



Derek Kerwood's very cleverly turned bowl with an offset base on the spherical bottom

THE PRESIDENT'S PAPERS

Members Welfare: To everyone who is unwell, recovering from illness, or has family who are sick, our thoughts are with you and we wish you a speedy recovery.

Notice of Tauranga Guild AGM: Another financial year has drawn to a close. I hope as many of you as possible will make the effort to attend our AGM on 20th May at 1:30pm in our Workshop at 3 Cherokee Place. Please consider volunteering to stand on the committee or to take on the many different tasks we have in our voluntary organisation. Volunteers are needed for the newsletter editors task, IT support, various group leaders and the workshop maintenance officer. Nominations forms are on the Notice Board. Nominations will be accepted by the Secretary (Louisa Allwood) up until May 20th, 2023. I advise that as a minimum, motions to set the subscription fees for 2023/24 and also for the 2023/24 budget will be presented to the Guild for voting and approval at the AGM.

National Association of Woodcrafters (NAW) News: The NAW AGM and Demonstration day will be held at The Browns Bay Bowling Club rooms in Auckland on the 27th and 28th of May 2023. It is open to all, but non-members will be asked to pay a \$55 entrance fee to join NAW. Then the additional fee for everyone to attend the demonstrations is \$20/day. You will need to book your spot to attend. Information is in the March 2023 edition of Creative Wood, which you will find in our lunch room library area.

a member club of the national association of woodworkers inc.

NAW plans to run the Art of Wood 2023 Competition and this will be open for entries from August 1st. Information is in the March 2023 edition of Creative Wood.

Group Activities: For any members who don't yet realise it, the Turning group are now running their meetings every Tuesday starting at 9:30am. This is providing a good forum for teaching new members to use a lathe. Any members wishing to learn to turn wood are invited to come along and join the program. Likewise Mike Buck and Roy Tregilgas are continuing to operate their Thursday morning Wood Preparation group. This is aimed at members who want to cut up pieces of wood for any specific project. Mike and Roy, and other senior members attending these group meetings, have a broad base of equipment know-how. So, avail yourselves of this opportunity if you are wanting equipment instruction, advice, help or simply a chat about woodcraft problem solving. Bill Wilson (021 0354553) and Hob Thompson (5422090) are still looking to get more numbers attending Open Workshops on the 2nd and 4th Saturday morning and 2nd and 4th Wednesday evening meetings. Please contact them if you want to come along and participate in the Open workshop group.

Funding Application: I am pleased to advise that with Alan Sciascia's guidance, and Greg Taylor's preparation work, we have submitted a funding application to the Lions Foundation for the purchase of two replacement wood lathes. This was submitted in late March and we are currently waiting for advice on whether we have been successful.

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Phil Hansen, President

General Report

Members' Work

We had a small number of projects presented this month.



Duncan Campbell's compound cut leaves



Hob Thompson's chopping board



Roy Tregilgas' rocking horse for his grandson

Presenter

Frazer Pengelly gave a very thorough presentation on the art of sharpening all types of straight bladed tools from chisels, to plane irons and spokeshaves. From his years of experience Frazer has learnt how to hone his blades at the correct angle without using honing guides (my own experience with roller style honing guides is poor and if you don't have the years to match Frazer's skills I have had a good results with the Sharp Edge diamond hone system www.gsharptools.com).

After honing his blades Frazer would traditionally strop the blade on his hand. Now that his hands are softer he uses a leather disc that fits over his thumb.

Frazer also pointed out that block plane irons should be fitted with the bevel facing up (I had to go and check mine and found that this was indeed correct).

Overall a very well received presentation.

Allan Curtis



Group Activities

Woodcarvers

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

The carvers did not have their first meeting in April on account of the Easter holiday. In any event, Jean Crabtree was preparing for her skydive as a 95 year old. Jump day is scheduled for the 25th April and she is still seeking donations which will go towards sponsoring the purchase of a complex ambulance vehicle. See <https://skydive95.com/>

For the last 12 months the carving group has been responding to an invitation/opportunity for the Guild to carve a piece for a public art project to hang in the Omokoroa Public library. This is a fee earning opportunity for the Guild. After several meetings, and exchanges of ideas with the client's group, we submitted a proposal in April to do the project.

Our proposal is that our artwork will be a representation of the Maori legend of Tane. The three baskets of knowledge, which we have submitted, is very appropriate for a library setting in a multicultural community. Our allocated task will involve a group of Guild members in the making of three sculptural carvings (of the baskets) using black walnut timber taken from a tree felled in Omokoroa by WBOPDC. To help us, we were given a piece of the timber to make a “test piece” carving with an appropriate Maori kete/basket design and pattern. The carving work was done during March and gave us a basis for us developing the fee estimate for the proposal. The proposal has been sent off, and we are now waiting for the client’s review and responses.



Phil has been engaged to produce another racehorse with jockey carving (same client different horse) and the client plans to present it to the trainer mid this year.

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

This last month we have seen that the newer members have moved on from the lower grades of timber and are now trying out Oak, Blackwood , Kauri etc. They have also taken on board advice about aesthetic values and appreciate that curves which may be very subtle, up to those that are quite complex, are more pleasant to look at, instead of using straight lines. This shows real progress in their wood turning journey.

Our other members that are longer in the tooth are also producing some radical pieces and, should you come to the AGM, you will see the fine articles they have turned out!

After the AGM there may be some changes in the way that the club days are run as there will be new leaders for the group. This will freshen things up and provide turners with a new target for their club days.

I am not re standing as I have done numerous stints as rep for the Turners, both in the old club at Greerton, and the present club in our new clubrooms, (having also done the same for the Rotorua Wood turners and Cambridge Woodturners).

Greg Taylor went to the Taupo Jamboree at the Wairakei School hall over the weekend of 14-16 April. Twenty seven turners worked their way through a pile of wood and made plenty of shavings – and some very nice pieces for the competition. The collaboration and co-operation from all there, willing to share their knowledge and skills made for a great weekend. Most turners were having a go at something new. There were good



raffles and Terry and Ron both had full shops to help you empty your wallets. Well catered meals and fine weather made for a most enjoyable weekend. Let's get a few more from Tauranga for next year!

Lawson Worsnop 027 357 2430

Scroll Saw, Marquetry and Intarsia

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9.30am

A steady group of about nine to ten members attend the scrollsaw meetings with most of the members working quietly away on a variety of fret saw projects. We look forward to seeing the completion of their work so that we can all see the fruits of their endeavours.

Garry Webber, one of our newer members, is preparing timber for carving projects, many of which have detailed internal cuts which are not possible to do on a bandsaw. He is challenging himself by cutting out thick designs in hard wood with a scrollsaw. The work is slow and challenging.

June Tito is taking a break from animal designs and is cutting a fret sawn box to one of Jacob van Holzen's designs.

For those who want to be inspired by incredible woodworking artistry look at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qSPob8zm77Q>





Gavin Bell's girl in a
"window"



Jacob von Holzen's
accordion player
automata



June Tito's lion

Allan Curtis for Duncan Campbell 543 2590

Allan's Joke

A holidaying banker is strolling down the street in a small town when he suddenly remembers he had promised to meet a friend at five o'clock.

Unfortunately, his watch had stopped, and he couldn't tell if he was late. He notices a carpenter outside his workshop and approaches him: "Pardon me, sir, but do you have the time?"

"One moment!" says the carpenter as he turns to look up at the sun. He then picks up a stick and gets on his knees to push it into the earth. He pulls out a spirit level, and assures himself that the stick is perfectly vertical.

With a compass, he then locates north and with a steel ruler, measures the precise length of the shadow cast by the stick.

Withdrawing a slide rule from his pocket, the carpenter calculates rapidly, then turns to the banker and says, "It is now exactly 4:39 pm."

"That was remarkable!" the banker exclaims. "But what would you do on a cloudy day when the stick casts no shadow?"

The carpenter rolls up his sleeve, holds up his wrist and says, "I suppose I'd just look at my watch."

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May 2023	Guild
Jun 2023	Turners
Jul 2023	Scrollsaws
Aug 2023	Carvers
Sept 2023	Turners
Oct 2023	Scrollsaws

GUILD CALENDAR FOR MAY 2023

Date	Time	Activity
Tue 2nd	9:30 AM	Turners
Wed 3rd	9:30 AM	Scroll Sawyers
Mon 8th	9:30 AM	Carvers
Tue 9th	9:30 AM	Turners
Wed 10th	6:30 PM	Open Workshop
Sat 13th	9:30 AM	Open Workshop
Tue 16th	9:30 AM	Turners
Wed 17th	9:30 AM	Scroll Sawyers
Sat 20th	11:00 AM	Committee Meeting
Sat 20th	1:30 PM	Guild AGM
Mon 22nd	9:30 AM	Carvers
Tue 23rd	9:30 AM	Turners
Wed 24th	6:30 PM	Open Workshop
Sat 27th	9:30 AM	Open Workshop

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