

TREEN TOPICS

JULY 2012



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Shoalhaven Woodcraft Society Inc.

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm

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June Meeting

John Knowles gave an update on progress with the preparations for Creative Moments which is now only about ten weeks away!! How are your entries going? Books of raffle tickets will be given out at this meeting so please make sure you sell them and if possible get another book and sell that too. We rely on proceeds from the raffle to cover a lot of the costs of running the exhibition and these costs are considerable. The exhibition begins on Friday 14th September and its success depends on there being a good range of exhibits. Please do your bit by taking part.

At the June meeting Gordon showed us a curved box lid which he had shaped on the table saw. In order to maintain his reputation for a prodigious output of woodwork, this month he turned up with the finished box complete with the curved lid. Made of camphor laurel, the box also featured a decorative home made inlay. The box was accompanied by a turned bowl about 375mm diameter with a scalloped top edge which was done on the rose engine.

Bill Turner attended the meeting complete with his new hip and seemed to be walking very well considering the relatively short time since it was done. Bill showed a home-made scroll saw made by the late Max Warner. Made almost completely out of plywood, Bill said that it works reasonably well except for a tendency to wander about unless it is clamped down.

President Greg had a wooden sword along the lines of the famous Excalibur. He has made nine of these at the request of the pony club where they are used in one of their equestrian events.

Wooden Hinged Box

In lieu of a guest speaker Jim showed a DVD of Rob Cosman making a box with wooden hinges. Rob Cosman is a well known woodworker in the USA and demonstrates great skill in this and other videos on woodworking. It is often the case that the audience gets restless when a video like this one goes for longer than about forty minutes. This DVD ran for well over an hour and such was the interest in the subject, that there was barely a murmur for the whole time apart from questions now and then. He said that he has made more than one thousand similar boxes so he was totally familiar with the process and has special jigs set up for various stages of the work.

It was interesting to see that the dowel used for the hinge begins as a square section of the timber that the box is made from. Using one of his cleverly thought out, but simple jigs, he converts the square section to an accurately round dowel. One of these boxes may be the next project for the Tuesday night workshops so if you are interested in learning new skills and tricks to improve your woodworking be part of it.

Annual Subscriptions

Subscriptions are now due and can be paid to Gordon at this meeting. They are still at the bargain price of \$25 which is cheap for what you get over the year. The bulk of the members have paid already so if you have inadvertently overlooked paying yours please do it.

Supper Organiser

John Goodger had been providing supper for us at the end of our monthly meetings for quite a few years and doing an excellent job of it. Thank you for the great service you have given us John. Unfortunately John has to forego this duty owing to a health problem so we are in need of someone to take his place. The job entails boiling the urn and setting the tea/coffee making things out and then packing it up afterwards. Gordon will reimburse payments for the milk etc. If you are coming to the meeting anyhow, it will be no great inconvenience to take this job on. If we are unable to find a volunteer then we will have to do without supper.

Annual General Meeting

This will be held at this meeting. If you think that the running of the club could be improved or that it should take a different direction, then this is your chance to put your name forward and help to make those changes. Some fresh ideas are always welcome and beneficial to an organisation so make sure that you have your say. In lieu of a speaker on the night, there will be a special Show and Tell segment in which everyone is encouraged to take part.

Sydney Working with Wood Show

This will be held at Homebush instead of Moore Park on Friday 27th to Sunday 29th July inclusive. The address is Corner of Showground Road and Murray Rose Avenue, Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush. Tickets can be purchased in advance on the internet and discounted tickets are available through Woodwork Forums which can be accessed through the following link <http://www.woodworkforums.com/> .



Greg with one of the many swords that he made for the Pony Club



Bill Turner with the scroll saw made by Max Warner



Gordon's curved top jewellery box with home made inlay



Forthcoming Program

Wednesday 18th July

Annual General Meeting – Show and Tell Extravaganza

Saturday 21st July

Workshop – Turning & Sharpening – Charlie Hillen

Weekend 27th - 29th July

Sydney Working with Wood Show

Wednesday 1st August

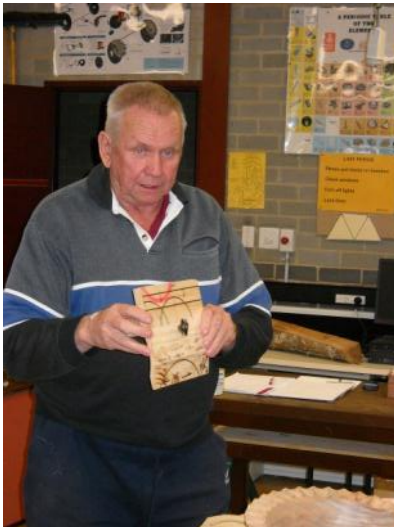
Committee Meeting

Wednesday 15th August

Ladies Night – Video Display by Bob Turnbull

Saturday 18th August

Workshop - Turning with Charlie Hillen



Gordon's turned bowl with scalloped edge created on his Rose Engine



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The Shoalhaven Woodcraft Society Inc. was formed in 1987 and is Comprised of persons interested in understanding woodcraft and developing skills in its many and diverse forms.

The aims of the Society are to:

- *Foster a understanding and appreciation of woodcraft*
- *Provide mutual advice, help and a problem solving forum.*
- *Collaborate with other craft groups in the Shoalhaven.*
- *Involve the families of “woodies” in social activities.*

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Next Committee Meeting:

*Bomaderry Bowling Club
7.30pm Wednesday 4th July 2012*