

CHIPS

WEST AUSTRALIAN GUILD of WOODCARVERS Inc

NOVEMBER 2014

Fellow wood carvers,

Greetings from Queensland. I hope you are all well and enjoying your carving. Later in this Newsletter there will be details for the Christmas Get-together. I look forward to seeing you there.

Many thanks to all those who helped at the sausage sizzle at Bunnings. It raised a very useful amount of funds for the club-and the public must have been pleased as we more or less sold out.

If I don't see you at the Christmas Get-together I wish you all the best for Christmas, and look forward to seeing you in 2015

Regards Ray

From the Editor

I apologise for this edition as I have very little content. I have just returned from an overseas trip so have not had much time to put anything together. We feel that it is necessary to distribute this Newsletter as soon as possible so that you have details of the Christmas Get-together in time to put into your schedule. Here are the details:

CHRISTMAS GET-TOGETHER

Date Sunday 14 Dec

Time 11.30am until you want to go home. Your help would be appreciated in setting up the hall, so if you can help get there about 10.30

Place Wandi Hall, which is in the Wandi Community Center De Haer Rd Wandi

Food Please bring a plate of food -your choice of main or dessert

Drink BYO

Gifts As in past years we ask you to bring a gift to be put in a pool of gifts for distribution. Gifts suitable for females to be wrapped in red paper and for males in

green paper, and for uni-sex gifts in blue paper. Suggested maximum value of gift \$10. So that everybody gets a gift please note if you are accompanied by your spouse or partner or friend then you need to arrange to supply a gift on behalf of that person or persons.

Show and tell Please bring along an example of your work during the last 12 months

Entertainment To be advised. You can get up front if you like with a song, or a joke, as long as it is legal and decent- No Full Monty

Further enquiries Jim v Brink see details below

Applecross Group

A very friendly group of carvers meet on Tuesday afternoon between 3 and 4.30pm in the Wood Working Room at the Applecross High School. The facilities are of a high quality- spacious, clean, light and bright. It has enough tools and equipment to run a fair size commercial cabinet maker's business. Sounds good. Well yes and no. Unfortunately our fellow carvers are not allowed to use any of this fabulous equipment. They can meet only when the school is open so forget about school holiday time. The hour and a half is also a bit skimpy. None the less they would like to see more members joining them. On the day I visited there were only 5 members there-a bit less than normal. I apologise for the quality of the photo-I dropped my camera on my trip, and the damage is obviously more than I realized. Looks like a trip to the rubbish bin for that camera.



Alf Holtz, George Walker, Ron Green, Paddy Hodgson and Jon Dunsmore enjoying their palatial surroundings, and constant cups of tea

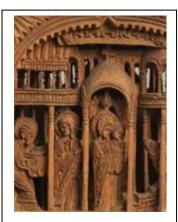
While I was in Greece I saw several Greek Orthodox wooden crucifixes - beautiful objects of consummate workmanship. These crucifixes were all behind glass in museums. When I went to the Courtauld Gallery in London I was able to get a closer look at a crucifix, and was even allowed to handle it. The workmanship was amazing, especially considering the different conditions when it was made sometime in the 18th

century (maybe even 100 years earlier). It is made of Cyprus wood. The wooden part is about 450mm high, so you can see that the carved figures are very small. The metal base is a more recent addition.

Here is a fact I was unaware of. Cypress trees are either male or female and the sex is immediately recognizable. The branches of male trees are tight around the trunk giving a candle like appearance, whereas the branches on a female tree are looser and fall away from the trunk. Quite useless information.











Diary Dates of Guild Events for 2014

Dec 14th

Christmas function at Wandi.

Please note that this diary of events is subject to change and we are open to suggestions

With regards to themes and workshops please let us know what interests you. We are here to please.

Health matters

Bob Brown is up and about, so keep up the good work Keith Bowndes has had a knee replacement, and all is good.

Beauchamp Payne has had an eye operation. We wish you all the best with this.

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Carving Groups

Applecross Area:

Meet Tuesday 3:00 – 4.30pm Applecross SHS, East Entrance 37 Ardessie Street, Ardross Contact: Ron Green 9330 2623

Rockingham Area: (55+ year olds) Meet Tuesday 9:00am to Noon Rockingham Autumn Centre McNicholl Street, Rockingham Contact: Karel Groeneweg 95281187

Stoneville Area:

Meet Monday starting 7pm 7 Tassell Place Stoneville Contact Bill Marshall 9295 0915

Warwick Area

Meet Fri 3-5pm Warwick Senior High School 365 Erindale Rd (North end) Contact Vicki Nicholson 93092665

Wandi/Anketell/Canningvale/Kwinana

Meet Monday 9:00am - Noon Wandi clubrooms 302 De Haer Road Wandi Contact: Fred Brewer 94193558

West Australian Guild of Woodcarvers website



http://woodcarverswa.wandiprogress.org/

Links to see

Nothing to add this month. I do like to look at websites that advertise exotic timbers. I don't want to advertise a particular site, but I liked this bowl made of cocobolo.



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Sat May 3	General meeting at Guys shed theme yet to be decided				
Mon 2 nd June	General meeting at Wandi				
Mon 7 th July	General meeting at Wandi				
August $1-3$	Woodshow Claremont showgrounds				
Mon 1 st Sept	General meeting followed by chip carving for all who are interested				
Mon 6 th Oct	General meeting at Wandi				
	As mentioned previously Jaques Vesery will be visiting the West				
	In October and if there is enough interest from you the members				
	we will negotiate to have a workshop demo with him.				
Mon 3 rd Nov	General meeting at WandiOctober/November we generally try				
	To make a trip down to Denmark to catch up with our country				
	Members and we are waiting for confirmation of a date from				
	Graham and Ingrid.				
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