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LATROBE VALLEY
WOODWORKING &
WOODTURNING CLUB INC.

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MEETINGS HELD IN THE “COACH HOUSE”
OLD GIPPSLAND, HERITAGE PARK, MOE

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & SUNDAY.

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WEEKEND ROSTER.

If you are unavailable on the date listed, please make replacement arrangements as soon as possible. Can you do this! Of course you can.

Feb 17	M. Poot & G. Turner	
Feb 23	B. Pidgon & V. Toon	Market Day, Saturday.
Feb 24	A. Kilby & D. Shaw	
Mar 2	A. Vernon &	<u>Volunteer wanted.</u>
Mar 9	B. Calhoun & F. Ameenbeg	
Mar 16	K. Cale & B. Downey	
Mar 23	K. Morrison & K. Camm	
Mar 29	H. Bagnall & T. Diaz	Market Day, Saturday
Mar 30	F. Nicholls & T. Pavey	
Apr 6	R. Petesic & L. Keyhoe	
Apr 13	B. Pidgon & G. Turner	
Apr 20	A. Kilby & A. Vernon	
Apr 26	B. Calhoun & V. Toon	Market Day, Saturday
Apr 27	M. Poot & I. Parnaby	

President's Drivel.

February 2008

With all the Xmas and New Year celebrations now behind us we begin another year of woodworking activity. There is a busy year ahead of us, let me extract a paragraph from my last report for 2007. *“Challenges for 2008 include getting some more wood working activity happening on Tuesdays- we might need a separate chat and coffee room, re-arranging our wood supplies when our new storage area is roofed and walled, a major reorganization and clean out of the tool store and initiating some discipline in returning equipment to its correct place, we need to purchase some small items, clean the junk from the showroom{I'm guilty there} and perhaps we will get to rearrange the central vacuum system which doesn't do anything particularly well at present. Much to be done after the annual festive season break.”*

The Park Manager, Mike Fozard, has just advised us that he has obtained a grant to refurbish the outside of the Coach House which will involve new fascia, gutters and downpipes, attention to leaking

roof issues, cladding repairs and external re painting. There will be cladding available for the back wall of the new {now roofed} wood storage area. The work must be completed by the end of June. Mike has a number of other projects to complete in the same time frame and will need assistance from us to supervise the refurbishment of our clubhouse.

At our February meeting we discussed sorting our wood supplies at some length. Concern was expressed about sufficient numbers of members giving the club some of their time and the overall organization of the work. We need everyone's support even for a few hours to achieve this. Ken Morrison and Frank Smolders have offered to lead this task. Obviously, a vastly reduced amount of wood will be retained to fit into the new storage location after the sort out – hopefully, it will be progressively identified, cut into turning blanks and end sealer applied.

Our Club has just completed two community projects: 35 nesting boxes for sugar gliders constructed for the Callignee Wildlife Shelter and 15 cooling towers turned for table centre pieces at the forthcoming Conference of Apex Clubs Dinner being held at Kernot Hall in Morwell. We didn't make any money from these activities but each team involved enjoyed working together to complete these tasks and our customers are most appreciative of our efforts. Many thanks to Iain Parnaby {especially for supplying the nail gun}, Lindsay Steel, Graeme Turner, Brian Downie, Harold Bagnall, Ken Heppleston, Ralph Greenough and Laurie Keyhoe for their respective efforts.

Frank Smolders, a member of infinite generosity, has offered the Club a scale model wooden tow truck to raffle as a fund raiser. The Club has also been asked by the Moe Festival Committee to demonstrate wood turning on the Saturday of the Moe Jazz Festival {Labour Day long weekend} which presents an opportunity to sell more tickets. Need to move fast to get this arranged and members will be expected to sell tickets. Frank suggests the truck would be priced to sell at \$800; we need to make at least that and more for the Club.

Congratulations to Terry and Kathy Pavey on becoming grandparents. Best wishes to Arthur Franks for a speedy recovery after undergoing a total knee replacement. Welcome to new members Ralph Greenough of Hazelwood North and to Angie Bowen who travels over from Hiawatha hidden in the South Gippsland hills.

There is much to be done over the next few months, we have many capable members who, I am sure, will get stuck in to the work and improve our facilities and our Club.

Cheers, Kevin.

At Saint Mary's Church they have a weekly husband's marriage seminar. At the session last week, the Priest asked Luigi, who was approaching his 50th wedding anniversary, to take a few minutes and share some insight into how he had managed to stay married to the same woman all these years.

Luigi replied to the assembled husbands, "Well, I've a-ried to treat-a her nice, spend the money on her, but best is that I took-a her to Italy for the 20th anniversary!"

The priest responded, "Luigi, you are an amazing inspiration to all the husbands here! Please tell us what you are planning for your wife for your 50th anniversary."

Luigi proudly replied, "I'm a-gonna go and get her."

What's on and Where!

March 8-9	Shepparton Woodworking Show
April 12-13	Ballarat Woodworkers Expo
May 3-4	Albury Scrollsaw Exhibition
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June 13-15	The Australian Woodturning Exhibition

HAVE YOU GOT SOMETHING TO SAY – TELL ME!