

Waverley Woodworkers Inc.

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Newsletter

Our Mission: To create wood craft items in a supporting, diverse, friendly, sharing environment.

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From the President—Ray Ffrench

Easter Friday Club will be Closed

If you are going away I hope the weather is kind to you. For those of us that are hanging around the club will be closed on Good Friday, but it Business-as-Usual for all the other days.



Get you bids in as it closed on Thursday 13th of April.

Community Activity with Bunnings

Bunnings Notting Hill held a Kids Activity night for Easter. Thanks to John Watson, Joe Sullivan, Steve Fyfield and Fiona Cooper who represented the club at this event. Cutting Boards and Pencil Holders were sanded and decorated.

April - Club night 6.45pm ready for a 7pm start.

Reminder that the next club night is April 12th. Guest speaker is our own Jan Lacki. It should be interesting. Get there early for a coffee/tea and a cake. And please bring along some items for the Show and Tell. It is always good to see what people have made.



APRIL Club Meeting Wednesday, 12 April 2023 at 7:00pm

Jan Lacki, a club member Newscattle Airport

Followed by Show & Tell Visitors Welcome

Pinewood

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Waverley Woodworkers wish to thank for your ongoing support for our projects.

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CCTV in the Workshop

We are waiting for the final approval from the council.....expected soon. When we go live, additional signage will let you know that it is up and running.

Securing the Driveway

We have verbal approval to do something.... but it will become clear when we sign the actual agreement. We are expecting to bring the driveway onto our lease as the first step.

Model Train and Hobby Show Weekend 11-13 March

We had 10+ volunteers who attended the Train and Hobby Show at **Sandown racecourse.** The committee would like to thank everyone for donating their time to promote our club in that show.





Hearing Protection

Please pickup and sign for your FREE ear muffs.

From April 1st, members are expected to wear hearing protection while in the machine rooms.

Welcome new club members Cameron Van-Lane, Harrison Coe & Michael Chen



have attended the Safety Induction over the past month.

Our new members need encouraging advice and support with how to do their projects in a safe way.



Waverley Woodworkers wish to thank Bunnings for ongoing support for support of our Community Projects of Toys for Kids.

March Club Night guest speaker David Young

Ray Ffrench opened the meeting to the 20 members present with an update on the driveway major project. The council is considering the implications to WW covering and gating the driveway to increase our footprint. The meeting is/was 9/3/23.

6 members who had not been to a club night before introduced themselves. Geoff, Ken, Roger, Geoff Spink, Richard and Russell welcome to the group!

Tony Lowry updated us on the table saw extension to handle longer sheet stock and the router upgrade soon to be completed. Tools sales from donated tools has made revenue of approx. \$1,500.

<u>The volunteers lunch</u> was a great success with 16 attending made up of volunteers, 20 year members and life members. At the end of May a Duty Member lunch is planned and in August a ladies lunch is planned.

Brian Downie said the toy group is up to speed again with some 17 members and over 500 toys were made and handed out in 2022. The focus has always been kindergartens and play groups and in the future other recipients will be found to hand toys directly to the needy youngsters via charitable groups.

David Young was the guest speaker.



David warned us all about the perils of planes. Not aeroplanes and not the sharpness of woodworking planes but the addition to collecting planes. He is smitten by these tools and seems to be buying as many as he can socially and legally afford. David was a previous member who set up his own industrial unit to do woodworking. Living the dream!

The one key David said about planes is they must be sharp, really sharp, exceptionally sharp and your life will be enhanced.

Australia has plane makers still, who would have thought that! The Rolls Royce of planes is Norris and there are so many other manufacturers around the world producing, but not limited to, the following types of planes.

Shoulder planes, chariot planes, Lancastershire rebate plan,

coffin shaped plane, jointing plane, moulding plane, block plane and many more.

Excellent questions on sharpening and other subjects were asked.

Thank you David for a great presentation.



Waverley Woodworkers wish to thank Senator Raff Ciccone for his ongoing support especially with the printing of club documents.

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1. Router Tables

The recently replaced router lift and router motor into the router table is performing well and member feedback is very positive.

Work is proceeding on the build for the portable router station - the lift and motor will be identical to the fixed router table and ensure consistent work procedures. We hope to have it operational by the end of April.

2. Drum Sander

As previously indicated, we have isolated the rear drum and fitted 180 grit abrasive to the front roller.

A reminder that this machine:

- Is intended only for fine finishing sanding; it is NOT a thicknessing machine;
- It works best sanding a wide flat surface. An open box or hollow picture frame is likely to tear the abrasive.
- Requires the duty member to unlock it AND check the condition of the abrasive. It should be cleaned by the duty member as required. When you finish use you must have the duty member recheck/ clean if required and lock the machine.
- Should be cleaned down of sanding dust on the table and surrounding floor area.

3. Use of metal detectors on ALL reclaimed timber

We have noted recent damage to the thicknesser table and at least one carbide cutter which can only have been caused by metal passing through the machine.

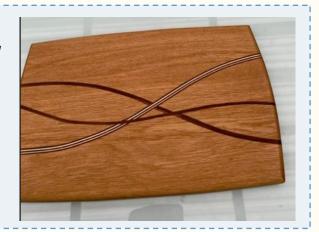
We provide metal detectors at the Jointer, thicknesser and the table saw and these MUST be used thoroughly to check these Timbers for any embedded metal objects (nails, screws, staples, etc)

4. Replacement of the two large round rubbish bins

We will shortly replace these with pedal operated bins to assist in rubbish disposal- this is as a result of duty member feedback.

Bruce Dobbie

Multi-purpose **kitchen bread Board/ chopping board** in Oak, walnut and pine.



As you will know from previous newsletters, we have been developing a range of introductory videos for the wider variety of machines we have at the Club. We believed that it was well worth the effort of creating a video on the safe use and function of each of these excluding the lathes currently.

This has been a mammoth task by a number of the Club Committee and others and we will have the final videos compiled in the next month then we will release these for all members.

These videos will deliver a number of objectives:

- They will form the first part of the induction process where new members can sit and interact with these in the comfort of their home or office before coming to a wholly practical induction session at the Club.
- They will be used as a Refresher for all of us continuing Club Members every 2 years so we can remind ourselves of the attributes of each machine to provide a continuous reminder of the safe operation of the machines.
- They will be extended over the next 2 years to include the use of a range of jigs and other practices helping everyone to learn more about what can be achieved with the machines that they are currently not aware of because we have some very talented and skilled members who have developed a range of techniques to advance all our skills.

Starting in May, this new process will be used as the introduction for all new members.

Karen MacFarlane

Food Platters

Timbers - Blackwood, rock maple, and Fijian mahogany. Finished with walnut oil.



Hello Members,

Last month in a direct email, we asked you to update your information so we can keep our records current.

43 of the 120 members answered and so I thank all those members. To the 43, please, no further action is necessary.

To the other 70 or so members please follow the instructions below and send me your details so I can make sure all our records are current!

Please copy and paste the email address below into a new email and confirm the details below.

waverleywoodworkers.members@gmail.com

Name:

Address:

Mobile #

Emergency contact name:

Mobile #

Do you have a working with children card? (This is becoming a requirement for those who volunteer)

Many thanks for taking a few minutes to help us update member details.

Ian Holt

PERMANENT DAMAGE TO 10MM BEVEL EDGE CHISEL

On 18 /3/23 the Duty Member reported the above. Not the first time by far.

After workshopping around 40% of members, on the care of sharpened chisels and plane irons, the shameful practice of removing excess wood glue, with a chisel, still persists.

To re-establish this chisel to a workable condition will take far longer (if ever) than the time our member took to remove some glue.

The reason:- As PVA Wood Glues are water based, oxidation causes metal corrosion (called rust) of the chisel surfaces. This can be seen as microscopic pitting, similar to acne damage to the skin, and is particularly critical to the back surface of the chisel. If, the chisel was resharpened, without correcting the damage, the cutting edge would look like a garden rake (as under a magnifying glass), thus diminishing the overall efficiency of the paring process.



How To Fix:- To physically remove acne, after the damage is done, is a long and costly process.

Therefore, it would be easier to replace the chisel than to spend hours lapping the back face, back to normality. In this case the member did not even wipe the glue from the chisel. Too busy.

Unfortunately, this practice is common within the workshop. If you or the Duty Members see this being done, please ask the member to only use the Red Handled Chisels for removing glue or alternatively, bring your own chisel for this purpose. If members are inconvenienced by chisels absent from the racks, it is because the chisel has been pulled from service.

The solutions are to treat your and other members tools with respect, bring your own or don't complain when your fees go up to replace damaged equipment.

It is also obvious that members are using hammers on the ends of chisel handles, hence the chipped wooden glue chisel handles. If you must belt it, use a wooden mallet.

Peter Clunas, Volunteer Sharpener.



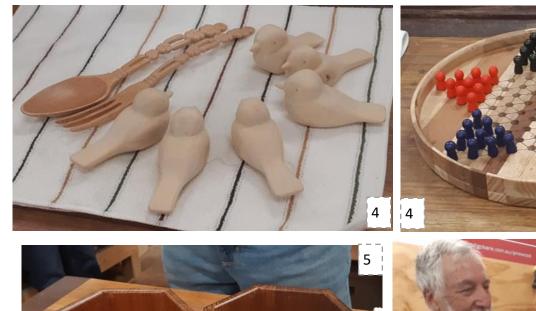








- 1. Ian Heffernan turned bowl and stand
- 2. Russell Painter Cutting board, knife bowl and box
- 3. **Skye Dobson** 2 cedar jewelry boxes, inlaid chess box, Trivet, fine hall table













- 4. Thanh Duong fine hand carvings, carved birds and Chinese Checker set
- 5. Tony McLaughlin Hexagonal boxes
- 6. Ray Ffrench Whiskey gift box with glasses and space for 2 bottles
- 7. **Brian Downie** showed and explained the laser cutting system used to produce multiple toy bus bodies.

Special Interest Group Turning

SHOW & TELL - March 2023

















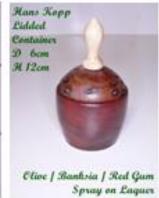
























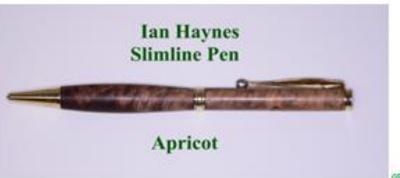












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John Watson	Secretary, Public Officer
David Keynton	Treasurer
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Trevor Brooks	Box Kits Co-ordinator—Workshop Environment
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Ian Holt	Membership, Workshop Video's
Ian Bell	Web co-ordinator
Others	
Norman Bye	Machine Maintenance
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Thanh Duong	Monthly newsletter
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Geoff Allen	Wood Turning Classes
Frank Duyker	Wood Carving Classes

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