

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A warm welcome to Tamas Bereczki who has joined the Guild this month.

We have decided to start a Saturday Carving Group, which will be coordinated by Kent Leung, and held on the 1st Saturday of each month. The scheduled dates for this group through to the end of 2024 are October 5th, November 2nd and December 1st 2024 from 9:30am. If any members are interested in attending this group please feel free to drop in, &/or contact Kent on <u>leungkck@gmail.com</u>. Many of those attending will be beginner carvers. They have decided to use the Fossil project (featured in Andrew Thomas' book "Carving in the Round") as a group project and learn together.

A copy of a new Constitution for the Guild, together with Notice of a Motion for this to be adopted by Guild members at our General Meeting on Saturday 19th October at 1:30pm, has been emailed to all members. This document has been prepared to comply with the NZ Incorporated Societies Act 2022. If a compliant constitution is not adopted & registered with the Companies Office we will cease to be an Incorporated Society. Every member now has a copy of the document. Ideally, we would like to submit the Motion and get majority approval at the meeting for the new constitution without having to read the constitution clause by clause. To facilitate this, if members have any objections to specific clauses please email the Guild tgawoodcrafters@gmail.com with your feedback / recommended changes.



This month have had disappointing financial news regarding rising costs. TCC have decided to impose a new annual rates levy of \$2,157 (incl. GST & billed in 2 instalments) on our lease in the Cherokee Place reserve for our waste water connections. Their justification is that we have 3 toilets and they are permitted to do this by the Local Govt. Rating Act 2022. The other cost increase has been the 2024/25 Insurance bill received in August of \$4,428. This represents an increase of 57% over the 2023/24 expense.

I want to remind everyone that for the entire month of November we have a sales exhibition arranged for members in The Old Library Omokoroa (TOLO) building in Omokoroa. The total fee



will be \$300, which we plan to share equally among participants. The exhibition will be staffed by volunteers from TOLO. Please contact Greg Taylor is you want more details.

Our introductory carving class for beginner wood carvers concluded on August 31st and it was rewarding for the instructors to have a group of happy participants showing off their completed work.

Tauranga City Libraries are holding a Hobby Expo in the city library on October 12th from 10am until 1pm. We will use this as an opportunity to promote the Guild's activities to the public.

At our September monthly meeting we were treated to a demonstration by Emma James-Ries taking an audience of members through her techniques, tips and tricks for decorating wood art.



She used pyrography to draw the outline of each shape, and then used Lyra Rembrandt Polycolor pencils to apply shading within the outline. She built up shades of colour starting with the lightest colour & working through to darker colours (e.g. yellow first, then orange, then brown) and blended colours together with her fingers. Emma also demonstrated how to apply water based inks onto other parts of her pattern (the leaves in the photo). Pyrography helps to keep the ink from bleeding outside the boundary of the shape outlined with burn lines. A trick she offered was to start by wetting the surface of the pattern where you plan to apply ink, because this helps the colours to merge over the surface and

avoids showing brush strokes.

The Guild plans to hold a 2-day introductory turners training workshop based on the NAW training module in the near future. We anticipate their will be a fee to do the workshop. Our aim is to make the successful completion of this workshop a prerequisite for anyone wanting to use a lathe (because of the inherent risks associated with using a lathe).

Finally, we are pleased to report that our Guild has submitted 15 entries to Art of Wood 2024.

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Above: A selection of photos of Members recent craft work.



OCTOBER CALENDAR

Carvers	9.30am	7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
Saturday Carvers	9.30am	5th
Turners	9.30am	1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th
Thursday - Openworkshop	9.30am	3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st
Scrollsaw	9.30am	2nd, 16th
Open Workshop	9.30am	Saturday 12th, 26th
Guild monthly meeting	1.30pm	Saturday 19th

DUTY ROSTER

October	 Scrollsaw
November	 Thursday Group
December	 No Meeting
January	 Guild

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