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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT MARCH 2019

The toy list has been completed for this year by Fred Blaauw. We have received the feedback information from both the Salvation Army and Wesley Missions. This has provided us with an indication of which toys were popular.

The new drill press is in operation and will require instruction to be given by the supervisors. Please do not use unless fully instructed. The final action required, as with all tools, is for any operator to return the functions to their original setting.

We have just ordered a new camera and microphone to complete the items necessary to present both power point presentations and instructions on the operation and safety of our machines. The microphone will make the presenters at our monthly meetings audible.

Please when finishing with tools replace them in their correct position. We notice when closing up each day we have to go around and replace items left on the benches. When using paint remember to put the lid back on the tin and see it is secure.

The next Bunnings BBQ is on the 27th April the notice is on the board please put your name down. Our next monthly meeting for April will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> as Easter is on the 19<sup>th</sup>

David Harrison

## SECRETARY'S REPORT MARCH 2019

### Toy Making

The Salvation Army Hornsby and the Wesley Mission have returned the Toy and Gift survey. Copies are up on the notice board. As a result of these surveys our Toy Making Coordinator, Fred Blaauw, has prepared a programme for 2019. Fred has deleted items that were not well received and will concentrate on the more popular items.

Remember when making the toys and gifts treat them as if you are making presents for your own family – put that little extra to make the present special.

#### Fund Raising.

Thank you to our Vice President, Kevin Wallace, for putting in the time in to sell some of the Shed's tools at the recent Traditional Tools Group Annual Tool Sale at Thornleigh. Kevin's efforts raised almost \$400 for the Shed. This will come in handy as recently some of older small electrical tools have decided to call it a day and, although we have received some grants in recent times we are currently spending a lot of money on replacing these small tools

Just a reminder the next BBQ is at Bunnings Thornleigh on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Put your name on the whiteboard.

*12.00 NOON\* 15 MARCH 2019*

*33A Sefton Road Thornleigh*

\* Work in Shed will cease at 11.45am and the meeting may start slightly earlier than 12.00Noon

<b>12.00</b>	<p><b>OPEN MEMBERS' MEETING</b></p> <p><b>Agenda</b></p> <p>Apologies.</p> <p>Welcome to visitors &amp; new members.</p> <p>Secretary's Report &amp; Correspondence.</p> <p>President's Report.</p> <p>Treasurer's Report.</p> <p>Woodturners' Report.</p> <p>Toy Makers' Report.</p> <p>Equipment Report.</p> <p>Welfare Report.</p> <p>Show &amp; Tell.</p> <p>Question &amp; Answers.</p> <p>General Business.</p> <p>Close meeting and resume work on our projects in the Shed.</p>
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## HOBART WOODEN BOAT SHOW

As a boating enthusiast all my adult life it has been a long and cherished dream to go to Hobart for the wooden boat festival. This year I finally did, in the company of good friend and fellow shed member Bill Hart. We were not disappointed. All accolades must go to the organizers, volunteers and Hobart itself. The weather was close to perfect.

Day one was a spectacle, rare, as it was majestic. Beneath blue skies, tall ships led by H. M. ENDEAVOR, JAMES CRAIG, SOREN LARSEN, ONE AND ALL, and YOUNG ENDEAVOR followed by a flotilla of smaller but no less impressive vessels. To see a piper up in the crow's nest of H.M. ENDEAVOR piping the fleet into Constitution Dock was a sight that stirred the soul. All this while the docks were full of graceful and beautiful vessels festooned with flags and not a rope out of place.

The festival was full of content crowds. There was entertainment for all, in tent halls there were bands of high quality, on the piers there were dancers, buskers, the Hobart Scottish Pipe band at its best. The show was put on truly as a festival. Entry was "FREE", this day and age a rarity indeed, free water station, free sunscreen stations. The cray fishermen walked around with platters of lobster to taste. This went on for four glorious days.

Day four was as spectacular as day one. Tall ships sailed out first, followed by a flotilla of boats all shapes and sizes, returning to their home ports worldwide, and look forward with anticipation when they gather again in two year's time at this amazing venue. Good passage to all.

Below, some photos from the boat festival:

H.M. Endeavour





Harbour master at work: below



James Craig. (below)



Not a rope out of place. (above)



Which one will I buy. (above)  
Nice workmanship. (below)





(ABOVE) HUON PINE STACK WAITING TO BECOME A BOAT

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Hornsby Woodworking Men's Shed acknowledges the support of the following.  
Local state member for Hornsby, the Hon Matt Kean; Hornsby Shire Council;  
Hornsby RSL Club; Magpies Waitara; Bunnings Dural, Bunnings  
Thornleigh, North Shore Timber, Orangelime web design, Bakers Delight  
Hornsby, and Westfield Hornsby

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Please support the organisations that support HWMS.

### NEW MEMBERS

**WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS: Gary Barling, Jeff Baxter, Bill Newbold, Chris Ortlepp, Steven Stanford, and Tony Trengrove. Happy woodworking gentlemen.**

## MEMBER OF THE MONTH MARCH 2019

Brian Hawkins is our member of the month. Brian is not only a true gentleman but also an excellent wood turner. His bowls and pens are flawless, the effort he puts in, to make them so, is a testimony to his skill, pride, and professionalism. Well done Brian.



Brian commenced woodturning about 2000 learning at Asquith Boys High School taught by a woodturner from the Hornsby District Woodturners.

Since then he has continuously turned making a variety of items including this South American 'milk frother,' and pens particularly. Brian has attended a number of Turn Fest seminars in SE Queensland as well as many local specialist demonstrations to learn and increase his turning skills and knowledge.

As treasurer of the woodturners and a Shed turning supervisor Brian has trained and monitored a number of (new) turners as well as demonstrated a variety of turning processes at our Saturday Maxi-days.

He is always happy to help, show and spread his knowledge to all, so congratulations Brian on being M of the M for March!