and woodcraft.

See you next month, Doug St. George.





## From the Editor's Desk;

Hi everyone,

There has been a small change to the front page this month. Peter come to see me, and said instead of us both doing a meeting report, he would just write up a short article. (I hope this isn't going to be another item that will eventually drop out of the Newsletter.) This meant having to put something else in to fill the rest of the page. I decided that the Index and Club information panel could be made to fit there, and it worked out nicely.

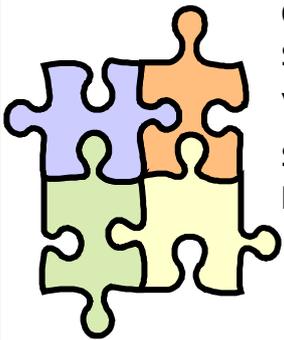
Some of the Committee members have suggested looking at reducing the size of the Newsletter !!!, such as not having the Woodworking Tips. I would like your views on this matter, and also would you give some serious thought about what you would like to see in your Newsletter. After all it is **Your Newsletter** and I would like some feed back. You could get a boring old Newsletter, with no tips, no photos, and just Club information, or even no Newsletter at all. I put a lot of time and effort into the Newsletter, and I wouldn't like to see it get to that stage. My wife also, as she proofreads it each month. I would be interested to hear from anyone else, who also reads this Newsletter. We are also looking for some more advertisers for our Newsletter too, any suggestions.

We will all be glad when Spring is finally here. We did not need to read in the Newspaper that Tauranga was the wettest place this Winter, as we already knew that !!! Now, if we could only get rid of all the wind !!!!!

The word "Exhibition" has been changed to Annual Show in this Newsletter to match up with what is has been called before.

Selby West

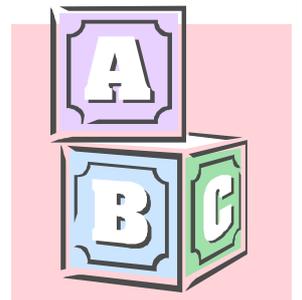
## Toys for Christmas



Our November meeting is where hand over all the toys we have made to the Salvation Army. The Club has been doing this for many years with reasonable success.

So we hope everyone will contribute the toys for this and hope the efforts bring some smiles to the young faces on Christmas morning.

Jim Reilly



## **2012 ANNUAL SHOW**

OK guys, it's SHOW time again and the organizing Committee needs your help with;

1. Putting advertising signs out, on Friday 26 October, meet 9.00am at the Clubrooms.
2. Setup- **Early** Friday morning, November 2nd, at the Hall.
3. Door sales.
4. Raffle ticket sales.
5. Kitchen duties-mostly washing dishes.
6. BBQ.

Clear the Hall on Sunday afternoon. The more helpers we have, the quicker we will be finished.

If you have grown children or teenage grandchildren, how about asking them for a couple of hours for the old codgers? Ha, Ha!!

Mike will have smaller signs & pegs available at the October meeting, for you to take home & put on your lawn, fence etc. to advertise the Show.

The traders who have committed to being there are;

Treeworkz-Wood & Sandpaper.

Spruce Up

Powertools & Machinery

Timberley- Terry Scott

Steel Toolz-Gary Steel

We want to see you, family, friends & whoever else you can rope in, to visit the Show.

The entrance price for the public is \$5.00 (which includes a raffle ticket)

So plan to keep that weekend free of other obligations, and come along and join in with the fun and activities.

If you have any questions please feel free to talk to anyone on the Show Committee;

Mike McCarthy, Roy Tregilgas, Harry Bimler, or Stephanie Simpson.

