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Greetings to all,

Presidents Column

Well here I am pondering over my first column. A daunting task following Peter's fine messages. A big thank you for the honour of the nomination and confidence that I can live up to the task of heading the club into a productive and convivial 2012/13.

Welcome to your new committee, though most are familiar faces. The committee is here to guide the club to the best advantage of the members. If anyone has any suggestions or complaints please feel free to approach me or any member of the committee.

Firstly, thank you to everyone who generously spent the full day last Monday at the club working on the new doors for the Maleny Community Centre, they are going to be something special and a credit to the skills of our participating members.

Secondly, a special thanks to Gill Blowers, Ardyn Morton and Elizabeth Vandernerff who have offered to take on the unglamorous but necessary task of cleaning the toilets. I'm sure the ladies will appreciate every ones assistance in keeping them tidy.

Now for news of forthcoming classes. Ivan Yaksich will be running his wood turning classes over a period of 6 weeks. Warne Wilson will be running courses in the correct use of the router as well as a course in making the 6 basic joints required for most woodworking projects. Names on the board please. When Lionel Tilley returns from holiday we will hopefully be able to organise more demos and courses. Please let us know if there is a particular course you would like us to run and we'll do our best to oblige if we can find someone to run it and enough people are interested. Also if anyone has a talent you would be willing to share with fellow members please let us know

We now have a new first aid officer who will be maintaining our first aid kit and conducting courses throughout the year in CPR and bandaging etc.

Don't forget our Christmas Expo is only 3 months away on Dec 1st and 2nd. By popular consensus we will be keeping the hall open until approx. 8pm on the Saturday night for the switching on of the Christmas lights. The MVA estimates that approx. 200 children and parents will be there so maybe wooden toys could be a good seller for last minute gifts. Another date claimer to mark on the calendar is our club Christmas party to be held at the shed on Dec 15th.

Finally, if you know of any of our members or their partners who are unwell could you please let Dave Bannister know so a card can be sent to let them know that the club members are thinking of them.

Keep the woodpile lower and the shavings higher.

Happy woodworking

Frank McDonald

ps Annual club subscriptions are now well overdue.

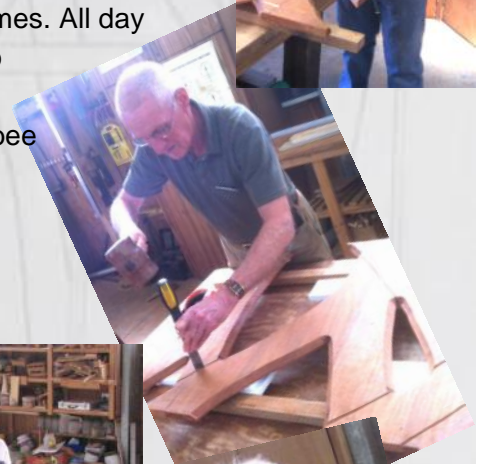
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***Our thoughts are with our absent Woodies –
may you soon be back with us creating sawdust.***

Maleny Community Centre Entrance



The upgraded Maleny Community Centre will feature an impressive set of entrance doors that reflect the timber industry origins of the region. The massive set of four doors will be 3.6m high and 4m wide. Designed and made by our members, the entrance will feature a row of trees in close-up with interlocking branches. The doors will be made from Red Cedar panels in New Guinea Rosewood frames. All day working bee's and ongoing work by the Carving Group will see the entrance doors finished and installed at the beginning of December. The next all day working bee will be Monday 17th from 0830.



Does this remind you of that British comedy "The Plank"

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Around The Shed This Month



Max's new dining room table is finished. The legs and top surround are from a Grey Ironbark former power pole and the insert is Radiata Pine taken from the top of our original 1970's table. The finish is 30% gloss lacquer finished with Carnauba Wax.

Brent & Leanne Harris

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Offers are invited for the old Mortising Machine that has been gathering dust in the corner of the shed for many years.

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Now that was a tree!

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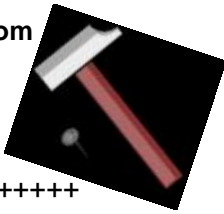
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Maintenance Report from**Brian Harris****September 2012**

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- 21/7 ½ inch Band Saw - Update - the lower aluminium wheel has been welded as not one but two of the spokes were fractured The opportunity was also taken to fit new bearings. All is now running as it should.
- 24/7 Trade Tools Trimmer - One of our trimmers ran intermittently because of a broken wire in the lead. This has been repaired and also the switch has been rewired to correct the electrical polarity.
- 12/8 Live centre for Lathe - Faulty bearing replaced with new one.
- 25/8 Trimmer - Faulty switch cleaned of sawdust.
- 29/8 Small Drill Press - On/off switch removed and repaired also cleaned of sawdust.
- 1/9 20" Thicknesser - Blades removed and replaced with resharpened ones.
- Jet Dust Filter - Unit removed to investigate electrical problem, the Motor was found to be burnt out....this is away being repaired.
- 12/9 Drum Sander - Still causing problems as the platen belt refuses to run true and continues to creep towards the right. The rubber driving shaft is worn and is to be replaced with the new steel knurled shaft.

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DO WITHOUT IT



Need a new Pfeil 2-20
 Carvers Chisel?

Laurie Smith has a new unopened chisel purchased from Carbatec with the 10% Club discount for \$33.

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Safety Advice

Bandsaws

Be careful when bandsawing those little freeform boxes. A member was cutting the back from one of the popular little freeform boxes on #3 bandsaw, when the blade caught, causing a loud bang and ejecting the piece of wood. Luckily there was no injury, except to the 12mm blade which was kinked and though it was straightened, it did not last long before it snapped. Please be aware of the real possibility of an accident if an unsupported piece of irregular shaped wood is presented to a moving band saw blade. (Or to any moving blade for that matter!) Ask your shed captain or a safety officer if you are in doubt.

Housekeeping.

Our bench top space is limited and members need it for their projects on different days of the week. When you are cleaning up at the end of a morning, please clear the benchtop you have been working on and store or dispose of offcuts. There will be exceptions of course, but most work in progress can be stored off the bench tops. Be on the lookout for offcuts and other items such as wood or tools or leads left lying about on the floor which can become tripping hazards.

Timber storage racks.

The timber storage racks at the rear of the shed have been designed for milled timber to be presented "On the flat" at an angle which facilitates easy selection. When you have finished looking, PLEASE return the timber to flat storage - do not leave the racks with an untidy mess of boards left on edge and at odd angles. This is a recurring problem for the timber committee members who work hard to keep our timber racks full and neat.

Dave Banister and Warne Wilson, Safety officers.

Congratulations

To the team at Spicers Clovelly Estate
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Isn't it amazing what you find inside a tree!

While slabbing this innocent looking tree last weekend, the chainsaw made that awful 'contact with metal' noise and look what showed up.....not once but twice.

A cluster of 75mm nails in one spot and a little further down another cluster.

It shows the importance of using the metal detector when cutting any type of tree.

How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?

Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.



The rates for use of the Holland Slabbing Bandsaw for personal slabbing have been set at:-

Flagfall	\$5.00
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First Aid Officer	Andrew Eberhard	
Timber Management	John Holland, Frank McDonald, Ron Donald, Phil Gibson.	
Purchasing Officer	John Holland	
Training Officer	Lionel Tilley	
Librarian	Brian Holdsworth	

Woodies Events in 2012:

- ◇ Santa Shop at St Mary Hall Montville 1+ 2 Dec
- ◇ Christmas Party at the Shed Sat 15 Dec



BRWG Meeting Schedule 2012

- ◆ Meetings start at 9:00am.
- ◆ Quarterly General meetings are held on the second Saturday of November, February and May.
- ◆ Management Committee meetings are held on the second Saturday of all other months.
- ◆ Next Management Meeting—October 13



Shed Times 8.30—11.30

Mondays	General Activities
Tuesdays (Quiet Day)	Turning & Carving
Wednesdays	General Workshop & Toys
Thursdays	Furniture & Joinery
Fridays	General Activities
Saturdays	General Activities & Demos

Shed Captain Roster **** All Fridays = Frank McDonald

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								1	Graham Bradford
3	Brian Harris	4	Frank McDonald	5	Cec Wakerley	6	Terry Crowson	8	Warne Wilson
10	TBA	11	George Blowers	12	Leigh Boynton	13	John Drewe	15	Peter Simpson
17	Lionel Tilley	18	Tom Black	19	John Close	20	John Holland	22	Keith Muirhead
24	John Clarke	25	Ray Curry	26	Max Barrenger	27	Phil Krisanski	29	Graham Bradford

October 2012

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