

## Waverley Woodworkers Inc.

Newsletter

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



# Volunteers / Recognition Lunch

From the President—Ray Ffrench

The lunch to recognise **our Life Members, Re**tired Members and also members over 80

years of age (our seniors!) was held at the club on Monday 27 Feb at 12:30.

All those invited but one attended and had a great lunch and plenty of chit chat ensued. Thanks to everyone for coming and thanks to Tony Lowry for assisting me in preparations and the excellent meal.

Some pictures of the occasion below. The next lunch will recognise our fantastic **duty members** – watch out for more information in future newsletters.

March Club Meeting Wednesday, 8 March 2023 at 7:00pm David Young, a club member Plane Speakin' Ian Bell, a club member Machine use safety Videos

> Followed by Show & Tell Visitors Welcome





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Waverley Woodworkers wish to thank for your ongoing support for our projects. 65 Centreway, Mount Waverley VIC 3149 Phone: (03) 9886 6477

## 2023 Club Nights are back

The committee has decided that we will have club nights on the Second Wednesday of the month at 7pm. March, April, May, September, October and November. We have found that members are too busy during the summer months and it is just too cold and miserable to go out during the winter months. And plan to arrive from 6.45pm, in time to have a coffee or tea and a piece of cake.

<u>March Guest Speaker</u> will be David Young and his topic is PLANE SPEAKIN'. David is an ex-member. He was an auctioneer and is now a furniture restorer/repairer. He has a collection of about 100 hand planes and will bring along a variety of planes to show us. Also on the agenda is Ian Bell who has been making a series of videos Introducing our machines and showing how to use them safely.

**Do not forget to bring along some of your projects for Show and Tell.** Also have a look at the Bargain Table, full of tools usually \$1 to \$5 each.

<u>April Guest Speaker</u> will be our very own Jan Lacki. Jan has been working on the redevelopment of the Newcastle Airport Facility. The Newcastle Airport shares the airspace with the RAAF Williamstown Base, the home of the F35's, etc. and shares the area with the local Worimi people.

## Solar - Saving Money, Saving the Planet

We have just had our first quarterly bill for electricity with our Solar in use for the full period. It was for the highest generation quarter, but the results were outstanding. Our bill for the same period last year without solar was \$537, and this year with solar it was \$39.



### Waverley Woodworkers Little Library

The council has approved us installing a Little Library in front of our building. It will be constructed by Tony *McLachlan* and painted by *Thanh Duong*. We plan to put space *Woodworking Magazines* and books in the library as well as promotional material about our club. We would hope to have it installed during **May**.



Welcome new club members James Mc Gregor 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.

**BUNNINGS** warehouse

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

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#### Train and Hobby Show at Sandown racecourse March 11th, 12th and 13th.

Waverley Woodworkers will be having a display and information table at this hobby show and we need members to spend just a couple of hours on the table to pass out our information and talk to interested parties. We would like 2 members for each of the time slots.

Great opportunity to see the other exhibitors in this show.

Please decide a slot with your choice on the attached sheet

and email Ian Holt at <u>waverleywoodwork-</u> ers.members@gmail.com.

A name badge will be provided for access on the day.

Thank you.



Ian Holt

Sandown Racecourse enter via gate 2 only				
Volunteers n	eeded to man th	e table during the	show.	
Please add y	our name in the t	ime selected belo	ow.	
Friday March 10th - Set up			4pm to 6pm - Set up	
			Ian Holt	
Saturday March 11th 10am 10am to 12md	<u>- 6pm</u> 12md to 2pm	2pm to 4pm	4pm to 6pm	
Sunday March 12th 10am - 10am to 12md	5pm 12md to 2pm	2pm to 5pm		
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Waverley Woodworkers wish to thank Senator Raff Ciccone for his ongoing support especially with the printing of club documents. 1A Blackburn Rd, Blackburn VIC 3130 Phone: (03) 9894 2098

#### Router Table Upgrade is STILL coming

The workshop router and router lift plate assembly were scheduled for replacement late February. Due to some accessory parts not available in time it will now occur during March.

We have purchased a spindle motor and a 4 post lift which will require refresher use sessions to duty members and general members. Further info will be provided as we introduce it into work.

#### New Projects

- 1. The next **new workbench** is now being built by Ray Ffrench, John Watson and George Gregson. This may be completed early April.
- 2. New and improved **table saw sleds** have been built by Jan Lacki. These are a bit larger than the previous ones and as such a little heavier so care should be taken when in use.
- 3. A wider table saw outfeed table will be fitted shortly to the SawStop saw. This will provide additional support when breaking down large sheets of ply, etc.
- 4. Better storage for sleds and jigs will also be constructed.
- 5. Upgrading the large assembly table is yet to be done but this is still on the priority list!

#### Equipment donated by a previous club member -

We were extremely fortunate to receive a number of good quality machines for club use / sale, etc. The sale provided approx. **\$1,000 in funds** which will be used to provide a second (mobile) router bench. More about this next month.

Could members who use the sink, please leave it like this:



... and not like this:



Most of the dirt was glue and was rock hard. Many of the marks were of significant size. To not see them against a background of bright stainless steel, and to just walk away, one would need to be blind as well as uncaring.

A member took the trouble to clean it and this took more than **35 minutes** spread over several days.

## Toys Group

The team continues to return from the break and we are pretty much back to normal.

We received a significant **donation from Bunnings** this week for Block Trolleys, Toy Boxes and the ply flowers that we have been making for Mulgrave Primary for the last five years. We also expect a further donation with the next few weeks for materials to make the mini kitchen sinks that we began making last year.

#### "An interesting recycling snippet"

Many of us buy more and more items on line. Often, they arrive in boxes with soft packaging pellets. I have always assumed they were polystyrene meaning either going to landfill or a special trip to the council collection depot (if your council has one).

A bit of web research has told me that many of them are not polystyrene. **They are made from starch and can go to personal compost or council FOGO bins.** Just wet one and if it immediately softens and becomes sticky, it is **starch** rather than polystyrene.



Brian Downie



## Vale Peter Hughes



It is with sadness that we report the death of one of our founding members, a past president and a life member — **Peter Hughes who died on 14 January 2023.** 

**Peter joined the club on 18 July 1991** – over 31 years ago, as a founding member. He was very much involved in setting up the club and took on tasks of membership records, newsletter magazine etc. He was president in 1996-1997 and continued his support for many following years. His contributions and support were recognised when he was awarded life membership in 2003.

In recent years he was not able to participate in club activities as much, as he had moved to Mornington. III health had also restricted his activities. However, in 2021, he sought advice from Frank Duyker about undertaking carving as it was one discipline that his health would allow him to undertake. A photo of him with Frank is shown. We are grateful for his contribution over the years that has allowed us to enjoy the facilities of our present club.



## Member's article

#### **Mike Pope**

My brother-in-law has recently recovered from a cancer scare, and I was looking for a Christmas gift for him. Since joining the club, I was able to make the pictured bench for him to take a moment's rest on when he wants to. As a relatively new member, I very much appreciated the advice from other members on any questions I had. Very much enjoying being part of the club, and the toy making group.





# Special Interest Group Turning

## SHOW & TELL – February 2023



Tim Chen, small BowlEucalyptD 16cm, H 9.5cmWalnut Oil





Hans Kopp, small Platter on Feet, Poplar/RedgumD 25cm, H 4cmMirrotone Spraylaq





Russell Painter Goblet D 5cm H 10cm



COMMITTEE 2022- 2023				
Executive	Position			
Ray Ffrench	President - Sponsor / Fundraising			
Jan Lacki	Vice President			
John Watson	Secretary, Public Officer			
David Keynton	Treasurer			
Committee				
Tony Lowry	owry Workshop Operations Co-ordinator			
Trevor Brooks	evor Brooks Box Kits Co-ordinator—Workshop Environment			
Felix Karmel	ix Karmel Duty Member Co-ordinator			
lan Holt	lolt Membership, Workshop Video's			
lan Bell	Bell Web co-ordinator			
Others				
Norman Bye	Machine Maintenance			
Brian Downie	Toy Group Co-ordinator			
Alex Chin	Technology Support			
Thanh Duong	Monthly newsletter			
Tom Phillips	Council of Woodworking Clubs Delegate			
Peter Clunas	Hand Tool Sharpening			
Geoff Allen	Wood Turning Classes			
Frank Duyker	Wood Carving Classes			

For all enquiry, please send email to <u>Waverleywoodworkersinfo@gmail.com</u>

# Other Sponsors

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