

# THE PRESIDENT'S PAPERS

**Members Welfare:** Our thoughts are with all of our members who have been unwell. We wish you a speedy recovery.

**Covid:** Our Guild is committed to doing our best to keep members health and safety to the forefront when we work together in our workshop. Please continue to sign in either using the Covid QR scanning code, or the register, when you are in the workshop. We will all be following the advice out of the NZ Government and the Health Department regarding the forthcoming Covid vaccination program in NZ. While the decision about whether to vaccinate, or not, is currently a matter of personal choice our preference is that members are vaccinated against Covid-19.

**NAW AGM:** On June 12th, 2021 (9:30am - 3:30pm) the Tauranga Woodcrafters Guild are hosting the 2021 AGM for the National Association of Woodworkers in our workshop in Tauranga. Attendance is free to everyone - NAW members and visitors. NAW are providing three experienced demonstrators to present demonstrations of different woodcrafts during the day. Our Guild provides the venue, teas and coffee refreshments and will organise a BBQ lunch. More publicity on the AGM event will follow in forthcoming months, but I recommend you put it in your diary now.

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**Scrollsaw Workshop:** Our scroll saw workshop is another event I encourage you to add to your diaries. Laureen Tubby and her team have been doing a wonderful job preparing and organising for the 2021 Scrollsaw Workshop which we are holding on Saturday April 10th (9am - 4pm). The workshop will cover intarsia, bevel and compound cutting as well as fretwork. We have invited participants from throughout New Zealand to attend this well regarded workshop. The registration form can be downloaded from our website, or else please talk to Laureen Tubby, Glenn Whittaker or Allan Curtis. Registration and payments need to be made by the 27th of March.

**Building Warrant of Fitness:** The Building Warrant of Fitness for our workshop is due for annual renewal on 1st of March 2021 and our Independent Qualified Person has been preparing the paperwork for filing with the council.

**Health and Safety:** Health and Safety is a key responsibility for all members while pursuing our woodworking hobby. We are beginning to roll out a programme of running members through the different equipment standard operating procedures as part of our monthly group activities. Both the Turners and the Carving groups have begun.

**2021 Show:** The 2021 Exhibition and Show will be held in the Mount Sports Centre in Mount Maunganui on November 19th, 20th and 21st this year. The hall has been booked. We are proposing that Friday and Saturday will be open from 10am until 4pm, and on Sunday it will be open from 10am until 1pm.

**Tauranga Miniatures Club:** We were delighted to have the Tauranga Miniatures Club come along to our February full Guild meeting. Jan Gee spoke about the activities in her club and then her members had a great display of their current work. It is great to have this synergy happening between the different Tauranga clubs and discover what others are doing.

All the Best, Phil Hansen, President

## **General Report**

#### Monthly meeting



This was a well attended meeting with over thirty members turning up to a presentation from the Tauranga Miniatures Club with eight of their members on hand to display their work. Their skills and ingenuity in crafting miniature scenes was clearly evident and there is a synergy between our craft and theirs. I am sure that members learnt something new.

There was a broad selection of work presented for critique at the meeting. Coincidentally, both Frazer Pengelly and Allan Curtis brought along their versions of the same marquetry project.





Frazer Pengelly's stylised Maori Tiki



Mike Buck with a lazy susan that suggests a hilly landscape



Jake Stemmer's turned purpleheart tray and cherrywood bowl



# **Group Activities**

### **Group One: Woodcarvers**

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

A major job for the Carving group over the last six weeks has been to progress our carving of a vine, with leaves, flowers and seed pods twisted around the four legs of a pyramid. The work is being done by Barwick, Ivan, Geoff and Phil. Each carving will end up being slightly different of course, but then nature is never exactly the same.



We had full attendance of 13 people at our last meeting for February and ran an introductory session on power carving for the group and showed off the range of tools that different carvers have at home - Angle grinders using the Arbiter shaper, Black & Decker's Finger Sander, Arbortec's range of mini power carvers, different Dremels, Carbatec's Archer 230V unit, Brushless Micro Motor carver (up to 70,000rpm), Sabretooth burrs, diamond burrs, small router bits, and woodcarving (milling machine) engraving bits. During the rest of the day different people experimented with the tools on offer to "have a go". Next month, Grant is going to run a training session on the use of pyrography tools.

At the same meeting, Frazer also ran the group of 13 people through the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for safe use of the buzzer (jointer). Then we all completed the safety questionnaire associated with this SOP. We plan to repeat this as part of our training program on the 4th Monday of each month with different items of equipment. In March we will review the circular saw and go through the SOP for that item of equipment.

In addition to these activities, different people were busy with their personal projects. Grant was working to finish a small display bowl for a piece of his son's jade carving, Frazer worked on the restoration of a wooden bear, Chris was cutting out wood on the bandsaw, John progressed his relief carving of a yacht, and Stephanie used a Micro Motor carver to tidy up her "Dove of Peace" carving prior to coating with Danish oil.





Phil Hansen for Barwick Harding 544 9094

#### **Group Woodturners**

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

Woodturners "Hands On " mornings are encouraging new turners but more assistance is required from the "experts" in the club - come along and do some mentoring or show your skills. At our last meeting we had a good discussion on the introduction of the new health and safety program being rolled out and getting members input. This was followed by a photo presentation of Lawson's many visits to USA galleries and shows.



The show and tell had good variety of work and pick of the month went to George Yardley with his lidded box.

Greg Taylor for Lawson Worsnop 027 357 2430

#### Group Five: Scroll Saw, Marquetry and Intarsia

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9.30am

This year, the Scrollsaw Group's members attending workshops have moved from tidying up marquetry projects to personal choice creations with fretwork/scroll pictures, ornate boxes, compound and bevel cutting popular.

The Group's 11th annual Hands-On Scrollsaw Workshop, to which invitations have been sent to all NAW Clubs/Guilds, will be held on Saturday the 10th of April. The event, which will cater for beginners, some experience and advanced attendees, is based around prepared kitsets and with individual tuition provided. Those involved will have a full day ahead of them with breaks for morning/afternoon teas and lunch. Should any TW Guild member wish to enrol in the Workshop please contact Laureen Tubby on 572 0104.



Allan Curtis' marquetry cottage



Bob Ferguson's sailing ship



Glenn Whittaker 5480987

#### Open Workshop

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

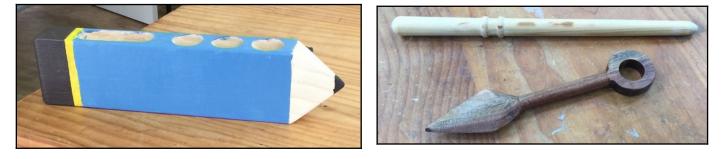


Bill Wilson has been working on a commissioned dovecote. A task that he found particularly challenging. However, he has achieved a very nice result.

Allan Curtis for Jake Stemmer & Bill Wilson 021 160 6380

#### HomeSchool Program

The first session for 2021 was on Wednesday 24th. The students made a variety of items from a magic wand to a scrollsaw butterfly. There was a new student who managed to make a desk tidy pencil & cell phone holder. We have another new student starting next session. Tony Phillips helped today and is happy to help out at the coming sessions. All in all the tutors and the students did enjoy the session with the enthusiasm of the students making the tutors' efforts worthwhile.



Mel Yeates 027 626 2926

#### Allan's Joke

Professional Worrier – from the February 2021 Seasons magazine

David had been extremely anxious for years. It got to the point where his compulsive worrying was ruining his life, so he went to a psychiatrist, who recommend that David hire a professional worrier.

After he'd been working with the specialist for a few months, David's friend John noticed a change. "what happened?" John asked. "You don't worry about anything anymore."

"I hired a professional worrier!" David answered.

"That must cost a fortune," John said.

"Yes, he charges \$3000 a month," David said sheepishly.

"Three thousand dollars! How can you ever afford to pay him?" John Exclaimed.

"I don't know," David said. "That's his problem."

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March 2021	Group 5		
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May 2021	Group 1		
June 2021	Group 4		
July 2021	Group 5		
August 2021	Group 6&7		
September 2021	Group 1		

GUILD CALENDAR FOR MARCH 2021				
Date	Time	Group	Activity	
Tue 2nd	9:30 AM	4	Hands on Turning	
Tue 2nd	1:30 PM	4	Turners	
Wed 3rd	9:30 AM	5	Scroll Sawyers	
Mon 8th	9:30 AM	1	Carvers	
Wed 10th	6:30 PM	6	Open Workshop	
Sat 13th	9:30 AM	6	Open Workshop	
Wed 17th	9:30 AM	1	Scroll Sawyers	
Sat 20th	11:00 AM	Committee Meeting		
Sat 20th	1:30 PM	Guild Meeting		
Mon 22nd	9:30 AM	1	Carvers	
Wed 24th	9:30 AM	4	Hands on Turning	
Wed 24th	6:30 PM	6	Open Workshop	
Sat 27th	9:30 AM	6	Open Workshop	

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