newsletter of the tauranga woodcrafters guild inc.



This Cross has been carved by Garry Webber from an original piece of a beam salvaged from the Christchurch Cathedral.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A warm welcome to Marry Norris, Vaughan Anderson, Alan Paterson, Milli Lovell and Barbara Steen who have joined the Guild this month. We now have over 90 Members.

I am pleased to report that adoption of a new Constitution, complying with the NZ Incorporated Societies Act 2022, was unanimously approved by Guild Members attending the October General meeting. This will now be submitted to the Registrar for approval and Reregistration of the Guild as an Incorporated Society under the new Act. It will apply once accepted by the Registrar.

Congratulations to Rob Gubb who was awarded 2nd Prize as the Best New Woodcrafter in the Art of Wood NZ 2024 Exhibition for his segmented Tall Vase.

We have decided to host a BBQ lunch and have a Woodcraft Exhibition and End of Year Social for Members, Member's family and friends at our Workshop on Saturday November 16th (from Noon until mid afternoon). PLEASE PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR CALENDAR. Tref Roberts (President -National Association of Woodcrafters) will attend and he is bringing down a selection of entries from the NZ Art of Wood 2024 Exhibition for display. I want Tauranga Guild Members to also bring along the best of our local work made during 2024. Please spread the word around to your friends and neighbours that they are welcome to come along to see a display of the best of woodcrafting work from across NZ and from the local Tauranga Guild. Invitation to join us for this occasion have been extended to woodcrafters from affiliated NAW guilds so they can also enjoy the Exhibition.











Mike McCarthy is coordinating a Members sales event being held in The Old Library Omokora (TOLO) during November. Participants need to bring their work to TOLO at 10am on Monday 4th November to setup.

The Guild's Thicknesser is currently out of operation until a new On/Off electrical switch arrives. We participated in a Hobby day in the downtown library on Saturday 12th October to promote the Guild to members of the public. Greg Taylor is organising a "Train the Trainers" session and has booked the Workshop for Saturday November 30th and Sunday 1st December for this activity.

Disfruta de tu artesanía en madera - Phil Hansen, Chairperson

lan Howell was the speaker at our monthly Guild meeting in October, on the topic of Laser Cutting and how he designs and then makes his own clock designs. Most clocks have the gears hidden away in a small black box at the back. Ian's work aims to have a dynamic display with the planetary gear set and mechanism all visible and moving in front of the viewer's eyes. Some of his clocks are made completely from wood, others from perspex and others are a hybrid of both materials. Ian's Laser is at the larger end of hobbyists equipment costing over NZ\$8,500. It is a 50W CO2 laser (Beambox Pro)

made by Flux, with a 600 x 375 mm work area, and

weighs 48kg. Check out the selection of lan's

commercial work at his web site.

https://www.ianhowellart.com/ or contact him on ian.howell.art@gmail.com







Photos of lan's unique clock designs plus some of his other laser cutting work, which he displayed at our meeting.

















Photos of October's group activities, group training & member projects. (The picket fence was Tamas' project & is being used by his wife and children).

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

DUTY ROSTER

Carvers	9.30am	4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
Saturday Carvers	9.30am	2nd
Turners	9.30am	5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
Thursday - Openworkshop	9.30am	7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
Scrollsaw	9.30am	6th, 20th
Saturday - Openworkshop	9.30am	Saturday 9th, 23rd
Guild monthly meeting	1.30pm	Saturday 16th

November	 Guild
December	 No Meeting
January	 OpenWorkshop
February	 Carvers

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