



THE CUTTING EDGE

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Tip of the Month:

To eliminate stains caused by oozing glue along joints.

- Clamp the pieces together without glue.
- Apply masking tape over the joint and then cut it with a utility knife.
- Separate the pieces, apply the glue, and clamp them together again.
- The glue will ooze onto the tape, not the wood. Remove the tape before the glue dries.

Committee Report

There appears to be light at the end of the tunnel and, hopefully, the Shed will re-open Mid October or early November. Obviously when the Shed does re-open, we will be under a new set of rules including QR sign in, Vaccinations, Masks and Social Distancing. As we get closer to the re-opening date details of rules to be imposed will be sent out to you.

Subscriptions

A sincere thank you to members who paid their subscriptions. We realise you are not getting value at the moment, but the committee still has to continue making payments for fixed costs.

Keeping in Contact

Another reminder if you know of a member who is ill or having problems as result of COVID19 please contact Jane Ruehmkorf hwmswelfare@gmail.com or a committee member and let them know.

These are difficult times virtually locked up in our homes, but we are all in this together

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A note from your Shed Welfare Officer:

How are you going? Recently we had RUOK? Day and it would be good if we could think of every day as an RUOK? Day, and contact a fellow woodworker to say G'day and have a chat. This is always very welcome to anyone who is feeling a bit isolated and despondent in these crazy times when we can't get to the Shed for some camaraderie, a yarn and a laugh amongst like-minded people, let alone getting some woodwork done.

It is while since a few of us did a ring around to see how members are going in the Lock-down, so if you are interested in calling a few people, please contact me at hwmswelfare@gmail.com and we'll get a list to you - usually about 10 people.

If you are getting all those jobs done around the house that you've been promising yourself or your partner you will tackle - congratulations! It is really a good time to tick them off the list.. And if you haven't had the energy or impetus to do them, please don't beat yourself up, as this is a time to be kind to ourselves and each other, as the stresses of lock-down affect us all in very different ways.

Until next time, Jane

Drop Saw.



At long last the drop saw is now back in the Shed. The repairs were finally completed after a terse letter from Equipment Manager, Ian Raper. However, that was not the end of the saga. As the repaired item was outside the Hornsby LGA and the 5km travel limit, the pickup and delivery were a complicated operation. Fred Blaauw picked up the saw but, as he was unable travel all the way to the shed, he arranged to meet Bruce Campbell halfway. Ian Raper then opened the Shed for Bruce to put the saw back in place. Thank you, gentlemen.

Proposed Mezzanine

While we are still only in the feasibility stage of the proposed mezzanine your committee has had talks with an architect to assist in interpreting the BCA and what we can do and cannot do. We believe, if we can clear any obstacles, if the budget is acceptable, and if the membership gives approval, we can have an additional mezzanine by the end of next year. If the mezzanine is installed the front area of the Shed can freed up for more bench space and the high racking can be removed to free up the back corner. It is an ambitious project but, we believe, something worthwhile aiming for.

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Kevin Wallace has been busy.....





Woodworking Tips & Hacks <https://youtu.be/GDvRGGKVKOM>



Frankston Men's Shed Recipe Book



<https://communitykitchens.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/FMS-recipe-book-2017.-FINAL.pdf>



Grants

We have been extremely fortunate to once again receive grants from Hornsby RSL and Magpies Waitara which will allow the Shed to replace the filters in the Dust Collection system and fit additional junction to service the routers.

Hornsby RSL and Magpies Waitara have been loyal supporters of HWMS for many years. Through their assistance the Shed has been able to purchase valuable equipment which we are privileged to use. Even during the hard times of the 18 months both clubs have continued their support. Your committee urges all members to support these organisations as our way of saying thanks. Just having a meal, dropping in for coffee and cake or having drink with your friends may not be much from one individual but if all members made a visit occasionally it does help.

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Hornsby Woodworking Men's Shed acknowledges the support provided by:

- the Hon Matt Kean, local state member of parliament for Hornsby
- the Hon Alister Henskens, local state member of parliament for Ku-ring-gai
- the Hon Julian Leaser, the local federal member of parliament for Berowra
- Hornsby Shire Council
- Hornsby RSL Club
- Magpies Waitara
- North Shore Timber
- Westfield Hornsby
- Bendigo Banks, Turramurra, and Lindfield
- Bunnings Warehouse Dural and Thornleigh.
- Orangelime Web Design
- Coca Cola Amatil
- Bakers Delight Hornsby
- Please support the organisations that support HWMS.

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Equipment Maintenance	Ian Raper (Corordinator)		If there is a problem with equipment please notify a supervisor and have the problem entered in the equipment book at the front desk for Ian to resolve.
<i>Bandsaw & Dust Collection</i>	<i>Ian Raper/ John Talbot</i>		
<i>Lathes</i>	<i>Ian McKay/John Edwards</i>		
<i>Tablesaw & Compound Saws</i>	<i>Mark Lusted/Yuval Cohen</i>		
<i>Thickneser & Routers</i>	<i>David Boyd & John Barrett</i>		
<i>Small Tools</i>	<i>Philip Newman/Roger Thorburn</i>		
Events (Social Secretary)	Philip Hirshbein		
Grants	<i>David Tarran, Tracy Knights</i>		
Induction	Kevin Wallace		
Kitchen	Michael Hannagan		
Librarian			
Supervisors	David Harrison		
Paint Supplies	Ron Koutchavlis		
Possum Boxes	David Boyd		
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Tool Donations	Kevin Wallace		
Web Master	Karen Benhar		