



Bribie Shavings

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Bribie & District Woodcrafters Association Inc.

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Shavings Management and Committee Members at a glance.

Arthur Horsfall declined his position on the Committee. Ron Butterfield has taken that space.

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Committee Meetings held on the third (3rd) Tuesday each month.

General Meetings held on the forth (4th) Tuesday each month at 9.00am sharp.

Members are encouraged to attend the general meeting. There is often a speaker and show and tell from an enthusiastic club member.

ONE OF US ----JOHN ROGERS



I was born in Monto on the 30th October 1939. I have an older sister and a younger brother and sister. At the age of three the family moved to Brisbane settling at Coopers Plains where I started school at four years of age. We then moved to Deagon for a short time where I attended Boondall state school. Our final move was to Nundah where I finished my primary schooling in 1952.

I attended high school at Industrial High that was located at the bottom of Edward Street in the city.

In 1955 I won a scholarship in Civil Engineering drafting with the Coordinator-General Department Structures Section, mostly in Bridge Design. In 1970 this section was transferred to Main Roads to form the "Special Projects" section doing plans for the Riverside Expressway. At this time I was promoted to Supervising Draftsman.

1980 saw this section amalgamated with the Bridge Branch. I was promoted to Design Office Manager, working long hours over the next ten years.

In 1990 I had a heart attack and put up my hand to take early retirement in 1992.

I had met Susan in 1960 and we married in 1963. I designed and built our house at Bracken Ridge where we lived for twenty-five years.

We have three sons and a daughter. We have four grandchildren.

My wood turning started when Susan suggested I had better find a hobby for my retirement and out from under her feet. In 1986 I joined the Qld Woodturners Society at Greenslopes. Six months later I won first prize as a novice for a pair of goblets that sold for \$40.00.

At the end of 1992 we moved to Ninderry above Yandina where I joined Cooroora Woodworkers. I served three years as President at Cooroora and was given Life Membership. During my time there I did a lot of demonstrations for various clubs all over South East Queensland. I also became an honorary member of the Caloundra Club.

In 2003 we moved back towards Brisbane and settled at Narangba Valley. In 2004 I joined Bribie Woodies and now enjoy this club.

My woodturning adventure still continues. I have learnt a lot over the last thirty years and am still finding new things to do all the time as well as making new friends.

John has not mentioned he is a regular at Pyrography on a Tuesday. He is also a willing helper, as demonstrated from the above photo, helping to repair a tape measure for the B.I.C.A.C. ladies. ED.

Bribie Woodies and Community Gift to PNG Villagers

Following the club's very successful community request during 2016, close to 600kg of used wood working tools and other equipment was prepared for despatch through a not-for-profit organization, "Friends of Rambutso" to Manus Province, PNG.

This project occurred as a result of a furniture making workshop in January 2016 lead by Brisbane based furniture maker, Richard Vaughan and sponsored by "Friends of Rambutso". A group of ten men from five different villages in the Rambutso Island group were taught to make furniture without the need for glue, nails or screws and were given a basic kit of woodworking tools on completing the course. They were then offered that if they continued making wooden furniture and also taught these skills to other people, additional tools would be made available at a subsequent visit.

In addition to Bribie's very generous collection, Richard tapped into his own professional network for assistance. This produced another large collection of hand tools delivered from Sydney, together with new tools to the value of \$1,000 each from Carbatec and Professional Woodworkers Supplies.

During my Navy time, I posted to HMAS Tarangau (currently Manus Island Refugee Detention Centre) and had visited an island nearby to where the tools were headed. So I got interested, asked if I could join the group as a self funded member and was accepted.

Together with founder of "Friends of Rambutso" NGO, Lynne Shori and Richard Vaughan, we flew into Manus Island on 29th of December to spend four weeks working on various projects, the largest being the building of composting toilets in the three villages on Bundrou Island in the Rambutso group, South East of Manus Island.

Bundrou Island is sand and each of the villages is only about 600mm above high water mark so septic toilets don't function and in fact pollute the fresh water table creating health issues.

After several days in Lorengau, the administration centre for Manus Province, we set out on New Year's Day by open boat for Bundrou Island, two plus hours away. Fortunately, the weather was ideal as, early in December with very unsavoury weather conditions, the same trip took over seven hours.

Richard and I had use of a small bungalow on the Western side of Bundrou village by the beach with brilliant sunsets while Lynne had a guest cottage on the Eastern side with views of the sunrise and surf. While the toilet project got underway, Lynne had a busy education program to introduce the concept of pedestal or sit down toilets and their successful operation to each of the three villages. I wondered why the fuss, until I experienced the pleasures of squat or "over the sea" toilets as the only option available on a daily basis – my poor knees.

The first toilet building was constructed in Bundrou village with members from all the three villages taking part. There being many competent builders available, the only assistance from us, other than providing the building plans, was teaching the assembly and installation of the composting toilet unit. As the remaining two village toilets were built, we assisted once again with the toilet unit installation. I expected we'd be working every day until the job was done. Fortunately, in the past, various Christian Missionaries had spent time on the island, such that both Saturdays and Sundays were observed as the Sabbath by someone. This allowed us time for boat trips to visit other islands and villages, plus several enjoyable fishing trips.

A celebration for the gift of the donated tools was the highlight to the last week of our visit. Four villages in the ward each received equal shares, with custody going to a village member who would store, maintain and lend out the tools for use in his community.

A councillor spoke of the magnitude of the gift and pointed out that the ward council had an annual budget of only about AU \$4,500 from which the four villages could apply for grants for essential works. He then said that the value of these gifted tools which they had just received exceeded AU \$14,000 and they had been given with no effort needed to obtain them.

The range of donated tools received at Woodies included many metalworking and mechanical tools beyond the needs of the villages. So, as a gesture of friendship and cooperation, Lynne negotiated

with the manager of the Vocational Training Centre in Lorengau for him to accept approximately 60kg for the Centre.

The Rambutso people who received the gift, together with the Manager of the Vocational Training Centre were all overwhelmed by the volume of tools and our generosity. They said that tools were both rare and expensive to obtain in PNG. I'm very grateful to have been able to work with Lynne and Richard on Bundrou Island and experience the real PNG. We were welcomed and drawn into the community by generous and loving people. Contributed by Des Wirges.



Bribie Bollards Project

Hi there,

You have heard about the Bollards on Bribie.

I want to let you know more about the major art installation that is being created called "Bollards on Bribie" and it needs as much support as possible to get it to the best possible outcome.

You can find out all about it at www.infocentre.com.au/bollards. Copy and paste this address to download the Overview pdf which of course gives you all the details.

Importantly though, the Survey part is really what is needed to give support and feedback from people to add to the weight for Council and to ensure it's what people want.

This looks like being a major, fun part of Bribie's personality. It's put Geelong on the map and that's what is being aimed for here too.

It's gathering a lot of excitement so could you also forward this on to people you think would be interested too please. The more the merrier.

Peter Hunt

Bunnings BBQ

We've been lucky to have the opportunity to participate and generate funds for our club through sausage sizzles at Bunnings Morayfield. Last year our club raised around \$7,500. Please support this ongoing venture by volunteering a couple of hours of your time to helping at these Sausage Sizzles. If ALL members did their bit each member would only need to help out once a year instead of the same people volunteering each month. Contact Kim at the club or on 0427 876 271 if you can help. Dates for 2017 Bunnings

Monday 15th May,
Monday 12th June,
Monday 17th July,
Monday 21st August,



Monday 18th September,
Monday 16th October,
Monday 20th November
Monday, 18th December.

May Markets

You still have time to visit the April markets to see what everyone is up to but if you missed all the fun come and enjoy the markets in May.

The markets from May onwards will include a Medieval theme and also three different car clubs are booked in.

Words from the President

There are many things for us to look forward to for the remainder of the year. Here are some of the activities apart from the usual day by day activities at the various workshops.

We currently have two applications lodged for grants. One for improved flooring in the clean shed and kitchen lodged with the Moreton Shire Council. Another one for an audio-visual presentation system for the annex, lodged with the Gambling Community Benefits Fund. We will hear later in the year if these applications are successful.

The Maleny Wood Expo on 29th April to 1st May is an activity not to be missed. There are displays of quality woodwork of all disciplines. There is a great range of wood for sale at good prices. This will remind members how fortunate we are to have wood for sale from our own wood shed at bargain prices.

The Cooroora interclub competition will be held on Friday 12th and Saturday 13th May. We will be entering pieces made by our members in the categories of Carving, Pyrography, Woodturning, Toys, Intasia/Scrollsaw and General Woodwork. It is well worth a visit especially on Saturday when there is a big fair in the grounds at Cooroy.

The annual Bribie V Ipswich competition to be held on Sunday 6th of August will have a different format this year. Lenore will keep us posted with details. (see Lenore's comments below).

Last but certainly not least our Annual competition and exhibition held from 21st to 29th October in the Matthew Flinders Gallery. This is our one big event where we can showcase our talents to the community and members can enter the competition to test their skills. Please do not think your work may not be good enough to enter. There are three skill levels from novice to intermediate to advanced. I would encourage beginners to enter an item or two. You will learn so much from the judge's feedback. A committee has started planning and would love help from anyone. There is a lot of work to be done so just see June or myself to volunteer.

On a different note I need to mention that there always seems to be a grumble from our maintenance team who do a great job in cleaning up and repairing equipment that has sometimes been abused or used incorrectly. Their grumbles are understandable and I think Kim would like to say something about this.

Let's keep enjoying the great company and great facilities and equipment we have.

Ian Trail

Bribie Versus Ipswich Sunday 6th August

Yes, it is coming up very quickly now and I just know the excitement this is creating amongst our club members. The new format has really got the Ipswich Club members chewing at the bit and the Bribie members who have full knowledge are certainly happy and eager to go.

The theme title will be given to members at Bribie and Ipswich on Thursday 6th July.

We still have 3 turners, 3 carvers, 3 scrollsawers and 3 pyrographers.

Each person will create their own article from start to finish by themselves.

Each person will have **one month** to create their unique article.

Each person will automatically receive 20 points for following the theme.

We have four judges, three of whom are new. All four are exceptional wood workers.

Entries must be delivered to me before 10.00am on the day. Judging will commence at 11.00am.

Morning and afternoon tea, lunch (boutique hamburgers) will be available.

Activities will occupy the day with some fun highlights to enjoy.

The judges will announce the winning club at 2pm.

The entry details will be on the chalkboard in the near future so don't hesitate to pop your name down and participate for your club.

Maleny Wood Expo Saturday 29th April to Monday 1st May



Started in 1996, the Expo was the brainchild of Queensland forester and passionate land care supporter, Ashley Sewell. Designed to promote sustainable use of our beautiful native timbers through the work of local and regional wood artisans the Expo is now recognised as one of the best wood shows in Australia. We invite you to join us for three days of clean country family fun at the beautiful Maleny Show grounds.

There's hands-on woodwork for the whole family with [Woodshed Workshops](#), [Woodwork for Women](#) and a [creative space for kids](#) to taste the delights of getting their hands in the sawdust and taking home their own masterpiece. There are native plants and local Maleny produce to purchase, natural resource management displays and much much more. Pull up a hay bale, enjoy great food and fabulous local music and have a great day! All wood artisans and exhibitors are required to work in sustainably harvested native timbers, weed or recycled timbers.

Entry Adults \$15 Aged 16 and under Free

Cooroora Woodworkers Club Annual Show 12th – 13th May

There will be displays by club members and other woodworkers, competitions and quality timber for sale from 9.00a.m onwards. The show will run in conjunction with the Cooroy Fusion Festival so there will be local artists, entertainers, artisans, food, community groups and much more to see. See www.cooroorawoodworkersclub.com.



Brisbane RNA Showgrounds 26th – 28th May

It's on again – the Brisbane Timber and Working with Wood Show to be held at the Brisbane RNA Showgrounds on 26-28 May 2017, Friday – Sunday 10.00am – 4.00pm

It will host a live interactive Come, Try, Learn and Buy programme which has proved to be extremely popular in all other States around the Country with visitors enjoying the fact they could Come and Try the differing tools and products. This year will be no exception and will include new products, new programs and new presenters. The full program will be on our website early April. Follow our link to www.timbershows.com.au.

As a valued club we would like to offer your club members a discounted entry price of \$14.00 which is a discount of \$2.00 off the normal entry of \$16.00. After all where else could you go with an entry price of \$14.00 and experience a whole day amongst the beautiful timber and products, be able to experience many different products and tools as well as learn the techniques of woodworking from leading experts.

Do you want to get a group of members together? If you have ten or more members attending there is a bulk discounted entry price of \$12.00 per ticket, this is a discount of \$4.00 per ticket. As well they provide one free ticket for the organiser of the group and one free ticket for the coach driver should you be coming by coach. If you would like to take up this offer and wish to purchase ten or more tickets please contact a Committee member or email Liz on: elizabethfalloon@iexh.com.au or call 0418 230 652

Kim's Krafty Korner Tip

Mobile Clamp Rack

During a glue-up, the last thing I need is to go hunting for clamps. The clamp cart you see here keeps my clamps organised and nearby. It couldn't be easier to make with construction-grade stock, plywood and some simple hardware. The best part is, it can be customised to store a variety of styles and lengths of clamps.

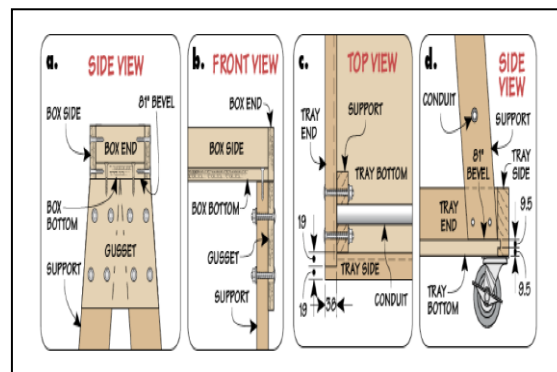
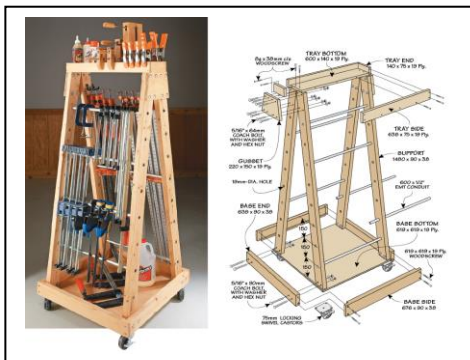
The drawings show you all the details. I started by building the base that also serves as a tray to provide additional storage. I used a dado blade to cut a groove in the 90x38mm studs to house the tongue of the plywood bottom (detail 'd'). To complete the base and make the cart mobile, I attached four casters to the underside.

Now you're ready to get started on the A-frame rack that forms the main supporting structure for the clamp cart. I bevelled each end of four studs to fit into the tray and form the uprights of the A-frame. A trip to the drill press takes care of the holes that support the metal conduit I used as clamp hangers.

Coach bolts, washers and hex nuts secure the uprights into the base tray. I cut plywood to create gussets that reinforce the top of the frame and secured them with coach bolts as well.

Finally, you can make a handy storage tray at the top of the rack by building a shallow box. (I used plywood strips). Then, simply screw the box to the top of the frame.

Now all you need to do is cut several lengths of conduit to fit through the uprights and arrange them to suit your clamp collection.



Reminders

If you are a new member John Arkinstall is at the shed on the second Tuesday of the month from 8.00am to 10.00am to take you through your orientation. John asks that you call or text him on 0448042077 or email him on arkinstalljohn3@gmail.com with your name. He will confirm with you a reminder so he is not waiting at the shed for people who do not turn up.

Neils Andersen will be having his box making days on the first and third Friday each month beginning on Friday 5th May. Times are 12.00 noon to 4.00pm.

Beanies for the Homeless

Jan Wirges, wife of our Des, has become involved in a project knitting beanies for homeless people with a lot to be done before winter sneaks up on us. As Jan wears out her needles she is also burning up her supply of wool. If anyone has any wool to spare, any colour, any type, please bring it along to Woodies and leave it in the Clean Shed for Des to collect. He'll make sure it gets a head and finds a good home – or homeless.

Gripes & Likes, Bouquets & Brickbats, Grumbles & Praises, Ticks & Crosses

Something you want to share, this is the page to

HAVE YOUR SAY

This Months Grumbling

I used to be known as “L” which was an abbreviation for “Lumpy” an apt nickname which I am still worthy of! It now appears “Grumpy Lumpy” would be more appropriate! I have assumed the role of maintenance co-ordinator to do exactly that, which is to maintain our equipment in as good a working order as possible with the assistance of a few dedicated members who spend most of their club time cleaning up and repairing as a result of pure laziness or incorrect use. There is no excuse for incorrect use. If you are not sure about correct use please ASK!

The club recently purchased a new drum sander to replace a perfectly serviceable machine that had earned a poor reputation due to incorrect operating methods. The very first day the new machine was in service it was left in a disgraceful state. The blame for this lies squarely on the shoulders of two people. The operator and the rostered shed captain for a total lack of supervision. Most of our maintenance and housekeeping problems would be non existent if this role was performed correctly.

My last whinge for the day is to explain why the spray guns and consumables are now locked away. There is now a spray gun allocated for general members (who are accredited) to use on their projects. At present it is a suction gun but will be replaced in the near future with a gravity style gun. Consumables for your projects are NOT supplied by the club. Lacquer and thinners are available for purchase from our shop.

My final words are not about maintenance etc but rather our upcoming competition. If an entry has had the finish applied by someone other than the entrant the work will be judged as a collaboration entry. This has always been the intention of the rules, but never enforced. Please, either learn to spray lacquer or choose another type of finish. If you need some finishing training I’m sure a basic course can be arranged.

Please note in my opinion the bulk of our membership do the right thing and should not take offence in my comments.

Cheers Kim (aka GL)

To all the members of the club

My name is Pauline Hulme a member since 2014. Most of you will not know me but I belong to the Pyrography group who meet on a Tuesday afternoon. We are quite a large group and if we all turn up on the same day space is at a premium.

Our members contribute quite a lot to the club. On Market days we have our displays out the back with people demonstrating and goods for sale for the club as well as ourselves. We also provide members for Sausage Sizzles and any other activities we are asked to take part in.

So I am quite surprised that we do not have someone on the committee to represent our group.

Mr John Dann, our Shed Captain has to go cap in hand to get us funds for new machines.

On March 28th I attended the AGM to see how these things work but on looking on the nomination form I found that members who wanted to be on the Committee were sponsored by other members who also wanted to be on the Committee. So it stands to reason that they would vote for each other. From what I can understand and please correct me if I am wrong the same people get on the Committee year after year. I also found the voting process different from other clubs where I have been. It was disappointing that the number of votes for each candidate was withheld and not disclosed to the club members.

So what happens to the members who think they would like to give it a go? Do they not stand because they think they will not get in? Why are we not encouraging other members to stand for our Committee? Where is the new blood with fresh ideas? We all appreciate how hard our Committee works to keep our club running smoothly but what happens when they decide it is time to hang up their chisels and who takes their places? While I realise most of our members are retired but are the people with the skills passing their knowledge on not just carvers and turners but the maintenance teams who keep all our machinery working. It seems to me that we all have to think about what we can contribute to the club, to keep the hobbies and the things we enjoy, going in the future.



MATTHEW FLINDERS FINE ART PRIZE 2017

July 14th –August 2nd

Enter now!

First prize \$5000.

Second prize \$2000.

Highly Commended &

People's Choice prizes \$500

Download an entry form from our website

<https://www.bribieartscentre.com.au/matthew-flinders-art-prize>

or call at the Arts Centre

191 Sunderland Drive Banksia Beach

Ph 34089288

Picture of the Month



Many thanks must go to all who donated items to the "SHARE THE DIGNITY" cause for women.

Members from Woodies, Gem Club, groups within BICAC and The Banksia Garden Club were very generous to this cause.

The photo of the boxes of donated items proves just what can be done with everyone contributing.



Please send all items for publication in the Shavings direct to the Editor.

The deadline for news items or any contributions is **25th of the month**

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Edward Maurice Collcutt

"Ted"



Vale: Edward Maurice Collcutt "Ted"

Ted has been a member of the Bribie Woodies since 2005. He was one of our turners who several years ago instructed new members on turning basics and was the Duty Officer for the Wednesday afternoon Turning Group for several years until he became unwell. Late last year he helped the Project Team with a commission. He very rarely missed coming along on Arts Centre Vibe Market days to do turning demonstrations and to sell items on his stall.

When I first joined the club and before I had completed the beginner's course, he and the other turners made me welcome on Wednesday afternoons and allowed me to sit and watch the group turning blocks of wood into their individual items. These afternoons whetted my appetite for wood turning.

He will be missed by members of the club.

Pauline Smith

Emails and replies between Kim and Stevie

Hello Kim

Would it be possible for some of the Woodies to clear the wood from our garage and Ted's shed. Not this next week but the week after, maybe Monday, Tuesday or Thursday?

I would like to thank all the Woodies who attended Ted's funeral. It was lovely to see them and I appreciated their remarks they made to me and the cards I received. I think that I am slowly getting over the shock of him having passed away so quickly. It was so unexpected, less than two months after diagnosis.

Thank you for your thoughts.
kind regards Stevie.

Hello Stevie. We can have some members ready to assist at your convenience. A Monday or Thursday morning would be best for us although we will fit in with you.

If you have no objections could we include your thank you and thoughts in the next Shavings Newsletter
Our thoughts are with you.
Kim

Hello Kim,

Monday or Thursday mornings would be good for me. Just let me know which one. Once the wood is gone I will need some help in sorting out what things belong to the lathe, ie accessories etc as one of Ted's boys is going to take it to Melbourne along with some of the other tools. Of course I am going to keep some for myself.

Of course you may include my thanks in the Shavings.

Kind regards Stevie

Items for Sale

See Shirley Collyer or call her on 0408 763 427



Coolabah Four Burner BBQ with side burner.
Comes with a canvas cover. \$150.00 ono.



Apollo Mountain Bike new tyres multi geared.
Like new, hardly used. \$180.00 ono.



Steelcraft Take 2 Strider baby pram with
toddler seat and a rain cover.

Perfect condition \$230.00 ono.



Twister Cardio exercise fitness machine.
Comes with an instruction DVD. \$50.00 ono.

Words of Wisdom

*The more you love the least deserving
on your list, the more your life will
change. Mike Dooley*

*Life just becomes more pleasant when you
have a positive point of view.
Rohen Phoenix*



Birthdays

May birthday wishes go to Max West, Lyn Wymer,
Joy Gowdy, Tahnia Greenough. That we know of.

Please fill in the "Birthday List" form near the sign in book.
Remember those that have more birthdays live longer!

DATE SAVERS

APRIL

29-30TH. April, 1st. May.Maleny Wood Expo
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End of AprilBribie Shavings May Issue

MAY

1st. MayLabour Day
12th-13th MayCooroora Woodworkers Club Show
14th. MayMothers Day -- **Remember Mum.**
15th. MayBunnings Bar BQ
16th. MayManagement Committee Meeting – **A month old and running well.**
23rd. MayGeneral Meeting – **The first one for two months.**
26th.- 28th. MayBrisbane Timber & Working with Wood Show
28th. MayWoodies Markets
End of MayBribie Shavings June Issue

JUNE

12th. JuneQueen's Birthday Holiday
12th. JuneBunnings Bar B Q - **Should be a busy Public Holiday**
20th. JuneManagement Committee Meeting
25th. JuneWoodies Markets
27th. JuneGeneral Meeting
End of JuneBribie Shavings July Issue – **Not so hard when we all pull together**

JULY

14th. July.....Opening Mathew Flinders Art Prize at B.I.C.A.C.
17th. July.....Bunnings Bar B Q
18th. July.....Management Committee Meeting
25th. July.....Woodies General Meeting – **Deadline for Shavings Items**
30th. July.....Woodies Markets
End of July.....Bribie Shavings August Issue

AUGUST

6th. August.....Bribie - Ipswich Competition – **A new format this year**
15th. AugustManagement Committee Meeting
21st. August.....Bunnings Bar B Q
22nd. August.....Woodies General Meeting
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