

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Hi again everyone,

As you have probably seen the extension to the wood-wiz shed has been completed thanks to Kev and John.

Won't be long now until the newer wood wiz is installed.

There have been a couple of accidents at the shed this month. Both are okay however we need to be extremely careful and ask for help .

Remember you only rip on the Woodman saws unless you use the box making jigs. If you have something specific to do and you are not quite sure about it, ask for help.

Cross cuts on the panel saw using the Fritz and Franz where necessary, much safer option.

We have a working bee on Monday the 8th, April for the kids workshop at the Maleny Expo.

Keith has been working hard to get it all ready to go. So if you can come and help please come and join us.

Have a very happy Easter and stay safe.

As I have already said the shed is closed on Good Friday the 29th. March.

Cheers,

Julie Breen

BRWG President

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Shed Captains' Roster

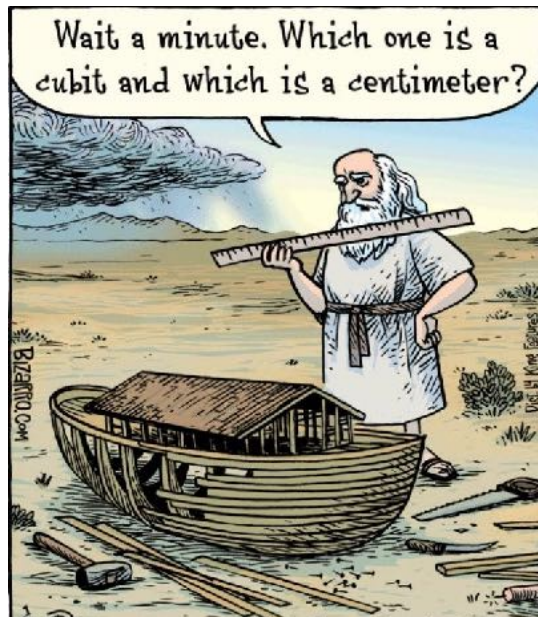
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It is the duty Capt's responsibility to arrange a substitute if he/she cannot be captain on the printed roster sheet

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Ron Turner



A bit of humour from David Friend

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Shed Managers' Report

March 2024

Another reasonably quiet month on the maintenance front.

Maintenance:

The few minor items have been:

- The Jet Bandsaw got a new blade, after a routine breakage.
- The Laguna Bandsaw had some major attention when the lower back bearing was found to be seized. All bearings on the guides were replaced, and the machine fully adjusted.
- The Woodman No 1 table saw has a new riving knife fitted.
- Woodman No 2 table saw had some damage to the Jessem Guides.
- The final issue for this month has been stuff being left on overnight or over the weekend. We had the compressor and dehumidifier on twice, and the Jet filters once. Please check it is all quiet before closing up.

New Equipment

A bit of new equipment to talk about this month:

- The 235mm Makita power saw has been replaced, as the old one was beyond repair.
- The 75mm Makita belt sander has also been replaced. The old one had a bent frame, presumably from being dropped sometime in its life.
- The new 16inch Laguna thicknesser has had some teething problems with feeding material without skewing on the outfeed. We are attempting to resolve, but are not there yet. Please let us know if that happens to you.
- The new spindle on the Jessem Router lift is now fully operational. It has the same controls as the other Harvey router. Please see your Shed Captain if you are unsure of any of the controls.

Projects

We have a number of projects underway on upgrading BRWG facilities, and the following is a progress update for members.

- **WoodWiz Shed.** This has made real progress this month. We now have the roof on, the floor poured, and the walls partially complete. Remaining work consists mainly of the wall to the old shed to allow the Woodwiz to be weather protected.

Kev Devlin and John Isles

BRWG Donation to Wishlist



Steps & Planking trophies made and donated by BRWG to Wishlist 2023 (in front of Wishlist Supporters Wall renovated and donated by BRWG in 2019 by former President John Muller)

Wishlist again approached the Blackall Range Woodies and requested a trophy for its "Rehab Olympics" competition at its Fundraising Day on 27 March this year.

BRWG Design & Construct Team put their heads together and created this trophy:



BRWG's Design & Construct Team Rob & Philippa who created the trophy.



The horizontal parallel bars represent one of the pieces of equipment used to support patients while re-learning how to walk, and the markings on 3 of the Olympic rings represent a stitched excision.



Philippa presented the Rehab Olympics trophy to Wishlist last Friday on behalf of BRWG.

ACCREDITATION OFFICERS

NAME	PHONE	EQUIPMENT
Graham Beaumont	0449081092	Group 2 and Group 3
Tom Black	0455727125	Band Saw, Sanders
Keith Carter	0448550277	Band saw, Jointer, Thicknesser, Table Saw, Group 3
Bruce Chapman	0422927032	Jointer, thicknesser, Band Saw and Group 1
Kev Devlin	0428457774	Group 2 (except Lathe), Group 3
Ron Donald	0407115173	Group 1
Rob Forsyth	0409075889	Band saw, Jointer, Thicknesser, Table Saw, Group 3
Brian Harris	0401331337	Group 2 (except Lathe), Group 3
John Isles	0407632158	Band saw, Jointer, Thicknesser, Table Saw, Group 3
Pat Kelly	0413000196	Lathe
Greg McCosker	0418746420	Group 2 and Group 3
Ian McKeague	0412977137	Band saw, Jointer, Thicknesser, Table Saw, Group 3
John MacLaren	0419641727	Band saw, Jointer, Thicknesser, Table Saw, Group 3
Russ Middlecoat	0400046407	Band saw, Jointer, Thicknesser, Table Saw, Sanders, Lathe
John Muller	0418871946	Group 2 (except dovetail jigs), Group 3
Ron Turner	0407659865	Band saw, Jointer, Thicknesser, Table Saw, Group 3
David Slatter	0427096460	Thicknesser, Jointer and Band Saw
Dave Southern	0419606312	Band saw, Jointer, Thicknesser, Table Saw
Steve Squires	0401909122	Group 2 (except Lathe), Group 3



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Around the Shed

Sherri's box that she is making for her father.



A table made by
Dave Southern





Council grants have enabled the Woodies create and craft high quality woodcraft and to reciprocate by donating the rejuvenated historical Boomerang Bench shown above to Council for the residents of Montville.

Above: Woodies member Rob Forsyth handing over the rejuvenated Boomerang Bench to Council officer Julie.



With the assistance of a grant from Sunshine Coast Council, the Woodies Shed Managers Kev and John, upgraded out existing router to a similar level as the new Router table that we got from a grant some months ago. Many thanks to Kev and John.

Peter Webb tried it out a few days ago.

Sunshine Coast Council Grants

Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild Inc has received grants from the Sunshine Coast Council. A \$2000 minor grant to replace our worn Bobbin Sander and \$7500 for a new thicknesser which has been purchased and installed.

These grants will assist Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild Inc to continue to produce high quality woodcraft for its members and continue its long-established reputation for donating woodcraft to non-profit community organisations on the Sunshine Coast.



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Oils ain't Oils - A fiery warning when finishing with oils.

You may have heard that oily rags can self-combust. This is a real risk when working with many oils.

Finishing oils can be divided into two types: Hardening and non-hardening.

Hardening oils will penetrate a little way into the wood and then the surface will harden to form a fairly tough skin. Further applications will not penetrate but can resurface the skin. These are usually vegetable oils and are polyunsaturated oils.

Non-hardening oils will also penetrate a little way into the wood but the surface does not harden. These are usually paraffin/mineral oils and are saturated oils. They do not last as long and need more regular reapplication, especially on items like chopping boards.

Both types are food safe in their pure form but may have toxic additives so check the label.

The real problem lies with hardening oils. These polyunsaturated oils react with oxygen in a reaction which generates heat. This reaction cross links the oil molecules to give the hard surface but too much heat can be a real problem. When oily rags are packed together, enough heat can be generated to actually ignite the rags. There are numerous youtube videos on this such as <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9yq6VW-c2Ts>

So what to do:

- To be on the safe side treat all oils as capable of igniting oily rags. This includes hardwax oils.
- When you finish a job, put the rags in a bucket of water.
- If you want to keep them. Wash them in water with a lot of detergent. Don't dry in a dryer as there may still be enough oil to ignite the rags in the hot air of the dryer. This has happened in industrial laundries when drying towels used for massages.
- The best option is to spread the wet rags out, away from anything combustible and, when dry, beat nature at its own game by burning them.

Rob Don

Timber bits from Bruce Chapman

For the carvers bay 11 is white beech slabs of varying thickness from 30mm to 50mm

For Sale

A list of the timbers available in each bay.

- 1- Red Cedar
- 2-Bunya Pine (new)
- 3-Bunya Pine (new)
- 4- Silky Oak
- 5- Silky Oak
- 6- Silky Oak
- 7- Silky Oak
- 8- Silky Oak
- 9- Silky Oak
- 10-
- 11-White beech
- 12-
- 13- Tallowwood
- 14- Fiddlewood
- 15- Hoop/ Norfolk Island Pine
- 16-
- 17- Camphor Laurel
- 18-Camphor Laurel
- 19- Camphor Laurel
- 20- Camphor Laurel
- 21- Camphor Laurel Slabs
- 22- Jacaranda
- 23- Jacaranda
- 24- Silky Oak slabs
- 25- Silky Oak slabs
- 26- Mango

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. Silky oak in the rack will be available within a week.

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