

Highlights of January Meeting



SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS WOODIES GROUP INC.

Woodchips

Well! 21 members and 2 guests saw an unusual meeting in January where the demonstrator did not do a thing. Instead he had a ready apprentice who followed instructions and between them managed to make a picture frame.

Graeme Webb was the poor apprentice with his very own John Crisp as the master with the direction and instructions.

It worked! Well done to both. My personal experience with making a frame, under the same instruction, is well documented with a hole in the ceiling.

John showed us how to start the frame,



cut through to the back, with some questions from Mike, and then reverse the piece onto his nylon jaws and finish the back of the job.



I should also make reference to Mike Darlow's continuing with his 'Mike's Tips' Section since his return from sunny Jersey. He always picks a very interesting issue and recently he has gone back to basics with some introductory tool handling demos. As he says, we all seem to do it the hard way. So keep that advice coming Mike!

Raffles are going strong with last month's won by Freddie Robjent and then Bill Bailey.

What's Happening

24 February	Darrell Smith, Wrought Iron and Woodturning
12-14 March	Moss Vale Show
	We need goods for sale. Deliver to Shed on Friday 5 March.
27 March	Mike Darlow, Design Workshop and Exercise
18-20 June	Sydney Working With Wood Show
3-5 September	Canberra Working With Wood Show



2009 Excellence Award, R South

Show & Tell - January Meeting Project for January was a picture frame



Bruce Everett: Pyrographed turpentine dish



Graeme Webb: Natural edge in camphor, Stand in Qld r'wood, Square bowl in PNG R'wood



Jim Powell: Vase, pencil box, plate, bowl



Jim Powell: Lidded bowl, Box, picture frame



Fred Schffarczyk: Picture frames in huon pine, true oak, jarrah, kauri pine,



Fred S: Jarrah frame

Sam McGrath: Lidded box, egg in claret ash, burl bowl



Sam McGrath: Lidded bowl in claret ash, bowl-unknown timber

Jhon Crisp: New design in hollowing tool with side handle

President's Report

Our stall in Corbett Plaza, Bowral was held on a warm and sunny Saturday. There was plenty of interest from both locals and tourists during the morning, though things became quieter as the day went on. As usual, as soon as we started to pack up at about 4.15pm more people arrived. It happens every time! Members who were there felt the outcome of \$731.50 was worth the effort, and are keen to do it on a quarterly basis. In future we will have more notice, so more people will be able to contribute.



your support at short notice.

Because of the short notice for this event we had difficulty in notifying some members that it was on. I apologize for that, and in an attempt to make communications easier we are asking that you give us your email address. There is a sheet at the back of the hall for this.

Also during the month I attended a Council meeting to present the Council with a gavel and base, as they only had a small bell. They were very appreciative of our efforts, and the Mayor once again gave us a good plug for the display in the cabinet at the Council Chambers.

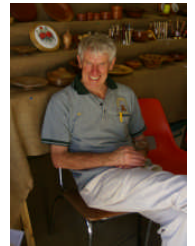
Max Donato did a wonderful job dealing with the Wingecarribee Shire Council to organize this event. Very well done Max, and a big thank you. Thank you also to the other helpers for

Keep the chips flying,
John.

Treasurer's Report

We ended the month of January with an account of \$3,313.35 but with payments still due to be made for food and kitchen purchases for December and January. An intended review of our budget position has been deferred until February when all these accounts have been settled.

Equipment levies are now due but only 5 members had paid in January. Equipment fund stands at \$1,116.09 but will increase by at least \$750 when further levies are received. **Please pay your \$25 levy at the next meeting so that the process can be wrapped up quickly.**



Life's 45 Lessons ...cont by John Harris

16. Take a deep breath, it calms the mind.
17. Get rid of every thing that isn't useful, beautiful or joyful.
18. Whatever doesn't kill you, really does make you stronger.
19. It's never too late to have a happy childhood. But the second one is up to you and no one else.
20. When it comes to going after what you want in life, don't take no for an answer.
21. Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, wear the fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion. Today is special.
22. Over prepare, then go with the flow.
23. Be eccentric now. Don't wait for old age to wear purple.
24. The most important sex organ is the brain.
25. No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
26. Frame every so-called disaster with these words "In five years will this matter?" cont p5



1 February 2010

Mr J F Powell
84 Tyndall Street
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Dear Mr Powell

Re: PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO COUNCIL

I refer to our discussions on Australia Day at Berrima.

On behalf of Council, I would like to extend an invitation to you to attend the next Meeting of Council, to be held on Wednesday, 10 February 2010, to present the gavel that you have very kindly made to the Council at that meeting. The presentation would take place shortly after the commencement of the Meeting at 3.30 pm.

Could you please telephone Mr Peter Nelson, Manager Administration & Library Services on 4661 0702 to confirm that you are able to attend this Meeting.

I look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, 10 February 2010 if you are able to attend.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Gair
Mayor

Life's 45 Lessons ...cont by John Harris

27. Always choose life.
28. Forgive everyone every thing.
29. What other people think of you is none of your business.
30. Time heals everything, give time, time.

Tea Gardens Time

Well the power is in and I have started lining the workshop. It has been so hot and humid that working inside it has been referred to as 'having a sauna'.

The local woodturners have had a rapid expansion phase, me in October and another chap in January has made a 50% increase in the last 4 months. So we have had to buy another lathe. Sounds familiar?

And I have managed to throw a line in the surf a few times with my new beach rod. Despite the fact that I have absolutely no idea of what I am doing. So far so good!



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Meetings:

4th Sat each month, 10.00am –
4.30pm

Every Friday, 9.30am-12.30pm

President: John Powell , 48 712 714

Vice-Pres: Roger Wilson, 48 623 175

Secretary: Peter Brett, 48 713 104

Treasurer: Ian Pye, 48 623 750

Guild Rep: Fred Schffarczyk, 48 894 316

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**We're on the web
Sydneywoodturners.com.au**

Club Shirts, Jumpers, Jackets

See John Harris. You can have logo made which you sew onto your own shirt, or he can organize a shirt or jacket or jumper.

Pay when ordering.

Old Editions of Woodchips.

Did you know that our Woodchips can be found in full colour on the Guild's website. I just sent the last few month's worth to go up on the web. So the missing editions should be there.

Equipment

We now have a 'dremel' kit and a pyrography machine. Both available for borrowing.

Cost is that you add something to one of the kits, eg a burr or sanding mandrel, or something.

Library

Check it out.

Jimmy Clewes DVDs bought at the Show.

Book, videos and DVDs.

Small fee for a month's viewing or reading.

Presidents Challenge 2010

January: Turned picture frame

February: Bowl with 3 feet

March: Pr duplicate candlesticks

April: Deep hollowed vessel

May: Bowl with "??"

June: Reassembled wall hanging

July: Cutting board

August: Cup, saucer and tea spoon

September: Dinner plate

October: Turned toy or game

November: Ernie Newman Doll

December: Christmas Ornaments

These are the projects for the theme of Show & Tell for each of the 2010 meetings. This should also produce a range of items in the Excellence Award.

John Page & Excellence Awards

John Page Awards Nominations & Excellence Award Nominations

November

John Page

Jim Powell 4 nominations

Bill Bailey 1 nomination

Bob Miller 1 nomination

December

John Page

Graeme Webb 1 nomination

Sam McGrath 3 nominations

Roger Wilson 2 nominations

Excellence Award

Roger Wilson 2nd birdhouse (blue bird)

John Harris 3 x Christmas decorations.