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Welcome to the Spring edition of the newsletter. Don't forget to send through any items of news to me.

Richard Condie (Editor)

From the President

The Woodcraft Guild AGM was held recently on August 8th 2017. This was well attended. All formalities went through in an orderly process. The AGM concluded at 7.20 pm

The 2017/18 committee is:

President – Brian Ridler

Vice President – John Penprase

Secretary – Ken Dowling

Treasurer – John Grubb

Committee members – George Harris, Rod Daly, John Sheppard, Clinton Luckock, and Murray Jessup. A committee position remains unfilled.

Thanks again to each of the committee for accepting the nomination. I welcome all of those to the 2017/18 committee.

The AGM was followed by the August General Meeting with the usual notices and show and tell. Followed by a presentation by member Dr. David Ridges the theme of David's talk was dust in the workshop. There is evidence to indicate that hardwood dust is causes more damage than softwood dust. David spoke on the importance of workshop dust extraction and the use of respirators. He told us that nasal cancer is more prevalent in woodworkers. We need to be aware of any sign or changes in our nasal area, then you should seek medical advice from your Doctor.

Membership Fees

Treasurer John Grubb thanks all the members who have paid the 2017/18 fees and reminds those who have yet to pay, that the fee should have been paid by July 31. When ALL of the fees have been received. John can get on with more important matters.....Golf, gardening woodwork, taking Janet out for lunch.

Check your email.

Brian Ridler

NEWS

July Meeting

I was away for July, but I understand there was further training on sharpening tools.

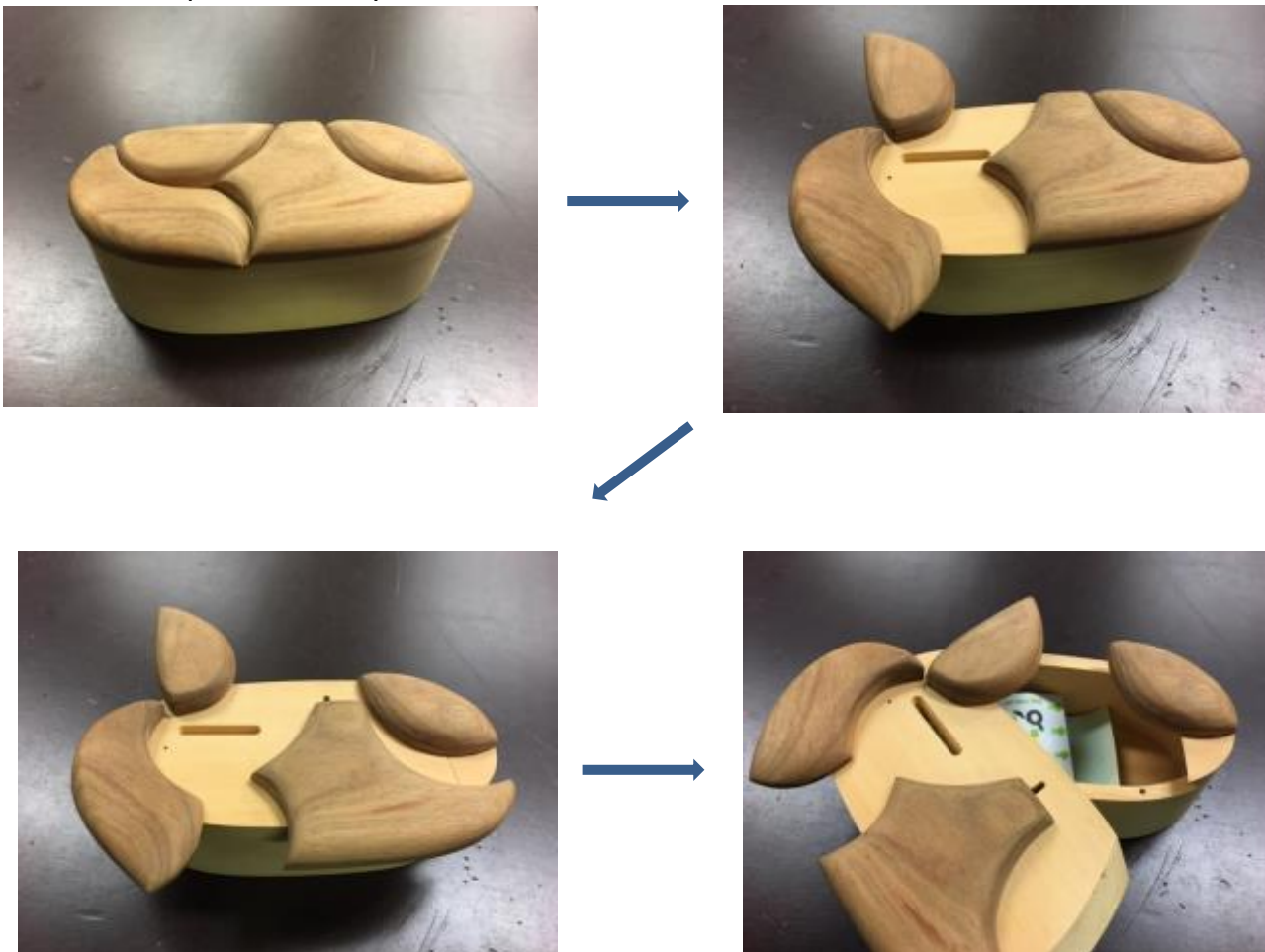
August Meeting

As reported above by Brian the AGM was held in August. There was a good turn out to hear reports and vote in the new committee.



After the meeting and the excellent talk by Dr David Ridges on the problems of dust in the workshop, show and tell saw a few projects circulate in the room.

A neat little puzzle money box:



And a guitar stool



Future meetings

September 12th

David Potter will give a presentation on model railroad track, production methods.

October 10th

Hand cut dovetails with Rod Daly

November 14th

St. John Ambulance trainer Roxy will conduct first aid training for workshop safety. This session will be conducted in the classroom upstairs.

December 12th

End of year dinner at the Black Buffalo Hotel Letitia Street 6 for 6.30 pm

Specialty Timbers

The Guild made a submission to the Special Species Timber management plan. We thank George Harris for working on this. You can find out more about the Special timbers Alliance [here](#).

Special Interest Groups:

Box making:

This group, led by George Harris, meets on the **second** Saturday of each month, at **10.00 am** in the Guild workshop. Jewellery boxes and small lidded boxes are challenging, but very rewarding. It is woodworking on a small scale, but similar design and construction challenges apply on full scale furniture. New participants always welcome. Phone George on 0409 973344. Router techniques and the use of the Guild's router table are also featured.

Wood Turning:

The woodturning Special Interest Group fixture meets on the fourth Saturday of the month, and is being led by Committee member and keen wood turner John Penprase. Start time is 9.00 am, and members are asked to contact John Penprase or Brian Ridler or just turn up on the day for a look.

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Guild meetings: second Tuesday of each month at 7.00 pm at Cosgrove High School, Main Road, Derwent Park. Enter by **Felicity Lane**, which is adjacent to the Motors used car yard in Main Road. Meetings are held in the Manual Arts block. Telephone any Committee member for more specific details.

All members and any guests are welcome to join us in a BBQ, lit at 5.30 pm.