

TREEN TOPICS

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Shoalhaven Woodcraft Society Inc.

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm

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October Meeting

The meeting began on a sad note with the announcement that Bob Almond had passed away. Although Bob was not known to many of our current members, he had been a foundation member and was a cabinet maker by trade. A minutes silence was held in his memory.

Peter Jackson chaired the meeting while Greg enjoys a well-deserved break during which he is cruising down the Murray River in his steam boat in company with other sailors. He is going all the way from Yarrowonga to Lake Alexandrina which is no small road trip in a car. When you consider that river distance is about three times the road distance and that his speed is a steady few knots then it is quite an undertaking. At last report he was near Wentworth so we should see him again before Christmas with a bit of luck. There is a Facebook site called “**Seagulls on the Murray**” where you can keep up with their progress. Don’t get confused with another site related to Wynnum Manly rugby league club in Brisbane where Graeme Murray is the coach and the team is known as the Seagulls!!

Peter announced that the tender for the shed has been awarded so we now look forward to it’s completion sometime in the first part of next year. In the meantime Mel is well on her way to finishing the painting of the cottage. While other members have assisted, she has given a huge amount of time to this and deserves acknowledgement for her efforts. The November committee meeting was held in the cottage so we are beginning to use it which is a good indication of the progress being made. There will be a working bee there on the Saturday following the November meeting instead of the usual workshop. More details on this at the meeting.

Gordon was first up for show and tell describing how he had cut some 800mm long mitre joints on his table saw. He set up some supplementary fences to hold the work piece firmly in place while it was being cut which ensured an accurate cut resulting in a good joint.

Peter Jackson related how his son’s joinery in Canberra was engaged to make formwork for some architect designed concrete church pews. To break the monotony of the blank concrete surface the design specified fine V grooves to be inscribed. Formwork is the mirror image of the finished product so fine triangular beads had to be cut and fixed to the forms and it was the delicate task involved in accomplishing this that impressed Peter.

Charlie Hillen brought along his new air helmet from work. It is a Versaflo brand made by 3M and cost about \$1400. Charlie is now working in comfort, breathing clean air and is very pleased with it.

Our guest speaker for the night was Leon Sadubin and once again he proved to be a most congenial presenter. He began his woodworking career in 1977 and has since made a name for himself as one of Australia's most prominent craftsmen. With Bob running the slides for him, he showed us examples of some of his work including the honour board on which the names of the President of the NSW Bar Association are recorded. Leon made the board and has kept it up to date by carving the incoming President's name on it over the years. We also saw slides of several tables all of which are examples of good design and workmanship. He offered to conduct some workshops with us in the future and it was generally agreed that this offer is one that we will gladly accept.

November Meeting

Jim Davey is making a shooting board which can vary the height of the work piece. Without going into any detail here, the concept is an interesting one and Jim is going to show us more about it and will demonstrate it on the night.

Following Jim's demonstration, Peter Farrell will show us a wooden wrist watch he made some years ago and will have the plans available for anyone who wants to make one as a project.

In lieu of our usual monthly workshop on the Saturday following this meeting we will have a working bee at the showground cottage. More detail will be given at the meeting.

Christmas Party

The Christmas Party will be held on Sunday the first of December. It will be a lunchtime affair, at **Huskisson Guide and Scout Hall**, behind Huskisson Bowling club. As in previous years, catering will be by the Huskisson Girl Guides.

Details of this will be made available at the next general meeting after consulting about the exact times with Liesel as she runs the catering side of things.

Arrival time will be 10.00AM for festivities to begin about 11.00AM. Please bring your own drinks. The usual reasonable cost will be charged.

In the interest in having a bit of healthy competition, there will be a challenge to come up with the best/funniest or most entertaining wooden item. This will be in the form of a game which can be used to play with other people at our Christmas party! Examples may include things like ten pin set, checkers, croquet, ring toss etc. The aim is to bring something along to have some fun. There is still a few weeks or so to get onto this challenge if you'd like to have a go. This should provide a laugh on the day.

Please ask members to let Mel (or Bob) know by email, phone, text or in person what they intend making so we don't all duplicate the same item. Otherwise we may end up with a bunch of solitaire boards and a quiet party.

For Sale

5-in- One Multi-Purpose Woodworking Machine.

The five functions that it performs are table saw, disc sander, drum sander, drill press or horizontal drill and lathe.

It was purchased in 1981 and looks in good condition. The fifty page instruction book goes with it as well as all attachments. It was made in Taiwan.

Contact Darryl Roth on 4421 6775 for price and further information.



For Sale

Hare & Forbes bandsaw - 400mm diameter saw wheel, cutting height 200mm, throat 350mm, 2.15HP motor, spare blades & manual. \$300
ONO

Model 1251 Black & Decker radial arm saw - 10inch/250mm blade, solid metal on steel frame with locking castors. Complete with spare parts and instruction manual. Also 350
page book on radial arm saw techniques. \$275 ONO

Contact David Hire 4422 7616

For Sale (Shed clean up—I can't move)

15 inch Carba-Tech thicknesser 240 Volt on stand with wheels
\$600 ONO

10 inch Woodfast Planner 415Volt easy swap to 240 Volt
\$550 ONO

Bosch Biscuit Jointer with Biscuits \$100 ONO

Delta Wet grinder \$100 ONO

6 x Marples carving Chisels in a roll \$100 ONO

Contact Bob Turnbull 0412333477

Forthcoming Program

Wednesday 20th November

General Meeting – Jim Davey – Variable Shooting Board Peter Farrell – Wrist Watch Project

Saturday 23rd November

Working Bee at Showground Cottage

Every Tuesday Night

Workshop – New Project

Sunday 1st December

Christmas Party at Showground Cottage

Wednesday 4th December

Committee Meeting

Wednesday 25th December

Santa arrives with your new tools



Shoalhaven Woodcraft Society Inc.

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 December 2013