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Cut it three times and it is still too short. Need the board stretcher!

WHAT A DAY AT OUR LILLI PILLI WORKSHOP—Federal Election Dav Saturday 18 May, 2019



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Library Matters

Members are well aware of the dangers of using the fence and the mitre slide at the same time on the table saw and on the band saw. However it is very handy at times when wanting to cut multiple pieces of the same size on the table saw to clamp a block of

scrap wood onto the fence before the sawblade to set the correct distance for the cut.

By doing this, of course, it leaves plenty of room at the sawblade for movement in the piece cut thus avoiding the chance of the piece cut jamming between the turning blade and the fence.

Fine Woodworking last month sent a short video on making a simple stop block with strong earth magnets to do away with clamping a block of wood to the fence. The article advised

"To avoid clamping of any kind, I created a stop-block with four rare-earth magnets embedded in the base. The block is placed against the fence and sticks securely to the cast-iron table. I use this quick, handy stop on my bandsaw too, where I don't feel good about applying clamping pressure to the extruded aluminium rip fence."

See video headed on Fine Woodworking website "Clever stop-block for crosscutting"

A Reminder.

Our theme for our July 2019 Maxiday is

"WOOD PUZZLES"

The day for puzzeling is Saturday 13 July, 2019



OUR 2019 PLANK COMPETITION IS ON AGAIN

YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT

It is not too late to enter. Please register your interest with Ray De Marco immediately.

Your Plank is ready to be collected at the Lilli Pilli Workshop

You have 3 months to complete your entry and have a chance of winning a prize and at the same time having a lot of fun.

Judging will take place on Maxiday Saturday, 14 September, 2019

MAXIDAY: SATURDAY 11 MAY, 2019 AGENDA

8:45am Open Lilli Pilli Workshop

9:00am Monthly Meeting

9:30am Show & Tell 10:00am Morning Tea

10:30am North Cronulla SLSC CPR demonstration

11:30am Planes & Scrapers

12:00pm Lunch

1:00pm Raffle Draw

1:15pm Planes & Scrapers continued

2:00pm Members own projects

About 3:00pm Close

Raffle Prize Winners 11 May, 2019

1st Prize: Ray Tregoning \$25.00 2nd Prize: Doug O'Hara \$15.00 3rd Prize: Geoff Tong \$ 5.00

4th Prize David Whitney

Bottle of Wine



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 foot ware and no loose fitting clothes.

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WHAT A DAY AT OUR LILLI PILLI WORKSHOP Federal Election Day - Saturday 18 May, 2019

Election Day, Saturday 18th May was a very interesting and happy day for our Club. It was made even better with the highlight of the day when we had a visit by Prime Minister Scott Morrison. Scott is not a stranger to our Club.

On alighting his Commonwealth vehicle, he purposely walked back towards our Club prior to making his way to the Lilli Pilli Public Primary School next door where voting was undertaken.

Happy and smiling with his family he came through a throng of his supporters, media journalists, photographers and some protestors to say hello and shake hands with those of us at the front of the Club. We invited him in to our Club "for a few minutes" and he graciously accepted. Our workshop has never been so crowded with the press, all television networks camera and sound crews, security, local supporters and the general public let alone our members.



When inside he was impressed with the quality and number of wood items on display. President Ian presented some laser cut guitar items for him and smaller ones for his two daughters seen held by Ian in the background. The SCOMO guitar can be seen in the happy image of Scott and his family inside our Club.

His visit was recorded and shown on ABC and SKY night news and also beamed live by Sky.

As usual on any Election Day our Club holds a sales day where we offer for sale to the public our workshop made wares to



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A Boating Tail.

For about 20 years a Chinese Junk took tourists on Junk rides around the waterways of Port Macquarie. However when in Port Macquarie in May the Junk was spied on the slips near the Hibbards Ferry terminal as seen in the photo at right. This reminded me that in around 1960 when working for Hungerford Spooner & Co Chartered Accountants I was directed to investigate what the listed company Motels of Australia Ltd had acquired when their takeover bid for Carapark Holdings Ltd was successful.

At the time Motels of Australia operated 3 Travelodge motels and was building a fourth at Bondi. Carapark Holdings on the other hand was in some financial difficulties and purportedly operated the largest caravan manfacturing business in the south hemisphere, 27 Caravilla motels, the Brampton Is Whitsundays resort, the Brampton Princess converted WWII PT boat and two Chinese junks. I could not recall what happened to these Junks.

Was the Port Macquarie Junk one of them. Well upon enquiry from the former skipper of the Junk who I interrupted having a cuppa while his wife was adding some paint to a boat advised me that the Port Macquarie junk was imported into Australia in 1976 by Levi Jeans for promotion purposes around Sydney Harbour before being sold to the present owner who has rescued it from being a rotting hulk. The present owner when he first purchased the Junk



from Levi Jeans operated the Junk on tourist waterways tours for about 8 years. He sold it and the business. Over the next 12 years the business had a number of owners the last of whom went broke and the junk was left to rot. He then bought the junk back last year and now is restoring it. Will we see it again plying its tours on the Port Macquarie waterways?

Why this story? We have few boat building members so thought they may consider building a junk for their next project.

The mystery still stands as to what happened to the Brampton Is junks. Ed.

Also what happened to the Brampton Island Resort. Wikipedia reports that Motels of Australia sold it in 1961 to the McLean Family (Roylen Cruises). Then it was purchased by TAA who sold it to P&O Resorts in 1997. They then sold it to Voyages Indigenous Tourism who then sold it to United Petroleum in 2010 who were to redevelop the resort. The resort was closed in 2011. We understand it has not been redeveloped and has not reopened to this day.

Bert Peachy

On our Saturday Maxiday, we had a visit by David Ackroyd our long-term friend and supporter from Sutherland Shire Council. David had a special request in relation to a gift we could provide for an exceptional member of the Shire community, namely Albert "Bert" Peachy.

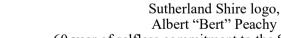
David seen here is receiving a "board" from our President Ian. The quality multi timber presentation board was kindly made and laser printed by Ian as a very good recognition with the Sutherland Shire Logo.

Bert as he is well known was a selfless, committed and long serving volunteer for the Shire and recently "called it a day" after some 60 years.

Over this time, his success was made by the establishment of a good and close relationship with Council, their staff and Councillors. He had involved himself with community organisations such as RSL Youth, Junior Soccer and a Senior Reference Group, just to name a few.

The board had engraved on it the





60 year of selfless commitment to the Sutherland Shire "it is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit"

Bert is seen here with the Presentation Board when he came to our Club the following "Voting Day" Saturday to thank us for the work we did to prepare the board.



David Ackroyd and our newest member, the happy Elise Tipping enjoying some conversation at morning tea break time.





Ray De Marco

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Another story worth telling from the Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick.

Following on our visit to Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick as reported in last months newsletter we received the following email.

"Hello there

We are parents to our 4 year old boy (Jett) who is a patient with a brain tumour at Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick.

Jett had been in and out of hospitals since January 2019. Whilst he has been up here in Sydney over the past 7 weeks for 4 surgeries he has been very occupied on painting and playing with beautiful wooden vehicles.

He absolutely loves them. We understand that your organisation hand makes them. We want to thank you so much for the time and effort that you put in which puts a smile on Jett's face and making him feel very happy at hospital.

Thanks again"

We could not let this acknowledgement go unanswered. So on Friday 31 May we posted to Jett in ACT a parcel containing one of our fendered trucks with the keepsake box back together with a sheep box and a couple of laser cut guitar cut outs.







There are some first for our Club in making this truck. Not so much the body as we have made many over the years. This is the first truck or any vehicle for that matter where we have made and used wheels cut out on our Laser Cutter/Engraver. In addition also as a first again using our new Laser Cutter/Engraver we personalised the toy truck specifically to Jett by the engraving his name as seen in the photos.



Dear Shire woodworking Club,

Thank you so much for the time and effort you put into the beautiful handmade wooden vehicles. Our A year old son (Jett) has been in and out of Sydney Children's Hospital Randwick battling with challenges of a brain tumour. He has enjoyed painting and playing with these wooden vehicles, whilst in hospital and also at home Thanks again,

We wish Jett a speedy recovery and trust he enjoys "Jett's Treasures". He is in good hands at the Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick.

Charitable Toy &
Therapy Item delivery count to
date for 2019
600

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A SAFETY GUARD FOR OUR LINISHER

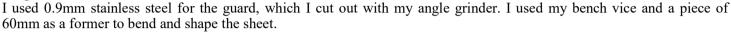
At our May Committee meeting a safety issue was raised about the Club's linisher. Particularly relating to the sanding bed extending into the passage between machinery. It meant that when somebody was using the disk sander the belt sander was also operating and open to somebody walking past contacting the revolving belt.

The issue was of course is this area of the belt sander is area often used and part of the linishers benefits. Therefore any cover had to be easily removed when the sanding belt was being used.

Neil Mathews came to the rescue and advised "I just completed today a guard for the belt sander and thought I may as well include a write-up on it as well.

Guard for Belt & Disc Sanding Machine.

On Ian's suggestion of a possible type of guard for the end of the belt-sanding machine, I was asked if I could make the guard.



The ends of the cut sheet were then bent at right angles to go over the sides of the machine. I considered it necessary to be able to adjust the height of the guard so that the flat section of the guard was as close to belt as possible. To achieve this, I used two pieces of 8mm threaded rod and locknuts. This requires two holes to be drilled into the machine and tapped to M8. I also wanted the guard to be easily removed, so I drilled and tapped M5 holes into the ends of the threaded rod. When installed, the M8 threaded rods will be rotated to the appropriate guard height and secured with M8 locknuts. I then decided I needed a surface bigger than the end of a 8mm rod as a clamping surface. There was not enough room for another M8 nut so I made two 3mm locking washers with a 20mm hole saw and tapped these to M8. These washers were then aligned with the ends of the threaded rod and secured with super glue.

The guard is then attached to the threaded rods and the machine with two M5 Thumb Screws."



OUR LASER CUTTER/ENGRAVER UPDATE REPORT.

President Ian and Treasurer Alan have again been busy learning, experimenting and producing a myriad of items on our Laser Cutter/Engraver. The following photos show some of their endeavours.



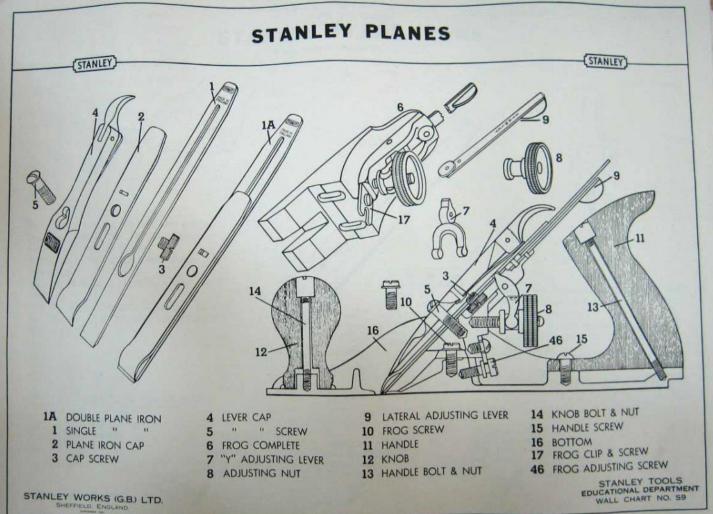




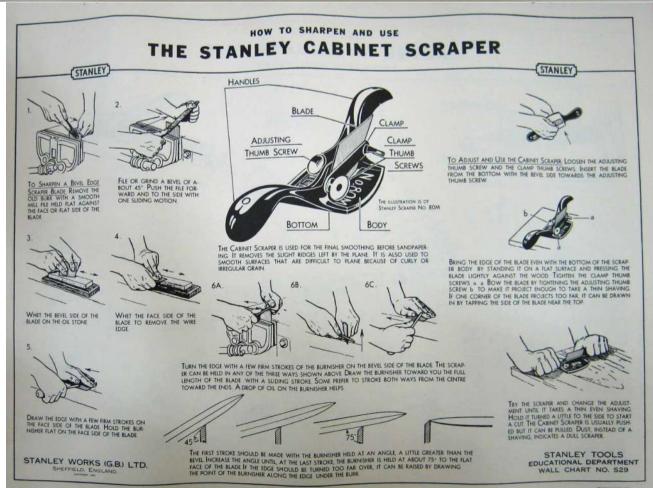








PROPERTY.



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Jan presented the vase and bowl both made from PNG Rosewood and finished with grapeseed oil.



Neil presented a number of items and advised "I brought along a bag of bits for the club. A while back, I made two pull-along dogs for the club, but a little one fell in love with one, so I decided to make another two. I also made up two crocodile rattles and some toast tongs. My daughter bought a set of these toast tongs in a recent trip to New Zealand, & suggested that maybe the club could sell these. The best size seems to be a 19x19x180mm hardwood block with a 12.5mm hole cut with a forstner bit and the tongs cut on the bandsaw. Hope the club can sell these items.



Ray presented this Laser cut and engraved book box and advised "The book box was made as a sample Alana's name engraved on the lid. The box is easy to assemble using super glue."



Happy recipients who enjoyed their gifts

This follows on from the Election Day story on page 3.



An example, seen at left, of one of a number of happy children who visited us and had his name burnt onto his gifted guitar

Happy local, seen at right, had who his family name laser burnt onto newly his acquired board prior to leaving the club.

There was a lot of interest of those entering our workshop and seeing all the quality toys and timber craft with particular interest in the laser cutter.

Ian Rudd with Roger Dixon and Graham Ethell are at the laser

Graham needs some special recognition as he came to our Club very early in the morning, organised the day and laid out the display with some early starters. Financially it was a good day together with a strong number of members in support.

Ray De Marco



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SHOW & TELL MAY 2019



Terry presented this bowl and advised "I presented 17 centimetre round bottomed bowl in McKay cedar finished in Bondall clear wood varnish spray ultra gloss .The stand was an unknown timber sprayed black then sprayed with the Bondall clear wood varnish ultra gloss"



Should somebody remind him to read the sign he is standing on!!!!

Peter O'Connell and more of his boxes.

Peter advised "First is a rack to store and carry a pair of 2kg exercise weights made as a birthday present for my sister-in-law. All joins doweled for extra strength. 19mm pine from Bunnings finished with Cabot's Cabothane Clear Satin.

Second is a suitcase to carry two bottles of wine made as a birthday present for my other sister-in-law. Engraved using STATEPARK font templates from ROCKLER (now available from Carbatec). Unfortunately, the case didn't fit the bottle size that sister-in-law normally drank. 19mm pine from Bunnings for top and bottom and side pieces trimmed down to about 17mm and finished with Cabot's Cabothane Clear Satin.

Lastly is a small suitcase for the choir leader at the local church for the sheet music. This is of dual wood construction. Pine from Bunnings is the lights coloured wood, while the darker coloured wood was "whatever





Peter's childhood bed was made out of.....". 4mm thick plywood top and bottom. Also finished with Cabot's Cabothane Clear Satin."

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE:

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convenience

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Saturday, 8 June, 2019

MAXIDAY

A VISIT FROM NORTH CRONULLA SURF LIFE SAVINGS CLUB CPR DEMONSTRATION PLANES & SCRAPERS

SHOW & TELL

Tuesday, 11 June, 2019 Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 12 June, 2019 Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Thursday, 13 June, 2019 Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 15 June, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop Tuesday, 18 June, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 19 June, 2019

9:00am Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop 7:00pm Woodcarvers meeting

Thursday, 20 June, 2019 Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 22 June, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Tuesday, 25 June, 2019 Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 26 June, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Thursday, 27 June, 2019 Toymaking Day

Saturday, 29 June, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Tuesday, 2 July, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 3 July, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Thursday, 4 July, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 6 July, 2019

Woodcarvers meeting

Tuesday, 9 July, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop 12:30pm Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 10 July, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Thursday, 11 July, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Saturday, 13 July, 2019

MAXIDAY

WOOD PUZZLES

SHOW & TELL

Tuesday, 16 July, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

Wednesday, 17 July, 2019

9:00am Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop 7:00pm Woodcarvers meeting

Thursday, 18 July, 2019

Club Day, Lilli Pilli Workshop

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This year, May was a special month for the history of our club. We opened our club for visitors for visitors on Election Day and we were privileged to be visited by Prime Minister, The Honourable Scott Morrison while he was about to cast his vote at the Lilli Pilli Public School. Scott Morrison and his family spent some time in our workshop talking to members and we were able to present him with a memento Guitar that had been engraved with his ScoMo nick name. The visit was covered by the travelling press gallery and we now have some great news videos and pictures from the event. The election day sales of club items raised over \$900 for our club. My thanks to all those members who helped on the day and contributed items for sale.

I am pleased with our progress in understanding what we can produce using our Laser engraver. For toymaking it has been excellent in producing a number of different designed wheels for toy trucks and cars and also making model aeroplanes, ply boxes and general engraving. The learning curve for members who want to use this machine is not so daunting and we now have more members showing interest in meeting the challenge. If you want to learn how to operate this equipment please ask and you will be given a one on one introduction to get the confidence.

During the month we had the opportunity to work with the Sutherland Shire Council to make an item or trophy for a respected community volunteer. We supplied a cutting board and engraved it with the wording as requested by the Council. This is typical of where our club can be involved with our community and reciprocate some of the support our club has received in recent years. Bert Peachey who was the recipient of the engraved cutting board made a special visit to our club to express his appreciation.

Another reminder to all members to please think about using safe working procedures at all times and if you are in doubt about how to carry out any operation please ask for assistance. Happy Woodworking.

Ian Rudd, President

OUR JUNE MAXIDAY SATURDAY 8 JUNE, 2019

Following on from the Club's purchase of our Defibrillator earlier this year it was recognised we all should know not only how to use the Defibrillator but also how to administer CPR. (Cardiopulmonary resuscitation),

To this end member Ron O'Malley has organised a couple of members from the North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club to show us how to administer CPR. We look forward to their visit.

In addition on this coming Saturday our theme is

"PLANEŠ & SCRAPERS"

Do you know the difference between a Stanley No 4 and a Stanley No 5 and what is a Block Plane?

What is a scraper?

What about the Japanese Tools Planes?

We have a number of members who are collectors and restorers of all types of planes and we ask that they bring them along on Saturday to show them and possibly tell the story behind them/

Also members if you have a different and/or an unusual plane Bring it along for Show & Tell

If you have a plane or scraper that needs a bit of restoration then bring it along. No doubt one or more of your fellow members should be willing to show you how to restore it.

How do you sharpen a planer blade? How do you set the planer blade?

SATURDAY 8 JUNE SHOULD BE A MOST ENTERTAINING AND INFORMATIVE DAY



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