



Frazer Pengelly has produced this finely crafted carving which stylistically seems to reference Maori lintel carvings

THE PRESIDENT'S PAPERS

Members Welfare

Once again I have to mention that several of our members have been unwell recently. I want to especially tell those members we are thinking of you and wishing you a speedy recovery.

2020 Show

Our annual show is almost on us (November 20th, 21st & 22nd) and we need members commitment now to help make this a successful event. There is always a reluctance to commit but our Show organisers need to plan and prepare. Remember that without the funds raised from this show the Guild will struggle to operate and, at the very least, your annual subscription will be considerably more in 2021.

- We need volunteers to help put out the advertising hoardings around the streets of Tauranga in early November,
- For the show dates itself, we need volunteers in all of the following areas: Hall setup & Takedown, BBQ, Café, Front desk, Raffle Sales and Floor Walking and Exhibition minding,
- We need food donations for Cafe sales.

Please let Greg Taylor know as soon as possible when you can help and your preferred area.

Your Display Items for the 2020 Show Exhibit Area

Our Show Exhibit of members work has been very popular. We need details now of the examples of your 2019 & 2020 work which you intend to put into our 2020 display! Please let Frazer Pengelly and Phil Hansen know what you will display.

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Marine Reach

In September the Guild was approached and asked if we would be willing to make a kitchen dining table for a young couple with an infant son here from North Carolina, USA. Dan Snyder has the role as Base Director in Tauranga for Marine Reach. This organisation uses the vessel it owns to take free medical, dental, ophthalmological and gospel services to remote Pacific Islands. Doug St George volunteered to make the table and Ian Dawkins provided recycled Rimu for the table top. The table was presented to Dan Snyder at our October monthly meeting. From my perspective it is always humbling to see the way our members give their time willingly to help others in the community with projects of this nature.



ScrollSaw Group Initiative

During their September and October meetings the ScrollSaw Group have had a group project which has been providing the opportunity for skills building and enhancement of knowledge. In September they worked on the process of how to apply an inlay to a lidded box and in October they worked on a Marquetry project. Jacob von Holzen has been mentoring the group and using it as an opportunity to impart his knowledge. If anyone wants more information please contact Glenn Whittaker.

Why do we have a full Guild meeting every month?

Basically, because it is a good forum to communicate what is going on within the Guild directly to members. It is also a way to educate and to describe technical skills. The monthly duty group organises a speaker, or demonstration and these are always very interesting and informative. The committee uses the meetings to outline any projects which are underway and members are asked for feedback. In addition members can discuss any matters they wish to raise. Remember, if you do not express your thoughts then we do not know. So speak up and tell us.

All the Best, Phil Hansen, President

General Report

New Members

Please welcome Tom McFadden to the Open Workshop Group and make yourself known.

November Guild meeting

This is a reminder that next month's Guild has been brought forward to the 14th of November to avoid clashing with our annual show. This also means that the Open Workshop Group on the 14th has had to be cancelled.

Automata

While Jacob von Holzen has delighted us with his often whimsical scroll saw cut automata, there are also automata that sit somewhat in the realm of carving. Phil has sent this link <https://lowbot.co.uk/page4/page-6/> to an English craftsman who details that steps he took to producing an automata of a cow, its calf and a farmer. Even if you do not wish to go through all the steps describing his work, most people will enjoy the video at the bottom of the following link. <https://lowbot.co.uk/page1/Automata/>



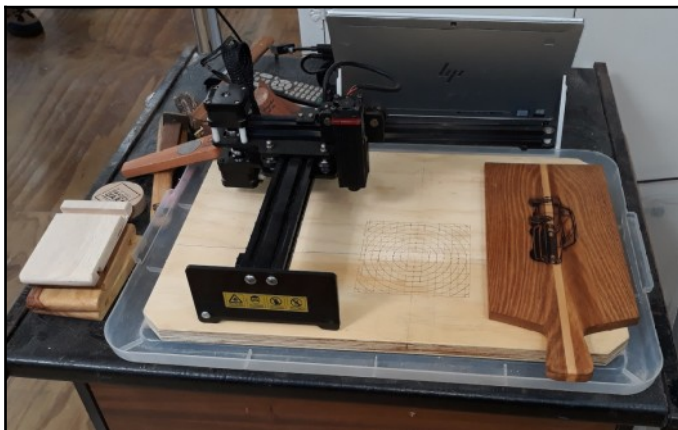
2020 November Show

We are now only a month away from our November 2020 Show. This is your event. Any money we earn goes towards the operation of the Guild, purchases and maintenance of equipment and allows us to keep the annual fees down. So your participation is really appreciated.

- **Volunteers** Thank you to everyone who has already volunteered your services. This request is addressed to anyone who has not already volunteered but is willing to help. Front Desk (taking entry fees), Exhibition Area monitoring, Raffle sellers, Cafe assistance, BBQ, Setup and Take-down of the Hall. Either email me or put your name on the roster sheets which are on a board at the clubrooms. If everyone gets involved we will spread the load.
- **Stallholders** We have 4 trade stands and 14 members stalls plus 2 demonstrators, group demos, Tga Dollshouse and Miniature Club (upstairs) and NAW. Help with tasks outside of opening hours would be appreciated from stallholders.
- **BayBloomz** Our stall at the racecourse is 3m x 3m and will be setup on the Wednesday and manned 09:30 – 5pm on Thurs/Fri/ Sat and 3pm Sunday. There is an opportunity for members to display some members items for sale on this stand. Talk to Trevor Martin if you wish to display there.
- **Exhibition items** We need ALL members to put at least one item of your 2019/2020 work into our exhibition of completed work. Please notify your group coordinator – Turners-Jim Sutherland, Carvers-Phil Hansen, Scroll saws-Glenn Whitaker as soon as possible. We want to know what the items are and their size (so we can make sure we have enough table space).
- **Street Signs** We need someone with a trailer who is willing to setup our 8' x 4' wooden advertising boards at two sites on the Mount / Papamoa side of the city. This needs to be done (on the Council approved Maunganui Rd and Papamoa Beach Rd sites) soon after November 13th. Call Greg.
- **BBQ** We need someone to put up their hand to run the BBQ on Friday November 20th. Call Greg
- **Cafe** We are seeking donations of food to sell in the Cafe. With BOP Art and Garden people visiting us it would be hoped that the café will be busy. Please contact David Monk (021 2688643)
- **Opening Hours** The official opening hours for the BOP Art and Garden Festival are 09:30am – 5:00pm. I appreciate we have advertised 10am – 4.00pm opening but I am sure we can be ready to open at 09:30 and depending on visitor numbers be prepared to extend to 5 pm.

Any good ideas, queries or contributions to make this event a great success – call Greg 021 992446 on greg@taylorbuilt.co.nz or tgawoodcrafters@gmail.com

Guild Meeting



This month's Guild meeting was hosted by the Carving Group. Barwick Harding was unavailable to be there to talk about boat building tools and Alan Sciascia stepped in to show the capabilities of his laser engraving machine. The engraver is made by NEJE <http://www.nejetool.com/>. Alan's machine has a 30W laser with a maximum working area of approximately 150mm x 150mm and this would cost about \$300 today. Larger machines are available with increased capacity and power.

The engraver is not fast, with the platter shown above taking about one hour to engrave. The big plus is the increased value from being able to personalize the product.

Members projects on show at the meeting included the following:



Mike Buck continues his theme on transport models with a nicely finished traction engine



Phil Hansen's abstract head complete with mammoth tusk earring



Derek Kerwood's turned and carved vase with flowers made from Kauri leaves (the fern leaves are plastic for effect)

Group Activities

Group One: Woodcarvers

2nd and 4th Monday of the month. 9:30am – 3:00pm.

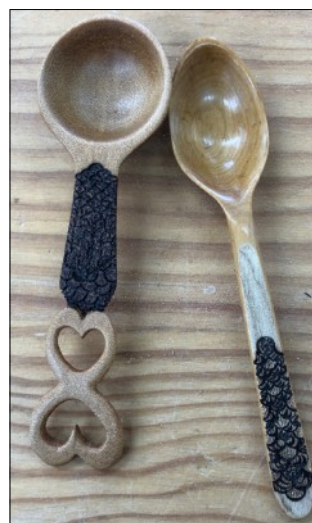
The last two carvers Group meeting have been well attended by 11-12 members. At the last meeting in October we visited a fellow selling slabs of Northland Swamp Kauri from Barwick Harding's old boat building shed. A number of us bought some of the car sized transportable pieces!

Everyone has been continuing with the usual wide range of projects. Plans have been sourced from the Guild's library and our wood carving magazines, or else from online systems such as Pinterest. Barwick and Ivan spent the last session cutting out wood on the bandsaw. Barwick is making a life size carving of a duck, while Ivan has cut the wood to make a standing bear.

Grant Parker continues to experiment with pyrography decoration techniques on his spoons but has begun a new segmented carving of a shell. Geoff Brann was working on two walking sticks, while Jean was developing a new carving of a bird and Chris Barton and Gavin Bell both were working on relief carvings.



Chris Barton's relief carving of an owl



Grant Parker's carved spoons with pyrography

Phil Hansen for Barwick Harding 544 9094

Group Woodturners

Group 4 Hands on Turning - 1st Tuesday at 9:30am

Group Five: Scroll Saw, Marquetry and Intarsia

Group 6 & 7: Open Workshop and Toy Making

Group 4 met on 6th October for a lively hands on session in the morning, including 5 members of the Hauraki Woodturners who were paying us a club visit. All lathes were in use and lots of knowledge was being swapped between the lathe users.

In the afternoon we had Glen Poutney from the Hauraki Club demonstrating for us. He showed how to turn a sphere using the eye chronometer and shadow method and then turn two co-joining eyes into the sphere by holding it in a two piece doughnut chuck. Thanks to Greg Taylor for arranging the demo for us.



Roy Tregilas' nicely finished spalted poplar bowl

Group 4 are the Duty group for the November meeting.

Lawson Worsnop 027 357 2430

Group Five: Scroll Saw, Marquetry and Intarsia

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9.30am

The Scrollsaw Group's October Marquetry project was a 'back to the past' for some of the longer term members, but entirely new territory for 7 others.

Jacob, a recognised Master of the Marquetry craft, had assembled three designs; one for the beginners, a second for that same group once they had cleared the first hurdle, then an advanced rural picture that challenged the memory, patience and skill of the more experienced.

The project kits assembled by Jacob, ranged from 10 to 22 different wood veneers from his store room.

The system Jacob tutors he has developed over years. It follows a clear but simple routine before making full use of a scrollsaw with the subsequent picture assembly process akin to tackling a decent sized jigsaw puzzle.

For many, possibly a once in a lifetime Marquetry creation, however a permanent reminder they can feature on their lounge wall.



Jacob's exquisitely pieced boat on the water.



Allan Curtis' beginner marquetry landscape.

Glenn Whittaker 5480987

Open Workshop

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

The open workshop group has been active on a range of projects and Jenny Bowker has completed a very nicely crafted table and acknowledges the guidance of both Mike Buck and Bill Wilson.



The top is a mix of Tasmanian blackwood, recycled oak and recycled beech glued together. The legs are Tasmanian blackwood with contrasting stretchers. The style evolved as the mitred framing on the top was added to resolve the end grains showing, and the aprons are also mitred. The top was attached using glue and screws, and the legs were joined with dowels. The table was sanded and then finished with layers of Woodoc Indoor Polywax Sealer (velvet).

Allan's Jokes

A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years, while a tortoise doesn't run and does mostly nothing, yet it lives for 150 years. And they tell us to exercise? I don't think so.

These days, I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter ... I go somewhere to get something, and then wonder what I'm "here after".

It was a whole lot easier to get older than it was to get wiser.

(thanks Doug)

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November 2020	Group 4
December 2020	Group 5
January 2021	Group 6&7
February 2021	Group 1
March 2021	Group 5
April 2021	Group 6&7
May 2021	Group 1

GUILD CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2020

Date	Time	Group	Activity
Tue 3rd	9:30 AM	4	Hands on Turning
Tue 3rd	1:30 PM	4	Turners
Wed 4th	9:30 AM	5	Scroll Sawyers
Mon 9th	9:30 AM	1	Carvers
Wed 11th	6:30 PM	6	Open Workshop
Sat 14th	11:00 AM		Committee Meeting
Sat 14th	1:30 PM		Guild Meeting
Wed 18th	9:30 AM	1	Scroll Sawyers
Mon 23rd	9:30 AM	1	Carvers
Wed 25th	9:30 AM	4	Hands on Turning
Wed 25th	6:30 PM	6	Open Workshop
Sat 28th	9:30 AM	6	Open Workshop

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