



CHIPS

WEST AUSTRALIAN GUILD OF WOODCARVERS Inc

NOVEMBER 2017

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Fellow Chippies

The end of the year is getting close so this is my last report. We have done quite a lot of things this year as a Club, including a sausage sizzle, workshops and Have A Go Day.

We try to attend things that will hopefully bring in new members and also to show people what talent we have in our club. Once again a big "Thank You" to our band of volunteers and hopefully a few more next year.

I hope you have finished your relief project as I look forward to the unveiling at our Xmas lunch.

On that note I would like to wish you all a safe and happy Xmas and New Year.

Yours, Edith Peel



Beginners' Workshop

At the Wood Show we always invite people to a Beginners' Workshop at Wandi. This year we had a bigger response than normal. An issue is that our club meetings are held during working hours. We have tried to deal with this by meeting at Wandi on the first Saturday of each month. In truth the response hasn't been very positive so far. Another issue is that Wandi is thought of as being rather remote. However once you are on the Kwinana Freeway it really is quite easy and quick to get there. Anyway a goodly bunch of beginners turned up to learn some basics. And even more encouraging is that several people paid up as new members. Here is a couple of photos of the group enjoying themselves.



Tutor Bob Svendsen— with cup of tea in hand

Work on commission

From time to time we get requests from the public to carry out work on commission. I sometimes think our club name is a tad misleading. It seems that people think we are a guild of professional wood carvers. However we do have a number of members who are more than capable of carrying out jobs of quite a variety. Sometimes repairs to furniture. Sometimes outdoors. Sometimes big-sometimes small.

Richard Higgins is one such member. He has taken on several of the commissions. Some time ago we reported on a job he did to commemorate a person well known for story-telling. His icon was a top hat, which Richard replicated in wood.

More recently Richard has finished 2 more commissions. Here he is with the results. I think you will agree - quite impressive.



These items were for Yanni Rizidis, who we mentioned at the Sept General Meeting. I imagine Yanni was delighted with this result. Congratulations to Richard.

I usually send out commission requests to all members on my email list. If you particularly would like to be contacted please let me know –

Bob Tanner email barry.tanner76@yahoo.com.au

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT WANDI SUNDAY 10TH DEC

At the Sept General Meeting members approved the proposal that the lunch will be largely paid for from club funds, as it was last year. President Edith and myself (Bob Tanner) were delegated the task of organising the lunch. We had some feedback from last year. Yes we know –we can never supply too many prawns. If you have any comments/requests you would like to make please contact Pres. Edith or Bob Tanner.

*Last year went very well. It is a great opportunity to have a chat with your fellow carvers. So please come along. This is not just a Wandi event. It is for **all** club members. If you go to Applecross or Warwick, or if you don't attend a group, we really would like you to join us. And you can bring a guest.*

A flyer , which provides details of the lunch, and how to apply, will be attached to the send-out of this newsletter.



And since we are talking about Christmas here are a couple of small ideas you could knock off , and hand out as pressies. Much better than something you bought at the Reject Shop or Kmart. And people will almost certainly think you are a clever bunny.



What do you think about same sex marriage



Well it's certainly always been pretty much the same with you

PYROGRAPHIC WORKSHOP

The workshop given by Doug Bell on 21st Oct was fully subscribed. Although organised by Patrick Pierce it was open to non-members.

Coincidentally it came up just as the Guild was beginning to think about possibly expanding what we do by allowing more enhancement of carvings. At the moment only a very small amount of enhancement is allowed in the rules for competition items. For example items may not be fully painted, which pretty much excludes natural bird carvings. These are traditionally fully painted. Our Committee will be preparing a discussion document for presentation to members for comment. We hope to do that in a timely manner to allow members to plan their entries for the 2018 Doug Shaw competition.

Here are some photos of the workshop, and some items Doug brought along. These are probably not what we are thinking about re. enhancement, but they are interesting .



Wife- If I pass away do you think you will marry again. Husband-I don't know
 Wife-Would you sell the house? Husband-I don't think so. I like the house, and I like the area
 Wife-Would you sell our bed? Husband-No-It's very comfortable
 Wife-If you do marry would you let your new partner use my golf clubs? Husband-No. In any case she doesn't play golf.

The police were investigating a string of murders where the weapon was a knitting needle. They think the murderer was working to a pattern.

Diary Dates of Guild Events for 2017

General Meeting at Wandi on Monday 11/12

Saturday morning at Wandi Relief Project items to be brought in on 4/11

Christmas lunch The Pavilion Wandi 10 Dec

AGM Monday Feb 12 2018 at Wandi

Just a point of clarification about the Saturday meeting. Patrick opens up the workshop at 9am so come along anytime after that. Come to use the facilities, or just to have a chat with fellow carvers

OFFICE BEARERS

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Carving Groups

Applecross Area:

Meet Tuesday 3:00 – 5:00pm

Applecross SHS, East Entrance

37 Ardessie Street, Ardross

Contact: Wally Kleber on 9316 0563

Warwick Area:

Meet Friday 3:00 – 5:00pm

Warwick Senior High School

355 Erindale Road (North End)

Contact: Vicki Nicholson 9309 2652

Wandi/Cockburn Central

Meet Each Monday and 1st Sat of month 9:00am - Noon

Wandi clubrooms

302 De Haer Road Wandi

Contact Patrick Pierce