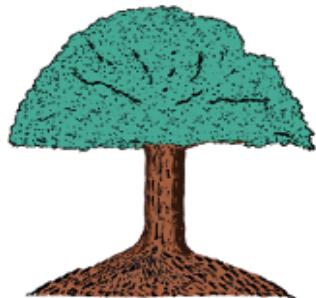


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**May 2021 NEWSLETTER**



**Illawarra Woodworkers Group**

**Committee 2021**

President	Mark Beaver
Vice -president	David Lipscombe
Secretary	Pat Keefe
Treasurer & P. Officer	William Perry
Coordinator (Organising)	Ric Funnell
Coordinator (Workshop)	Pat Keefe
Club sales coordinator	Ric Funnell
Librarian	Peter Hansen
Newsletter	Darinka Radinovic/ Jason Hedley

## Annual General Meeting:

The Annual general Meetings was held 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

### Key Points:

- President Mark declared all committee and offices vacant. Elections were held with all positions filled by very willing and able club members.
- Congratulations to all members who were able to take on committee roles.
- The Treasurer's report is showing the clubs funds in a satisfactory way.
- Discussions were had regarding the Wollongong Mall Markets on the Friday before Father's Day. This looks like a great opportunity for the group to sell some of our wares. Please keep the date free as we will need a good turnout of volunteers to support the stall on the day.
- There is still no school classes this term. We hope that this may get back to normal in the coming months.
- For those members that assist on Thursday school classes, the "Working with Children" paperwork is due to be updated. Please speak with Dave to get this sorted.
- Illawarra Woodworking Show will be held this year at Bulli 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> October.

**Meetings:** The previous club meeting was held on the second Saturday of the month, 8<sup>th</sup> May.

Pat is this year's recipient of the Bill Body trophy. Bill Body was one of the IWG founding members. The trophy went to Pat for his services to the Group.



## **General Business:**

- We are in the process of setting up a display in the work shop for historic and vintage tools. If you have anything of note laying around at home that you would like to donate, I am sure the club would be very appreciated. Remember though, rusted drill bits and broken files may not be the best idea.
- Illawarra Woodworking Show will be held this year at Bulli 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> October.
- Wollongong Mall Markets Stall on the Friday before Father's Day. This looks like a great opportunity for the group to sell some of our wares. Please keep the date free as we will need a good turnout of volunteers to support the stall on the day.
- We have access to a display at Wollongong City Library soon. Please feel free to bring in existing works or create new ones that we may display for a short time. Please see Peter for more details.

## **Vale John Parker**

Long time Club member John Parker died last month aged 86. John was a Electrical Engineer who worked in the mines for many years. Later he became Chief Engineer at the Huntley Colliery. He was a careful and respected Engineer.

At school he became great friends with Ken Hutchison and Peter Hansen. The trio were often inseparable and were called the 'Three Musketeers'.

Later they each married, John to longtime girlfriend Mary. Ken to Jill and Peter to Judith. The trio all featured in the three respective weddings either as the Groom, or the Best Man or the Groomsman. Soon children arrived to all three families. John and Mary had two boys and a girl. There were plenty of games and parties and soon joint expeditions and camps all over the State and beyond. The three families all enjoyed each other. Later on, John and Mary and Peter and Judith went overseas together to England, Ireland and the Continent.

The three men were all members of our club and were thoroughly involved in its activities and workshops. John was also involved in the Thursday afternoon woodwork teaching class for boys and girls of Fairy Meadow school. Several years ago, our Club gave John 'Life Membership,' a very fitting award for a kind man and a cooperative worker.

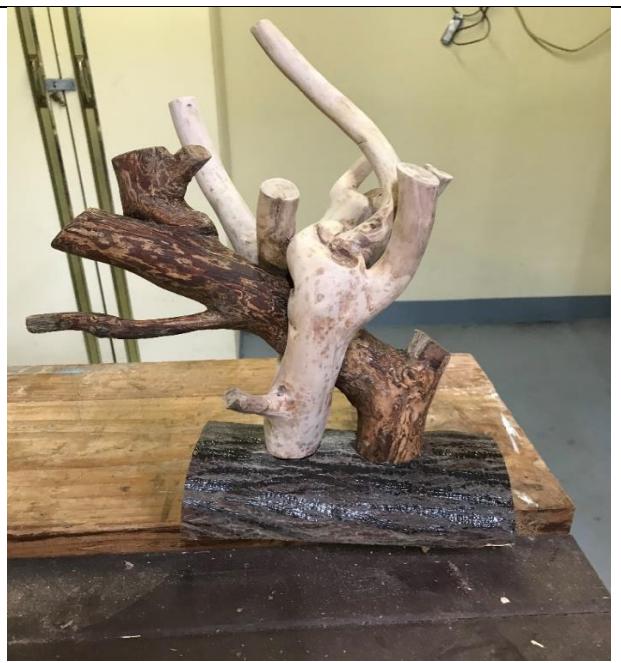
Our Vice President, Dave Lipscombe and several Club members attended John's Funeral Service and the Wake afterwards, at John's Bowling Club.

By John Cashman

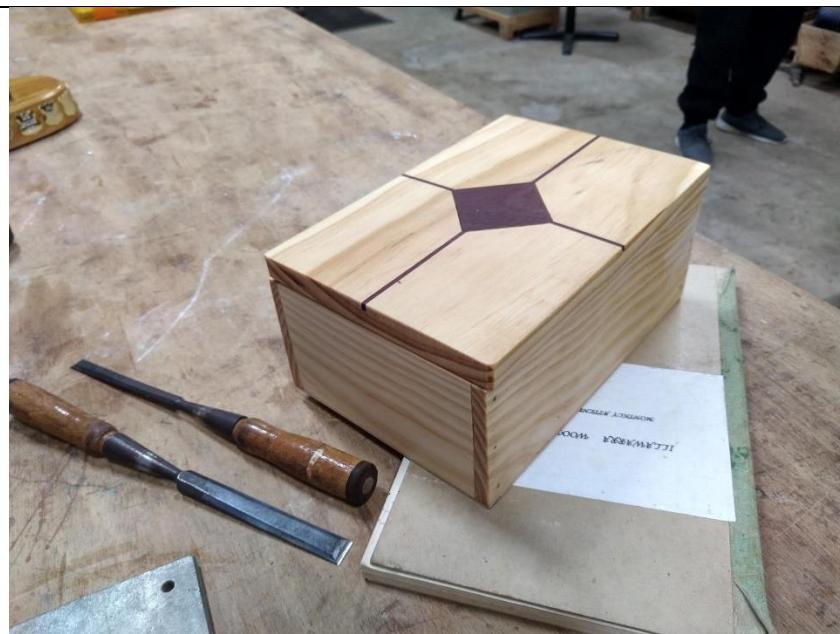
## SHOW & TELL:

You have all been busy again. The creativity of the group is fantastic.

Thank you to those that bring in their work to keep us all entertained and inspired.







Pine box by Virginie.

Chisels: These highly sort Winsted chisels from Connecticut were recently purchased by Pat to add to his collection of tools.

Here is the photo of my father's carpenter's workbench and the blurb below if you want to use it for the newsletter.

The woodwork workbench in the above photo was built by the father of one of the members.

It was built in the mid 1970's from recycled wood and was used by Mr Radinovic until he passed away in 2018.

The workbench now has pride of place in his granddaughters newly renovated kitchen where it is used as a breakfast bar, children's art and craft table and general work table. Mr Radinovic family feel he would have been delighted to see his workbench being repurposed in such a special way.

Darinka.



## Tooling About

We all need to know what tool for what job. Over the coming months we will look at a selection of different hand tools that the world has to offer.

### HAND SAW TYPES

The most common traditional woodworking hand saws can be divided into three general categories: “Panel Saws”, “Back Saws”, and “Frame Saws”. Below is a brief introduction to the first of the three types of hand saws:

We have previously looked at Panel Saws, now for something completely different.

### BACK SAWs



*Back saws have fine teeth and thin metal saw plates and are used for making precision wood cuts. They have rigid brass or steel backs to keep the saw plate from bending, which provides rigidity for accurate cuts of wood joints. The smaller the saw teeth, the finer the cut.*

*Historically, back saws were used primarily by joiners and cabinetmakers, and are typically more expensive than normal hand saws.*

### FRAME SAWs



*Frame saws (or “turning saws”) use tension to tighten a blade between two saw arms. When used with a narrow blade, a frame saw works great for cutting curves (similar to a power bandsaw) and can also be used for rough cutting boards and logs when a larger blade is added. Frame saws come in all sorts of sizes, with small teeth for fine work to large teeth for rough-cutting.*

## Covid-19 procedures

- Maintain social distancing of 1.5m;
- Use hand sanitiser upon entry;
- If you have a sore throat, cough or flu like symptoms please do not attend the workshop.
- Bring your own cup for morning tea.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

## Workshop Safety

Please always clean up after your work. It keeps the workshop safer and it makes life a bit easier for everyone else. It is everyone's responsibility to look after each other's safety.

