

# Flitch 'n Chips

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## President's Column

Well here we are with another Christmas gone, and I trust you are all well rested and fit after this very hot festive break. I hope you did not over-indulge in the food or liquid department. If you did, I'm sure you're all back to normal again now.

As we're already halfway through January, I must take this opportunity to thank a few of our members for services rendered. In particular Alan Boag and his team, for organizing and running the very successful Christmas party, and the Toy Boys for their year-long efforts in producing the truckload of toys we handed over to the Salvation Army.

It would be remiss of me if I did not thank those wonderful ladies of the Mapleton Craft Group. They provided all the mattresses, quilts and dolls to compliment our dolls cradles. A good combined effort between two organizations in the real Christmas spirit.

Looking back at these few lines, I feel very privileged to be a member of such a great community.

Happy New Year to you all,

**Dave Banister, President.**

## MEZZANINE FLOOR

The only incoming mail tabled at this month's meeting was a letter from the Sunshine Coast Regional Council, informing us that we have been successful in obtaining a \$7,0000 grant to build a mezzanine floor.

This will be located above the big roller-door at the main entrance to our shed. It will be used for archives and other such storage, freeing a few areas in the lunchroom, as well as some nooks and crannies around the shed.

Building will be by contractors, so none of our members should be involved. More on this subject in the next issue of F. & C.

## What's On When?

<b>Shed Times</b>	Mornings from 8:30 - 11:30
<b>Mondays</b>	General Activities
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Turning & Carving
<b>Wednesdays</b>	General Workshop & Toys
<b>Thursdays</b>	Furniture & Joinery
<b>Saturdays</b>	General Activities & Demos
<b>General Meeting</b>	2nd Monday of the month 9:30

**OPEN DAY**      **Saturday, 14th March**

## WHO'S WHO IN BRWG INC. 2008/2009

### Patrons Peter Wellington MLA and Jenny McKay

<b>President</b>	Dave Banister	5439 9113
<b>Vice President</b>	Cec Wakerley	5439 9862
<b>Secretary</b>	Jeff Harrison	5478 5692
<b>Assistant Secretary</b>	George Blowers	5441 1597
<b>Treasurer</b>	Keith Muirhead	5445 9037
<b>Assistant Treasurer</b>	Jacqui Porteous	5478 5071
	Tom Black	5478 5472
<b>Newsletter Editors</b>	Gerry Zwart – Editorial	5445 7212
	Kay Chambers – Prod'n	5443 9631 (before 7pm)
<b>Publicity Officer</b>	Gerry Zwart	5445 7212
<b>Recruitment Officer</b>	Dave Banister	5439 9113
<b>Safety Officers</b>	Peter Simpson, Dave Banister	
<b>Activity Officers</b>	Ray Curry, Cec Wakerley, John Drew, John Clarke, Warne Wilson, Dave Banister, Peter Simpson, Bob Kyte, Keith Muirhead,	
	Harry Wood	
<b>Shed Manager</b>	Alan Boag	
<b>Amenity Officer</b>	Ron Donald, George Blowers	
<b>Timber Sourcing</b>		
<b>Timber flow, Storage &amp; Kiln Officers</b>	Warne Wilson, Ron Donald	
<b>Purchasing Officer</b>	Cec Wakerley	
<b>Librarian</b>	Brian Holsworth	

## DON'T FORGET - WORK SAFELY

Please, please use the eye, ear and breathing protection available and make sure you stay safe!

## CHRISTMAS PARTY 2008

Another one has come and gone, and what an excellent event it was. The weather was good, the food was well catered thanks to members and partners, and the company was great!

The Christmas raffle was drawn and for a change, the two major prizes went to our own members. First prize – a squatters chair, went to past President Doug Skinner. Second prize – a small table and chair ensemble, went to Ed Kruger, while the third prize – dinner to the value of \$100 at Lyles of Montville, went to Meredith Sauer. We thank Lyles for their donation, and we'll be happy to repay them in the form of free ads in the Flitch & Chips.

Highlights of the evening were the awards presentations, a list of which follows:

**Gill Blowers** – *for her work behind the scenes to maintain the standard of the clubhouse facilities and amenities.*

**Don Meredith** – *for his initiative and energy in the annual toy-making drive, and encouraging and developing the skills of newer members.*

**Key Chambers** – *for her willingness to step in to help at short notice, and particularly her valuable work with fundraising raffles and the newsletter.*

**Bob Keyte** – *for his many contributions to the day-to-day running of the Guild, particularly regarding the development of newer members and co-ordination of activities and projects.*

**Ray Curry** – *for his continuing dedication to the Guild, particularly his assistance and advice in equipment acquisition and maintenance, and as a mentor to members at all levels.*

**Harry Wood** - *for his ongoing willingness to monitor and maintain the standard of the Guild's machinery, and his assistance and advice in safety matters.*

**Gerry & Valerie Zwart** – *for their consistent behind-the-scenes work to maintain and enhance the Guild's public image through media relations.*

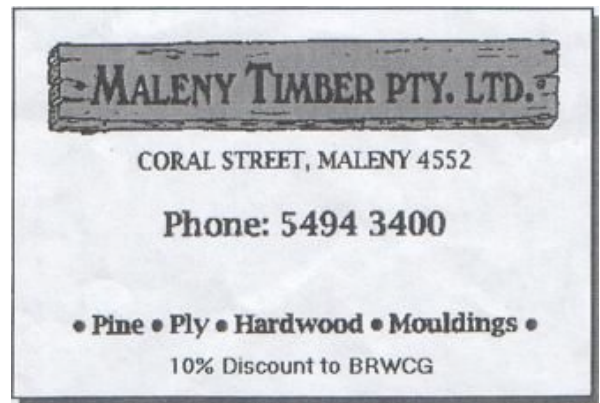
**John Close** – *for his consistent initiative in taking on new projects and his friendly encouragement of newer members.*

**Keith Muirhead** – *for his initiative and consistent application as Activity Officer and his dedication in the role of Treasurer.*

**Jeff Harrison** – *for his valuable assistance to the President and consistent application in the role of Secretary.*

We feel one member has been overlooked in this list:

**Dave Banister** – *for just being Dave, always ready to help or give advice, either in person or on the telephone!*



## COURSES FOR THE NEW YEAR so far

**CARVING** for beginners and/or advanced by David Southern, commencing Monday January 19. Book yourself in on 5335 8323.

**CABRIOLE LEGS** off the bandsaw by John Phipps – sounds interesting! Attendance is limited to six. Phone 5450 1504.

**TURNING** by Ray Curry on dates to be announced. Ray has not put a limit on the number of participants, but getting in touch with him on 5445 0061 is advisable.

**SQUATTERS CHAIR** construction will start again on Friday January 23. This will be group No. 3. The cost of \$170 is cheap at the price as, not only do you learn a lot of skills, but you also get to take your chair home with you at the end. Interested? Call Cec Wakerley on 5439 9862.

Ed KRUGER will introduce the skills of **operating a chainsaw** for anyone interested. A date has not been set yet but, to give Ed some idea of interest from the members, please contact him on 5442 1223.

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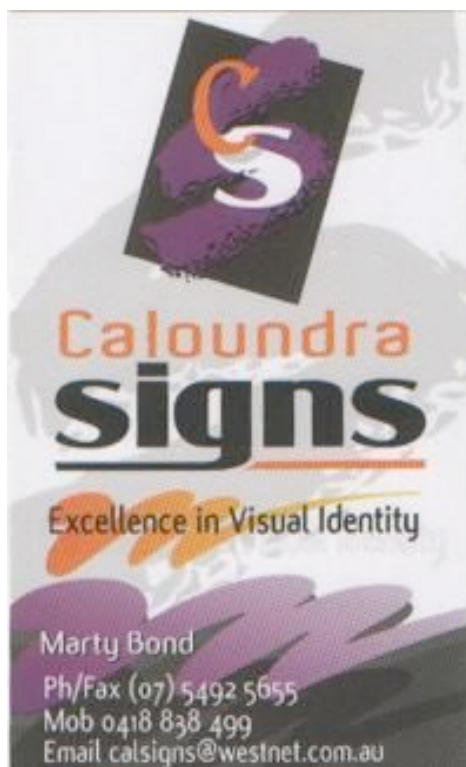
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## SHED CAPTAIN ROSTER

### January 2009

Monday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday
		1 John Drewe	3 Warne Wilson
5 Harry Wood	7 Keith Muirhead	8 John Clarke	10 Peter Simpson
12 Ray Curry	14 John Close	15 Lionel Tilley	17 Doug Skinner
19 Dave Banister	21 Bob Keyte	22 Terry Crowson	24 Dave Banister
26 George Blowers	28 Cec Wakerley	29 John Drewe	31 Warne Wilson

### February 2009

2 Harry Wood	4 Keith Muirhead	5 John Clarke	7 Peter Simpson
9 Ray Curry	11 John Close	12 Lionel Tilley	14 Doug Skinner
16 Dave Banister	18 Bob Keyte	19 Terry Crowson	21 Dave Banister
23 George Blowers	25 Cec Wakerley	26 John Drewe	28 Warne Wilson

**Every Tuesday** – Organised by carvers including George Blowers & Tom Black.

## RECOGNITION OF DONATED ITEMS

From time to time our Guild is approached by worthy, not-for-profit and local organizations, asking us to produce items of value for them.

In most instances we do not charge for this service, except when perhaps a large amount of expensive material has been used.

To obtain ongoing recognition for these donations Warne Wilson has been asked to investigate the best way to brand the items, without spoiling the ultimate effect.

## TIMBER-FLOW

There are now more new storage racks, which must be kept tidy, and timber types must NOT be mixed.

Safety regulations require that two people are required to move timber from the racks, not one.

Liaise with Warne Wilson for all questions and requirements re timber milling, drying, storage etc.

Full timber-flow reports will be posted on the notice board.



The man told his wife to carry on with the shopping while he fixed the car in the car park. The wife returned later to see a small group of people near the car. On closer inspection, she saw a pair of male legs protruding from under the chassis. Although the man was in shorts, his lack of underwear turned private parts into glaringly public ones.

Unable to stand the embarrassment, she dutifully stepped forward, quickly put her hand UP his shorts, and tucked everything back into place. Upon regaining her feet, she looked across the bonnet and found herself staring at her husband who was standing idly by. The mechanic, however, had to have three stitches in his forehead.







Fridge – 380litre . . . . . \$175.00  
Fridge – 90litre . . . . . \$100.00  
Deep freeze – 200litre . . \$200.00  
**Phone Harry on 5494 4335**

12" 'REXON' table saw. T.C.T. blade single  
phase motor \$440.00 ONO

AND

Freeform Red Cedar slabs, various naturally  
dried, club timber prices apply.

**Phone Ray Curry on 5445 0061**

#### WOOD LATHE PACKAGE

\$2,800 the lot!

VICMARC Model No VL 850

Full details on board

**Phone Rod on 0403 887 906**

Makita Hammer Drill HP1030 rp \$120 for \$60.00

Makita Circ. Saw 5900B rp \$280 for \$140.00

Makita 1/3 Finish Sander 9035SB rp \$100 for \$50.00

Pipe Clamp fittings inc. 1m pipe for \$15.00

Also various auto items listed on board.

Shirley Emmerton of Little Mountain asked Ken  
Urquhart to sell these from her late husband. All good  
condition.

**Phone Shirley on 5491 4921 or Ken 5438 0027**

#### 10" CIRCULAR SAW BENCH

With fence, mitre gauge, Saw rise & Fall, Tilt on  
factory made stand. Used once!

Cost \$310, asking \$250.00

**Phone Peter McKelvie on 5494 4018**

#### DYCO WOODWORKER 5 in 1 comb.

Incl. Table saw, jointer, router table, disc  
sander, jigsaw table with all access, vgc.

New price \$2,000 – asking price \$1100.00

**Phone Don Rice 5435 8105 or 0427 364370**

*The Prime Minister has asked us to spend to keep the  
economy going in the right direction!*

*So, your 'Woodie' brothers are giving you this  
opportunity to do just that – providing them with some  
extra spending money, so we're all helping one-  
another! Go for it!*

*Management advises that all sales notices on the  
board will be removed after two weeks.*

## OPEN DAY 2009

This highlight on the Woodies' calendar will be on  
Saturday March 14, commencing at 9am.

Our Open Day gives us the chance to once again  
show the public our finished products, some of which  
will be for sale. It will also show our friends and  
supporters what we have achieved in improving our  
buildings and machinery.

Many people still have the idea that members  
disappear regularly into that big shed to have a yarn  
and a cuppa. Here is our chance to put a different  
light on it. We can actually show them how we have  
progressed from a private shed to a very large  
purpose-built building in just 11 years.

To keep the public really interested in our efforts, we  
should provide them with more than just a look at a  
few finished products. What outsiders are really  
interested in is seeing craftsmen in action. To this  
end, we need demonstrations and demonstrators.

The biggest crowd pullers are slabbing, turning, the  
woodwiz, carving and pryography to name just a few.  
We also usually conduct a tool sale/auction. If you  
have any tools in good condition that have served  
their purpose in your shed, bring them in before  
8.30am on the day, or before.

Tours of the facilities conducted by experienced  
members are always popular. Here we can show  
people how we turn that ugly log into fine furniture or  
artwork, step-by-step.

As can be concluded from the above, our Open Day  
needs your participation, either by way of putting  
some of your products on show or for sale, and/or on  
the day by assisting in any way possible.

An Open Day Raffle with the 'TADPOLE', our  
members' built canoe, or for the landlubbers, a  
squatters chair with side table, as the major prizes.  
The first ticket drawn will get the choice! Be  
prepared, your book will be in the mail shortly!

## ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

In a large organization like our Woodworking Guild,  
we need some rules, not only for our own  
convenience, but to stay on the right side of the law.

One of the major requirements is:

**You must** sign the attendance sheet and pay your  
\$2 every time you are in the shed. This kills two  
birds with one stone. You help the Treasurer by  
keeping up the bank balance, and very importantly it  
covers you for insurance.

How would you be if you did not abide by this rule,  
and cut yourself badly on a circular saw or had any  
other accident? NO COVER! Think about it.

# Awards and Presentations





# Xmas Time

## Toys, Boys and Songs



*"If more of us valued food and cheer and song above hoarded gold, it would be a merrier world." J.R.R. Tolkien*

**And thanks to John Close, we had enough "stumps" for everyone!!**