



**Blue Mountains & Penrith
Woodworking Club inc.**

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Next meeting is on Saturday 10th November from
9:00am-3:00pm

Sept-October 2018

President's Report

Our Pres has been on tour overseas for most of this time so we will look at the club events over September and October.

AGM 22nd September 2018

Our AGM progressed smoothly with nearly all positions filled and even to the extent of some being shared. The results are shown below with only a few changes in the executive.

An election of office bearers was then conducted with the following result.

President	D. Clift.
Vice President	J. Parker.
Secretary	P. Knight.
Treasurer	A. Henderson
General Committee Member #1	C. Hubbard
General Committee Member #2	M. Conway
General Committee Member #3	Vacant

Other Position were finalised as follows.

Projects and Demonstrations	D.Cox.
Safety Officer	R. Barrett/P.Knight
First Aid Officer	D. Clift.
Webmaster	P. Knight/M. Conway /A. Henderson.
Newsletter	P. Knight.
Librarian	A. Henderson
Equipment Officer	P. Tonks.
Catering Officer	J Matheson.
Publicity Officer	P. Knight
Assistant Publicity Officer	A. Henderson.

Bank signatories: D.Clift (President), P.Knight (Secretary) and A. Henderson (Treasurer).

We welcome those new to the executive and look forward to another exciting and active year.

Executive Committee 2018 / 2019

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Daniel Clift 47392782

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Secretary

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Treasurer

Anthony Henderson

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What's coming up!

November 10th Saturday workshop

Remember when we helped at Carbatec with a BBQ in July and Phil T left with a new *Kreg Mobile Project Center*(their spelling not mine)? Well today he is going to give us a little evaluation on it so we can all have a look at how it might be useful in any workshop.



Equipment storage - Phil.T will also discuss using/caring and storing for our club equipment.

Testing of electrical equipment- to get this started again all club electrical machines and equipment will be photographed with its current testing tag date.

Turning chisel/file handles- if you would like Craig to help make a suitable handle for your files or chisels please bring along a design, the item and any timber that you want it made from.

November 17th-Mid Mountains Festival

This is another chance to meet and greet the public while we may sell a few of your handy wood work projects. Flyer to be sent out soon. Volunteers needed.

November 24th Saturday workshop

All Club Challenge entries are due in for judging(on Dec 9th Christmas party).

More *chisel/file handle making*.

December 1st Bunnings BBQ North Penrith. Volunteers needed.

December 9th Club Christmas Party and Club Challenge Judging

What's been happening!

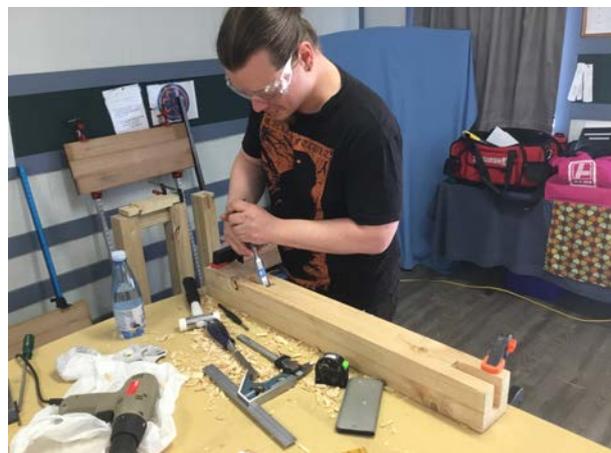
What's been happening!

Saturday Workshop September 6

This was a store room and the under the Guides Hall cleanup interspersed with our usual activity.

Saturday Workshop September 22

Really busy with new member Anthony(soon to be Treasurer).



The new thicknesser was getting both a close inspection and a real workout.



The Samaritan's Purse toys were given a final roundup with wheels and drivers being added.



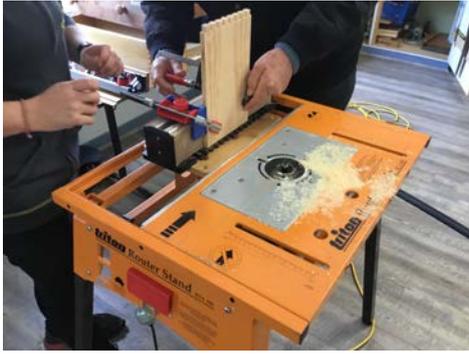
Phil T had produced a prototype memorial box upon a request by a widow for the internment of her late husband"s ashes.



Saturday Workshop October 6

Craig started making our extra workbenches

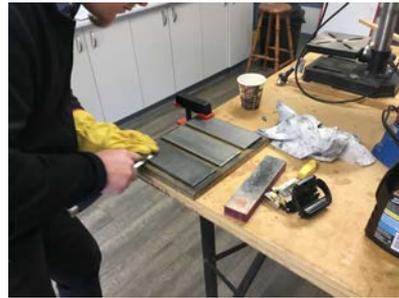




Melanie started on her Club Challenge bits with help from Phil T



While Anthony sharpened a few things



Doug made a few featherboards for the new Bosch table saw. Phil K took them home to cut slots in them and make mounting knobs.



The usual suspects...Jil, Phil T, Doug, Melanie and myself turned up to have a chat with the crowd.

Melanie was plunged into demonstrating the pocket hole jig and using a Japanese saw with the kids.



Phil T selling his "Shut the box" games



"Now try holding it like this" Page 7

She got better and overall we had more good chats with like minded and people and those not so like minded.

Phil T had a few sales to keep him in business and others just looked and kept their hands and money in their pockets.



Saturday Workshop October 27th

A range of activities today.

Samaritan's Purse presentation.

Joe Armour's wife arrived to collect our toys and once again was extremely pleased with our club team results. These toys really were another excellent effort from *all* members of the club at some stage in their production from the:

- initial truck body design in the back of my committee minutes note book,
- marking and cutting out on the band and mitre saws
- sanding of the truck bodies
- cutting out the many wheels required for so many truck bodies
- turning of the skipping rope handles
- final sanding of the wheels and axles
- finishing the skipping rope handles



The Samaritan's Warriors are ready for delivery



Mrs Armour accepting the toys made for the Samaritan's Purse Charity boxes.

Featherboards are friends.

Doug and Phil K went through how the new featherboards work on the Bosch table saw and how they were constructed. Doug has made a large number of these in his career and acknowledges that they are extremely important safety accessories that should be used at all times by club members. Photos of them in action next newsletter. So again please ensure that they are in use when you use this machine, if in doubt.....ask someone for help.

Scarey sharp....working towards sharp

Doug then gave us a thorough outline of sharpening techniques for a wide variety of chisels and planes. He went through the use of stones(oil/water/dry) and the importance of the back of the blade being flat. Some of the chisel types that Doug spoke about sharpening and using included beveled edged bench chisels, Japanese Benchchisels, mortise chisels, paring and so on. A few types are shown below:



Japanese



Mortise



bevelled edges

Just a few more things

Anthony's workshop... here is the edited email sent by Anthony upon completing his first workbench.

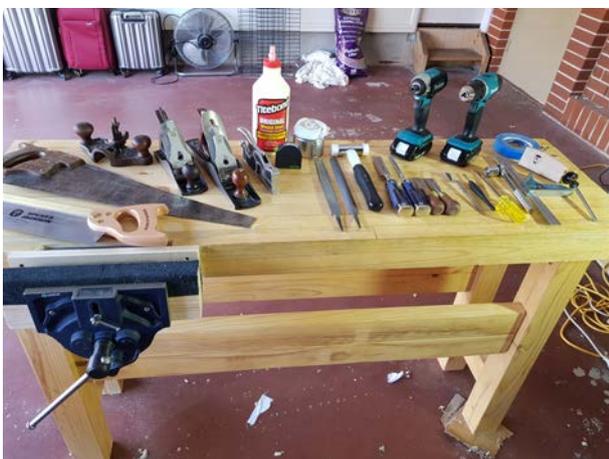
Good Evening

I don't always get a chance to catch up with everyone at the club so I hope you don't mind that I provide a personal email update.

It took me three months (approximately) to build myself a workbench but I am happy to report that it is now complete. Thank you to everyone that helped me along the way - I very much appreciate the support.

I took some photos of the occasion, laying out the tools that I used to make the bench. I wanted to look back at the photos and remember the small number of tools that I used to create it.

The design was influenced by a few workbench plans I saw online but in the end I just took the ideas I liked and made it up, for lack of a better explanation. I think it is a bit skinny but I can always build it out more. A large vice was mandatory for the way I want to work so the bench top is very heavy to keep things steady. The tenons were a tight fit, so much so that I could only seat 3 of them well, one of them is sticking out 4mm but there is still 56mm of wood inside the mortise so it is plenty solid - lesson learned there though.



A few hand tools to start



At last a vice in the bench!

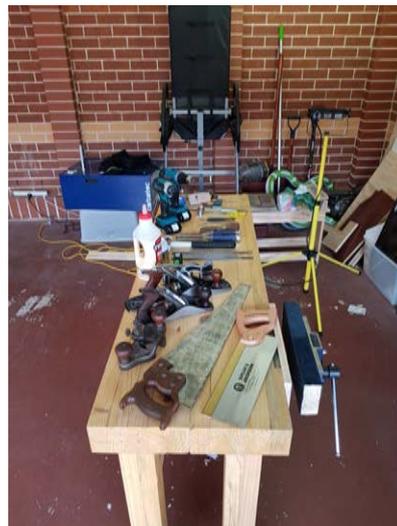
Skills I developed:

- Cutting tenons
- Chopping mortise with chisel and hammer
- Using a variety of hand planes
- Sharpening all the tools, including saws
- Improving my technique with all the tools

I very much welcome all forms of feedback and take criticism very well. The plan now is to get my half-garage workshop in order. Going to focus my energy on building appropriate storage for my tools on the walls. All ideas in this space are very welcome this Saturday!

Regards

Anthony



Last words...perhaps

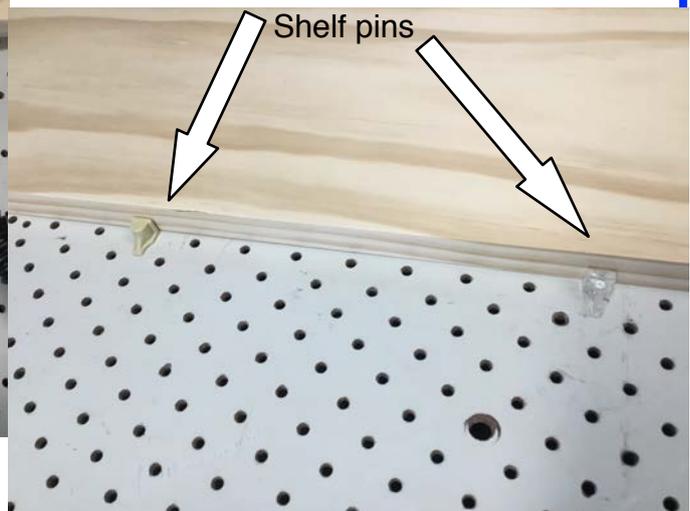
We certainly thank Anthony for his updates on his work bench V 1.0 (it's only the first of many I am sure).

I mentioned earlier that I had bought a Mirka sander that uses the Abranet abrasives. Here are some of the pics from the sanding operation.

Some of you may remember my put together down draught sanding board made from the usual old bits- doors and pegboard. I have added a sloping bottom to direct the dust down straight toward the collection outlet.



I have also found that if I use shelf pins in the pegboard holes it helps to keep the timber in place while sanding. You just need to drill the holes out to 5mm and fit the pin in where you need it. Remember it is a downdraught board so you can add new holes wherever you need them to help make the job easier.



Lastly, you may find it easier to hold round or odd shaped objects for sanding/planing or whatever by simply using a clamp. Here I have used a wood screw clamp to hold a wheel while I sand the edges, it really makes things a lot easier.

Both of these ideas may also reduce the need to use the non-slip router mat when sanding.



Well that's it for the moment. Please let me have any useful contributions for this publication.

Phil K (Editor)

