



**Greg Taylor's
'Emergence'**

Presidents Blog

The year is going by so fast!

We have the Art of Wood exhibition coming up in October instead of our usual Guild Meeting. Please invite friends and family to this free event. The quality of items will be extremely high. Our own members put in a good number of entries and we wish them every success, but que sara - it's a great learning experience. We are hoping members will bring a plate on the day to help host our guests. We are inviting other BoP clubs to continue the camaraderie we have built.

Preparations are also underway for this year's TOLO exhibition out at Omokoroa through November. It's a great way to promote the club and possibly make sales. Good examples of our work are needed. If you have something that can go on show please contact Greg Taylor and he can provide the necessary paper work. It's a good chance to dig out those nice pieces that you have held onto but maybe need to release as you think to the future and maybe downsizing.

In November also we will have a BBQ instead of a Guild meeting. Given the wide range of dietary needs we are going to keep it simple - we will provide the sausages - you bring those other things you like and can eat. please refer any questions to Gary Webber.

And finally - what do you miss out on if you don't attend the monthly guild meeting?


FREE
ART OF WOOD EXHIBITION 2026
SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER
11.00AM - 2.00PM
Tauranga Woodcrafters Guild Inc
3 Cherokee Place, Mt Maunganui


Photos are of 2025 Entries

Everyone Welcome
Tea and coffee provided by
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This month members brought along 30 completed projects. Chess boards, Chess sets, Small decorative shelving, a big half barrel, Mood Owls, Gonks, some turned pieces, a carved Tui, creative pieces combining metal parts and wood; the piece d'resistance was Greg's Art of Wood entry, a sculpture he has called "Emergence".

A common theme amongst the creators was that they had consulted with many of our experienced hands which helped them stretch their skills - and we could conclude that they were successful.

Keep trying those different things. Challenge your comfort zone and expand your creativity. It can be a frustrating journey but oh so satisfying when you succeed.

Paul Glenton

FIRE - Our Biggest Risk

We had a near miss this week. What should have been a simple couple of cuts on the table saw got exciting when a lot of smoke started coming out. Luckily quickly spotted and actioned.

But as the cause was investigated it became very clear that basic processes of using dust extractors every time is not happening. Equipment is not being cleaned regularly and build up is occurring. How do we know this? Look at the photos - the sawdust was well packed. The table saw is known to have problems clearing sawdust even when connected up to an extractor.

How can you help? If you have been using the equipment take responsibility to check for build up - don't assume someone else or the workshop leads will do it.

Which leads on to the next question - have you registered where the fire extinguishers are? If you don't know make it your first task next time you are in the workshop - they are located by both exit doors.

Thanks for your assistance
Your President



Tuesday Turning

Things are going well with great turnouts and lathes in heavy use. While people work on their own projects we also have a group challenge 3x3 to deliver in Oct - 3 Christmas trees, 3 gnomes/ gonks and 3 mood owls (turn the head to show different moods).

These challenges provide a bit of competitive fun, test us to try something new and provide learning opportunities as we hear and share everyone's trials and tribulations.

Personally I find that I get into a zone and end up making more than needed that I can then share around. It's fun to add variation though my own bits of creativity (or as my kids put it - Dad's being zany). Key to me is discard those negative "I can't do that" thoughts when first hearing the brief and start thinking "whats involved?" and "how can I?". Then a few practice / prototypes / pieces to the bin.

Here are a couple of photos of a Parliament of Owls and a Drozny of Gnomes that came out of my playing around on this challenge. Looking forward to seeing the creations from the rest of team in October. - Paul



Thursday Woodcrafters



Over the last month the Thursday group has learned how to use a Router to clean up an uneven slab of wood. Mike Buck had been asked to create a flat piece of wood to mount some coins into.

Mike borrowed a large frame from Roy Tregilgas and fitted it with a purpose built slide to accommodate his router. The piece of wood with its live edge was then levelled off in the frame by many passes of the router.

The other members worked on completing their projects using the Lathes, Scroll Saws, Bandsaws and many hand tools.

Carvers

We had a small presentation at our Monday carving day for John Harrison, who bravely instigated several of us taking up the Tui challenge. John has now completed one for each of his daughters, so we decided he deserved a little something in return.

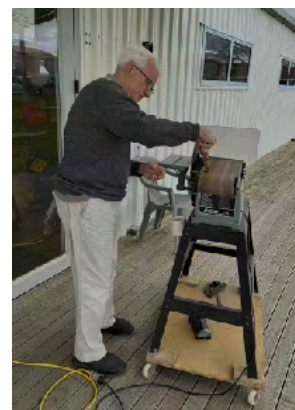
He was awarded the now famous Tui Cushion, a lot fluffier than the wooden type and, best of all, absolutely no splinters. - Sandra



Scrollsaw group

There has been a real variety of projects this month. And we have some Warriors supporters judging by a few projects seen on the scroll saws (- we need some photos Mark C).

On the first Wednesday this month Jacob brought along Janice, Patricia and John from the Hauraki Woodturners Club so Roy could offer his expertise on a scroll saw they brought along. They joined us for morning tea and we enjoyed a very pleasant morning sharing project tips and information.



Open Workshop

Saturday's open workshop has been busy with many different projects going on.



September's Guild meeting display of work



Please send your monthly group and club related news and photos
to Diane - 1leejohns6@gmail.com

October 2026 CALENDAR

Carvers	9.30am	Mon 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
Saturday New Carvers	9.30am	Sat 3rd
Turners	9.30am	Tues 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
Scrollsaw	9.30am	Wed 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
Woodcraft Workshop	9.30am	Thurs 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th
Saturday - Openworkshop	9.30am	Sat 10th, 24th
Guild	1.30pm	Sat 17th

GUILD DIRECTORY

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DUTY ROSTER

October		Turners
November		Scrollsaw
December		No Meeting
January		No Meeting
February		Thurs Woodcrafters
Mar-27		Carvers
Apr-27		Sat. Openworkshop
May-27		AGM
Jun-27		Turners
Jul-27		Scrollsaw
Aug-27		Thurs Woodcrafters
Sep-27		Carvers

Duty Roster Responsibilities:

- Catering - tea, coffee and snacks/baking.
- Set up seating and pack up afterwards.
- Arrange a talk, demo or guest speaker.
- Advise the president 2 weeks prior so it can be advertised for interest.

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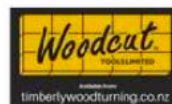
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