

# THE CUTTING EDGE

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Shed Workshop Hours: Tuesdays & Fridays 9.00am to 2.00pm, Saturdays 10.00am to 4.00pm,  
Thursdays (Woodturning) 10.00am to 2.00pm

Invitation to the Monthly Members' Meeting

**12.00PM 20 OCTOBER 2017**  
**33A Sefton Road Thornleigh**

<b>Agenda</b>	
<b>12.00pm</b>	Open Members' Meeting Apologies Welcome visitors & new members Secretary's Report & Correspondence President's Report Treasurer's Report Woodturners' Report Toy Makers' Report Equipment Report Welfare Report Show & Tell Question & Answers General Business
<b>12.20pm</b>	Close meeting, clear table and chairs and resume work on Shed projects.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The Christmas Party is next month on the 17<sup>th</sup> of November. Please put the date on your diary. It is always a great night for all of us to get together. Ivan, Bob and Dimithri are catering for finger food and other goodies. The members that are able to bring a cake or their usual plate would be greatly appreciated. Ivan and Bob will be doing other duties next year so next month is a good opportunity to be mentored by them. Please volunteer!

The toys for the Wesley Mission and Salvation Army will be picked up or distributed on or around the 24<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> of November. Please complete any toys that are to be given to these charities. It will be interesting to see how many the toys the toy makers have produced. Fred Blaauw has certainly livened up the Shed with more

people than I have seen in years working on toys.

I would ask members to remember, when using any of the tools which are attached to dust collection system, to open the vents to start with and close them after use. We all forget from time to time (me included). Would the Supervisors who notice the vents not being used correctly please walk over to the member and tap him or her on the shoulder. The system can keep a vacuum with up to 60% of the vents open. The problem with the equipment, such as the bandsaws, the dust accumulates in the lower compartment and eventually affects the free running of the blade.

With the year drawing to a close and a break from the 9<sup>th</sup> of December to early January, it will give me a chance to work with the Committee to plan a few ideas for the new year.

One of our biggest expenses is repairs and maintenance so we need to reduce that by more careful use of the machinery.

I plan to implement regular training by asking one of our Supervisors to give a ten minute talk on a particular tool at the end of our monthly members' meeting. From 1 February, we will be opening on Mondays. We have not put a quota on the days which members can come and we will resist that until the time that safety is likely to be compromised.

*David Harrison*

## **ACTING SECRETARY'S REPORT** **Shed Christmas Party 17 November**

In preparation for the party, the work benches and machinery are moved to provide a clear area for tables and chairs. This process results in a minor disruption to workshops while members assist with the set-up and cleaning. Invitations will be sent out to all members later this month. You can bring a partner too.

There is no charge but, if you can help, respond to the email invitation. RSVPs are required to gain admission.

### Garden Island Trip 5 October

A number of members put their names down for this outing, organised by Ian Raper, and were rewarded with a fascinating insight into the naval base and its history. The base is just a short ferry ride from Circular Quay. A full report is included in the next Cutting Edge magazine.

### October Member of the Month

There were no members nominated for this recognition this month. If you know of someone who has given exceptional service to the Shed please let a Committee member know.

### In The Shed

The Makita presentation on 5 September was very well attended, with a lot of interest. There will be a full article in the Cutting Edge magazine, due to be released soon.



### New Members This Month

Please welcome to the Shed:

Biyu Lin, Joe Roppolo, Yuval Cohen, Renu Jagadish and Ron Fellows.

### Sale of Christmas Reindeers

Further to my email last month, these cute critters are still for sale at \$20 each, at the Shed.



*Philip Hirshbein*

### Calendar For Coming Months

17 November – Christmas party for members and guests, including exhibition of work.

#### HWMS Committee

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**Membership:** Colin Crispo (Mob 0409 761 132)

**Woodturning:** Greg Croker

**Toys:** Fred Blaauw

**Projects:** Fred Blaauw

**Equipment:** Brian Sugden

**Safety:** All Supervisors

**Auditor:** Keith Peel

**Woodcarving:** Keith Day

**Electrical:** - Vacant

**Catering:**

**Kitchen:** Les Sanford and Bruce Campbell

**Librarian:** Kevin Wallace

**First Aid:** Paul Crowe

**Web Master:** Karen Benhar

**Welfare:** Ron Koutchavlis (Mob 0412 093 898)

**Maintenance:** Brian Sugden, Tony Blair and Jim Spence

**Editor Cutting Edge:** Ivan Bosnich

**Grants:** Tom Gait

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