



Merv Griffin's segmented blackbean and oak vase

THE PRESIDENT'S PAPERS

Members Welfare: Sadly I have to report the death of Graham Kehely who was a former member of the Guild. Our thoughts go out to family and friends. We also send our best wishes to all members who are unwell, or recovering from illness. We wish you a speedy recovery.

New Members: We are pleased to welcome Lance Gray as a new paid up member of the guild. It is pleasing to see that we continue to have one or two new members joining the Guild each month.

Tauranga Woodcrafters Guild AGM & Committee Nominations: I would like to notify members that the 2022 AGM for the Guild will occur on 21st May 2022 - with the meeting scheduled to start at 1:30pm. Nominations are sought from members to stand for the committee positions. A nomination form has been placed on the notice board in the workshop (above the Covid scanning application).

Please consider standing for committee and getting involved. Discuss it with the current committee members when you attend your group meetings. We rely on members to step up and volunteer their services to take on the committee positions. A number of the existing committee members have stated they will stand down and are unavailable for re-election in 2022.

a member club of the national association of woodworkers inc.

Constitutional Change is Coming: The Guild operates under the provisions of the Incorporated Societies Act. Our Guild owns the workshop building, the equipment within that building and financial assets which are used to pay the annual operating expenses and for buying new capital plant. The facility is made available to members as a hobbyists workshop. Members of the public can join the Guild by paying the annual membership fee. This then entitles members to meet other hobbyists & to use the equipment within the workshop for the purpose of our wood working hobby.

Administration of the Guild is as prescribed by the Incorporated Societies Act. The procedures and rules we must follow are set out in our Constitution document, which was adopted when the Guild was registered.

Recently, I had occasion to speak with Mark von Daltszen. He is a lawyer who provides legal advice to the NAW and has been involved in the development of constitutions for various incorporated societies in NZ over the years since the Act was passed. Mark flagged to me that changes to the Incorporated Societies Act are working their way through Parliament and when the new law is passed, all the constitutions of the various Incorporated Societies will need to be updated and some new provisions added. We will keep a watching brief on this issue, but it is a matter that a future committee will need to deal with.

Woodcrafters Show & Expo 2022: Greg Taylor continues to progress planning work for our 2022 Woodcrafters Show & Expo, which will be held on 4 days - November 17, 18, 19 & 20 in the Mount Sports Centre. The show committee still needs volunteers for a wide variety of the show tasks. Please contact Greg to offer help.

The costs of running the annual show keep rising. In an effort to maintain the current stall fees the committee is going to make an application for Grant funding to pay the major expense items; hire of the hall, council fees for the street sign locations, EFTPOS machine hire and new date labels for the street hoardings.

NAW Art of Wood Competition 2022: The National Association of Woodworkers are repeating their Art of Wood Competition event. Entries will open on 1st August 2022 and close 15th September 2022. In addition to last year's categories there will be two new categories for the 2022 competition. Namely, Contemporary Wood Furniture and also a Wall Hanging category. When we get more details I will make them available. For the moment; start creating your wood art works now.

2022 / 2023 Subscriptions: Our new financial year begins on April 1st 2022. This means it is time to pay your annual subscriptions to continue your membership of the Guild. If you are a full adult member and pay on, or before 30th June, your Membership Fee is \$70.00. If you pay after 1st July, your Membership Fee is \$75.00. If you are a member of NAW and state your NAW membership number on the Application for Membership Form you may discount your membership renewal payment by \$10. You also need to fill out, sign and date the latest membership form using either one of the paper forms you can find in the unit by the electrical switchboard and members name labels, or the electronic form which can be downloaded from here: <https://taurangawoodcrafters.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Membership-Form-2022.pdf>

New Equipment Purchases: The committee has just purchased two new workshop vacuum cleaners to replace equipment where motors have burnt out. I need to remind everyone that to avoid burning out motors on our vacuum cleaners you must regularly empty the dust compartment (into the waste wood bins by the toilets or into the waste skip outside) and knock accumulated sawdust off the filter capsule. The vacuum cleaners should be used for sawdust only. If you produce shavings or wood chips, please use the broom and shovel to collect these off the floor.

Tulips for Parkinson's Society: Finally, a big thank you to all those members who are making wooden

tulips to give to the Parkinson's Society for them to use as a fund raiser. They sell the tulips at \$5 each. David Monk had the initial idea and has been coordinating things with the Turning group. Greg Taylor has also been promoting it through NAW and a number of other clubs are also now starting to get involved. It is a smart new way that our Guild can give back to the community. Well done to all of you.

Stay Safe, Phil Hansen, President

General Report

Show and Tell

Mike Buck did the critique for this month's projects as well as describing the process of constructing a front end loader from a set of plans purchased from LeeValley who sell the Toys and Joys kits. See <https://toysandjoys.com/67-the-front-end-loader.html> for the front end loader and <https://toysandjoys.com/65-the-excavator.html> for Mike's next project.

Two of the items for critique this month are pictured below.



Frazer Pengelly's beautifully finished German Pointer



Roy Tregilgas described the trials of adding the epoxy "river" to his acacia side table

Demo

Hob Thompson covered a wide range of travels into wood carving over his career. It ranged from Seri Indian ironwood carvings being created with a machete and then hand finished to create beautiful carvings through to teaching young men in Fiji bone carving. Hob learnt how to do bone carving, or scrimshaw, from Google and his teaching of this new skill resulted in a substantial lift in income for the local village.



The Turners Tulip Project



As one of our members – and others in our families – have lived with Parkinsons it is quite appropriate that we support the Parkinson's Action Group (BOP) with their fundraising. The tulip has been adopted as the emblem for Parkinson's since 2005 – to get the tulip story www.parkinsonsnsw.org.au/whats-the-link-between-tulips-and-parkinsons . Les Cheyne, from Pyes Pa, turned the first ones in the BOP and it has caught on from there.

The Turners are backing the project to support their national fundraiser now to be held in November. We have got the timber, cut into 60 mm blocks and aim for 500 (sold for \$5 each) – so let's get turning....



The process – from the left:

- 50 x 50 block cut 60mm long
- Bandsaw cut X 30mm from one end
- Drill 20mm hole in centre X 30mm deep
- Mark sides and bandsaw cut petal shape
- Slide onto 20mm tapered mandrel (we can supply)
- Drill 4mm hole for stem
- Turn the outside to tulip shape
- Tidy up the inside edges. Paint bright Red. (Supercheap Claret or Gloss Red \$5 can) Use green bamboo 4mm for stem.

Any queries come along to Turners hands on sessions and we will show you how.

Call Mel, Mike or Greg - The Tulip Team

Chisel Morticer for sale

Jacob von Holzen wishes to sell his his morticer which includes 1/4", 3/8" and 1/2" chisels. Jacob is willing to accept reasonable offers. Anyone interested should call Jacob on 07 884 6863.



Group Activities

Woodcarvers

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

Lance Gray, who recently joined the Guild, has started attending the Carvers Group meetings. We now have three relatively new carvers as members and Ivan Watchorn is working with them all to teach carving techniques on their projects.

Frazer Pengelly brought along his latest finished piece of work, which is a Pointer Dog frozen with one foot lifted and muzzle locked in the forward direction. He has carved the animal in chestnut and given it his usual quality finish.

Recently the Guild was asked by Creative BOP / Ōmokoroa Public Art Trust whether we would consider submitting an expression of interest to create up to 3 carved relief panels as an art piece for the Omokoroa Library. They want the work made from 5 slabs of black walnut (each approximately 2.7m x 0.4m x 75mm) milled from a tree taken off the Gerald Crapp Historic Reserve. The brief is to create a piece which expresses Omokoroa's unique multicultural identity and is relevant to Omokoroa in some way. The panels will be mounted on a large wall inside the Omokoroa Library and the selected artist(s) will be

paid.

The carving group have discussed this project and agreed to submit an expression of interest. This has been done and the submission is for it to be a Guild project (i.e. not as an individual member).

Creative BOP & the Ōmokoroa Public Art Trust say they will short list candidates to develop a concept design and cost estimate by mid September. There are existing guidance notes from the WBOP Council with ideas and themes for public art projects in Omokoroa. They want the shortlisted artists to talk with the Pirakau Carvers during concept design development. They will select the successful artist to make the piece by end of October 2022. We have been told that more than one artist may be selected to work on a collaborative carving. We consider it is a perfect opportunity to use our skills to create a piece of art work for the local community and for which the Guild will be paid.

Black Walnut is an excellent carving timber and several of our members have carved pieces with this wood. Many wood carvers regard black walnut as second only to Linden in terms of the world's best carving timber. Interestingly one of the concept design challenges with the wood being so dark will probably be the question of how to enable any details in a carving to express themselves without these being hidden by lighting and shadows within the building.

Phil Hansen 027 705 0408, for Frazer Pengelly

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: 4th Wednesday at 9.30am

The morning session was a hive of activity, with five members ripping and sizing pine into blocks for a future session making tulips as a fundraiser for the forthcoming Parkinson's Society.

Other members were busy on the lathes making bowls, lidded boxes and spindles.

Graham Nicholson finished off a very fine Walnut bowl, which could be photographed and entered into the Creative Wood monthly turning competition.

Our afternoon meeting was a real treat with Merv Griffin showing us how to do segmenting and gluing layers together so that they can be turned into a stylish Lidded Urn. He took it home and will bring it back to the Guild's Saturday meeting as a finished article.

I will be AWOL for the next two months as we have booked holidays to Australia (that's if the RATS tests are negative!)

Lawson Worsnop 027 357 2430

Scroll Saw, Marquetry and Intarsia

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9.30am

Of the Group's 15 members, 13 are attending regularly with health issues limiting another. Innovation, using standard design as a basis, is becoming infectious as members look for new ways to express their art form. Leigh's creation using wood scraps left over from previous projects is the latest example. I would describe it as a stockade reminiscent of those built to protect pioneer families against Indian attacks during settlement of America's wild west. Jacob's latest musical jewellery box and marquetry picture of a home and gardens, while traditional, are a tribute to his flawless design and craft skills, while Duncan's collection of animal and native portraits continues to incorporate refinements.



Leigh's tray



Jacob's music box



Jacob's marquetry cottage



Duncan's framed seahorses

Glenn Whittaker 548 0987

Open Workshop

2nd & 4th Sat at 9.30am.

This is an invitation to all Guild members and new members to join me and the regular members of the Open Workshop Group on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month 9.30 am to 2 30pm approximately.

You may be interested in undertaking a project in addition to your specific area of interest and/or expertise. Perhaps you may like to try your hand at a wood project outside your normal Guild activity, whether to enhance your current project or undertake something completely different.

We have room to increase our numbers within the group. I have accepted the role of the supervisor of the Group and we are looking for another person to help if anyone would like to volunteer. My background is in joinery Cabinetmaking etc.

I also see myself not only as a supervisor but also a mentor to encourage both current and new members to handle the range of machinery available safely and confidently. My aim is to discuss objectives, resolve the technical issues involved and assist projects through to completion.

I will make myself available to discuss any of your proposed projects and welcome your participation within the group.

While this invitation has been circulated through the membership list it is also enthusiastically extended to all possible new members who have an interest in wood crafting, mixing with like- minded people, and enjoy seeing the fruits of their labour.

Your fellow woodcrafter, Bill Wilson

Final word

Great things never come from comfort zones.

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Apr 2022	Turners
May 2022	Scrollsaws
Jun 2022	Carvers
Jul 2022	Turners
Aug 2022	Scrollsaws
Sep 2022	Carvers

GUILD CALENDAR FOR APRIL 2022

Date	Time	Activity
Tue 5th	9:30 AM	Hands on Turning
Tue 5th	1:30 PM	Turners
Wed 6th	9:30 AM	Scroll Sawyers
Sat 9th	9:30 AM	Open Workshop
Mon 11th	9:30 AM	Carvers
Thur 14 th		TBA Committee Meeting (via Zoom)
Sat 16th	1:30 PM	Guild Meeting
Wed 20th	9:30 AM	Scroll Sawyers
Sat 23rd	9:30 AM	Open Workshop
Mon 25th	9:30 AM	Carvers
Wed 27th	9:30 AM	Hands on Turning

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