



# CHIPS

WEST AUSTRALIAN GUILD of WOODCARVERS Inc

**JANUARY 2017**

*From the President's desk*

*Dear Fellow Chippies*

*Well another year has quickly disappeared. I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year with family and friends.*

*It seems that everyone who attended the Christmas lunch at Wandi had a good time. We all had a few laughs at the games played. The public address system has a mind of its own. The awards presentation went well, as did the award of Honorary Life Membership to Fred Brewer.*

*I would like to thank all those who worked towards making the event a success.*

*Please come to the AGM on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> of February from 10am onwards, and plan to stay for the club sponsored sausage sizzle afterwards. Bring some of your work along for a bit of carving chinwag.*

Regards

*Edith*



## **Beauchamp Paine by Bob Pollock**

*In the 1980s I was invited to join the Guild by Bob Curran, who taught wood carving at the Leederville Tech. It was then I met Beauchamp, who had been a member of the Guild for many years.*

*Over the years Beauchamp has been a great stalwart and ambassador for the Guild. He regularly arranged workshops in relief and in-the-round projects. He also showed members how to carve a human head, at which he was especially skilled. Some of our older members would have made a self portrait at these workshops. Beauchamp was in addition an excellent teacher. Many members have become successful, talented carvers under his guidance.*

*Beauchamp has produced some truly great work over the years, taking out the top prizes such as the Doug Shaw award. He has also won prizes for his fine woodwork.*

*Like the rest of us, time is catching up with Beauchamp. He has had to forgo taking workshops. However, I am pleased to say that he has not lost his skill or enthusiasm, and is still turning out some great work. He has recently completed a very challenging commission, which was for an accurate model of a Porsche sports car. The project involved producing drawings based on an accurate metal model, and then converting the drawings into a wood carving. The amount of detail is extraordinary- for example it includes the interior, engine bay, windscreen wipers, and even under chassis. I imagine it rates as one of Beauchamp's most demanding pieces of work. It is truly unique. It is a lesson in patience and attention to detail, beyond the ability of most of us. We were fortunate to be able to see the carving, more or less complete, at the Guild's Christmas lunch last December. Members were enthralled. Unfortunately the carving has now been handed to the client, complete*

with supporting documentation, so if you haven't seen it I'm afraid you have missed something special. However the attached photograph gives you some idea of what was involved.

I am sure members will join me in wishing Beauchamp "Best Wishes for the future". In particular we sincerely hope that his carving career continues unabated, resulting in more items we look at and wonder how he does it.

Regards *Bob Pollock*



**JUST TO REMIND YOU**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

As required by the club's Constitution the club Secretary issues the following notice



## **WEST AUSTRALIAN GUILD OF WOOD CARVERS NOTICE OF AGM**

**TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> 2017  
AT THE CLUB ROOMS AT de HAER RD WANDI  
COMMENCING AT 10AM**

**TO BE FOLLOWED BY A SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH ON THE PREMISES**

Any member wishing to introduce a **Motion** at the AGM must submit the Motion in writing to the Secretary no later than **5pm on Sunday 5 February 2017**

All positions on the Committee will be vacated at the AGM. The form for nomination is attached.  
In the event of more than one nomination being received for a position a ballot will be held at the AGM.

As indicated in the AGM Agenda, the AGM will be followed by a sausage sizzle lunch, with food, tea and coffee supplied by the club. Bring along your own tippie by all means-but remember Drive Safely

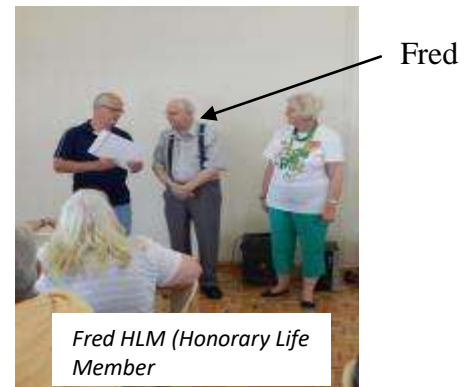
## **CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2016**

As Edith said it seems that the Christmas lunch went down fairly well. I think it is the first time we have catered for the lunch, so it shouldn't be a surprise if there were a few rough edges. It is difficult to get the food quantities exactly right. We didn't want anyone to go home hungry, but also didn't want too much to be wasted either. 48 Of the 49 people registered turned up, the one missing being a bit poorly on the day. I think that was a very good turnout. The room could take a few more, but not many.

The cost worked out at \$11.50 per person, which is not bad value for a lunch consisting of chicken, prawns and ham plus other things.

There will be a motion at the AGM to have a Christmas lunch in Dec 2017 at Wandi on similar terms. We would welcome any comments you have to make the event even better.

Here are a few photos-apologies for the poor quality.



## **A BIT OF HUMOUR**

This is a sanitised version of a true story provided by Ray Lawrence CCCC

I was at the checkout at Coles. I had a large bag of Chum dog biscuits to pay for. The checkout chick said "So you've got a dog". I thought "Crikey, she's smart". So I said "No, these are for me. It is a new wonder diet. I did lose weight, but I had a spell in hospital. Now I am starting again". She asked if the dog food had made me ill. I said "No. What happened was I was walking along a busy road. I saw this beautiful Irish Red Setter on the other side of the road. Without thinking I ran across the road to sniff its bum, as you do, and I was hit by a car, and ended up in Intensive Care. Moral of story-if you have the urge to sniff a dog's bum make sure you cross the road safely.

## **SATURDAY OPENING AT WANDI**

The notion of this innovation is to open Wandi on the first Saturday each month, say from 9am to noon for the following reasons

- To update progress on the Relief Project
- For the benefit of members who would like to use the facilities at Wandi, but cannot attend on a Monday
- Similarly for prospective new members
- Any other reason you can think of.

We will be open on **Sat Feb 4<sup>th</sup>** although we don't have anything specific on the program. Come along if only for a bit of Fellowship and Friendship

## **.RELIEF CARVING PROJECT**

The registration for participation in the Relief Project has closed. Patrick tells me that we have enough participants, and the list is closed. So if you have not registered there is only one way in now- cunning and bribery.

## **ANOTHER BIT OF HUMOUR FROM RAY LAWRENCE CCCC**

I'm passing this on because it worked for me today. A doctor on TV said that in order to have inner peace in our lives, we should always finish things that we start. Since we all could use more calm in our lives, I looked around my house to find things I'd started & hadn't finished. I finished a bottle of Merlot, a bottle of Chardonnay, a bottle of Baileys, a bottle of wum, the remainder of Valiuminun scriptins, an a box a choclutz. Yu has no idr how fablus I feel rite now. Sned this to all ur frenz who need inner piss. An telum u luvum

### **Diary Dates of Guild Events for 2017**

*Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Feb open day at Wandi 9am until whenever*

**AGM Sat 11 Feb 2017 at Wandi**

**General Meetings for 2017** will be held generally on the second Monday of the month at Wandi. However, if the proposal to open on a Sat goes ahead, and members want the Gen Meeting on Sat that can happen. More details after the new Committee is in place

### **OFFICE BEARERS 2016**

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### **Carving Groups**

#### **Applecross Area:**

Meet Tuesday 3:00 – 5:00pm  
Applecross SHS, East Entrance  
37 Ardessie Street, Ardross  
Contact: Ron Green 9330 2623

#### **Warwick Area:**

Meet Friday 3:00 – 5:00pm  
Warwick Senior High School  
355 Erindale Road (North End)  
Contact: Vicki Nicholson 9309 2652

#### **Wandi/Anketell/Canningvale/Kwinana**

Meet Monday 9:00am - Noon  
Wandi clubrooms  
302 De Haer Road Wandi  
Contact Patrick Pierce

**WEST AUSTRALIAN GUILD OF WOOD CARVERS**

**Nominations are invited for the following positions on the Committees for  
2017/18**

1. President
2. Secretary
3. Treasurer
4. Committee Member
5. Newsletter Editor

**All Committee positions will be declared vacant  
at the AGM February 11 2017**

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**COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM**  
(Please print using block letters)

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_

Office/s for which nominating \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE: This form must be received by the Secretary no later than  
5.00 pm Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2017  
*Late Nominations will not be accepted***

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