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Presidents Report

Hi Fellow Woodies,

The club is bubbling along fine at the moment and we are attracting new members every week so we are obviously doing something right. Please make our new members feel very welcome and offer as much assistance as possible.

I have just completed an exercise of going over the club figures for the 6 months, July to December 2012 and was very disappointed to find that we are only averaging \$1.81 per member per day for machinery use. The conclusion is that a lot of machinery and consumables such as sandpaper, screws, glues etc. are being used and not paid for. Remember, machinery wears out and consumables have to be replaced and without funds this can't be done. I apologise to those members who diligently put in their money, and in some cases more than the designated fee but that means that there are some members who are not putting in any money.

Bob Callinan has the open day under control but, if you can help out, please see Bob or put your name on the board. Remember, the more volunteers we have the less work each person has to do. Remember to make plenty of items to sell and if you can see your way clear to making some items to donate to the club to sell to increase our coffers it would be most appreciated.

Cooroy is looming closer so keep working on those projects, it would be great to come in first place again for a second year running.

The 4 x 2 club competition is now on and will be judged at our Christmas expo. For any new members interested, talk to one of the shed captains and they can give you all the details.

John Muller has taken on the task of organising the Chainsaw To Fine Furniture expo at the Maleny show grounds in May, so please, not only make plenty of items to



sell but offer your help as well. Any items you could donate for the club to sell would also be appreciated.

The doors at the Maleny Community Centre are insitu and I must say they look spectacular. Everyone claims them to be the stand out of the total renovation, so you can all be very proud of your club. It is now possible to see the doors from the footpath so if you are interested, go along and have a look.

To any of our members who are unwell we are thinking of you and wish you a speedy recovery. If we can help in any way please let us know.

Keep the wood pile low and the shavings high.

Happy Woodworking,

Frank McDonald

New Members

515	Trevor Jorgensen of Maleny	516	Charles Foley of North Maleny				
517	Ashley Phillips of North Maleny	518	Michael Parr of Maleny				
519	Bev Foley of North Maleny						

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





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Maintenance Report

by Brian Harris

19th Jan: 15" Thicknesser - Was making an uncharacteristic noise, pulley on motor was found to be loose.

23rd Jan: Hand Belt Sander - Power cord cut through so new cord fitted.

12" Rexon Saw - Blade exchanged

High speed steel is commonly used in tool bits and cutting tools. It is often used in power saw blades and drill bits. It is superior to the older high carbon steel tools used extensively up to the 1940s. It can withstand higher temperatures without losing its temper (hardness).

as there were broken teeth on the former.

2nd Feb: Jointer - All cutters rotated for sharp edge, bearings greased and new V belt fitted.

½" Band Saw - Severe problems getting band to remain in centre of

wheels, adjustment proves to be erratic due to wear. Replacement required.

9th Feb: Lathe 1442 - The tailstock on one of these new lathes had been screwed up so tightly that it took excessive force from an extension tool to loosen it.

Tips and Tricks

By Warne Wilson

This property allows HSS to cut faster than high carbon steel, hence the name *high speed steel*. HSS steels, usually containing tungsten and vanadium, display high hardness (above HRC 60) and abrasion resistance compared to common carbon and tool steels.

When using the grinder to sharpen the good old carbon tool steels we have to be very careful not to destroy the temper by overheating. With HSS, still be careful, but if the tool does overheat just let it cool naturally and the temper should not be effected.

Safety

by Warne Wilson and Dave Bannister

While working at home recently one of our members severely damaged a thumb on his bandsaw but after surgery he is on the mend. Another member at home a few months ago cut a neat bandsaw line into a thumbnail.

Bandsaws are generally safe and very useful tools to use, but be aware of the sharp fast moving blade. Keep your eyes on the ball, keep fingers and thumbs away, especially toward the end of the cut, use a push stick toward the end of

the cut if necessary. Make sure the material you are cutting is flat underneath and in stable contact with the plate to avoid rocking which can lead to the blade jamming and breaking.

Courses

Router and lathe course are continuing this month with notices displaying what is happening on the white board.

Please refer to this board on a regular basis for upcoming enrolments for various courses.





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A Few Reminders

There is ongoing issue with members failing to contribute for their use of various pieces of machinery at the club. These machines need costly maintenance and eventual replacement and it is only fair to distribute these costs fairly across the members who use them.

In the near future there will be signage on each machine showing the cost of use. It is up to the using member to pay accordingly. In the meantime, if the usage cost is unknown just ask the Shed Captain to calculate a charge of your usage

Clean up day has been rescheduled to 23 February. Please try to attend as many hands make light work. This day is a few weeks before our Open day so all can be looking spick and span when the general public pay us a visit.

It is also a great opportunity for members to see what timber is available in the yard and where and how it is stored.



A lso coming up in the near future is our Open Day on 16 March. There are volunteers needed to help out with parking, members to conduct demonstrations and various other jobs which will make the day run smoothly. Please let the President know if you can help out.

Two other date to remember are the Maleny Wood Expo on 4-5 May and the Brisbane Wood Show from 18-20 May. There will be car pooling again this year for the Brisbane show so if you want to drive or rather be a passenger please indicate your preference on the notice board.

Cooroora Annual Woodcraft Competition

After taking out the title last year in this competition it is again time to prepare our entries for this year's event. All completed entries are to be judged by selected judges from our club prior being forwarded to the Cooroora Group for competition entry. For sections of competition and the associated conditions please contact Bob Callinan on **54781588** or

Email: bobsspring @bigpond.com

4 X 2 Competition

Our annual 4X2 competition is about to kick off again so for all of those who have had their thinking cap on since the past judging and have some great ideas on how to create something unique please contact Max Barrenger for your piece of timber and any entry conditions associated with it.

Max is available on **54766779** or email at **max@barrenger.com.au**

Carbatec and Gregory Machinery

It has been advised by Carbatec that they will give members a 10% discount on all orders in excess of \$500. How this will work is that members will use the ordering sheets which are located on the wall in the smoko room, pay when you order into the normal day's taking's

box and mark your payment under "Other-Carbatec order"". When the ordered amount is over \$500 John Muller will collect it from Carbatec at his expense. The payment made by you will be at the 10% discounted rate any you will receive a receipt for it from the Treasurer.

Gregory Machinery has also advised they will do the same 10% discount and that there is no limit on the order value.





Community Projects



Rick doing a final sand on the Croquet Club box



The Latch box



The Range Croquet Club, which is based at the Maleny Show Grounds contacted our club in the hope that we could help out by making a travelling box for their croquet equipment. They travel to various events like weddings etc and provide entertainment with time filling activities for guests while official duties like photography etc are carried out.

The box will carry their sporting equipment including mallets, hoops, and balls in an organised manner.

This project is well under way and is almost to the stage where it will require the "tick of approval" from Warne

There's a catch to it!

Warne Wilson received a project request that allowed some scope for imagination – a box that would help kindergarten kids to learn. Therese Wilson from Middlemount Kindergarten asked us to make a box with a variety of catches, so the kids would have to open them all to open the box.

Graeme Bradford and I made a mitered box with some Macrocarpa (Monterey Cypress) and cut off the lid on the table saw. On went the hinges and Dave Banister blew on a couple of coats of lacquer. Rob and Tony Lack from Mapleton Hardware kindly donated some box catches and Hey Presto! A box with various catches.

Peter Simpson

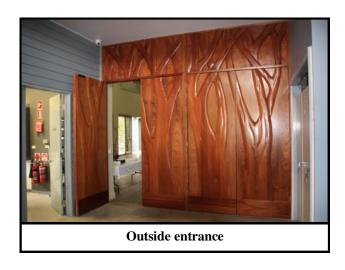
Another project soon to commence is the replacement of the bench seat outside the police station in Maleny.

This facility is apparently well used by elderly people walking into Maleny from the western side.

John Muller has sourced the timber and will soon be looking for volunteers

Maleny Community Doors









As the Maleny Community Centre building has received certification a small unofficial opening was held so that a small number of the people involved in it's construction

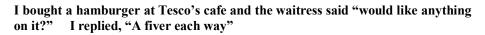
got to see first hand how their efforts have all come together.

An informative talk on what transformations had taken place at the hall during its renovations was provided and special mention was made on the entry doors.

The building will be officially opened on 22 March.

Horse Meat Scandal

What do you call a burnt Tesco hamburger...... Black Beauty



My doctor advised me to watch what I was eating..... So I bought a ticket to the Grand National.

I selected some burgers on the Tesco website...... Then I clicked "add to cart"

I found it tough lately working on the Tesco meat counter.... It's like flogging a dead horse.

I needed a toothpick after eating a Tesco hamburger... I found I still had a bit between my teeth.



Demonstrations



Ivan showing his finishing on a lathe techniques



John demonstrating how to use a belt sander



These demonstrations will continue on a regular basis as the need arises. Any member who has a particular skill and would like to share it with interested members please contact Lionel Tilley to schedule in your demo.

During the past month there have been some very informative demonstrations. Some to do with working with wood, like lathe finishing techniques, belt sander handling and sharpening chisels to enhance their performance. Other impromptu ones included one on how to set up a video presentation and another on the finer points of snake handling.



Rick showing off his adaptability skills for a video presentation



Dave impressing many with his demo on chisel sharpening





Peter's very impromptu demo on snake handling. All were very impressed with the practical lesson on the snakes digestive system

Around the Shed



Hugh with another of his amazing creations



Peter turning six wheels for his model car



Ivan getting to turn something for himself



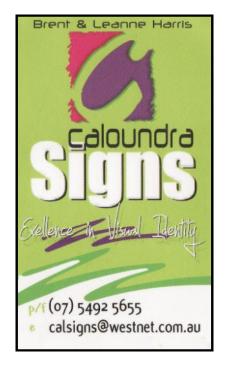
brian replacing the cutters on the jointer



Don giving Bev some scroll saw instruction

If any member has a photo of shed activities that they think should be shared with fellow Woodies please contact Laurie Smith at **lhsmith@bigpond.com**





Shed Times

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

Demos

Ongoing	on	a	regular
basis			

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: May 11th

Courses

Intarsia – TBA 2013 Registration sheet on notice board

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19 Frank McDonald

26 George Blowers

Who's Who in BRWG Inc. 2012-2013								
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Amenity Officer	Hamish Borthwick	Hamish Borthwick						
House Officer	Hamish Borthwick	Hamish Borthwick						
Timber Management	John Holland, Frank I Phil Gibson.	John Holland, Frank McDonald, Ron Donald, Phil Gibson.						
Purchasing Officer	John Holland	John Holland						
Training Officer	Lionel Tilley	Lionel Tilley						
Librarian	Brian Holdsworth	Brian Holdsworth						

Shed Captain Roster for February 2013 Frank McDonald every Friday												
	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday			Thursday			Saturday	
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4	Dave Banister	5	Tom Black	6	Leigh Boynton		7	John Holland		9	Keith Muirhead	
11	Lionel Tilley	12	Ray Curry	1	3 John Close		14	Phil Krisanski		16	Graham Bradford	
18	John Clarke	19	Frank McDonald	2	0 Max Barrenger		21	Terry Crowson		23	Warne Wilson	
25	Brian Harris	26	George Blowers	2	7 Hugh McKenn	a	28	John Drewe				
	Shed Captain Roster for March 2013 Frank McDonald every Friday											
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Warne Wilson

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