

# newsletter of the tauranga woodcrafters guild inc.



Roy Tregilgas rose to the challenge of turning a resin filled bowl

## THE PRESIDENT'S PAPERS

**Members Welfare:** To all those members who are unwell, or are recovering from illness, our thoughts are with you and we all wish you a speedy recovery.

**Guild AGM News:** Our 2022 AGM was held on May 21st with the election of a new committee for 2022/23. Alan Sciascia and Allan Curtis both stood down from the committee at the AGM. We had 40 attendees including 4 visitors.

Margaret Dekker gave the Treasurers's report, and Phil Hansen provided a President's report. In summary, the Guild remains in a healthy financial position, but expenses keep rising, especially insurance and electricity in 2021/22. These rises were offset by a drop in workshop maintenance costs, probably arising from the covid shutdowns of the workshop. During 2022 we secured grant funding and used income earned by the scroll saw workshop and a project completed by the carving group to purchase \$10,100 of new equipment (Video A/V upgrade, Scrollsaws, and Defibrillator unit).

The following committee was elected for 2022/23: Phil Hansen (President); Greg Taylor (Vice President); Margaret Dekker (Treasurer); Louise Allwood (Secretary); Lawson Worsnop (Turning Group Coord.); Glenn Whittaker (Scrollsaw Group Coord.); and Frazer Pengelly (Carving Group Coord.). This leaves the committee position of Newsletter Editor open, but Allan Curtis has volunteered to continue editing the newsletter outside the committee while he undergoes chemotherapy. I record my sincere thanks to the 2021/22 committee, & office holders. You have done a great job and we all appreciate it. Many others have also volunteered help during 2021/22. We rely on volunteers. Thank you all very much indeed.

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The AGM voted to leave membership subscriptions unchanged for the 2023/24 year. The meeting also gave approval to engage Jenny Everitt to conduct a financial review of the 2022/23 accounts next year.

**Vaccine Pass Restrictions:** Financial members at the May 2022 General Meeting voted 28:8 to approve a motion to rescind the restriction we imposed at the January 2022 meeting to restrict workshop use to people with currently valid vaccine passes.

**Incorporated Societies Act 2022:** A question was asked about what the committee is doing to address the requirements of the new Incorporated Societies Act 2022, which was recently signed into law by Parliament. I flagged this issue was coming in the March newsletter. The new Act requires changes to the constitutions of every one of the 22,000 Incorporated Society in NZ. Everyone is required to re-register and file a new constitution compliant with the 2022 Act no later than 1 December 2025. We have three years to do the work. In the first instance the committee will leverage our membership of NAW through which we have access to legal expertise and can act in concert with the other woodcrafter guilds. This legal expertise is the same lawyer who prepared our current constitution.

**NAW Art of Wood:** The National Association of Woodworkers has just announced the 2022 "Art of Wood Competition". Online entries will be accepted from 1st August - 15th September 2022. Details are available from the NAW website: <a href="https://naw.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Art-of-Wood-Exhibition.pdf">https://naw.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Art-of-Wood-Exhibition.pdf</a>

**Autumn Clean of the Workshop:** We would appreciate volunteers who are prepared to assist with an "Autumn Clean" of the workshop by giving a couple of hours of your time on Thursday June 2nd at the workshop starting at 9:30am.

**2022 / 2023 Subscriptions:** Thanks to all members who have already paid your 2022 / 23 subscriptions. I just want to remind everyone else that membership renewal applications with your payment should be submitted to the committee for approval. If you are a full adult member and you 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. The subscription for Junior members (i.e. 18 to 20 years old) is \$20.

**2022 Show:** The dates for the 2022 Show at the Mount Sports Centre are November 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th. Planning is well advanced.

All the best

Phil Hansen, President.

## **General Report**

#### **Show and Tell**

Members have excelled themselves with the variety and quality of work displayed.

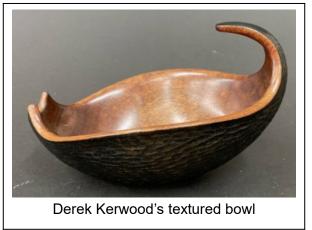




Mike Buck's Loader and elegant box









## **Parkinsons Society Tulips**

David Monk, who is the Chairman of Parkinson's BOP Action Group, would like issue a huge vote of thanks to the members of the club who got behind the tulip manufacture. He says that the support is humbling and that the Society has raised in excess of \$200, in a short space of time, from sales.



# **Group Activities**

#### Woodcarvers

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

A number of members were busy with trips outside Tauranga so our carving group had a slightly smaller turnout for our last meeting. We have had updates on Jean Crabtree who recently broke her hip and has had a partial hip replacement. She has made incredible progress and may even drop in to see the carvers at our next meeting in May.

Ken Brangwynne is a new member of the carving group and has recently completed his first solo carving project, a Griffin, which he carved from banksia wood. Another of our new carving members is Hob Thompson who spoke at the March monthly meeting and showed off his collection of Sere Indian carvings. Hob has just started his first solo carving project, a turtle, which he spent time cutting out during our last group meeting. Hob told us he has "always wanted" a carving of a turtle to add to his collection. It reminds me of what I used to hear from one of my sons when he was a little boy! Anyway, Hob cut out the shape on a bandsaw at the last meeting. It will be a large carving and should look amazing when complete.

Greg Taylor has been adding carving skills to his repertoire and has produced a Hectors dolphin in Chestnut.

Geoff Brann brought along his completed owl carving and also a new walking stick which he has made. Phil Hansen has completed his sculptural figurine of a bronze age archer which is made from kauri.

However, things never stop and everyone is now busy on their new projects.



Hob Thompson's roughed out turtle

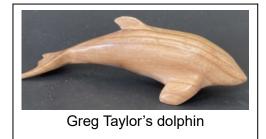




archer



Brangwynne's griffin



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

We have had good attendance at both the morning Hands On turning and the Monthly meetings. This month we had a good look at all of the options for "Chucking", with several members bringing along a range of samples from jam chucks to the Soren Berger vacuum system – and everything in between. Some very interesting observations from all on the merits of each.

Our tulip making is making great progress with more than 200 produced and a good stack of blank blocks for anyone to take away and convert.

A very full show and tell of mostly 6" bowls with the pick of the month going to George Yardley's very nice swamp Kauri bowl. There is some interest in visiting other clubs so that will be added to our program. This months project will be an 8" bowl with embellishment, so let's see a full table again!



Ian Dawkins judging the bowls



George Yardley with his bowl



Jim Sutherland demonstrating

Greg Taylor for Lawson Worsnop 027 357 2430

#### Scroll Saw, Marquetry and Intarsia

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9.30am

The Scrollsaw Group's numbers throughout 2021 – 2022 remained at a steady 13, with Bob in and out on medical recovery, Mel joining to serve his apprenticeship on box making and Mike Buck visiting periodically to add motivation with his latest builds and to offer advice on machine operating techniques and safety issues.

One Group project featured construction of a lidded box led by Jacob, however optional projects across the members spanned marquetry, scroll, intarsia and a range of prototypes based on combinations of them all. Scroll cut pictures featuring new concepts, developed by Gavin, impressed and will feature more prominently in future.

In line with NAW and Guild policy, exercises covering machine operating safety procedures were introduced, however it is a project which will need greater effort in future.

The two long time stalwarts Jacob and Laureen added context to the disciplines being practised; Laureen with her reputation for operational detail and her home made cake and biscuits at lunch time as well as Jacob for his knowledge, professionalism and ability to educate.

Mike Buck visited again this week displaying a final version of his industrial loader and a new version of his talent in box making.

Glenn Whittaker 548 0987

#### **Open Workshop**

2nd & 4th Sat at 9.30am.

Bill Wilson's Open Workshop group on the 2nd and 4th Saturday has been continuing well with 3 to 4 regular members.

Hob Thompson has just volunteered to assist Open Workshop as new Group Leader with meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings of the month. Hob is an ex President of the Blenheim Woodcrafters Guild and recently joined our carving group. Once Hob has fully acquainted himself with the role, by attending Saturday workshops, the Wednesday evening Workshops will be re-established and we will advise members accordingly.

Flynn Hurford (a junior carver) has been attending the Saturday meetings and was working on carving some wooden rings at the last meeting. It is great to see Jenny Bowker who is always busy with her various projects. Sandra Winhoven has just joined the guild and last Saturday was busy making a new letterbox with Bill's help. Hugh Howatson continues to impress everyone with the furniture projects he is doing. The group is also looking forward to seeing another new member, Paul Thomsen.

Phil Hansen for Bill Wilson 021 160 6380

#### Allan's words of wisdom

Experience is what teaches you that you've made this mistake before.

It's better to finish something, even if it's not perfect, than to become so obsessed with perfection that you never finish anything.

Never use the phrase: "In my time." Your time is now. As long as you're alive, you are part of this time. Yes you have been younger, but you are still you now, having fun and enjoying life.

There is no scrap wood, just pieces not yet used.

If you can't find the time to do it properly, how will you find the time to fix it?

It's always easier to ask for forgiveness when buying too many tools than it is to get permission from the wife.

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DUTY ROSTER – 6 MONTH LOOK AHEAD			
Jun 2022	Turners		
Jul 2022	Scrollsaws		
Aug 2022	Carvers		
Sep 2022	Turners		
Oct 2022	Scrollsaws		
Nov 2022	Carvers		

GUILD CALENDAR FOR JUNE 2022			
Date	Time	Activity	
Wed 1st	9:30 AM	Scroll Sawyers	
Tue 7th	9:30 AM	Hands on Turning	
Tue 7th	1:30 PM	Turners	
Mon 13th	9:30 AM	Carvers	
Wed 15th	9:30 AM	Scroll Sawyers	
Sat 18th	11:00 AM	Committee Meeting	
Sat 18th	1:30 PM	Guild Meeting	
Wed 22nd	9:30 AM	Hands on Turning	
Mon 27th	9:30 AM	Carvers	



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