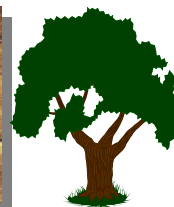




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Presidents Report

For January 2013

Hi fellow Woodies,

A happy, healthy and prosperous New Year to you all. Let's make 2013 a safe year for everyone. Can we all put in an extra effort to make all our new members welcome and offer whatever support and advice we can give.

Firstly, the Christmas party proved to be a great success and was enjoyed by all with some lively Christmas carols rounding out the night.

Well here we go, another exciting year ahead with the open day at the shed in March and the Cooroy competition in May. If you intend making something for the club to

enter in the Cooroy competition now is the time to start planning and implementing. Time has a habit of speeding up and before you know it, it's competition time. Remember, we won the competition last year and would love a repeat performance.

Now for club policy. All club projects are to be approved by the management committee and must be on the club project sheet. When the project is complete one of our project officers, either Warne Wilson or John Holland will check it out to maintain our club standards before it is handed over to the recipient.



Finally there is an obligation on all members to pay for all their machinery use. This is worked on an honour system so please fulfil your obligation.

To any members who are feeling less than 100%, we wish you a speedy recovery.

Keep the wood pile low and the shavings high.

Happy Woodworking,

Frank McDonald

New Members

512	John Mott of Maleny	513	Kerry Chave of Witta
514	David McNaught of Mapleton		


Please make yourself known to new members when you see them at the club and ask if they need help

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Christmas Party 2012

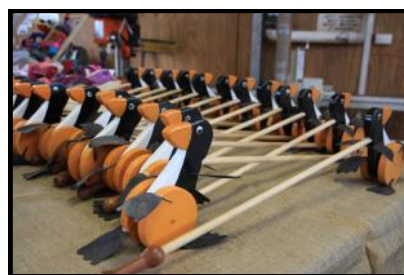
The weather behaved itself this year and an open sided marquee provided the airy venue for the end of year celebrations and Carol singing.

Early evening food and drinks in the shed gave all who attended the opportunity to see what Don and his Toy Boys (and girls) had produced during the past twelve months. A very stunning display of 757 different wooden toys which many under privileged children appreciate at Christmas. These are distributed via the Salvation Army each year to wherever they see fit. An extraordinary effort by all involved and the satisfaction on the producers faces show they enjoy the happiness they create in giving. The dolls and quilts donated by the Mapleton Craft Group ladies complimented the wooden strollers and cots beautifully. Well done ladies for a stunning effort.

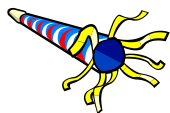
The evening continued with dinner in the marquee which seemed to start the over indulgence for the festive season.

Two certificates of appreciation were presented during the evening. The first to Don Meridith for his efforts in organising the team behind the toys and another for an equalling stunning effort to Dave Southern with his design and team coordination of the Maleny Community Door Project.

A great casual evening which finished off with some Carol singing by most attendees.



757 wooden toys on display



Don Meredith and President Frank



President Frank and Dave Southern

Toy handover 2013



Don and some of his groups toys

Don Meredith along with some of his regular "toy boys" Laurie Medlen, Dave Banister and Max Berrenger had great pleasure in stunning the Salvation Army's John Fidler with this year's contribution of 757 toys when he came to collect them just prior to Christmas.. Margaret Smith, President of the Mapleton craft Group was also present for the handover as her group had made many dolls of various shapes and several handcrafted quilts etc.

John Fidler presented each leader with a certificate showing their appreciation for an extraordinary effort.

A great example of two community groups giving back to needy kids at Christmas.



Don Meredith and John Fidler



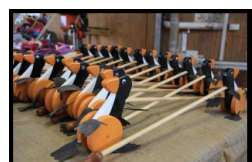
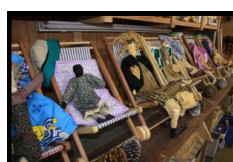
Woodies and the Craft ladies



John Fidler and Margaret Smith



Dolls and toys



Maintenance Report

by **Brian Harris**

21/11: 20" Thicknesser - New cutter blades fitted.

28/11: 15" Thicknesser - All 75 cutters removed, cleaned and refitted with fresh cutting edge.

17/12: 1236 Lathe - Tailstock screw replaced as previous one had been misused causing the C clip to be forced out of position and travel down the thread.

19/12: 1442 Lathe - Both split pulleys replaced together with three

bearings as one had seized, belt also renewed.

24/12: 15" Thicknesser - One broken cutter segment replaced.

29/12: 1442 Lathes - All shaft lock buttons have been removed as one was pressed whilst the shaft was rotating causing damage to the workings. If you need to lock the shaft when removing a chuck insert the index pin close to the chuck when shaft is stationary.

Hammer Saw - Rise and Fall worm thread has been lubricated making it easier to operate.

9/1: 1236 Lathe - Tailstock screw broken through tailstock casting. Unable to weld so large disc attached to take thrust.

12/1: 1442 Lathe - New split pulley and belt fitted to lathe that was damaged by inappropriate use of shaft lock button, now removed.

Timber

A **Timber Clean Up Day** will be held on Saturday 16th February. This will include the timber in the

various timber racks as well as the lathe blanks. Here is a great opportunity to see where your favourite

timber is stored and what condition the racks should be kept in after "looking" is completed.

Machine Awareness

By **Brian Harris**

Please be aware that timber put through the thicknessers **MUST** be at least 300mm long, this will prevent the cutters lifting the wood up, jamming and breaking the cutters as well as causing damage to the piece of wood. This unfortunately happened to one of the members **WHO TO HIS CREDIT** put his hand up and told me immedi-

ately of the mishap, because of this I was able to replace the shattered cutter and allow the machine to continue to be used. So just to recap **DO NOT** put timber through the thicknesser if it is less than 300mm long.

The black button on the 1442 lathes used to lock the shaft have been removed and blanked off. The

reason for this is that the nameless person has pressed one whilst the shaft has been rotating (may be, thinking it was the off switch) causing damage to the internal workings and putting the machine out of use. If you need to lock the shaft when removing the chuck use the index pin in one of the holes close to the chuck.

Safety

by **Warne Wilson**

The club rule about returning a machine to normal settings after you have adjusted it for your use is not just a courtesy to other members, it is a safety measure.

The next person to use a saw table might not notice a variation in blade angle, or excessive depth of

cut on the jointer could not only ruin someone else's project, but it could cause kickback.

An unnoticed key left in a drill chuck could fly and cause injury. A power tool such as a router or trimmer can give the next user more than a fright if you switch off at the

wall and leave the tool switch in the On position.

Return accessories such as spanners to their places and never, ever, leave a machine, including a lathe, running as one person did recently when he walked away to find something.

Congratulations

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A Few Reminders

Collection of timber can only be done under the direction of the Timber Management Committee and no billing for timber to the club can occur without prior approval from the Timber Management Committee.

Members are required and expected to pay for their use of club machinery on a daily basis. There is a "charge per machinery" chart available to determine reasonable charges. Shed Captains are also urged to follow up on this matter.

The next monthly meeting will be a General Meeting and take the form of a "Think Tank". This will be run by Dave Southern. Members are urged to put some prior thought into the club issues and practices they wish to be discussed at the meeting.

Tips and Tricks

By Warne Wilson

Spray cans:

We have all experienced the frustration and expense of picking up a half full spray can we used a couple of months ago to find it clogged and useless.

Just get a 400 gram tomato tin (100mm high X 75mm dia.) Put about 15mm of turps in the bottom,

clear the nozzle by holding the spray can upside down and spray for a second until clear, then put the inverted can into the tin. The nozzle will stay clear and the turps will not evaporate for a long time.

I have various colour spray cans I have kept in this way for

years. I just take them out every few months, give them a rattle and a spray and then clear and invert them back into the can. I usually do not have to top up the turps.

Cooroora Annual Woodcraft Competition

The Wood Show will be held on Friday 10th and Saturday 11th May 2013 and entries will have to reach the Cooroora Club by Thursday 9th May.

Entry Forms are available NOW.

The rules have not changed from those used for a number of years so we are in the hands of the judges and their various attitudes to the competition and the rules.

Bob Callinan will be arranging the BRWG entries and has already started to lobby for entrants from our club.

Hopefully we can enter all 6 categories and reach our usual amazing heights.

Bob will do some chasing, trying to get our team together by mid February 2013 - but some folk may like to start their work-

ings now. Members who can do work to the quality needed are urged to consider entering the competition. We won last year, and need to be in all categories with our best quality work to try and do the same again.

Competition rules and entry form are available from our club Secretary

Letters to the Editor

I have used **tung oil** for many years and found it the best finish for quality work.


<http://www.woodworkdetails.com/knowledge/finishing/tung-oil>

There is also a link on Wikipedia. From Graham Bradford

Laurie Smith has a Pfeil Swiss made **woodcarving chisel** for sale. The profile is PF-2-20 and it is brand new and unused. The price is the discounted Carbatec price of \$33.30
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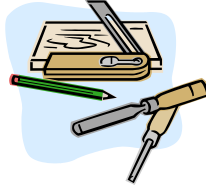
Ivan Yaksich will demonstrate how to finish off a turned item to enhance its appeal. This will be held on Saturday 19th January commencing at 9am.

Ivan Yaksich has called his demonstration "Finishing on a lathe". This is a



must see demo for all you turners who wish to proudly show a finished item just like a professional.

A demonstration on **chisel sharpening** and the correct way to operate a **belt sander** will be conducted by John Holland in



the near future. These courses run by experienced members are a great way for new members to gain knowledge of wood working techniques and machinery operation. Also existing members are urged to attend to brush up on maybe lost skills.



Courses

An **Intarsia** course is to be commence on Wednesday 6th February. Intarsia is the making of pictures using different coloured woods or even other materials. It will take about 3-4 weeks with one session per week. During the course you will learn how to use a scroll saw, how to select timbers & how to develop a picture. The course will encompass a small starter project followed by an Intarsia piece which will incorporate other materials as

well as the wood used and can be enhanced with both basic carving and pyrography. A list for names is now on the white board in the shed so if you are interested please add your name. Its something different for our club & will provide an additional outlet for your artistic skills!.



Dave Southern will be starting a **Beginners Wood Craving** course at his home at Witta on Monday 4th February. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in wood carving to get you started and learn from a Master in that field. Interested people can contact Dave on 54358323 for further details.



Just for Laughs

A woman awakes during the night to find that her husband was not in their bed.

She puts on her robe and goes down stairs to look for him. She finds him sitting at the kitchen table with a cup of coffee in front him. He appears deep in thought, just staring at the wall. She watches as he wipes a tear from his eye and takes a sip of coffee.

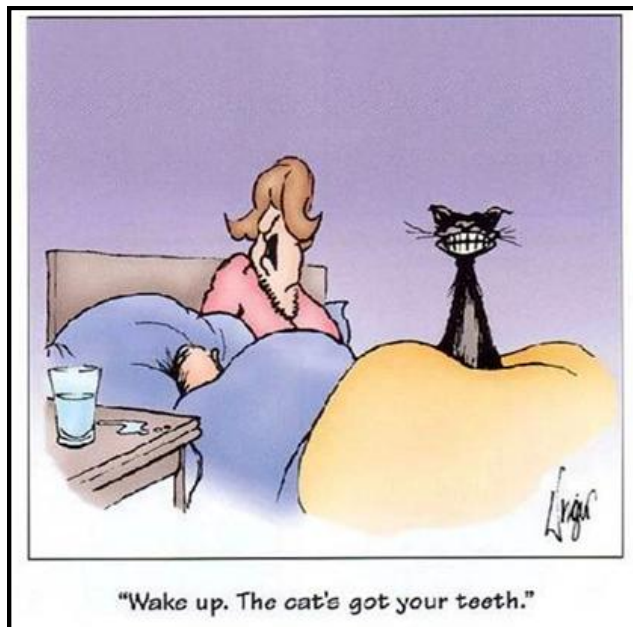
"What's the matter, dear?" she whispers as she steps into the room. "Why are you down here at this time of night?"

The husband looks up, "Do you remember 20 years ago when we were dating, and you were only 17?" he asks solemnly. The wife is touched thinking her

husband is so caring and sensitive. "Yes, I do," she replies.

The husband pauses. The words are not coming easily. "Do you remember when you father caught us in the back seat of my car?"

"Yes, I remember," says the wife,



"Wake up. The cat's got your teeth."

lowering herself into a chair beside him. The husband continues..."Do you remember when he shoved a shotgun in my face and said, "Either you marry my daughter, or I will send you to jail for 20 years".

"I remember that too", she replies softly.

He wipes another tear from his cheek and says... "I would have gotten out today!"

Around the Shed



Sarah with her popular serviette holders



Jill assembling her wooden pens



Tony turning another bowl



Graham starting on the 2013 toys



Dave spraying a sealer coat on a club project



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

Demos

Finishing on the lathe	Sat 19 Jan
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Meetings

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 General Meeting February 9th

Courses

Wood turning— Jan 2013
Router—20th Jan 2013
Intarsia— 6th February 2013
Registration sheet on notice board

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Shed Captain Roster for January 2013 Frank McDonald every Friday

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