

Flitch 'n Chips



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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When I asked for the President's report to put in the Newsletter, this is what Dave sent me. He was on holiday up in the north of Australia and took this beautiful picture of a female Jabiru.



Well, I decided to turn the tables so I'm writing a report ABOUT the President.

He's a friendly chap, who has a good sense of humour and good hand tool working skills, which he has been happy to teach others about.

He always goes the extra mile to help out at the club and we will all undoubtedly miss his lovely Scottish accent. We hope he enjoys his move to Victoria and spending more time with his family and that he can find another Woodies Club to join. (But it won't be as good as this one!)

And finally I'd like to say, you get a 1 out of 10 for getting your reports to me on time!!!!

Curly legged coffee tables are multiplying.



Kev Devlin has been making these for a few years as raffle prizes. He decided to make another one this year, and the Management Committee decided it might make a good course.

Three intrepid woodworkers signed up for the first course over the last couple of months -John Isles, Geoff Coughlan, and Angie Logan. The impressive results are shown above.

Two were the conventional design, and Angie's was the taller 'Julie Breen' variation. John and Geoff used Qld Maple, the raffle one is Jacaranda, and Angie's one is black wattle.

Another course is about to start with 5 more starters, and if any other member wants to have a go on their own, see Kev Devlin for info on where the plans, templates and Jigs live.

Thanks Kev for helping so many members learn how to make this design.

Medical Summaries

The form for Medical Summaries, for those members who wish to provide this to the Guild, has now been finalised.

You can print them and fill them out, then give them to the Shed Captain, who will store them in the marked folder I have prepared for them. For those who are unable to print out a copy I will make some available at the sign in area. Thanks everyone .

BRWG_Form 71_Medical History Summary

In preparation for the possibility that a member may experience a medical episode whilst attending the Guild premises, members are asked to provide a summary of their medical history, and any medication being used, on a **VOLUNTARY** basis, to assist in their management and to provide advice to attending ambulance officers, particularly in the event the member is unconscious or unable to communicate.

The following information is requested :

CURRENT MEDICAL CONDITIONS:

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CURRENT MEDICATION:

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SIGNIFICANT PAST MEDICAL / SURGICAL CONDITIONS:

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ALLERGIES:

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NAME OF GP:.....PHONE.....

I acknowledge that the information I have provided in completing this Medical History Summary will be used in accordance with the Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild Inc Privacy Policy, and is provided voluntarily. I hereby consent to this summary being stored in a readily accessible location on the BRWG premises and the disclosure of this summary should an event occur and medical assistance is required.

MEMBER.....Number.....

SIGNED.....DATE.....

NEXT OF KIN.....PHONE.....

Let's all take a moment to appreciate the time and effort this guy spent putting a strap on his dirt so it wouldn't fall off.



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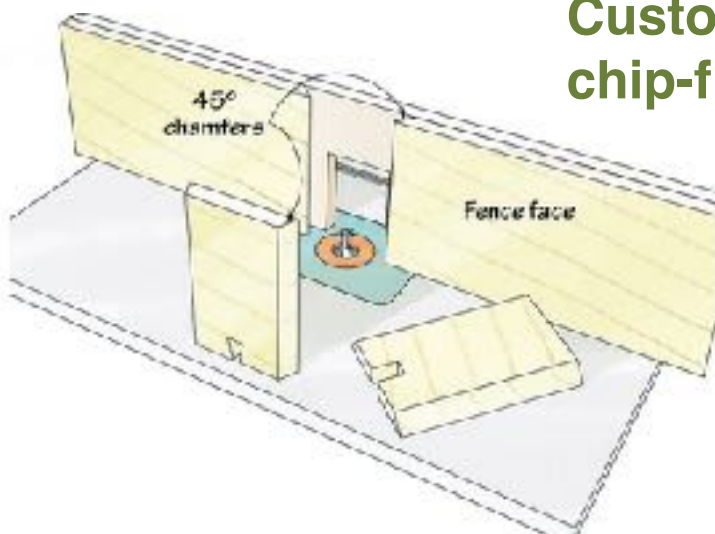
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Thank you Ron Turner!



Tips and Tricks by woodmagazine.com

Custom inserts mean chip-free router cuts



The split fence on my router table allows me to adjust the opening around the router bit. That's great for straight bits, but for anything with a profile, I would often get tear-out on the workpiece because there was nothing to support the wood fibres. And sometimes the workpiece would wander into the gap, resulting in an uneven profile.

To solve these problems, I created zero-clearance inserts for my router-table fence. Using a 45° chamfer router bit, I routed chamfers on the inserts and on the fence faces, as shown. The resulting joint secures the insert and keeps it flush with the faces. I keep several blank inserts on hand.

Before routing a profile, install a blank insert in the fence. With the fence away from the bit, turn on the router and slowly move the fence into the bit. This guarantees no gap around the bit and serves as a setup block for future cuts using the same profile. If the bit has a bearing, you'll need to notch the insert to provide clearance.

—Gary Dean, Prince George, B.C.

Safety Notes *by Sarah Odgers*

Push stick safety

Last week an incident occurred with a push stick being at fault. It came as a timely reminder how little many of us know about push stick safety, myself included.

For push sticks to be both safe and functional they need to be in good condition! The correct use of a push stick is to run it parallel to the fence, pushing straight through, past (not touching) the blade to control the cut on the tail end of the timber you're cutting.

Once a push stick has obtained damage from hitting the running blade it becomes dangerous. The cuts and nicks in the blade reduce the surface area available to gain purchase on the timber being cut. Therefore, this increases the chance of it slipping as you push past the blade. What happens is the stick slips into the blade causing the blade to spit the unsecured piece of wood back at you.



Look what happens to you if you use the wrong kind of push stick. Your hair turns GREEN



NEW MEMBERS

A big welcome to the following new members:

MICHAEL BURKE, ELLIOT AUDLEY, LES HOWARTH and ANDREW MILNE.

Please ask any member if you need any help and they will either help you themselves or direct you to someone who can. We hope you enjoy your time at the club.

Shed Managers report for July 2021

- Several blade changes on the Laguna and Hammer bandsaws. We are getting a lot of resin build up on blades again
- Drum sander is now back in operation. It is fitted with a rubberised backing conveyor belt. When **using the drum sander keep an eye on the tracking on belt**. If it starts to drift to one side cease using it and tell the shed captain. You may also find that small pieces of timber may not feed under the drum due to the type of surface on belt. You may find it necessary to use the board with sandpaper on it to assist in sanding your piece of wood.
- New blades have been fitted to the panel and the new woodman table saw. The panel saw has a 42-tooth combination blade which is intended for rip and crosscut. The new Woodman table saw has a 28-tooth rip blade fitted.
- It has been decided to put on hold any further purchases of new equipment such as drum sander, bandsaw and 15" thicknesser. Reason for this is we are considering upgrading the electrical switchboard in the workshop which will have a considerable cost to it.
- Rotated the cutters on the WoodWiz
- Kickback on the table saw. Go to these couple of YouTube videos to check out Table Saw Kickback

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8f8VWwtaudU>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NF9eXu5FyUI>

I would like to take this opportunity to say thanks for the surprise gift voucher presented to me last Wednesday 14. Unexpected and is much appreciated.
John Isles.



TREE STUMP ART / 🌳 A half dead Merri tree stump has been transformed into a magnificent "tree spirit" wood carving.

Artist Vicki Nicholson spent about 40 hours on the carving which stands about 2.3 metres high. ... More



Club Events Calendar *from Rick Vickers*



At this stage, we are proposing to have the Christmas lunch on 11th December, so please mark this date in your diaries. The venue is still to be finalised.

Annual general meeting will be held in the John Henderson Building
On Saturday, **14th August, 2021 at 9a.m.**

Please note that annual fees are due to be paid by the end of July and the amount due is \$40.
After that the amount due will increase to \$50 till the end of August.
After that you will no longer be a member and it is up to you to reapply.



Anyone interested in buying this piece of Sandalwood? It costs \$145.00. Sandalwood is valued at \$184,545.45 p/M3

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Timber Tales *by Bruce Chapman*

For Sale -

A list of the timbers available in clockwise order from the back of shed.

Pink Cedar, Bunya Pine (very low stock), She Oak, Silky Oak (new boards added), Swamp Cypress, Qld Maple (low stock), Black Wattle Tallowwood (more tallowwood available on air dried stacks outside), Mango, Silver Ash (new stock added), Mexican Bean (new), Camphor Laurel (low stock), Jacaranda boards, White Walnut, African Mahogany, Lemon Scented Gum

Outside the green shed are wood for the turners and some slabs Slabs available are: Avocado, Jacaranda and Silky Oak

Drying Rack –

NOT AVAILABLE for purchase.

Timber here is stabilised after taken from kiln. Generally moved to sales area in one week. Please keep the front of this area clear. We need to access the timber here every Friday.

Kiln

Silky Oak



Rose mahogany lamp stand by John Muller

CURRENT COURSES

PYROGRAPHY with COLOUR

The next course Philippa is running will be a little different. This time she will be not only teaching pyrography but will be teaching how to add colour to make it more interesting.

There will be a notice on the board for you to add your name to. Philippa teaches on a Friday and this next course will start on 30th July



SPINDLE TURNING with Leigh Boynton
Please look on the noticeboard to put you name down for this one.

How to get to Heaven from Ireland.

A true Story from an Irish Sunday School Teacher.

I was testing children in my Dublin Sunday school class to see if they understood the concept of getting to heaven.

I asked them, 'If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into heaven?' 'NO!' the children answered.

'If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the garden, and kept everything tidy, would that get me into heaven?' Again, the answer was 'NO!'

'If I gave sweets to all the children, and loved my husband, would that get me into heaven?' Again, they all answered 'NO!'

I was just bursting with pride for them. I continued, 'Then how can I get into heaven?'

A little boy shouted out: 'YUV GOTTA BE FOOKN' DEAD.

It's a curious race, the Irish. Brings a tear to the eye, doesn't it.



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Innovation Corner



John Muller found this new mobile sawmill for the milling crew. Do you like it, guys?

Who's Who in BRWG Inc 2020-2021

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