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WOODCRAFT MATTERS

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Remember

If you miss your normal meeting you are welcome to do a "make up" by attending another group that month. Just give the group leader a call to let them know you will be coming along.

**Active membership is the lifeblood of this club.
Have you brought a new member to the club
yet?**

PRESIDENTIAL PRATTLE

Members are reminded of the Notices in the February Newsletter advising of Training Sessions for the Band Saw and Table Saw to be held on Monday 20 March. If you wish to use this potentially dangerous equipment you MUST be credentialed. Check that Newsletter for all the details and enrol with Charlie Chamberlain today (9728 2179). There will be a refresher course for those who have previously done the Band Saw course, in mid-year.

I regret to have to advise that Greg Williams has indicated that he wishes to step down from the Committee, and also the Vice-Presidency, but I am pleased to report that will remain as an active member of the Club. He will be greatly missed as a longstanding Group Leader of the Carvers, a Committee member, and also Vice President. His contributions to woodcarving in general, and to our Club through the Doncaster Carvers initially and later in its current form as Woodcraft Manningham, is attested by his well-earned Life Membership. I would like to take this opportunity to publically acknowledge, and thank him for, his contributions to woodcarving and the Club for more than fifteen years. I'm sure every reader will echo my "well done and thanks!"

We need a new Vice President as a matter of priority, initially till the AGM in July, and I am seeking someone to step forward. It is not an onerous role, but as I am working fulltime there are occasionally matters requiring attention during normal working hours, which is something I can't accommodate. It is not necessary to consider the position as being "heir-apparent" to the presidency. Anyone interested, please ring me for more information, before the end of March, as I will be away in April (Charlie has kindly accepted a request to stand in for me!).

Last Months Newsletter also detailed a number of Club functions in March and April. Please support them:-

- **Saturday 25 March, Visit to Cobb & CO in Tooradin. Register with Charlie. Map posted in the Clubrooms**
- **Saturday 1 April, combined meeting with the Eltham Club, at our clubrooms. Again register with Charlie.**
- **Warrandyte Festival, 8/9 April, need volunteers for turning, carving and box making either day. Stuart Watson and Allan Way need your help.**

See page 2 of this Newsletter for all the sordid details.

Keep your tools and your mind sharp in the workshop.

Cheers Tim Gale

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS OF WOODCRAFT MANINGHAM

TRAINING AND ACTIVITY DETAILS AND DATES FOR 2006.

BAND SAW ACCREDITATION

Monday March 20th at between 6.45pm – 8.00pm band saw accreditation will be run by Keith Higgins. This first course is for members who have not done the training previously, therefore cannot use the bandsaw. Revision courses will be run later in the year for those all ready accredited.

TABLE SAW ACCREDITATION (same night as above)

Monday March 20th between 8.00pm and 9.00pm table saw accreditation will be run with Keith Higgins and Reg Orr. All members who wish to use the table saw must complete this course but because of time restraint we will be able to train 30 on this night. Further courses will be held later in the year.

To register for the courses on this night ring Charlie Chamberlain on 9728 2179 after hours.

DEMONSTRATION DAY

Saturday 25th March - The Woodcraft Manningham members have been invited to attend a demonstration day at Ian Robertson's Cobb & Co. Woodturning Workshop at 2 Bayview Road, Tooradin commencing at 10.00am.

Robo runs a commercial woodturning business that specializes in large turning and will demonstrate how this is done on the day. I will see if I can talk him into turning some smaller things as well because a lot of people think he can only do large turning, but as I have seen over the last few years at Down Under this is not so. A barbeque will be made available for us to use for lunch so bring all you need to cook your own. Also bring drinks. As this is a club activity there will be not alcohol allowed. I would suggest that you car pool if possible as we don't want too many cars. There will be a limit of 30 people and you must register with me by Tuesday the 14th March. Phone Charlie - 9728 2179 after hours.

OPEN DAY

March 18th 10.00am – 3.00 pm - Open Day at the Warehouse - 11 Citrus Street, Braeside. There will be sales, demonstrations woodturning and carving and a sausage sizzle. All are welcome to attend. For more details check the flyer on the notice board at the club room, or phone 9587 3999.

WARRANTYTE FESTIVAL

Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th of April our club will do demonstrations at Warrandyte Festival. Help will be needed.

Ring Stuart Watson 9886 1893.

SOCIAL DAY **WITH** **ELTHAM & DISTRICT WOODWORKERS**

Saturday April 1st - Fool around and have fun day with members of Woodcraft Manningham and Eltham & District Woodworkers.

The day will be held at our club rooms starting at 9.00am and finishing at 3.00pm. Get together with all woodworkers from both clubs. I would like to hear from any members who would like to do a short talk or demonstration on the day, $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour in total. We have done this in the past and it works well, please let me know in plenty of time so that we can slot you in with a time that is suitable to you. The rest of the time will be spent getting to know others from your own club and the visiting club.

There will be a charge of \$5 for the day or part of the day. You will receive a ticket for the lucky door prizes, one to be drawn at lunch time and one at the end of the day. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be supplied, bring your own lunch. Bring show and tell if you wish. We will also have a sale of the clubs second hand turning tools, prices will be between \$5 and \$15. As we are the host club I will need some help to set up, pack up, in the kitchen, to sell tickets and sales. Please do not leave this all up to the Central Group as this activity has been arranged for all to be involved. To register ring by Wednesday 22nd March. I must know numbers in advance.

Charlie 9728 2179 after hours.

Training and activities

Band saw and bench saw training nights are half full. If your name is on my list all you have to do is come on the night and you will be accredited. I will not be ringing everyone to remind you.

The visit to Cobb and Co is very low on numbers. Try and get a group together and come and enjoy the day. Final details on how to get there will be on the notice board or you can ring me after hours.

The 'fool around' day with Eltham & District Woodworkers has next to no support – looks like I am the fool for listening to members telling me they want more social days. This day will go ahead any way as I have done all the work to set it up. I need more members of all groups in Woodcraft Manningham to be there on the day and demonstrators and helpers.

Charlie Chamberlain



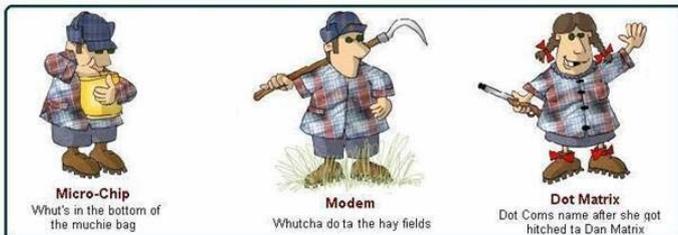
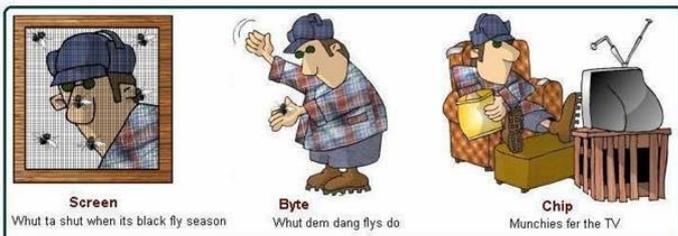
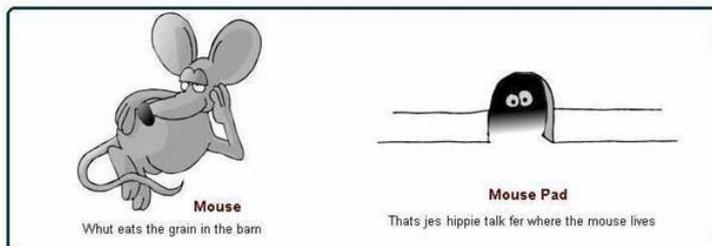
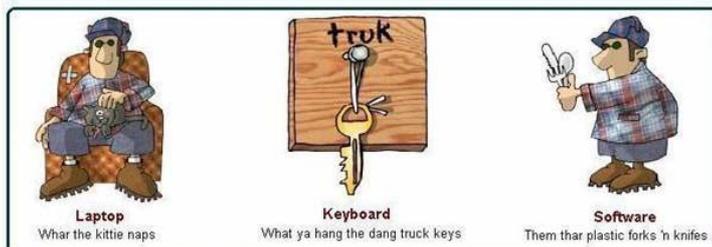
NEW MEMBERS

On behalf of everyone at Woodcraft Manningham I extend a warm welcome to the following new members.

Sue Grosman, Saad Saad Ramzi, Glenn Irvine, Phillip Nathaniel and Ricardo Rereyra

I hope it will be a fruitful time for you all.

TECHNOLOGY For Country Folk



For those of you with any inkling of computer knowledge I think you'll find this cartoon amusing. (if you can read the small writing, a magnifying glass would be helpful.)
 My personal favorite was the very last one about re-booting.

Dates to Remember 2006

- April 1st – 2nd Ballarat Woodworkers Guild show
- April 8th - 9th Warrandyte Festival
- April 14th – 17th Men in Sheds show Bendigo Trades Hall View Street Bendigo
- April 14th – 17th Bendigo wood workers group. St Killians parish centre, Hargreaves St Bendigo
 For more details contact Jeff Willey 03 54471449 A.H.
- May 19th—20th Carve-in, which will be held in Bacchus Marsh
- May 28th Wimmera Wood Turners Guild, Wood and Craft expo. Horsham Town Hall.
 For more details contact Brendan Stemp 03 5384 6324.
- June 16th – 18th The Australian Woodturning Exhibition. Call Rich Gilks 03 9802 4498.

Courtesy of Carroll's woodcrafts

THE CARVERY

Some further enthusiasm for the novelty project of a totem pole comprised of wooden boxes to be constructed at the forthcoming May CARVE-IN, was engendered when two members demonstrated their efforts at Daycarvers 1 on Friday 3rd March. One was in the form of a sheep crate with three merinos and the other a square box of laminated timbers. Bryan Thompson called on all other prospective attendees to make at least one similar topless bottomless box, plain, carved or novelty, to fit over the 100mm square pole which would be a feature at the next annual get together of carvers from all over Victoria.

Those present were sad to hear Greg Williams announcement that he would no longer be the coordinator for Daycarvers and had handed his key over to Ken Morrison for Daycarvers 1 & 3. Ken was a bit hesitant about filling the big man's shoes but Greg assured him and all present that it wasn't so much instruction but rather development of the natural ability of each participant that counted.

The importance of having some carving demonstrators at the forthcoming Warrandyte Festival on the 8th and 9th April was touched upon and some volunteers' names were added to the list. Participants could offer items for sale along with the work of the turners.

Before the discussion concluded everyone was pleased to learn that a turned and carved plaque honouring Robert McNamara was in the planning stage and would be eventually be installed in the new library as a worthy memorial.

Derek Borrell

WOODTURNERS WAFFLE

The February meeting was excellent one of the best turn outs we have ever had. Thirty two people attended from the Central group and Maroondah. We were treated to a talk on photography from our latest member of the late brother club. I should have given Richard a diary and a pen not a Bunnings book. It has been good to be a late brother in the last few months, they have done very well in the raffles. Thinking about it I may have to get a diary for one of them who forgot to turn up to help in the Introduction to Woodturning, but I will forgive him because of all the help he and his brother give me on club nights in the kitchen.

Special thanks to Keith, Ian, John and Stuart for their help with the Intro course. It was a full on day lucky it only comes around every six months.

March 16th meeting – Alan Way will do the demonstration on turned balls. I will not pass much comment on this as I may get myself into a lot of trouble. Knowing Alan it will be a great night. Hope to see how this is done at a later date.

April 20th meeting – A visit by Yarra Ranges Woodturners, formally Warburton Valley, same faces different name. The activity will be mystery turning. A special prize for anybody who can guess the activity before we start.

Charlie Chamberlain

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LATHE FOR SALE

Genuine Record Coronet No. 3.

It is in excellent condition with all its original attachments and instruction booklet. 300mm over bed, 914 between centres, swivel head, 5 speed, ¾ HP motor.

You are welcome to come and try it as it is still set up.

Price \$575

Other accessories to suit.

80mm face plate with centre screw	\$20
350mm tool rest	\$25
150mm curved tool rest	\$20

Charlie Chamberlain 9728 2179 after hours.