

# CUBBY HOUSE NEWS

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## THE CUBBY HOUSE TURNERS & WOODIES INC

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**Best Judged on day**

## Minutes Workshop Meeting 12<sup>th</sup>. November 2018.

Present / Absent (From attendance sheet passed around)

**Present:** Keith Jones, Phil Dean, Steve Hooper, Keith Allen, Frank Williams, Alan Pentecost, Michael Bryant, Ray Elyard, Graeme Stokes, Val Lipping, John Field, John Moss, Keith Moses, Barry Belford. Patrick Thorpe.

**Absent:** Thomas Hill, Warren Rankin Fred Warr, Ken McEwen, and Trevor Simpson.

Meeting opened by Keith Jones at 9:30 a.m.

### Minutes:

Propose that the minutes of our previous meeting held on 15th. October 2018 as published in the October Cubby House News be taken as read:

Moved By: Val Lipping. Seconded By: Michael Bryant.

**Business arising from minutes:** Nil.

**Correspondence In:** Nil.

**Correspondence Out:** Letter to Bunnings requesting a continuance of our 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month BBQ,s for 2019.

**Treasurers Report.** Income: \$1,955.95. Expenses: \$1,875.96.

Move that the Treasurers Report be accepted.

Moved By: Ray Elyard. Seconded By: John Field.

### REPORTS:

Alan Pentecost: Has jacket on order for new member. He will not be available for cleaning this month.

Keith Allen: Leader has been advised of our upcoming meetings and events.

Frank Williams: After discussions with the President and Treasurer it was decided that a fully catered Christmas lunch would seriously deplete limited funds and it has now been cancelled. It will now be a normal lunch as per other months.

### GENERAL BUSINESS:

Frank Williams advised the Committee that he has been in discussion with both Council and Solar Panel suppliers re installation of Solar Panels at the Cubby House. At this stage we are waiting a reply from Council before investigating further.

John Field suggested that on Maxi Days we re-introduce the idea of a Member demonstrating how he/she goes about making a particular item on the lathe from start to finish. The Committee felt that this would be beneficial and for John to take this forward.

Keith Jones requested that we keep two Maxi Days per year, "Theme Free" so that we can have an Open Table where anything and everything is judged.

John Moss made the following observations after he and Bruce Canham recently manned a stall at an Open Market Day in Sutherland. 1. There were quite a number of people interested in our Club and what we actually did here. 2. People wanted to know if we sold toys and if so where and when. 3. The question was raised as to whether we gave lessons. 4. Would new members be under the guidance of a Mentor once they join.

Barry Belford asked that the Members be reminded that we will be having a demonstration on the use of the Tormek Wet Grinder this Maxi Day and that Members from Menai group have been invited also. Barry then moved that any visitors to that demonstration be admitted free, this was seconded by Keith Moses and carried.

Keith Jones advised the Committee of the club's intention to offer some of the toys we make for sale to the general public.

Barry Belford: Barry again read out his Motion regarding Bunnings which was published in last month's newsletter. An involved discussion followed which resulted in two amendments being tabled.

1. Keith Jones moved that rather than open a separate bank account, the Treasurer simply separate the Bunnings transactions from the general ledger. This was seconded by Frank Williams.
2. Frank Williams moved that rather than the Bunnings BBQ's pay the whole electricity account, it simply pay for electricity used on toy making weeks. This was seconded by Steve Hooper.

Barry then used his right of reply to the amendments, then proposed the following motion.

“I move that the Cubby House Turners and Woodies adjust our bank account to keep the money from Bunnings separate.

This money is to be used for the following.

1. All costs for Bunning’s BBQ’s to be debited from this account.
2. All costs for toy making to be debited from this account.
3. The Electricity bill for toy making to be debited from this account.”

This was seconded by Keith Moses and carried by the Committee.

Resulting from this decision a general discussion took place as to how the club could make up the shortfall of funds needed to ensure the club remains financially viable each year.

Two areas were finally selected as needing adjustment, they are Membership Fees and Maxi Day admittance fees.

Patrick Thorpe moved that Annual Membership fees for 2019-20 be increased to \$50.00 per annum. This was seconded by Keith Jones and carried by the Committee.

Steve Hooper moved that effective January 2019 Maxi Day admittance fees be raised to \$8.00. This was seconded by Frank Williams and carried by the Committee.

If there is no further business, the meeting closed at 11.00 a.m.

### PRESIDENTS REPORT

Well all the toys for this year are done and waiting to be picked up by the six charities on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.



I would like to thank everyone who helped make the toys at the Cubby House or at home and to the ladies who made the dolls bedding and clothes. To Ann Moss a thank you for all your great painting of the toys.

Good day at Bunnings BBQ on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November and we sold out so we got home sooner. Big thanks to Chris McClennan, Tom Hill, and Frank Volk who came to see how we run the BBQ because we hope to have a B Team for next year to give all those who have done it for the past six years to give us a hand. We still need more helpers Just half a day a month would be great.

Host for Maxi Day is Michelle Brown.

December’s host is Keith Jones, the theme is wide open to anything you like.

Let’s keep turning or whatever

Keith Jones. President.

### Executive committee contact details

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## BIRTHDAYS This Month

*Keith Allen*

*Stan Bailey*

*Thomas Hill*

*John Jansons*

*John Moss*

*Malcolm Stewart*

*Frank Williams*

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***Hi we need more articles for your***

***Cubby House News.***

**Hi members the club has a person from the TORMEK tool sharpening system.**

**He will be demonstrating the system at our Maxi Day this month**



## Australian Native Species



- 1A. Blackbean (*Castanospermum australe*)
- 2A. Silver Ash (*Flindersia* spp.)
- 3A. Myrtle (*Nothofagus cunninghamii*)
- 4A. Rose Alder (*Caldcluvia australiensis*)
- 5A. Tallowood (*Eucalyptus microcorys*)
- 6A. Mulga (*Acacia aneura*)
- 7A. Camphor Laurel (*Cinnamomum camphorum*)
- 8A. Tasmanian Oak (*Eucalyptus obliqua. regnans*)
- 9A. Cypress Pine (*Callitris glauca*)
- 10A. Tasmanian Blackwood (*Acacia melanoxylon*)
- 11A. Huon Pine (*Dacrydium franklinii*)
- 12A. Celery Top Pine (*Phyllocladus asplenifolius*)
- 13A. Blackhearted Sassafras (*Antherosperma moschatum*)
- 14A. W.A. She Oak (*Casuarina fraserana*)
- 15A. Australian Cedar (*Cedrela toona toonaustralis*)
- 16A. Qld Maple (*Flindersia brayleyana*)
- 17A. Qld Silky Oak (*Cardwellia sublimis*)
- 18A. Qld Walnut (*Endiandra palmerstonii*)
- 19A. Satin Sycamore (*Ceratopetalum succirubium*)
- 20A. Jarrah (*Eucalyptus marginata*)
- 21A. N.S.W. Scented Rosewood (*Dysoxylum fraseranum*)
- 22A. Qld Black Wattle (*Acacia auriculiformis/mangium*)
- 23A. Yellow Walnut (*Beilschmiedia bancroftii*)
- 24A. Pepperwood (Brown Beech) (*Cinnamomum laubatii*)
- 25A. White Cheesewood (*Wrightia laevis (mullgar)*)
- 26A. Blackbutt (*Eucalyptus Pilularis*)
- 27A. Karri (*Eucalyptus diversicolor*)
- 28A. Coachwood (*Ceratopetalum apelatum*)
- 29A. King William Pine (*Athrotaxis selaginoides*)
- 30A. Hoop Pine (*Araucaria cunninghamii*)
- 31A. Brigalow (*Acacia harpophylla*)
- 32A. Black Lancewood (*Acacia sherlii*)
- 33A. Red Iron bark (*Eucalyptus sideroxylon*)
- 34A. Sydney Blue Gum (*Eucalyptus saligna*)
- 35A. Brush Box (*Tristania conferta*)
- 36A. River Red Gum (*Eucalyptus camadulensis*)
- 37A. Victorian Ash (*Eucalyptus regnans*)
- 38A. Red Tulip Oak (*Argyrodendron peralatum*)
- 39A. Qld Kauri (*Agathis microstachya*)
- 40A. Bolly Silkwood (*Tarzali*) (*Criptocarya oblata*)
- 41A. Qld Leichhardt (*Neonauclea gordoniana*)
- 42A. Qld Narrow Leaf Wattle (*Acacia (spp) aulacoarpa*)
- 43A. Flooded Gum (*Eucalyptus grandis*)
- 44A. Red Siris (*Albizia toona*)
- 45A. Saffron Heart (*Halfordia kendack*)
- 46A. unya Pine (*Araucaria bidwillii*)
- 47A. Northern Brush Mahogany (*Geissois biagiana*)
- 48A. Spotted Gum (*Eucalyptus maculata*)
- 49A. Burdekin Plum (*Pleiogynium timorense*)
- 50A. Cooktown n Ironwood (*Erythrophleum ehlorostachys*)

## Drying bowls

### **Various ways of drying green bowls.**

Many of us have found a very recently felled log or branch and have decided to rough out a bowl, or even tried to completely turn a finished piece from a very wet blank. It is great fun turning green wood, especially in front of an audience at a demo. The timber slices beautifully, great swathes of ribbons of shavings fly everywhere, no catches, quick and easy. Mind you, the downside is you **MUST** remove all wet shavings and dust from the lathe bed immediately to prevent instant rusting. While it looks spectacular, the finished bowl won't stay round for very long. As many have found, anything round on a wet blank will be oval in a short time, ranging from hours and certainly within a week or so.

Most turners usually start with a log split down the middle, length a bit longer than the diameter, and corners cut off. Roughly centre the blank on a face plate and bring the tail stock up and squeeze the blank between the face plate and a tail centre which has a ring and a point. Spin it around by hand a few times and adjust position so the blank is roughly balanced. Tighten the tail centre and remove most of the waste to create the outside shape of the bowl. Create a nice big spigot, and remount the blank onto the chuck jaws. Finish roughing the outside, again using the tail centre, then remove the inside, leaving the wall thickness 10 - 15% of the diameter.

Let the rough blank lounge around the shed 6 months or a year to dry and hopefully not crack. Some ways of reducing cracking are - put the blank in a box covered with shavings, coat the exposed end grain with old paint or a wax or wrap it in layers of newspaper, changing the newspaper regularly. An alternative method is to put the blank in an old plastic shopping bag or a garbage bag in a warm place but not in direct sunlight. After a day, remove the blank and tip out the water (surprising how much water you will get), turn the bag inside out and return the blank to the bag. Repeat each day until no more water is collected in the bag.

If you want to hurry the process and / or have timber that is prone to cracking, starting with a sopping wet blank, try some of these methods - 1. boil the roughed out blank in water for 2 hours and let dry. (Outside on the BBQ works well.) 2. Put roughed out bowls in a slow cooker overnight, then wrapped in a couple layers of newspaper, into a microwave until it steams, let sit a couple hours, microwave again, repeat, etc. 3. Place the roughed out bowl in a microwave and give it a blast for a minute or so, let it cool, repeat multiple times. Weigh the blank at each step and when the weight loss stabilises, it should be pretty dry. Using an old microwave in the shed is highly recommended as against using the one in the kitchen. It won't take long to realise that camphor flavoured food isn't the best way to impress your better half!

The theory behind the microwaving and boiling process is to break open the cells which lets moisture come out easier. It does seem to hasten drying and lessen cracking. Another method to prevent or lessen cracking is to rough out and then submerge in a solution of 1/2 water and 1/2 hand dishwashing liquid. That does seem to prevent cracking, but extends drying time forever. Hastening the drying after the soaking by microwaving can give good results.

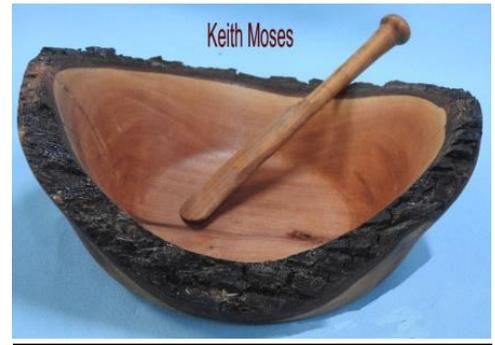
You can do a Google search about boiling, microwaving, soaking in dishwashing liquid or other chemicals such as PEG (polyethylene glycol), and get more information. There are many paths to the same place.

With all of the above, as Richard Raffan says, "some crack and some don't".

Hope the above inspires you to 'have a go'.

Alan Pentecost

# SHOW & TELL (October) "HOUSEHOLD ITEM"





Merv Larsson



Chris Ross



John Jansons



George Blundell



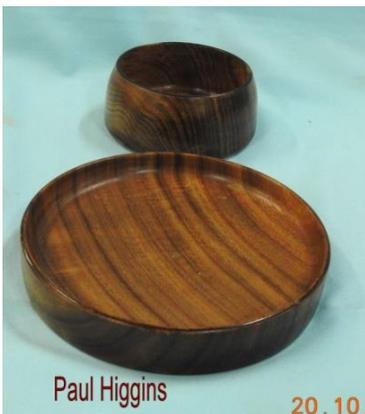
Val Lipping



Merv Larsson



Malcolm Stewart



Paul Higgins

20.10.



Malcolm Stewart

## Here are some pic of members at work



# Event Calendar 2018

Note:- The following information may be subject to change in date or content if in doubt  
Contact a committee member. See page 3 for contact details

## NOVEMBER

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>    | Mini-Day  |
| Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>    | Mini-Day  |
| Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>    | C/House News Deadline   |
| Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>    | Bunnings BBQ  |
| Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>   | Club Committee Meeting 9-30am   |
| Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>   | Mini-Day  |
| Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>   | Maxi-Day Host <b>Michelle Brown</b><br>Theme:- "Planes,Trains,Cranes & Automobiles" |
| Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Mini-Day also Toy <b>disputation Day</b>  |

## DECEMBER

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Sat 1 <sup>st</sup>    | Mini-Day  |
| Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>    | Mini-Day  |
| Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Club Committee Meeting 9-30am                           |
| Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>   | Mini-Day  |
| Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>   | C/House News Deadline                                   |
| Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>   | Bunnings BBQ  |
| Sat 15 <sup>th</sup>   | Maxi-Day Host <b>Keith Jones</b><br>Theme:- "Any Thing" |
| Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> | Mini-Day  |

## JANUARY 2019

|                        |                               |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sat 5 <sup>th</sup>    | Mini-Day                      |
| Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>    | Mini-Day                      |
| Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>   | Bunnings BBQ                  |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>   | Club Committee Meeting 9-30am |
| Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>   | Maxi Day Host<br>Theme:- TBA  |
| Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> | Mini Day                      |

## FEBRUARY 2019

|                        |                               |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | Mini-Day                      |
| Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>    | Mini-Day                      |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>    | Bunnings BBQ                  |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>    | C/House News Deadline         |
| Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>   | Club Committee Meeting 9-30am |
| Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>   | Maxi-Day Host<br>Theme:- TBA  |
| Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> | Mini-Day                      |

## MARCH 2019

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | Mini-Day                 |
| Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>    | Mini-Day                 |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>    | Bunnings BBQ             |
| Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>   | Committee Meeting 9.30am |
| Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>   | Maxi-Day Host TBA        |
| Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> | Mini-Day                 |

## APRIL 2019

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>    | Mini-Day                 |
| Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Mini-Day                 |
| Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>   | Bunnings BBQ             |
| Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>   | Committee Meeting 9.30am |
| Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>   | Maxi-Day Host TBA        |
| Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> | Mini-Day                 |