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February 2018 Newsletter

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Meetings at 7 pm 4th Wednesday of each month at Kiama High School:-Next Meeting 28/2/2018

<u>Rolling Events Calendar</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Kiama WG Expo, 10-11 March 2018	<u>Guest Speakers</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Feb_Robert Wallis of Allwood Timbers
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LIBRARY EXHIBITION

Ray King has co-ordinated the arrangements for the Kiama Library for many years. Unfortunately family and health restrictions have caused Ray to hand back the commitment to the club committee. So, due to the limited time available John Daniel and Tony Walsh (at the committee meeting) volunteered to oversee this years exhibition until a new library co-ordinator can be selected at the next A.G.M. At this point the committee wishes to sincerely thank Ray for his dedication to our club activities and for the library exhibition in particular. As we know, it's a great location to showcase members woodworking skills plus of course all of the 'club challenge' entrants and subsequent winners. We also encourage other members to participate by providing an item or two.

The exhibition this year will commence on Monday 12th March, directly after the Expo. and run to Wednesday 28th March. This will allow the club challenge pieces to be collected at the close of the Expo on the Sunday afternoon packed and taken directly to the library the next day. At the close of the library exhibition the challenge pieces can be picked up by John and Tony, brought to the club meeting that night for respective members to discuss and then take them home.

Of course as is normal, members can deliver to and collect from the library, their items personally on the relevant Monday and Wednesday from 9.30 to 10.30 am. N.B. members not participating in the club challenge can also leave items for the library exhibition at the Expo (preferably on the Saturday) if unable to get to the library during business hours.

CLUB SHIRTS & CAPS.

Late last year a couple of our members asked if the club could arrange for some new polo shirts. As it's been a few years since our last order and we have had some new members enrol we should be able to meet the 'minimum order' quantities required by Adel sportswear.

The first step is to see just how many items are likely to be needed, hence the order form in this months newsletter. This time around we have included a fleecy crew neck jumper and a dress shirt.

Please return the completed form to Tony on or before club night 28th March/email or post.

The shirt will be purchased from Lowes and embroidered by the Adel sportswear company we normally use. Once the order forms are returned we can assess the total order. Individual payment will not be required until the finished items are presented to members. You will notice a slight reduction in members purchase prices, this is due to the committee agreeing to subsidise the cost plus a generous discount from the Lowes store manager. It's worth noting that wearing our 'club colours' outside of club activities prompts comment and opens conversation lines for potential new membership.

Out of the Shed

a little challenge

When last in the Old Fire Station Gallery a young fellow overheard me agree to make a chess pawn for a customer; well there was little I could do but agree to make a couple more for him, after all, he asked so politely. Young Harry (name changed for privacy) had lost a couple of pawns from his set.

Back in the shed, Ebony was the natural choice of wood for the black, and although the pawn was only one inch high, a section cut from an elephant's leg may seem a little overkill, however I did have a relic of a little carved elephant ornament that had had a hard life and was past its 'use-by-date', with a leg just large enough to accommodate the pawn (I'll admit it, I'm a hoarder, I do have difficulty in tossing offcuts and damaged ornaments made from exotic woods, one never knows when they might come in handy).

It's always difficult to make the first cut (a bit like the Club Challenge), however, the leg once amputated, cut to a suitable length and set up the lathe, and the challenge was underway.



Simple steps in the making of a small chess pawn: -

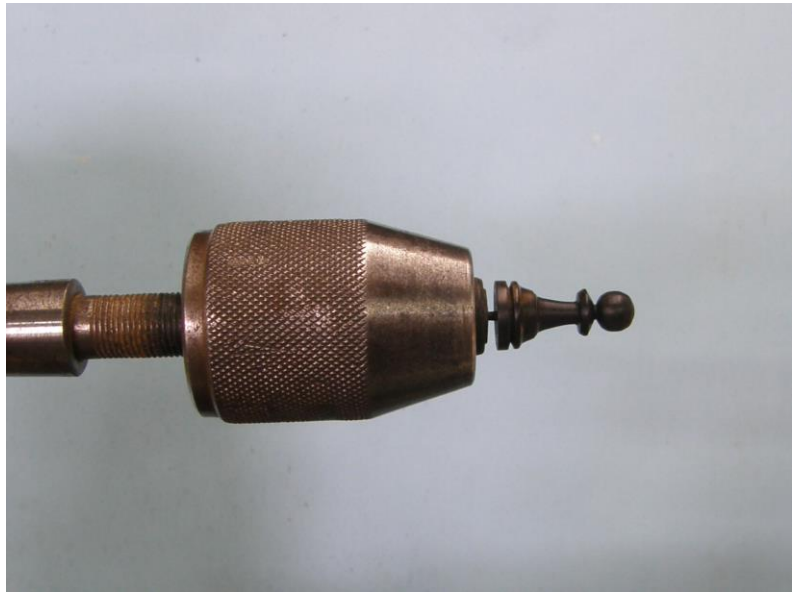
- Cut the wood to length allowing extra length to hold the work in a drill chuck and tailstock location..
- Set up the work between centres and turn down parallel with a reduced diameter at one end to fit in the chuck.



- Now set up the work in the chuck making sure that the turned shoulder on the blank is firm against the jaws to reduce flexibility; this is done by winding in the tailstock care being taken not to over-do it, remember it is only a small piece of wood.



- d. Shape the pawn with the tailstock in place leaving enough wood at the tailstock end to be able to remove all evidence of the tailstock center.
- e. Remove the tailstock and gently finish shaping the top with a fine skew chisel then sand the piece with very fine abrasive paper before burnishing.
- f. Part off the pawn, job done.



Note: -When determining diameters use small calipers, length transfer measurement use fine dividers, and shape, check by eye though some turners use profiles and others use copy lathes, however for 'one-offs', visual checking is hard to beat.

***Oops**, a message in those photos; when living on the coast, always clean the rust off the mandrel and centres before photographing..... *JD*

FREE TO A GOOD HOME

Nice sturdy desk/table, Ideal clean level assembly/work surface. Size is 30"x60"x30" high. Light grey Laminex all round. The four pieces simply screw together. Currently disassembled for transport.....see Tony for more info.



Show And Tell



Ted Batty's resin inspired bangles



Ted Batty:- Olive wood bowl



Ted Batty:- Robinia wood bowl



Mary Furness:- document box, great job!



John Daniel showed he still has the moves with this nicely turned ebony pawn.

Kiama Woodcraft Group Inc. – General Meeting Kiama High School, 7:00 pm 24 January 2018

Present: As per the attendance book (15 members)

Guests: T Rosser

Apologies: J Unwin, D Bywater

- Moved J Daniel, seconded D Collins that apologies be accepted

Ask The Expert:

- What would people recommend for prevention of rust on hand tools for display in a museum? General consensus was Innox.

Show And Tell:

- J Daniel showed some chess pawns he had turned, to replace missing pieces in a set.
- T Batty showed some bowls turned from robinia and olive, also some turned bangles. He called for opinions on the finish on some pen samples, comparing CA with a poly finish. Both seemed quite good.
- M Furness showed a very nice timber box she made in Thurston Morris' classes (for more info about Thirston see <http://www.thirstonmorris.com.au>).

Auction:

- A huge thanks to J Daniel for organising and running the club auction. Donated items were auctioned, bringing in a total of \$79 for the club.

Minutes:

- Moved D Keen, seconded B Keen that the minutes of the previous general meeting be accepted as circulated.

Business Arising:

- M Purcell advised that 3 new magazines arrived for the club library since the last meeting.

Correspondence In:

- Kiama Council remittance advice for return of Fire Station deposit.
- Kiama Show Society sent us a programme for the Kiama Show.

Correspondence Out:

- None.

Moved D Collins, seconded J Daniel that correspondence be accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

- T Walsh presented the Treasurer's report (NFP).
- Term deposit was rolled over for another term.
- Moved T Walsh, seconded T Hawkins that the report be accepted.

Expo Coordinator:

- All Class Timbers will be exhibiting at the expo.
- We need club members to present woodworking demonstrations throughout the expo – please speak to D Bywater.

Fire Station:

- The last Fire Station sale was very successful. Thanks to T Batty and all involved in making it such a success.
- T Batty has applied to Kiama Council to get the Fire Station for the October long weekend (with alternatives being the week and two weeks before that).

Coordinator:

- J Daniel advised that Robert Wallace will be talking at the next club meeting.

General Business:

- Welcome to new KWG club member Trevor Rosser!
- Thanks to T Walsh for all his research on purchasing a club bandsaw. He has identified a suitable model from Carbatech for approx \$420. The motion to purchase was moved by J Daniel, seconded by D Keen, with no members objecting.
- The bandsaw will be used at club demonstrations such as the Expo, and will be available for loan by club members during the rest of the year.
- T Walsh also advised that Carbatech will give club members a 5% discount on purchases.
- The old green tablecloths will be stored at the Fire Station for club use.
- B Mather brought a box of old club records for D Collins. Will be sorted through for retention/disposal.
- T Walsh gave an update on the WHS policy. The club advises anyone bringing electrical leads to the Expo to get them tagged - B Mather will be able to do this using test equipment at the Mens' Shed, just get your leads to him.
- Screens will need to be organised for Expo demonstrations. Some discussion was held as to what would be suitable.
- T Walsh is organising another round of club clothing; there was a good amount of interest from members. A form will be sent out with the next newsletter.
- The Sturt School For Wood will be holding their annual Tools And Techniques weekend on 17/18 February 2018. It looks like a very interesting programme - for details see <http://www.sturt.nsw.edu.au/app-announcements/tools-techniques-weekend-2018>

Badge Draw: Won by J Daniel.

Refreshments For Next Meeting: L Harrison

Committee Meeting: The next KWG Committee meeting is Thursday 25 January, 8:30am at Amaki Cottage in Kiama.

The meeting closed at 8:30 pm.

**Kiama Woodcraft Group Inc. – Executive Committee Meeting
Amaki Cottage, 8:30 am 25 January 2018**

Present: T Walsh, J Daniel, T Batty, D Collins

Apologies: D Keen, D Bywater

Minutes: Moved J Daniel, seconded T Walsh that the minutes of the previous executive committee meeting be accepted.

Business Arising:

- T Walsh has updated details of financial members, D Collins to update membership list for distribution with the next club newsletter.
- D Collins to print name badges for members, with an aim to distribute at the February meeting.
- Club clothing – T Walsh to place order forms in the next club newsletter. It was proposed that members pay for the clothing, and the club pay for the customisation of the logo.
- T Walsh reported that Carbatech will give a 5% discount to club members, although they do have to ask for it at the time of purchase. It was proposed that we ask them for their large print catalogue to add to the club library.
- T Walsh to purchase Carbatech bandsaw for the club. It will be used for club demonstrations, and will be available to club members to borrow when not being otherwise used. We need to find a place to keep it when not being used.
- D Collins to ask T Hawkins whether he has a copy of the club asset register, so it can be updated and the bandsaw added to it.

General Business:

- Kiama Library usually hosts a display of members' entries for the club expo challenge in March – T Walsh to contact Library to discuss.
- Discussed the need for suitable safety screens to use when demonstrating to the public. T Walsh to investigate options such as Perspex, mesh, etc.

The meeting closed at 9:15 am.

Kiama Woodcraft Group – Clothing Order Form

Kiama Woodcraft Group Clothing Order Form				
Items Available	Cost	Quantity	Size	\$
SKIP CAP – dark green – one size fits all	\$14.00 each		N/A	
JUMPER – dark green – crew neck - fleecy	\$35.00 each			
POLO Shirt – dark green – single pocket short sleeve	\$26.00 each			
DRESS SHIRT – light green – twin pockets – long sleeve	\$28.00 each			
DRESS SHIRT – light green – twin pockets – short sleeve	\$28.00 each			
			Total Cost	
Name:	Cash			<input type="checkbox"/>
Phone:	Cheque			<input type="checkbox"/>
	Bank Transfer			<input type="checkbox"/>

- Please complete and return no later than the club meeting on Wednesday 28th March or before via email or post
- Payment not required until garments are collected by members, anticipated to be from (club meeting) Wednesday 25th April
- Payment can be made by cash, cheque or bank transfer. BSB Number: 112879 Account Number: 464931461
- If payment is being made via bank transfer, please reference your name on the transfer.
- A limited quantity of clothing samples will be available to try for size at the March meeting.