

**ILLAWARRA WOODWORKERS GROUP INCORPORATED**  
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**September 2019 NEWSLETTER**

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**Committee and club meetings:** Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month. The committee meeting starts at approximately 8.30am followed by the club meeting at approximately 9am.

- **Remaining meeting dates for 2019:** Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9, Dec. 14

**Donation:** The club would like to acknowledge and thank the Oak Flats-Shellharbour Branch of Bendigo Bank for their donation to the club. Your support is much appreciated and the funds are used to support projects such as the purchase of material for a number of projects that we do with schools.

**Building upgrades:** New LED lighting was installed in June as part of the ongoing upgrade to the workshop. Apart from energy efficiency and longer lifespan adequate lighting is essential for ensuring the wellbeing and safety of members.

**Upcoming Events: 2019 Illawarra Festival of Wood**



**Library Displays:** Peter Hansen continues to organize the annual monthly display of works by club members. This year displays were held at Wollongong Library and Corrimal Library. Thanks to Peter and Judith for arranging the display and to all those that contributed items to the displays.



**Thankyou:** One of the nice things about the club is that there is always someone to help if you're stuck on a project or too nervous to tackle some of the bigger electrical tools. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the members who over the last few months have helped me make a couple of items including the table number holders for my daughter's wedding. They made a lovely addition to the tables and were appreciated by the bride and groom.

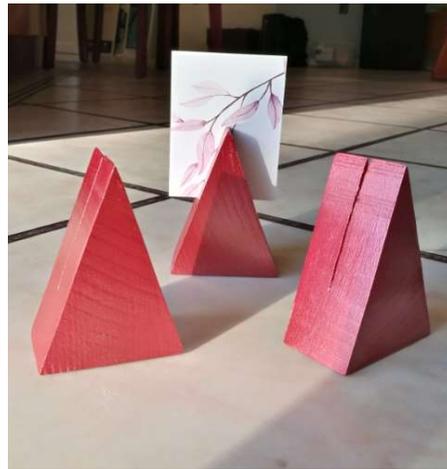


Table number holder: Pyramid shaped with slit for card and spray painted in metallic red.



### **Bunnings Father's Day Stall:**

Thank you to those that assisted with the Father's Day stall and particularly those members that manned the stall on the day.

**Advertiser Times article:** Thankyou to Virginie Smelercheck for the article she wrote for the Illawarra Advertiser Lake Times, published on the 21st August 2019. As a result of the article we gained a new member. **We'd like to welcome our new member to the group Helen Ktenas.**

Copy of the article

## **OUT OF THE WOODWORK**

In Fairy Meadow there is the opportunity every Saturday morning to work with wood.

If you are into wood, come out of the woodwork and join the not-for-profit Illawarra Woodworkers' Group.

This is an inclusive group of likeminded men and women who meet on Saturday mornings (from 8.30am) in a workshop at Fairy Meadow Demonstration School to work on projects.

Our aim is to promote fine craftsmanship and maintain the traditional skills of working with timber.

The workshop is equipped with a large range of tools, from a state-of-the-art table saw, to three bandsaws, three lathes, a drill press and more.

In fact, you do not need any of your own tools at all, as everything is there.

The group will assist new members with using the equipment safely.

They are always looking for new members and it does not matter what skills you have.

If you have the enthusiasm and ideas, there will be someone at the club who can help guide you in a fun and friendly atmosphere.

This not-for-profit organisation relies on sales of woodwork made by members.

The group has also received donations from the Bendigo Bank.

Each Thursday afternoon during the school terms the group is visited by a group of pupils plus their teacher from the Fairy Meadow Demonstration School.

They are given instruction on using hand tools and they get the opportunity to make some wood items such as tool boxes and pencil cases.

Illawarra Woodworkers' Group also makes similar woodwork kits for Para Meadows Public School.

Do you have a wooden piece of furniture or toy that needs repairing?

The group has skilled carpenters who can give you a quote for the repair.

If you have a construction plan for an item, we can also make it for you.

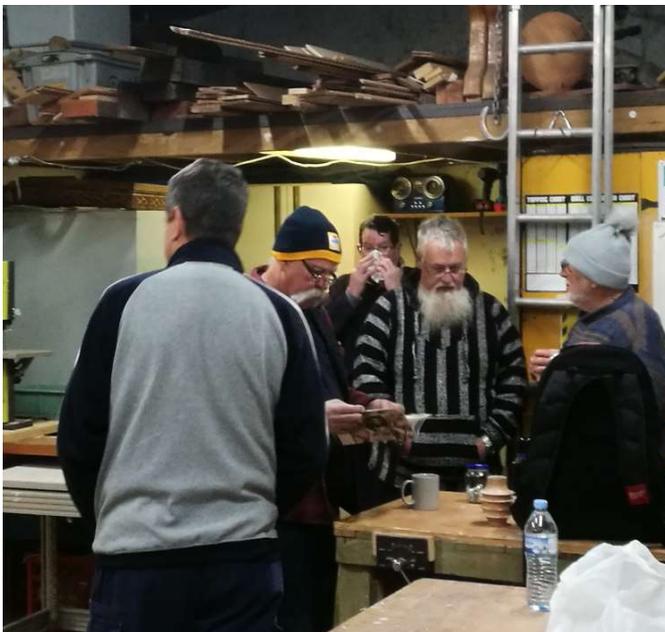
The workshop is located in the grounds of Fairy Meadow Demonstration School with the entrance on the left side of Balgownie Road, approximately 200 metres from the Princes Highway in Fairy Meadow.

<https://www.advertiserlaketimes.com.au/story/6340249/wood-you-like-to-join-us/#slide=1>



### Show and tell

- Mark Beaver: Blackwood mortar and pestle polished with beeswax and tea tree oil
- Pat Keefe: Thingy (Pat's description)



### Winter is upon us - beanie season:

Beanie definition: A head-hugging brimless cap, with or without a visor, made from triangular sections of cloth, leather, or silk joined by a button at the crown and seamed together around the sides.

A fashion statement or a sign that the workshop can sometimes get cold?