



Our own Ron Gubb and one of his segmented bowls from Art of Wood 2025 is our photo model of the month (the bowl not Ron).

Presidents Blog

October for us is definitely Art of Wood. Thanks to our club members who entered. By having 10 entries we get the opportunity to see many of the pieces in person. So we need to get started on ideas and crafting for next year's entries. We had a great turnout to this year's viewing. Thanks to Tref Roberts (NAW President), Connie der Walt and Dick Veitch for bringing it to life for us - over 60 pieces were on display. We appreciate your effort in this. I would also like to say thank you for those who help with set up and put back as well as making the all essential cuppa and cakes available. Fellowship over a bite to eat seems to be so much more.

We now move into that time of year when we start turning our minds to Xmas. What can we make for family and friends? NAW saw a gap where many families cant afford toys and initiated Project Pinocchio. Wood crafted toys that can be passed onto support organisations to assist on to provide cheer. The toys don't have to be complicated but do have to be child safe. For a club our size 3 toys from 50 members can make a huge contribution. We have a range of skills - turned toys, jigsaws or animal shapes, woodsy style carved people - are all possibilities we could make for next Xmas. I still remember the wooden toys I played with as a child.

We have new members so please welcome : Brenda Cook.

Ron Wallace Wells from TreeWorx Matamata will be visiting our Guild meeting in November so you will have opportunity to sort out your sandpaper needs etc for the next few months.

People are looking for opportunities to do more and making it happen. The Scroll-saw group have decided to now meet every Wednesday (Previously fortnightly). The last group who went through Greg's turning course felt they weren't getting time to make enough shavings . As a number are still working they organised alternate Wed evening sessions and thanks to Roy who goes along to provide experience support and guidance when needed as people learn to ply the tools safely.

Upkeep is ongoing. Geoff managed to get us a couple of bottles of free Wet and Forget in a giveaway - so if someone could put their hand up to spray down the back wall and roof it would be appreciated. We just have to take some before and after photos

The Maintenance team have been kept busy. The Hafco lathe is operational again, we had to replace not only the belt but a pulley set as there was a chip out and jagged edges which contributed to early belt deterioration. The slippery floor surface has been rough sanded. We have had to buy new blades for 3 of the bandsaws - so please let the tool do the work - don't force thinking it will go faster. The joiner blades have some big chips out so we will have to take apart and get sorted out - time, effort, disruption and cost! So reminding that the club rule is no recycled or painted timber to be presented to club equipment

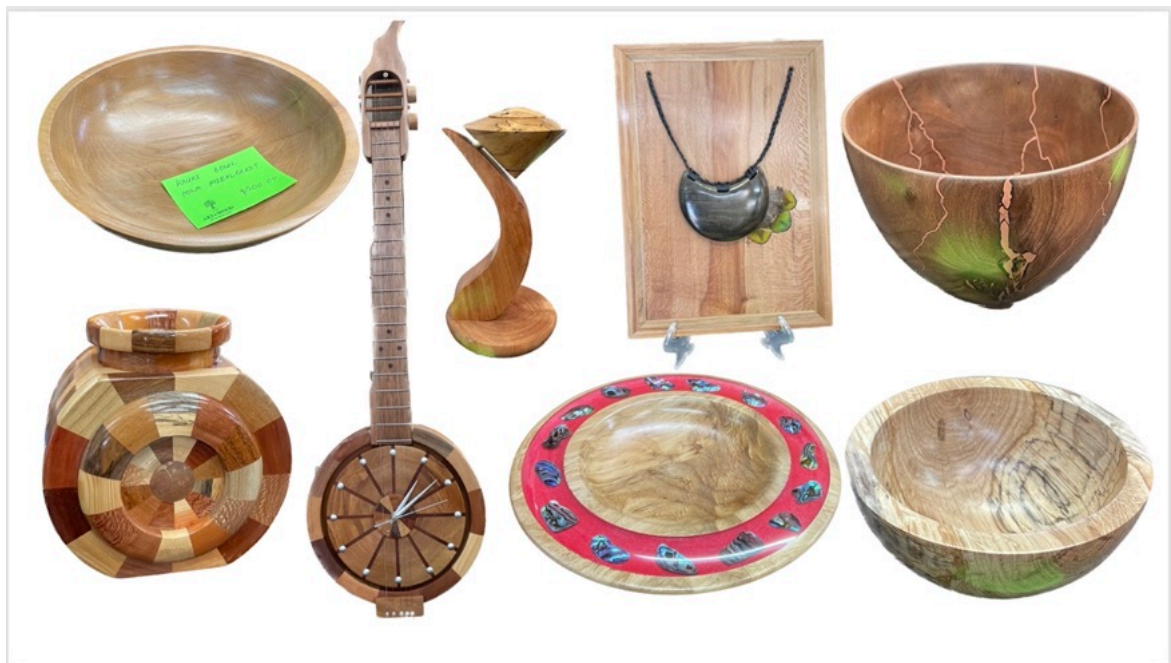
Finally if you do change your email address please send through details to the clubs email address as it is easiest place to pick up. If you know someone who is not receiving the emails or newsletter please get them to send through their correct email so we can pickup.

Regards Paul

Art of Wood 2025 Featured

In this months newsletter we will feature the display of pieces of Wood Art from Art of Wood 2025 that 56 members and visitors were able to admire on display in our workshop on Saturday 18th October.







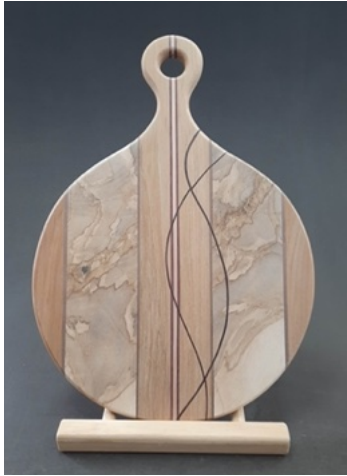


And although they were not entered in Art of Wood 2025, we conclude our display of recent work with photos of two more items of inspiration for club readers. which were made by Bob Stirk from Whakatane.



Scroll saw Group

President Paul has noted that the Scrollsaw Group at a meeting held recently attended by eleven of its members, decided to extend its meetings beyond each first and third Wednesday in the month to every Wednesday. The move brings the group in line with the Guilds other major activity groups and is welcomed by the majority of its members. It was also welcomed by retired women who are not now restricted to two just two workshops a month.



The group lost highly active and innovative member Leigh recently who moved house to Levin for family reasons. His departure has deprived the Team of first class craftsmanship and leadership.

The photos are of Mike Buck's breadboard and Jason von Holzen's building.



Woodcraft Workshop (previously "The Thursday Group")

After searching for a name that more accurately identifies the purpose of the previously called 'Thursday Group', creators Mike and Roy have, with the support of the Team, decided on _Woodcraft Workshop.

It is aptly named as the Woodcraft Workshops as Thursdays have evolved into a creative hub of activity with scroll saws, lathes, bandsaws, sanders, drill presses and all the real heavy cutting equipment in use preparing timber from logs down, in readiness for "creative woodcraft". Managing the safety of workers, the care of equipment and ensuring access to equipment is shared among users, are priorities.

NOVEMBER 2025 CALENDAR

Carvers	9.30am	3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th
Saturday Carvers	9.30am	1st
Turners	9.30am	4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
Woodcraft Workshop	9.30am	2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th
Scrollsaw	9.30am	5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
Saturday - Openworkshop	9.30am	8th, 22nd
Guild	1.30pm	Saturday 15th

DUTY ROSTER

November		Scrollsaw
December		No Meeting
January		TDA
February		Woodcraft

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