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Shed Notes

Newsletter of Woodcraft Guild of the ACT Inc

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2010 7.30 - 9.30 PM

Venue: **The Shed,**

Meeting of 29 September 2010 AGM

Wednesday 29th September is the Guild's **Annual General Meeting**. Nominations for positions on the Guild Committee for the next twelve months will be received and votes taken. It is important that you come along and show your support for the Guild. We will also be taking a vote on important changes to the Rules and Objects under which the Guild operates (details elsewhere in this Newsletter). We are an incorporated body under ACT Government Legislation so we are bound by that legal framework.

We also plan to have some woodcraft along with the formal aspects of the evening. Warwick Shean will be showing us a Router jig he has made for cutting mortise and tenon joints. A jig for cutting mortises is also featured in the latest issue of Australian Wood Review, so a discussion of such jigs is timely.

We plan to finish of the Guild's "Woodcraft Year" with some nibbles, wine and beer so do join us to celebrate another successful year.

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NOTICES & REPORTS

Monthly Guild Meeting

Wednesday 29 September 7.30 pm

Annual General Meeting plus the regular sales and social items.

Triton Club Meeting

6 October 2010 - General Meeting -.

Burn Alting

President's patter

Monthly meetings: Richard Raffan's talk in August on a collaborative project he did at Bowral last year provoked quite a deal of interest, as did the talk by Rod Tier and me on the Woodturning Symposium in Brisbane.

Richard is keen to have a collaborative session at the Guild along the lines of the project at Bowral and a separate item is featured in this newsletter. This should be a fun weekend so come along and be creative!

Remember this month is the Annual General Meeting, including election of new office bearers for the next twelve months. It will also involve a vote on changes to the Rules and Objects of the Guild so make sure you come along and vote for the new Committee and our rule changes. We still do not have a nomination for Secretary so if you feel you can make a contribution to Guild activities, volunteer for this important position.

Exhibition: Overall, the Exhibition was a great success and a credit to the Guild and those individuals who put in so much effort. The number of entries in the Exhibition was a little disappointing but quality was high and the advent of three workbenches, a sea kayak and three high quality hall tables certainly added interest. Raffle sales went very well and the first prize of a 'Justin' hall table helped considerably. Sales generally were also good although as far as I could tell, very few Exhibition entries were sold. The re-vamped demonstration system also seemed to work well although the toy making did not take off as we had hoped. We will need to review how demonstrations are organized for next year.

Toilet block: While the toilet block is operational, several items still need to be completed before we can request final inspection and approval. The slope between the Lions Shed and ours has been chamfered off so runoff cannot enter the toilet block and the concrete apron outside the toilet block has been installed by a contractor.

The plumber has a few small items to complete and will then arrange to have the plumbing inspected. We have some jobs to finish on the outside including a cover strip under the eaves and completing the painting the outside of the building.

Robin Cromer, President

Cleaning of the toilet / amenities areas

The Guild is seeking a contractor to undertake cleaning of the toilet block and amenities areas every two weeks. We would like initially to seek quotes from members of the Guild or their families before looking further afield. If you are interested in this work, please contact Robin Cromer (robinandjill@bigblue.net.au or 6286 8568).

Proposed Changes to the Guild's Rules and Objects

At the Annual General Meeting to be held in this month the committee will recommend to members that they agree to the adoption of new Rules and Objects for the Guild. The text of the proposed Rules and Objects, as well as the current Rules and Objects, are now available on the Guild's website. (<http://www.woodcraftguild.org.au/resources.htm>) Also available on the website is a further document for the assistance of members which explains why the committee considers this course of action necessary. This document also summarises the more significant changes under the proposed Rules.

Members who have previously indicated that they do not have access to email received a copy of the proposed Rules and Objects and the further document for the assistance of members with the June newsletter.

The Committee

Annual Exhibition Financial Result

The Guild's major annual source of income is its Exhibition, held in conjunction with the Timber and Working with Wood Show at EPIC on 3-5 September. The Guild receives a commission from members' sales of woodcraft and also receives the net proceeds from its annual raffle. Cash awards for Exhibition winners were again supported by the National Association of Forest Industries and ACTEWAGL, plus donations from Members. This year we achieved record income from sales (+39% on 2009) and from the raffle (+55% vs. 2009). Expenses were controlled and kept within reasonable limits. The total net income for the Guild from the Exhibition was \$5605. This is a tribute to the diligent and continuous efforts of Derek Jewell (Raffle), Dave Callan (Sales) and their teams of hard-working volunteers and is appreciated by all Members.

Dan Steiner 0415 133 606, dansteiner1@gmail.com

Winners - Exhibition 2010

Below is a list of prize winners for the 2010 Guild Exhibition. A comprehensive report and pictures will be published in the October newsletter.

Members

Boxes - not turned

Third Prize RAY Halpin
Second Prize JOHN Fowlie
First Prize JOHN Fowlie

Carving/Sculpture

Third Prize JOHN Armstrong
Second Prize JOHN Armstrong
First Prize JOHN Murphy

Furniture

Third Prize JAN Reksten
Second Prize JUSTIN McCarthy
First Prize JUSTIN McCarthy
JUSTIN McCarthy

Marquetry, Intarsia & Scrollsaw

Commended ALISON Bloomfield
Third Prize LYNNE Clark
Second Prize ALISON Bloomfield
First Prize ROGER Gregerson

Models

Third Prize RON South
Second Prize BRUCE George

First Prize LEIGH Brown

Pyrography

Highly Commended SHANNON Henry
MEG Harrison

Third Prize SHANNON Henry

Second Prize SHANNON Henry

First Prize SHANNON Henry

Tool Making and Restoration

Third Prize ROBERT Hogg

Second Prize COLIN Gray

First Prize PETER Rogers

Toys and Games

Highly Commended LEIGH Brown
ROBERT Hogg

Third Prize RON South

Second Prize Scroll Saw SIG

First Prize LEIGH Brown

Woodturning - between centres

Third Prize ART Pollard

Second Prize ART Pollard

First Prize ROBIN Cromer

Woodturning - faceplate work

Third Prize GREG Holcombe

Second Prize ROBIN Cromer

First Prize GREG Holcombe

Woodwork - General

Third Prize DEREK Jewell, MIKE Nash, ROD Tier, FRED Buckley

Second Prize HUGH Milloy

First Prize PETER Rogers

Open

Carving and Sculpture in wood

First Prize JOHN Murphy

Furniture - Floor standing

First Prize JUSTIN McCarthy

First Prize JUSTIN McCarthy

Other Woodwork

First Prize PATRICK Taylor

Woodturning (all types)

First Prize Ken Vodden

Young Achiever

PATRICK Taylor

Prizes and Sponsors

Sponsors for the Guild's *Treasures in Timber* exhibition at this year's *Working With Wood Show* have again been very generous in their support in every way, donating both gift vouchers for use at their stores or, in some cases, actual products themselves. Without the support of our sponsors,

the Guild would not be able to run the competition and offer prizes in the various categories of our annual woodwork competition.

The first point to be made is that the Guild strongly encourages all members to support our sponsors when buying tools and materials for their work. All sponsors are offered advertising in our newsletter commensurate with the level of support they provide and members will have seen advertisements from some of our sponsors in the regular monthly newsletter. The names of sponsors will also be prominently displayed on a board at our exhibition in September.

Sponsors are understandably proud of the products they manufacture and supply. We have been concerned to hear from some sponsors this year that, although they are happy to continue sponsoring the Guild, they have been upset in the past by some winners who have asked whether they could exchange their prizes for an alternative product or item to the one that has been offered. In other cases, winners have been awarded vouchers that have never been claimed.

When allocating prizes to winners, the Committee does its best to match the prizes awarded to what they believe will be the interests and needs of the winners in the individual categories. We cannot guarantee however that every prize winner will necessarily be awarded the prize that they would most want. The Committee would like to stress that, above all, the most significant feature of winning a prize is the honour and recognition bestowed upon the winner by the judges in selecting their piece as a place-getter in the competition.

The Committee asks therefore that all prize winners actually claim their prizes within the validity period of the vouchers awarded. If individual winners are awarded prizes that are of limited use to them, it may be possible to effect a swap with another prize winner. In the case of vouchers, some sponsors want to be informed of the name of the prize winner and it would therefore be helpful to the Committee to be notified of any swaps so that the sponsor can be told the correct name of the person claiming a prize from them.

Canberra Home Leisure Caravan 4WD Camping SHOW EPIC 22-24 October.

See <http://www.canberrahomeshow.com.au/>

The SHOW is a very popular event and it is an excellent venue to advertise the Woodcraft Guild, meet the public, gain new members, sell woodcraft items and receive commissions. We have been offered space inside one of the pavilions where we can give demonstrations and sell woodcraft items. With Christmas looming, the SHOW is an ideal sales venue.

If you are interested in participating or wish to sell woodcraft items, please contact me as soon as possible.

Keith Houston 6247 0013

Memberships

The Guild membership year runs from 1 July through to 30 June. Membership of the Guild is subject to approval by the Committee. The annual fee for each type of membership is as follows, **New members** applications lodged from 1 December to 31 May receive a fee discount of 50%.

All renewals pay full annual fee regardless of when paid!

	Annual	Discount
Family	\$80	[\$40]
Single Adult	\$70	[\$35]
Tertiary Student (< 25 years)	\$35	[\$17.50]
Secondary Student (< 18 years)	\$30	[\$15]

Country membership (>50km from Canberra) is half of the relevant fee shown above.

- Family Membership includes spouse of member and dependent children up to 18 years old.
- Tertiary Student membership is for persons 18 – 24 years old and studying full time at a tertiary institution.
- Junior membership is for persons who are less than 18 years old on 31 December of their membership year, e.g. for 2010 membership they are not 18 until on or after 1 Jan 2011.
- Limited Membership is available for persons attending training at the Guild's Shed. This includes SIPS trainees and persons attending a Guild approved training course conducted at the Shed. While this membership is valid for a full year, it is limited to periods of attendance at a training course. Limited Membership excludes attendance at a general meeting of the Guild.

You may renew membership by posting your cheque, payable to the "Woodcraft Guild ACT" to the Guild at P O Box 1411, Woden ACT 2606 or direct to the Guild's bank account:

Account name: Woodcraft Guild of the ACT

Account number 0091 1217

BSB 062 908

Remarks / Comment: "m'ship ***your initial +surname***"

or by EFTPOS, by contacting the Treasurer at a Guild meeting (on the last Wednesday of the month at the Shed) or by emailing him at treasurer@woodcraftguild.org.au.

Also please advise the Treasurer if any of your contact details are changed, e.g. postal or email address or phone number.

Dan Steiner

Off Cuts (miscellaneous items of interest)

Links to articles provided by speakers at meetings can be found on the website at the end of the activities page - <http://www.woodcraftguild.org.au/presentations.htm>.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SIG) REPORTS

SIG Co-ordinators: please note that the closing date for newsletter input is 2nd Friday of each month.

SIG Meetings Schedule

Carving SIG: 3rd Saturday of the month, the Shed, 12:30pm – 4:30pm.

Paul Dunn, 6251 1360, pdunn88@aol.com

Furniture SIG: 2nd Saturday of month - 1.00 - 4.30 pm

Mathew Klein, 62310475 kleinmw@hotmail.com

Pyrography SIG: Sunday 10th October, 12.00 – 4.00pm.

Vivien Laycock, 0438877711, viv_bungendoreart@bigpond.com

Restoration & Recycling SIG: Coordinator needed

Scroll Saw SIG: 3rd Sunday of month - 1.30 - 4.00 pm

Tools Appreciation SIG: 3rd Thursday evening of the month, 7.30pm.

Jack Dempsey, 6292 2432, dempsj@gmail.com

Toys & Models SIG: Sunday AFTER the Guild meeting, 1.30-4.30pm

Robert Hogg 6295 7372

Turning

Saturday Turning SIG: Saturday BEFORE the Guild meeting, 1.30 – 4.30 pm.

However, NOTE: Sept SIG is cancelled, due to weekend 'Creative Weekend Event'.

Miniature and Mandrel Turning SIG: 1st Saturday of the month (except January, September & December) at the Guild Shed, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

Art Pollard, 6288 6602, artpolrd@tpg.com.au

Monday Night Turning SIG: 2nd Monday of month - 7.00 - 9.30 pm

Peter Hughes, hughes_pa@hotmail.com 62557711 H

Between Centre Turning SIG: 2nd Saturday of month – 1.00pm for coffee and a 1.30pm start.

Jim Reid 6227 5664

CO-ORDINATOR'S NOTES

Mandrel and Miniature (Pen) Turning SIG: Printed copies of the SIG Program for 2010 are available at the front desk at the Shed. The 2010 program is designed to enhance the skills and experience of SIG members, with the aim of accrediting as many members as possible to use the Guild's equipment, that is commonly used by the SIG.

Art Pollard, 6288 6602, artpolrd@tpg.com.au

Furniture SIG: The furniture SIG will meet on Saturday 9th October at 1pm. The session will begin with a presentation on "Figured Wood" Bring along any interesting pieces you have at home. The current project is construction of the bench for the new Festool Sliding Compound Miter saw.

Mathew Klein kleinmw@hotmail.com

Pyrography SIG Due to a course held on the weekend of the 25th and 26th the Pyrography Sig has been moved to will be on Sunday the 10th of October and our last one for the year on the 14th of November. I haven't booked a December sig as I thought the Christmas party would be enough of an event. Will advise of 2011 dates for next years calendar as soon as possible so people can know what's happening. Congratulations to our pyrography winners and look forward to seeing old and new on the 10th.

Vivien Laycock, 0438877711, viv_bungendoreart@bigpond.com

Saturday Turning SIG – The September SIG is cancelled to allow for the 'Creative Weekend Event' described earlier in this Newsletter. The Turning SIG is planning to organise a course for Beginner Wood turners in coming weeks. Details will be announced very soon.

The Saturday Turning SIG is seeking a SIG Coordinator and in the meantime, Rod Tier and Dan Steiner are trying to organise this SIG's activities.

Dan Steiner 0415 133 606, dansteiner1@gmail.com

ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER

Member's articles: Preferred medium is in Arial 12pt in MS Word format attached to e-mail. Articles from members are welcome **providing copyright rules are followed**. They will be included where space is available. **NB:** Please enclose JPEGs as separate attachments.

Deadline: 2nd Friday of the month except December

Member's Free Advertisements. One free advertisement of **3 lines** in each edition.

Other Advertising Rates are accepted by a donation to Guild funds: Queries regarding rates should be addressed to the Treasurer. Your donation is to be paid to the Woodcraft Guild ACT Inc, PO Box 1411, Woden ACT 2606.

Lynne Clark, Editor, 6231 8934 (h), 6289 5643 (w) lynnefc@ozemail.com.au

ADVERTISEMENTS

Commission opportunity

A homeowner needs to have the curved support for a lattice re-made and fitted. The job would require skills in either steam bending or laminating (although a third alternative may be possible without those skills). Four of these supports are required (three of 2.2 m and one of 1.26 m in length).

Anyone interested in looking at this job and giving a price should contact Robin Cromer (robinandjill@bigblue.net.au or 6286 8568) for further details.

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CREATIVE WEEKEND

WHERE: WCGACT, The Shed, Lion's Youth Haven.

WHEN: 25th & 26th September, 8.30am to 5pm

This will be a couple of days of intense activity as you cast aside any woody inhibitions to play with a range of unfamiliar materials and techniques. Try a bit of blacksmithing! Many creations might be aesthetic disasters, but this doesn't matter if you gain insights into design, processes, and techniques as a consequence. Triumphs inspire, but sharing mistakes and disasters are a better aid to learning. You can work collaboratively or on your own.

WHAT TO BRING: Anything that can be used to hack, hew, paint, colour, stain, burn, char, or otherwise alter the surface of a wooden object. Think chisels, gouges, Arbortecs, sanders, grinders, files, gas torches, wood burners. Think also of remnants of decorator/house paints, marker pens, wood dyes, chalks, sealers, oils. And brushes, solvents to clean brushes, tins for solvents.

Bring any expendable turnings or other wooden object that might provide a surface for decoration and enhancement. Think of frames, bowls, stools, lamp bases, vases, boxes, old furniture, or simply off-cuts and scrap wood.

In addition to The Shed's equipment, a few extra lathes, and the racks of timber there will be a lot of nails (various) as well as Dutch metal and gilding materials, and lacquers. To these you might add found objects and hardware: nails, rusty bolts, old fence wire, and anything else that appeals that you might use creatively.

Limit of 30 people. Phone Richard Raffan on 6287 5001 for more info.

Dan Steiner dansteiner1@gmail.com will handle bookings and the \$20 fee.

BYO lunch, snacks, bottles of gin, etc.

For inspiration, take a look at the work produced at these events: www.collaborationau.com and www.emmacollaboration.com

**WOODCRAFT GUILD OF THE ACT
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2010**

29 September 2010

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Apologies**
- 3. Minutes of the Last AGM**
- 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**
- 5. President's Report**
- 6. Treasurer's Report**
- 7. Election of Office Bearers**
- 8. Special Resolutions**
- 9. General Business**
- 10. Close of Meeting**

WOODCRAFT GUILD OF THE ACT

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2009

30 September 2009

MINUTES

11. Call to Order

- 11.1. The Chairman (*Pro Tem*), Fred Buckley, called the meeting to order at **1935**.
- 11.2. The Chairman noted that the Agenda for this meeting, and the Draft Minutes of the 2008 AGM, had been published in the September Newsletter.

12. Apologies

- 12.1. Apologies were offered on behalf of:
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|--------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Trevor Brown | Bob Coulson | Robin Cromer | Bruce George |
| Meg Harrison | John Jervis | Anne-Marie Siteri | Bruce Ware |
- 12.2. There were 44 members present.

13. Minutes of the Last AGM

- 13.1. Recorder, Rod Tier, noted that the draft Minutes of the 2008 AGM had been published in the September issue of the Guild Newsletter.
- 13.2. The Chairman invited a motion that the Draft Minutes be accepted as published.

<p>Moved: Roger Gregerson; Seconded: Keith Houston; – that the Minutes be accepted as published. Carried.</p>
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14. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- 4.1 There were no matters arising from the Minutes of the 2008 AGM.

15. President's Report

- 5.1 Recorder, Rod Tier, read the President's Report on Robin Cromer's behalf, noting that a copy would be published in a subsequent Newsletter.

Moved: Keith Houston; **Seconded:** Dave Callan; – that the President's Report be accepted.
Carried.

16. Treasurer's Report

- 16.1. Treasurer Dan Steiner presented the audited Financial Statement of the Guild for 2008-2009.
- 16.2. Dan touched briefly on the main points of the Financial Statement, noting the income of \$65,784 and the expenditure of \$52,075, and a balance of \$40,194. Dan noted that the \$65K income included an \$11,000 grant from the ACT Government toward the construction of the Toilet Block, which the Guild is expected to match with at least \$10,000, including the cost of the fitout of the disabled section of the toilet. The Treasurer corrected an error, caused by inaccurate data entry, in the reported net income from the Timber & Working with Wood Show – the correct amount was a profit of \$3,393.
- 16.3. Dan invited questions on the Financial Statement, but none were raised.

Moved: Ted Riesz; **Seconded:** Keith Houston; – that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.
Carried.

17. Election of Office Bearers

- 17.1. Before conducting the election, on behalf of the members Fred thanked the outgoing President and Committee for their efforts over what had been an outstanding year in difficult circumstances, including the effects of the Global Financial Crisis, and the changes to the management of the Timber & Working with Wood Show. He invited the meeting to show its appreciation for the hard work and achievements of Robin Cromer and the other members of the outgoing Committee – the meeting responded with general acclaim.
- 17.2. The Chairman then declared all positions vacant, and initiated the election process.

- 17.3. **President:** Only one nomination, of **Robin Cromer**, having been received, the Chairman declared Robin duly re-elected as President, to general acclaim. The Chairman noted that Robin was currently away from Canberra on holiday, but before departing had indicated his willingness to serve, if elected.
- 17.4. **Vice President:** Only one nomination, of **Keith Houston**, having been received, the Chairman declared Keith duly elected as Vice President, to general acclaim (and faint protests from Keith about “having his arm twisted”).
- 17.5. **Treasurer:** Only one nomination, of **Dan Steiner**, having been received, the Chairman declared Dan duly elected as Treasurer, to general acclaim.
- 17.6. **Secretary:** Only one nomination, of **Derek Jewell**, having been received, the Chairman declared Derek duly elected as Secretary, to general acclaim.
- 17.7. **Committee:** The Chairman asked if there was any opposition from the meeting to the holding of a “bulk election” for the remaining general Committee positions. There being no objection, Fred read out the list of nominees, as follows:

Bern Alting	Dave Callan	Lynne Clarke	
Peter Hughes	Matthew Klein	Justin	McCarthy
Ted Riesz	Owen Stewart	David	Weisser

There being no other nominations, the Chairman declared these Members duly elected, to general acclaim.

18. General Business

8.1 Peter Bloomfield advised the meeting of his intention to propose an amendment of the Guild Constitution consisting of the addition of two paragraphs to the Objectives of the Guild; one concerning the capacity of the Guild to erect buildings on its site; and the other concerning the Guild engaging in teaching and training people in woodwork. He noted that the Guild does both of these things already, but there is no mention of them among the Objectives in the Constitution, and he believed they should be explicitly covered. He undertook to provide

his suggested amendments to the new Committee.

19. Close of Meeting

19.1. On behalf of the Guild, the Chairman extended his best wishes to the new Committee in meeting the challenges of the coming year. He wished all members continuing enjoyment of their woodwork, observing that he personally derived great satisfaction from running courses, and inviting more members to participate.

19.2. The Chairman declared the 2009 Annual General Meeting of the Woodcraft Guild of the ACT closed at **2005**.

Signed:

President 2008~2009