

# Flitch'n Chips

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#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

G'day Woodies,

August signals the changing of the guard for our committee and a fresh group to steer the Guild for the next 12 months. Unlike previous years, our 21/22 year was not impacted very much by Covid until the Omicron Variant began hitting our members, many of whom have suffered quite badly. When we look back the past 12 months have seen quite a bit of activity .....

Our October Open Days were cancelled due to the loss of parking space on the Soccer Ground and at the same time the dispute with the Tennis Club over payment for electricity was sorted out. Our Club competition was run as normal in October with some very impressive entries.

A new Club Logo was chosen from several designs and was implemented with shirt and cap variants presented.

Two tables where manufactured for the patio area of the Henderson Shed and new chairs were designed, tested, refined and then built to great acclaim.

More curly legged tables produced during Kev Devlin's courses.

The Dementia Ward Bus Stop left the building and went into storage at Nambour Hospital. We heard last week that the new dementia ward is finished and with help from David Entriken, the bus stop will be installed shortly.

The Santa Shop was held on the first weekend in December but not very well attended.

The Woodies became a member of the Australian Men's Shed Association.

A Lawn Mower and battery powered blower were purchased for the Club.

A new Carbatec Scrollsaw was purchased from Club funds.

Kev Devlin and John Isles began the task of repairing the Henderson Shed roof.

The new Hammer Table Saw finally arrived and was installed and a SCRC Grant paid for a blade guard with dust extraction.

The Barung Expo was cancelled for the third year and our Woodies Wonderful Weekend of Wood was run over that weekend with very good results.

The Woodies web site has been given a complete make over and now reflects the progressive organisation that we strive to be. <a href="https://www.blackallrangewoodies.org.au">www.blackallrangewoodies.org.au</a>

More Projects were sets of outdoor tables and a Buddy Bench for Montville Primary School.

A bench seat for Rotary Club of Nambour

Two bench seats built for the Tennis club.

An old and sadly neglected dining table repaired and rejuvenated.

And the storage cupboards and drawers in the Sign In office round off the year.

Of course the Rangebow Festival Serving Platters deserve a mention.

And we haven't mentioned the weather.....rain, rain and more rain prevented the milling team from operating for long periods and the timber that was cut couldn't dry because of the moisture in the air.

It's been a busy year for the management team and thanks go to all those who have performed above and beyond to make the Club what it is today.

That's it folks. To all Woodies and family not feeling up to scratch, we send our thoughts and love.

Regards

#### Max

#### LETTER OF THANKS TO DAVE SOUTHERN from LIONEL TILLEY

The Rotary Club of Maleny recently held a large community gathering to say thank you to Rob and Samantha Outridge, who have run the Maleny IGA for the past 27 years. It proved to be a very large event held at the Maleny RSL.

Rotary wished to gift to Rob and Samantha a memento of their sterling service to the Hinterland community so thought that a 'Key to Maleny' would do the trick.

Aware that one of their Rotarians, Lionel Tilley, was a Woodie, I was tasked to produce a fitting 'Key'. Little did they know that my artistic skills resemble those of a 5-year-old and I see things in black and white. The 'Key' produced would have resembled a circle of wood with a rod attached to one side, on the end of which would be some 'teeth' – hardly a fitting gift.

The only solution was to seek advice from the Woodies Master Carver, one David Southern, with a request for assistance. Only a few days later a call from David to me to have a look at what he had produced left me in awe of David's skills.

A beautifully carved key about 300mm in length was the result.

The Rotary Club were delighted, as were Rob and Samantha, to have received such a beautifully produced memento of their time in Maleny.

Thanks David – you saved my skin!



#### TIMBER BITS

The dryer weather has finally given us a better timber flow. A stack of red cedar went directly to the timber sales area in bays 4 and 5. Two more stacks of fiddlewood and camphor will be added within the week. Michael Brosnan arranged a timber swap with the Emerald Wood Club. We exchanged some camphor logs for some western timbers. Bay 8 contains a mix of these with some slabs and small logs outside under the green shed

#### For Sale -

A list of the timbers available in each bay.

- 1- Fiddlewood
- 2- Norfolk Island Pine
- 3-
- 4- Red Cedar (New)
- 5- Red Cedar (New)
- 6- Silky Oak very low stock
- 7- Silky Oak very low stock
- 8- Mixed western timbers
- 9- Black Wattle
- 10- Black Wattle
- 11- Swamp Cypress
- 12-Moreton Bay Ash

- 13- Magnolia
- 14- Fiddlewood
- 15- Fiddlewood
- 16- Hoop Pine
- 17- Bollygum -very low stock
- 19- Camphor Laurel- low stock
- 20- Camphor Laurel- low stock
- 21-
- 22-
- 23- Jacaranda -
- low stock
- 24- Silver Ash slabs
- 25- Silver Ash
- 26- Mango



#### **Drying Rack -**

NOT AVAILABLE for purchase. Timber here is stabilised after being 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. Silky oak in rack will be available within a week.

#### RECENT 2 DAY WORKSHOP OF MARQUETRY

SIX of us recently attended this workshop, taught by Leo Huyghebaert, a delightful man, who arrived in his huge van with his wife the day before the course began. We all worked hard and learnt many things. Now we have

added another skill to our repertoire and

thoroughly enioved ourselves.





An example of the beautiful work that Leo produces





### TIPS & TRICKS By WOODMAGAZINE.COM

#### Your Next Hand Planes

What is the best kind of hand plane? The choices for which planes to acquire next become more dependent on what kind of work you intend to do and your overall commitment to hand tools in general.

#### Level up your hand plane game with these options.



But it's not all about the length. Once the plane starts moving, the extra mass provides momentum that powers it through cuts easily. This makes a jointer plane ideal for flattening wide

#### Jointer plane

You can't go wrong purchasing a jointer plane as your first "next" plane. As you might guess from the name, jointer planes excel at jointing the edges of boards in preparation for gluing (photo, above). Their 22-24" sole length spans low spots, planing away the peaks of a board until you flatten the edge or surface.



We recommend a no. 7 as a practical, all-around jointer plane. It hits the sweet spot in terms of size vs. convenience. The no. 8 measures a couple of inches longer and 1/4" wider, but unless you possess forearms like Popeye, the extra weight will tire you out sooner during long planing sessions. Plus, the 2-5/8" blade of a no. 8 may be too wide to fit in some honing guides.

#### **Duplex rabbet plane**

A rabbet plane cuts one of the most basic of all woodworking joints. You'll find several different types, but all rabbet planes have one thing in common: The blade extends flush with (or a "hare" beyond) the sides of the plane body. This allows the plane to cut cleanly into the





Some rabbet planes function like shoulder planes, simply trimming and refining the fit of an existing rabbet or shoulder. For cutting rabbets from scratch, choose a duplex rabbet plane with an adjustable fence that fixes the width of the rabbet, as well as a stop to control the depth (photos, left).



Also look for one with a nicker, or spur, to score the wood fibres when cutting rabbets on the end of a board, reducing chip-out (photo, right). The "duplex" in the name refers to the fact that it offers two blade positions: a standard rear position and a bullnose position for working the front of the plane into a corner.

#### Router plane

Like the motorised version that shares its name, a router plane cuts grooves and recesses. For making just one or two grooves, a router plane often performs faster (and quieter) than a router. And unlike a router bit, the square cutter of a router plane can reach all the way into the corners of a square notch or recess, making stopped dadoes and grooves an easy task (photo, right).



On a router plane, a narrow (1/4" or 1/2") cutter projects through a small throat opening in the body of the plane. Grip a knob on each side of the cutter to guide it through the cut, then use the adjuster to lower the cutter after each pass to deepen the dado or groove. The control offered by the adjuster makes this plane ideal for exacting tasks, such as inlay work or cleaning out a hinge mortise.

Like the edge guide on a power router, some router planes have a fence to guide the tool when routing a groove parallel with the edge of a board. Some router planes also come with a V-cutter for smoothing the bottom of a groove or recess. Use this cutter to clean up ridges left behind by a dado blade or to fine-tune the thickness of tenons (photo, right).



#### Scraper plane

A well-tuned card scraper creates wispy shavings, leaving behind a glass-smooth surface that doesn't require sanding. The friction created also burns the heck out of your thumbs in the process. But mount a scraper in a plane body and you have an easier-to-control tool you can use without discomfort. Scraper planes deliver excellent results on highly figured wood or boards with difficult grain.

A basic scraper plane, known as a cabinet scraper, looks similar to a spokeshave and holds the blade at a fixed angle (Opening photo). Tightening a knob or thumbscrew bows the scraper blade for a heavier cut, the same way you would with your thumbs. After rolling a hook on the edge of the blade and installing it in the body of the plane, scrape the surfaces of your project as the final step before applying a finish.



One of our favourite scraper planes is the no. 112 (photo, previous page). It features a pair of nuts and a threaded rod that allow you to vary the pitch of the blade for the most effective cutting angle. Handles similar to a smoothing plane make it comfortable to use for long stretches. And the large sole offers support as you smooth wide surfaces.

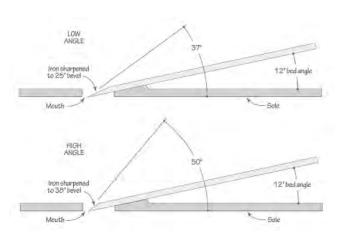
#### High-angle plane



Most bevel-down bench planes have a bed angle of around 45° because it provides a happy medium between quality of cut and ease of use. Lower angles tend to tear out the wood grain, and higher angles require greater effort to push through the wood.

But for figured or difficult grain, a blade angle of 50° or 55° shears the surface of the wood without pulling out the grain (photo, left). Unless you work with a lot of highly figured wood, though, it's hard to justify the expense of both high-angle and standard-angle bench planes.

Lie-Nielsen and Veritas each offer a high-angle frog you can simply swap out for the standard frog in their bench planes (photo, right).



A low-angle, bevel-up plane achieves results similar to a high-angle plane (Drawing, above). This sounds counterintuitive, but on a bevel-up plane, you can alter the cutting angle by changing the bevel angle on the plane iron. Instead of grinding a new angle on your blade, purchase a second blade with a higher angle to use when you encounter a board with temperamental



#### READ THIS OUT LOUD!

This is this cat.
This is is cat.
This is how cat.
This is to cat.
This is keep cat.
This is an cat.
This is idiot cat.
This is busy cat.
This is for cat.
This is forcat.
This is forcat.



NOW GO BACK AND READ THE THIRD WORD ONLY IN EACH LINE FROM THE START.

## Anyone looking for a project?

Alycia Tohill recently came to the club and asked if someone would be willing to make some of these items as trophies in an upcoming Kennel Club Competition. They are actually dog dish holders. If anyone would like to do this job would you please ring Alycia on 0416255072. She needs them by 16th September.

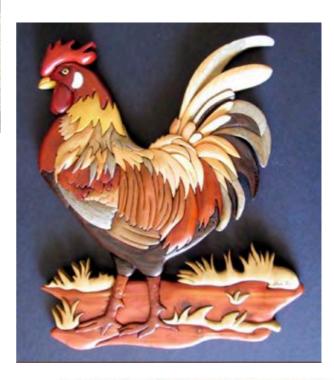












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