



Kiama Woodcraft Group Inc

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June 2011 Newsletter

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Meetings 4th Wednesday of each month at Kiama High School: -Next Meeting 22/6/2011

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S SAW

Nearly mid-year already. What happened to the past 6 months?. I thought as you get older time supposed to slow down. Or is it that we are supposed to slow down?

At the committee meeting 7-6- 2011 several items were discussed including making new table for our exhibitions, holding a demonstration day 1st Saturday in August, the coach trip and the upcoming Annual General Meeting.

All these and the committee recommendations will come under discussion during our normal June meeting. Please give a thought to taking office at the AGM as without officers we have no club.

Travel arrangements for the coach trip are outlined later in this newsletter. The chess set being made by club members for the SMILE VIETNAM charity is well under way. Our guest speaker this month is a professional "Violin Maker" John Johnson. You may remember some time ago we had the son of a violin maker tell of his father's craft. John Johnson is the real Mc Koy. These men are master craftsmen and carry on with hand skills that are fast disappearing. Should be an interesting talk.

See you at the meeting

Ted H

Trip to view the new Australian made State Coach

The coach is in Jim Frecklington's workshop in the old Artillery School at North Head, Manly. It was agreed we travel by train and ferry rather than the tedious drive through city traffic.

Computer Trip Planner recommends

Depart Kiama 7-00 am train, Wollie Creek change trains to Airport/east Hills train to Circular Quay, ferry to Manly Wharf. Committee recommends we take taxis to the venue, about 1.5 miles. Arrive

about 11-00 am. Jim serves morning tea and the gives talk and viewing of coach for about 1 hour and another half hour for questions Pensioner rail ticket covers both train and ferry.
 Entry into the venue is \$20-00. Your committee recommends that this be paid by club
 Lunch is up to each member. Return is same in reverse leaving Manly wharf 1-15 pm, arrive Kiama about 5-00 pm. Next ferry departs 2-15 pm and arrive Kiama 5-44 pm
 A few members from the Carvers wish to join us and we welcome them.
 My opinion is that this should be an enjoyable day and probably the only chance most of us will ever have to see a State Coach close up.

<p><u>Rolling Events Calendar</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trip to see the State Coach 	<p><u>Guest Speaker</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violin Maker - John Johnson.
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May Show and Tell and Jigs Night

Last months night of jigs was really quite impressive, interesting to see how a need to do something better or repetitively can result in a jig with novel ingenuity. These nights are becoming an annual event and there is always lots of interest in finding a better way to accomplish a tedious job.



Tony Wash with his router table



Barry Long's impressive Boomerang



John Unwin's carving stand



Ted's scroll saw jigs



Ted Batty's wine bottle stand jigs



John Daniel's modified scribe

KIAMA WOODCRAFT Web site Gallery Update.

Please Note: I'll be bringing my laptop to the next meeting to collect images of your works that will be uploaded to the web site gallery. Please bring along a thumb drive with some photos so I can refresh this page, I know it's long overdue. If you intend to email photos please limit their size to around 500 kb, I don't need high resolution photos for the web as I reduce their size before I upload them to the web gallery. If your unsure how to do this I'll demonstrate at the next meeting.

Kiama Woodcraft Group Inc. General Meeting 25th May 2011

Meeting Opened at..07:00 And was chaired by President Ted Hawkins who welcomed Andrew Kenneally as our guest and potential member.

Present:- As per the attendance book. (14)

Guests: Andrew Kenneally

Apologies:B. Mather, L. Harrison, S. Hamblen

Moved By :- ..R. King.. Seconded By :- ..D. Ross. apologies be accepted.....Carried

Show & Tell plus Jigs and Gadgets:

Ted Batty: Our Group was shown a cotoneaster bowl which despite being turned green and having numerous flaws in the timber turned out well.

John Daniel showed a Stanley plane modeled on a 1876 Miller plane used to make tongue and groove.

Barry Long's introduction of an authentic Albert Namatjira hunting boomerang and its provenance as supplied by his artist father created a lot of interest.

Ted Hawkins explained his making of a steadier jig for cutting compound cutting on the scroll saw. He evoked sympathy when explaining the pitfalls in making a chessboard and how fortuitously how the problem solved itself on ONE occasion.

David Ross eschewing a lathe demonstrated how toy wheels can be made using a router to rough out and then a pivot and sanding disk to finish off.

Tony Walsh created great interest (and admiration!) for his ingenuity and fossicking abilities to make use of bits and pieces to manufacture an outstanding well-designed router table.

Ted Batty didn't surprise when he showed typical flair in making jigs to get over the challenges he set himself in making a stable horizontal wine bottle stand, wooden spoons on a lathe (two at a time) and lastly "triangular" bowls as candle holders.

John Unwin brought in his very practical and effective clamping jig for carving a bowl.

And lastly:

John Jenkins made good his promise to complete a plaque on the chairman's gavel set. The

commemorative plaque lists past deceased members.

At President Ted's suggestion it was moved David Ross, seconded Tony Arnold that the members their appreciation of John's work. It was carried by acclamation.

The Minutes:-

From last GM. meeting were accepted as circulated.. Moved T. Batty & Seconded J.Unwin. Carried

Business Arising :-Nil

Correspondence In:-

Kiama Council - 2nd Half Year Bookings.

Energy Watch - Community Grants Program.

Kiama Council - Refund of OFS bond \$110.

Newsletters & Magazines:-

Central Coast Woodturners Co-op Ltd. - The Hobby Turner April 2010 Newsletter.

Milton Ulladulla Bowling Club - "Woodchips" May 2011 Newsletter.

The Southern Region Woodturners Inc, "Cubby House News" December 2010.

Australian Woodworker Magazine #157 June 2011.

Correspondence out:-

Glen Fulton Motors. - Thank you for donation of \$ 100.00 and support.

Moved :- J. Unwin.Seconded :- J. Jenkins That the correspondence be accepted. Carried

Business Arising :- Nil

Treasurers Report:-

Treas. Dorothy Hanbridge advised Balance brought forward NFP
Balance at 25/05/2011 NFP

Treas. Dorothy presented her report and moved that be accepted. Seconded T.Batty C'd.

Expo Co-ordinator:-

Mike Tikkeros is to be contacted regarding his expenses for Expo as none has been claimed.

Co-Ordinator:-

John Jenkins has not been contacted by John Johnson, violin maker, and John Daniel has volunteered to do this .

A possible trip for members to view the royal coach, "Britannia", was mooted for the first Saturday in September. As it is in Manly a train trip is envisaged.

Co-Ordinator O. F. Stn.:-

Ted Batty reported a very successful week at the May Exhibition. The Council has allocated our Group the week beginning the 27th December for the Christmas period and the Secretary will confirm this with the \$200 required.

The state of the Wrapping Table led to a proposal for a working bee to replace it. Details will be decided at the next Committee Meeting.

General Business:-

An Eric Spindler (Ph. 4232 2878) has some cedar for sale.

Tom Loosz has requested new photos to replace those on the Website.

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, 3pm, 7th June at Ted Hawkins' home.

Ray King

Asst Secretary