

**ILLAWARRA WOODWORKERS
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Events Coming Up

- 13 August - – Committee Meeting** (early)
and **General Meeting** (10.30 approx)
- 3 September - BBQ and Display day** at Bunnings
- 10 September- – Committee Meeting** (early)
and **General Meeting** (10.30 approx)
- 8 October - – Committee Meeting** (early)
and **General Meeting** (10.30 approx)
- 15 October - – Swap and Buy Tools day**

Show and Tell

In June

Milan Oder showed an enclosed segmented vase of rock maple and redgum with the upper third of the vase being segmented. Very nice.

Mark Beaver showed a vase of camphor laurel, a neat bowl of ghost gum (donated to club sales. Thanks Mark!), a hardwood meat tenderizer, and a two loaf -size bread box, of pine, with the traditional roller top.

Frank Pyneburg showed two open segmented vases. mostly of Jarrah and English birch In ‘open segmented’ deliberate gaps are left between the wood pieces. Frank won a prize for the vase at the prestigious Oyster Bay club. Frank also showed two small bowls, again of open segmented construction using rosewood and pine. Very classy

Rich Funnell showed another of his famous large mirrors. The mirror has an intricate camphor laurel edging like a rainforest vine curling and twisting around. The mirror was completed with Rich’s signature delicate heron standing on the vine. Almost too good to hang on a wall!

Congratulations to all exhibitors

In July Pat Keefe showed a large turned sphere of jacaranda and, a nice large bowl of camphor laurel. Pat also showed some pens turned from acrylic (a couple donated to the club. Thanks Pat) blanks and a very interesting acrylic bangle turned for the love of his life. Very interesting, and eye-catching. Pat also has contact with an acrylic importer in Victoria.

Peter Hansen showed a neat wand (aka Harry Potter) turned from red ash, two toothpick holders turned from mulga and a nice little goblet turned from ‘beentree.’ The goblet blank had some decay in it and Peter had to re-centre the blank a couple of times before producing the finished goblet.

Fairy Meadow School

The working bee for the garden surrounds at the school has been postponed. The company supplying the sleeper size logs was unable to do so at the appointed time. This supplier hopes to make good in the near future. In the meantime the 12th group of youngsters has started their basic wood work course. And surprise, surprise ! This group has three boys- William, Dominic and Cody, and three girls –Lilly, Tanisha and Kaitlyn The Club’s trainers are quite chuffed..

Swap and Buy Day Saturday 15 October. Bring along Tools that you don’t need, wood blanks etc . And the usual sales rules, ie 10% of sales to the club and the 90% to the seller. There may be some ‘freebies’ too!

In Finances These are somewhat down due to the purchase of a heavy duty band saw, lathe equipment, and some safety shields and ear muffs.

But three cheers for Bendigo Bank who are sponsoring the Club for \$500 for various usables- nails, screws, glue, paint, emery papers, saw blades etc



Mr JC, Lily, Tanisha, William, Dominic, Mr Peter, Mr Rick. And (not shown) Mr John, Ms Linda and Cody (Kaitlyn absent)` Photo Ms Pip

Newsletters

The Editor suggests that Newsletters could be made available at a box prominently placed in the clubhouse. This will save some cash. Club Life Members would still have their Newsletters posted to them. Newsletters are generally produced bi-monthly, and can also be received by email. If you wish to receive them by email, give your email address to Bill Perry

Maintenance

Thanks to Rick and Janet for some painting in the club building. Thanks also to the President, Frank P and Tony B for working on some storage shelves which will be fitted into a campervan for a customer’s ‘job’

The ‘new’ bandsaw will be located in the south west corner of the club building. Specifically it’s for intricate work and to cut turning blanks from the large supply of timber already filling the ‘new’ eastern storage shelves

Courtyard Storage

John Gray of P G Engineering donated the steel for the timber racks in the new Courtyard storage. The racks were made by Bill O’Connor who donated his labour. Paul Martin of Ledacom donated reinforcing wire for the shelves. Our thanks to these friends of the club

The courtyard storage is now complete. Many thanks to all who worked on it and quickly made this extra storage a reality

Structural Timber

The *SMHerald* recently reported that a 4 storey building is planned for Canberra using reconstituted timber as the structural frame rather than steel or concrete. Nice one ! And where will this reconstituted timber come from ? Australia ? Er,er No. It is to come all the way from Austria! So who said that they wanted us to become a clever country ?