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FRED's 90th.

A party was held on Thursday, 17 November, 2016 at the Brookside Restaurant at the Waterbrook Lifestyle Resort, Yowie Bay to celebrate Fred Seligmann turning 90. It was also a celebration of Jan Westerhof turning 90 a couple of years ago and not telling anybody and John Regan who turns 90 in the new year.

Three of the five nonagenarians we have as members are seen in the photo at left with

President Ian, Fred on the left, Doug our elder statesman in the centre and our man from Tahmoor Jan on the right. Regretably Bill and John our other two ninety year olds were not well enough to attend. Full story and photos on page 6.

**A MOST PLEASING TIME
OF THE YEAR.**

◇ OUR ANNUAL TOY DONATIONS TO LOCAL COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS. See story on page 3



◇ OUR LAST DELIVERY TO THE SYDNEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, RANDWICK for 2016. See story on page 7



*Merry
Christmas to all*

**Charitable Toy & Item
delivery count for
2016
1,129**



MEMBER PROFILE

PERRY WOODLANDS

Badge No. 300

At 80 years of age, Perry was born just before World War 2 in July 1936 at Port Macquarie NSW. He began his primary education locally and completed his secondary studies at Kempsey High School. In 1954 his working life began as a Cadet Draftsman then changed to Cadet Civil Engineer. Perry completed his tertiary studies securing his Bachelor of Civil Engineering degree at the University NSW.

He is happily married to Nirvana. Their extended family includes :- 1 son and 3 daughters; 4 grandsons, 6 granddaughters and a great grandson.

Following his career in Civil Engineering, time for retirement inevitably arrived. In October, 2016 Perry had considered joining a Men's Shed, but the closest being at Menai seemed a little far.

On Polling Day he spoke to Ian Rudd and decided to join the Shire Woodworking Club (SWC). The Woodlands Family live within walking distance of SWC Clubhouse.

Quoting directly for Perry's words:-

Hobbies *Fishing, kayaking, reading, gardening, landscaping and a general handyman.*

Built so far? *Stairs, cupboards, shelving.*

Like to make? *Picture frames for my artist wife.*

Perry does not see any problem in coming up with new future projects.

Travelling. *My family have owned 4WD vehicles and we have enjoyed camping and caravanning right into very remote places in Australia.*

Overseas Travel. *My wife and I have visited the islands of Hawaii, the west coast of USA, Greece and the Greek Islands, Turkey, Hungary, Austria, Germany, Holland, China and New Zealand.*

Welcome home Perry !

Perry in his short time with the SWC feels very comfortable with the social contact and is most impressed with friendly assistance given him by members.

Welcome to our Club Perry. I'm certain that this is the beginning of a period of valued joint fellowship and achievement for us all.

Fred Seligmann



If you would like to receive this Newsletter please email the editor at shirewoodworking@bigpond.com or if you have an article that you think would be suitable for publication in this newsletter your Editor should be pleased to receive it.

Raffle Prize Winners

NOVEMBER 2016 MAXIDAY

1st Prize: Frank Van Luyt \$25.00

2nd Prize Alan Ritchie \$15.00

3rd Prize Ray De Marco \$5.00

4th Prize Roger Walsh
Bottle of Wine

MAXIDAY: SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER 2016 AGENDA

8:45am Open Lilli Pilli
Workshop

9:00am Monthly Meeting

9.30am Video

10:00am Morning Tea

10:30am SWC Excellence

Award presentation &
Judging

11:15am Show & Tell

11:45am SWC

EXCELLENCE
AWARD

PRESENTATION

12:00pm CHRISTMAS
BANQUET LUNCH

1:30pm Raffle Draw

About 3:00pm Close



OOPS!

beautiful cutting board for a friend had end grain Blue Gum framed in American Oak. It was returned with this very large crack, getting larger by the day, in the end grain Blue Gum. The Gum was also coming away from the frame.

Why? The obvious answer is that the Blue Gum was not totally dry. This is a trap even for the experienced.

If you have any other thoughts as to why this happened please let us know.



CLUB'S ANNUAL TOY DONATIONS TO LOCAL COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS



On Monday 28 November the Club held its annual toy donation day to Shire Community organisations. This is the 18th year the Club has donated toys at Christmas to provide some cheer for disadvantaged kids and those suffering from domestic violence in the Shire.

The Club was very pleased to be able to welcome official guests:

Mayor of the Sutherland Shire, Councillor Carmelo Pesce

Mark Speakman SC MP, State Member for Cronulla

Kerry Duroux, Cronulla Branch Manager IMB Bank

Our guests from the Community organisations were:

Lola Hearn, Sutherland Shire Family Services

Dianne & Mike Batty, John Franklin Christmas Lunch

Graeme Duncan, Chairman, Kingsway Community Care

Following photographs for "The Leader", Ray De Marco opened the meeting, welcomed all members and guests and said the Club appreciated their attendance as they all have very busy schedules. He noted especially that Cr Pesce and Mark Speakman had been to our Club on a number of occasions and their support is appreciated. He mentioned that this was our Club's fifth toy donation day from our Lilli Pilli Workshop and the 18th year in total.

Ray also noted apologies from President Ian Rudd, who is on jury service, and Treasurer Alan Ritchie who had a prior engagement.

Ray advised that the Club had supported Project Youth for many years, but their focus has been changed through Government funding arrangements and they now don't focus as much on children. They recommended Kingsway Community Care to us as a very worthwhile organisation in lieu and the Club is very happy to be able to support them this year.

Vice President Malcolm then took over from Ray. He advised that the toys and gifts donated this year totalled 126. This was what the three organisations had requested, plus a bit more. He then invited all guests to speak.

Cr. Pesce, pictured right, said this was his fourth year attending this annual function and he continues to be amazed at the job the men and women of the Club have done in making all the toys. He said attending functions such as this is the most enjoyable part of his job as Mayor.

Mark Speakman SC MP, pictured left, commented on the great display of toys and the contribution the Club makes to the various organisations present.

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He commented on his woodworking efforts in his first year at high school which were a disappointment to his woodwork teacher.

Malcolm presented Barbara Taaffe, pictured right, with a card and gift, thanking her for her continuing contribution in knitting a significant number of dolls and animal shapes for the children.



Lola from Sutherland Shire Family Services pictured left with Ray and Malcolm, said this was the 6th or 7th year the club had provided toys to her organisation, starting from when we were at Oyster Bay and the families they support are always very grateful for them. She also presented the Club with a Certificate of Appreciation.



Dianne, pictured right from John Franklin Christmas Lunch said the Club had also supported their organisation for many years, and last year they had 540 people at the lunch. They aim to give everyone a small gift, so our donations are most welcome. She issued a general invitation to anyone who wishes to attend to come along this year to the lunch on Christmas Day at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre.



Graeme, pictured at left, from Kingsway Community Care said this was the first year they had been involved and he was blown away by our generosity. Kingsway Community Care assists young homeless women and does a lot of work supporting and housing young families. The Kingsway Community Church also runs Jacaranda Cottage and Platform 9 amongst other initiatives for young people. They provide upwards of 150 hampers at Christmas, tailored to the specific needs of the recipients, so our donations will be especially welcome.



In closing Malcolm advised that the Club's major beneficiary of toys is the Sydney Children's Hospital at Randwick. This year the Club has donated 999 toys to the children at that hospital. In appreciation, last Friday we received a selection of quality fruit, which is presented as fruit platters for morning tea.

Malcolm then thanked everyone for their attendance and invited all guests to stay and enjoy morning tea with the Club members and their wives.

Graham Ethell

THIS IS NOT ON!

For sometime now members have been leaving our workshop machines in a mess as seen in the photos at right taken on November 19.

It is Club policy that once you have finished using a machine you clear it of your wood scraps, remove any router, drill, etc bits, jigs, clamps etc returning them to their rightful storage place and leave the machine in a clean clear state.

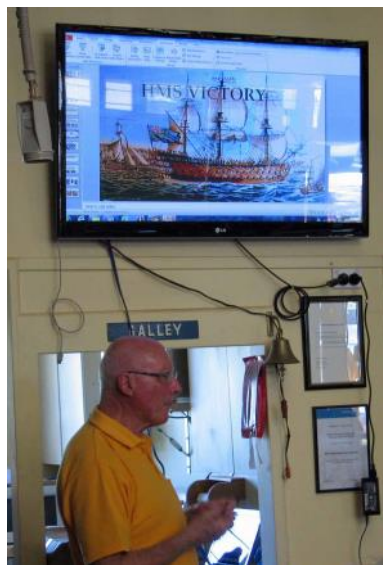
It is also Club policy that our machines are not places to store wood.

Please ensure that you abide with these rules. We do not want to put some enforcement or penalties in place for non observance.



Model Of HMS Victory

At our November Maxiday Warwick gave a presentation on the mammoth task he has undertaken to finish a model of HMS Victory and advised



"My presentation on building a model of HMS Victory started with a short history on how the Victory came about. In 1768 a bill was passed in the British Parliament for the building of 12 ships of the line with a First Rate three – decker of a 100 guns to be the largest. Designed by Sir Thomas Slade the keel of the Victory was laid on July 23 1779 and a completed cost of £63,176 and three shillings. Victory was constructed from English oak and Baltic oak from East Prussia and Poland. The keel measuring 152feet 3inches made up of

scarphed joints. The hull was planked with 4 1/2 inch thick English oak sourced from trees grown around Kent and Sussex. In 1765 Victory's hull was completed and finally launched almost six years from laying the keel.

Victory underwent many changes from antifouling to a copper sheeted bottom from a varnish style finish to a colour of black with white stripes running across the gun ports to the familiar colour of black and yellow, a colour that she would fight in at Trafalgar.

The history of the HMS Victory model started back in 1985. Constructed in part by Karl Weigerbauer from box wood, walnut and some cedar, Karl followed the book and plans of *The Anatomy of Nelson's Ships* by C. N. Longridge. Karl had completed most of the hull along with the many canons, gunports, masts, fittings and carvings required to complete the model. A scale of 1/4 inch to a foot equated to a total length of the model to just over seven foot or 2.2 metres and a height of 1.5 metres. In 2013 due to illness in Karl's family the continuation of the construction of Victory passed onto Jack Babcock and Peter Hanna who along with making the lower decks manufactured a further eighty cannons cast in lead and painted. Discrepancies between the deck levels and the gun ports required special gun mounts to be made. These were made by Peter and I noted that these will have to be individually crafted for each cannon before fitting. Due to constraints and other commitments the construction by Jack and Peter ceased. In September 2016 the baton was passed on to me (how that came about is another story) to continue making the Victory. I have been making period model ships for over twenty years but never attempted a model of this size. My estimated time to complete HMS Victory is around four to five years. This is based on progress to date and unfortunately remaking some of Karl's fine work. I am hoping when completed that I can find a gallery or museum that would be interested in displaying HMS Victory along with its history of the construction."

Warwick Tame. The following photos are of HMS Victory taken in 1991 at Plymouth.



OUR NONAGENERIAN LUNCH



A response from Fred.

“THANK YOU

I will never forget turning 90 years of age and the Club was not going to let me.

Val and I were welcomed and lunched royally at Waterbrook. Having made an error of the time, we arrived an hour early. Others also did, so the time passed quickly with pleasant conversation.

When ‘the Dinner Gong sounded’ we transferred to the dining tables our places clearly marked with Barry’s artistic place cards.

Ian had done much research revealing a lot of my pre Club and my 15 years Club activities (of which I could recall little). We had a brilliant lunch of grilled Atlantic salmon.

The Birthday Cake creation came and I managed to blow out the candles (with a little effort).

Then came the eulogies. I really had no idea that I was such a nice bloke. Thank you all for your kind words. At this time from three rows back Barry Gardner said RESPONSE?

I’m gradually forgiving Barry. At that time speaking was severely handicapped by emotion. I think I mumbled something about how what a nice lunch it was and thank you for coming.

Now coldly unemotional I say thank you to Ian, Alan, Graham and Barry for organising a day I’ll not forget. Thank you to our other members who came to lunch and said such kind words.

It was great to hear such a eulogy while still living. I don’t know the superlative degree of Thank You.

But if I did, then I would say it again many times.”

Fred Seligmann



Ray apologising for not being available to attend his celebration presented Fred with this framed picture of Fred and Ray’s granddaughter, Alana, taken at our Lilli Pilli workshop earlier this year



SAFETY

SAFETY FIRST: Members are asked on all club days to bring along and use their personal safety gear. ie. earplugs, dust mask and eye protection and ensure they are wearing good sturdy protective footwear and no loose fitting clothes.

OUR LAST DELIVERY TO THE SYDNEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, RANDWICK for 2016.



On Wednesday 23 November, 2016 Glen Reeve, Steve Lansley and your Editor delivered to the Child Life & Music Therapists at the Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick 557 items as seen in the photo and listed below.

This was the last of the three deliveries we have made to the hospital this year.

They are most grateful for our small contribution to their work in making very sick children's lives a little more pleasant.. This is seen in the following email received from Kerry

"As I have said on many occasions the work that all your members do for us is amazing. So a small thank you of fruit doesn't even say thank you enough. It was my absolute pleasure in organising the gift.

Thank you and all the members (and their partners) for the continued support of our department."

Items included in the delivery:

- 4 x Doll's rooms
- 48 pcs dolls house furniture items
- 82 Click sticks
- 29 Owl boxes
- 32 Keepsake boxes
- 1 Worry box
- 4 Cat pen/jewellery holder
- 1 Fancy cat
- 5 small rocking horses
- 9 small owl cutouts
- 2 fendered cars
- 1 car puzzle
- 43 play dough rolling pins
- 6 vases
- 4 racing cars
- 12 large owl cutouts
- 138 hanging Christmas decorations
- 16 bandsawn Christmas trees
- 7 Coloured ball Christmas trees
- 2 Santa sleigh & reindeer
- 4 Apple pendants
- 2 Pair Owl rockers
- 4 standing Owl puzzles
- 2 FA 18 fighter planes
- 25 Snail game markers
- 10 heart & owl shape pendants
- 26 electric guitars
- 2 car pen holders
- 9 jigsaw puzzles
- 7 helicopters
- 21 framed puzzles
- 3 wood people
- 4 dancing people

Dear Members of the Shire Woodworking Group, Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a Happy 2017. Thank you for all your ongoing support. Love Kerry and the Child Life and Music Therapy Department at Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick





SWC Aerospace Inc.

During these latter years of toy making a number of types of model and toy planes have become quite popular to make and sales attractive at our Fairs and Fetes.

Recognized styles made by Warwick fit into the affordable model class. Kevin Gowen made a number of attractive toy helicopters which were quickly sold. Peter Mott designed a number of small units for the Children's Hospital.

Now I have been bitten by this flying bug.

Some months ago a book of wooden toy plans was left in the area of my work corner. I never take hints, but my curiosity won. Scanning through the said book, the 'Big Fat Biplane' plans had an attraction.

The 'Big Fat Biplane' is a caricature of a toy aeroplane with raked back wings, a two wheel undercarriage, a tail skid and a large propeller for little fingers to twirl. Supposedly a reminder of the romance of yesteryear flying, the fuselage is bulky and the tail plane ridiculously large. In other words a **Big Fat Biplane** without any accent on scaled size it is truly a toy to be played with (by young & old).

It is made up of 11 separate components taking rather more time to assemble than I estimated.

Thanks to Steve's cutting and recutting some of the routing patterns for wings, tail planes & rudders, parts sizes were fairly uniform for a squadron of 10. Peter cut out some of the air surfaces and Barry turned the propeller spinners and wheel caps.

Of the ten 9 only became biplanes while No. 10 became a drei dekker.

The individual colours of the 9 biplanes were 1 Silver, 2 blue. Six were yellow in the livery of elementary flying training aircraft in WW2. (If during those days you found a yellow aircraft in your airspace one usually gave it a wide berth)

I managed to rake in a centre wing to plane 10.

Painting the now drei dekker red and affixing the German Croix to wings and fuselage, the Red Baron has flown in.

The **Big Fat Biplanes** have been flying away so quickly they may not get their RAAF roundels.

Graham has already sold one at the Gynea Fair and another at our November Club Stall.

Thanks to all who helped me get this project off the ground.

Fred Seligmann



Library Matters

We have received the Fine WoodWorking Winter 2017 edition of Tools and Shops:

Workshop Tips – a sanding block easy to make and use, a drill-press fence, turn a block plane into a chisel,

Tools & materials – Nova rolls out a smart drill press, Rikon's newest 14 inch bandsaw, Bosch cordless jigsaw
Fundamentals – How to pick the right drill bit for every task (brad point, twist bit, Forstner)

Designer Notebook – Tool chest with surprise storage

Feature Articles – A small sturdy workbench, Dust collection for the small shop, Six essential bench jigs, Under-bench tool cabinet, Polyurethane glue, Build your own handsaw,

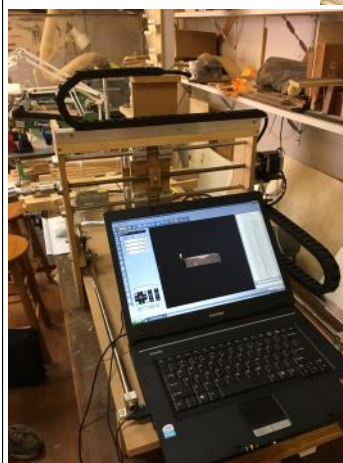
Handwork – Get a grip on your work (benchtop clamping – the holdfast)
Magazine is in the library now. Have a read. Happy woodworking.

Roger Walsh – Club Librarian



HOME MADE CNC CARVER

Alan Stubbs has been busy over the last year building this CNC Machine. It has taken a little longer than he had hoped and still has a problem with the



computer talking to the CNC components. We are looking forward to see this precision machine operating at our Club very soon.

SHOW & TELL NOVEMBER 2016



Graham presented this set of lawn grade Yahtzee Dice



Peter has been busy as usual. Firstly he finished the rocking horse that was part of the load of partly finished rocking horses donated to the Club over 5 years ago. This must be the last of the team surely. He also made another smaller rocking horse, a baby rocker and added an engine to the two toy tenders he made for the 2016 Club Plank competition.

One cannot keep a good man down.



David advised that he and his wife are very keen Cribbage Card players and having worn out a cribbage board he has made another as pictured.



Richard having caught the box making bug has come up with another beautiful box seen above



Barry went all artistic this month and presented these two sculptures, one on the left from Tassy Oak and the Lady outline from PNG Rosewood.

SHOW & TELL NOVEMBER 2016



Gary presented these three different style bullet pens made from Black Palm.



Our Nonagenarian Tahmoor member, Jan always busy presented this array of his wares.

The large round block on left is a partly completed large bowl.



Ian presented two items. Firstly the unusual desk decorative lamp made from LED light flexible strip in a frame of PNG Rosewood. The second was another box showing his expertise in beautiful boxmaking



Steve has been busy again at the scroll saw. He presented this ribbon box. Yes the ribbon is made of wood. The second was this "Merry Christmas" sign.



OUR JANUARY 2016 MAXIDAY THEME for SATURDAY 14 JANUARY, 2017

Router Bits & Router Techniques

Lets look at not just standard Bits but the unusual. So bring along those "different" Bits. Also what jigs do you use with your router. Lets see them also.

SHOW & TELL NOVEMBER 2016



Ray has again made some pyrography signs for his mates



Ray presented another of his beautiful Santa Sleigh montages for sale by the Club.



Jann Walker, who is a former Club member, gave this beautiful knitted Santa doll set to Graham and Lorena to sell to raise money for the Club or the Red Cross. We were able to sell it at the Cook Carnival and split the proceeds between

the two organisations.

imb BANK COOK COMMUNITY CLASSIC



We had a very easy and pleasant day at Cronulla Beach on Sunday 22 November, 2016. Thanks to the early shift Ray T, Roger W and Richard C;

and the afternoon shift Ian R, Gary M and Barry G.

Ian and Graham represented the Club at the Cook Community Awards 2016 on Saturday 3rd December at Cronulla Leagues Club.

37 members of Community organisations within the Cook Electorate were presented with awards for community service.

The IMB Bank Cook Community Classic raffle was then drawn.

This year over 47,000 tickets were sold by 57 organisations. The total raised including from the Carnival at Cronulla on 20th November, was around \$118,000. In the nine years the event has been held, total fund raising by community groups has amounted to \$838,000.

Raffle prizes:

- 1st 53982 two premium return economy tickets to Los Angeles courtesy Qantas & \$1,000 spending money courtesy McDonald's Shire restaurants.
- 2nd 23958 \$1,000 dining experience courtesy Westfield Miranda.
- 3rd 67049 Weekend getaway at Caves Beach plus \$500 spending money
- 4th 64692 \$500 shopping vouchers courtesy Westfield Miranda.
- 5th 73419 Apple iPad mini courtesy Storage King Kurnell.

Thanks to everyone from the Club who supported these events, by making things to sell, and/or buying or selling raffle tickets.



WHAT'S ON!

Saturday, 10 December, 2016

MAXIDAY

*SWC Award of Excellence Judging
Our Christmas Party
Show & Tell*

Tuesday, 13 December, 2016

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 14 December, 2016

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 17 December, 2016

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Tuesday, 20 December, 2016

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 21 December, 2016

9:00am Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

7:00pm Woodcarvers meeting

Saturday, 24 December, 2016

Club closed

Tuesday, 27 December, 2016

Club Closed

Wednesday, 28 December, 2016

Club Closed

Thursday 29 December, 2016

Toymaking, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 31 December, 2016

Club closed

Tuesday, 3 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 4 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 7 January, 2017

Woodcarvers meeting

Tuesday, 10 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

12:30pm Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 11 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 14 January, 2017

MAXIDAY

Router Bits & Router Techniques

Show & Tell

Tuesday, 17 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 18 January, 2017

9:00am Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

7:00pm Woodcarvers meeting

Thursday 19 January, 2016

Toymaking, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 21 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Tuesday, 24 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 25 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 28 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Tuesday, 31 January, 2017

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At year's end it is timely to reflect upon and remind ourselves how our club has evolved and again state how this club engages and encourages members to share in woodworking projects and in club activities. The club enjoys many activities involving our local communities and as a result we get the benefit of a safe workplace where we have a very well equipped workshop that is continually adding new machinery. More importantly we have a hugely supportive environment where members exchange skills and knowledge and as a result everyone can see the improvements in craftsmanship and design in the items that are made at the club.

In addition to woodworking, the club serves as a great place for members to have a morning coffee and a chat and looking at our maxi days, we have numerous members who just come along each month to see what has been happening in the past month and to contribute in the friendship. This aspect of the clubs contribution back to the members should always be applauded. It is a privilege to belong to this club.

This year has been a very significant period for fundraising and we are currently in a sound financial position. Thank you to all who have helped in our fundraising efforts. As noted elsewhere in this newsletter we have been granted funds by Sutherland Shire Council to assist in the installation of a new kitchen and this will be an exciting major project for the start of 2017.

To all members of the various committees thank you for your efforts and contributions over the past year. There have been a number of projects undertaken this year including the erection of the outside shed and subsequent drainage and the work of the volunteers on these physical projects is recognized and appreciated. Our toy making efforts have been rewarding and with the last Thursday in each month being dedicated to this activity will result in increased numbers of toys in the future.

Merry Christmas and a Happy Woodworking 2017 to all.

Ian Rudd

BREAKING NEWS!

As members are aware our kitchen at our Lilli Pilli Workshop is in need for an upgrade. The current kitchen has to be at least 30 to 40 years old or maybe even older. When we moved into the old dilapidated possum infested sea scout hall 5 years ago the major part of our efforts were cleaning, sealing the roof, relining the holey and damaged walls and floor and replacing the external doors to secure the premises. The kitchen was a lesser issue however it got a major scrubbing, a paint, a new hot water system and some plumbing and electrical repairs. Well with major help from Secretary Graham application was made to the Sutherland Shire Council seeking a grant to bring the kitchen into the 21st century. Our kitchen is one of the most used facilities in our workshop. Graham reported on 29 November that "We have been advised by the Council that our application for funding for the new kitchen has been approved in full."

The new year will see us replacing our present facility with a new flat pack kitchen from Bunnings and purchase new kitchen white goods.

Many thanks to the SSC.



**The SWC AWARD OF
EXCELLENCE
is being judged this coming
Maxiday**

10 December, 2016.

**So members please present your
masterpieces for
judgement on this day.**