



August 2024 Newsletter

September 2024

- 1st – Father's Day
- 13th T.o.M – none
- 20th – 9.15am Committee Meeting
- 20th – 10.30am General Meeting
- 27th /28th – Annual Guide Exhibition

October 2024

- 11th – T.o.M. – Arbetec Rep.
- 18th – Committee and Monthly Meeting

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www.hwwgi.com.au

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August T.o.M.

George Campbell

It was that time again. We all gathers at the PMACC. Coffee and biscuits were organised and we settled into a “comfy” chair.

George was the volunteer to present a T.o.M. What was his interest he was going to share with us? The clues were obvious,

- Something all woodies use
- A variety for different purposes.
- Comes in different packaging

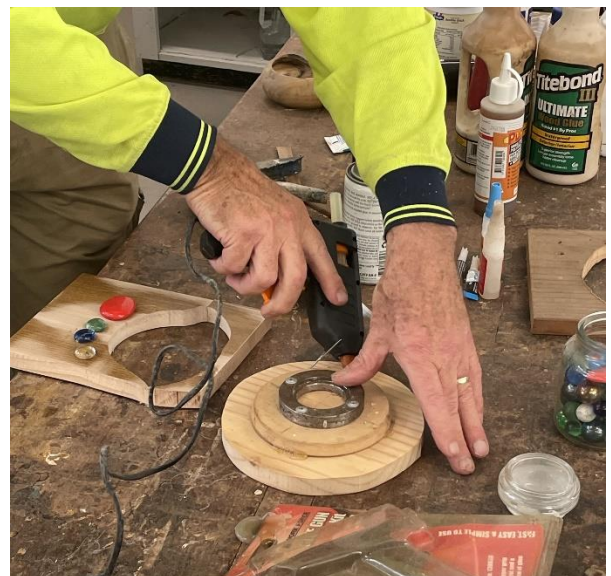
What is it?

“Glues and Sticky Things” is the topic.

George was well organised and began with a printed hand-out. This enabled us to follow his presentation with back up info. Many of us didn't realise there were many options to glues and sticky things.

Hot Glue Guns and Sticks

Such a versatile product. In general, the glue is not very strong, designed for light-duty attaching and craft tasks. Usually sets immediately.



Silicone Sealant/Adhesive

It is a strong sealant that is very versatile in how and to what it can be applied. Does take a while to cure before it reaches its full strength.



PVA Glue – Polyvinyl Acetate

PVA is a versatile adhesive commonly used in woodworking, crafting and bookbinding. Forms a strong bond with porous materials like wood, paper and cloth.

CA Glues = Super Glue

This glue fits in with the fastening bonding family. Glues are widely available. There are three types,

1. Thin glues able to penetrate porous surfaces
2. Medium glues has some penetration capability but will leave more of a surface film.
3. Thick glue is a surface applicant.

Polyurethane Glues

Polyurethane glue is a strong adhesive designed specifically for wood. It creates a durable bond, making it an excellent choice for woodworking projects. Glue is waterproof.



Animal Glue

A variety of glues which sourced from a variety of animals. A versatile glue used since ancient times.

Epoxy Resin

It is a two-pack epoxy system which are mixed together to create a strong bond. It is easy to use, very hard when cured minimal heat generated, great for resin river tables and large pours.



No More Gaps

No more gaps is ideal for filling unsightly gaps and cracks. It's a flexible gap filler, superior adhesive.



Display of glues and sticky things

George has provided a wealth of information on his special topic, much more than we can share in the newsletter. George used research and his own experiences to provide his presentation. Congratulations George, members are much wiser in relation to glues and sticky things. Thank you.



Some of the members

Volunteers' Day

Saturday 10 August was Volunteers' Day at Wauchope Showground. Spring weather was warm and sunny as the marquees and displays were set up. Demonstration tables were organised. We were ready for the onslaught.

A trickle of visitors came and went. We chatted with them, demonstrated, answered questions. One member even manned the entrance gate for 30 minutes as part of the deal.



Items on display



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Oh Roy, not again!



This is better



George ready for a mini lathe demo.

But not everyone was active, some had to take a break to absorb the beauty of the day.



Enjoying a break!!

Camaraderie was high. We enjoyed sharing a story, a laugh and of course stirring each other. We appear to be sitting around, but in actual fact it was a critical time for us to share and unite.



Members were proud to be a woody, they wore their shirts and caps with pride.

Show and Tell

This was a “light-on month”.

John Ockers once again demonstrated his interest in making clocks. The small example below was found in the back of a cupboard. He resurrected and shared it with us. The timber is White Cedar with a shellac finish.



The second, larger clock is crafted from camphor laurel with red cedar frame. Again, a finish with shellac.



George Campbell displayed his fine lathe work skills. During Volunteers Day he was making little tops and giving them to children. He was so keen he went home and made these. He calls them the Texta spinning tops because their finish is in Texta.



2024 - Pallet Competition

As all members are aware we are having a Pallet Challenge this year. This means members are encouraged to construct an article/s from **safe pallet timber** in one or more categories listed below. There is no entry fee, enter as many categories as you wish. Judging will be carried out by people external to the guild.

Now is your chance to create a masterpiece from a pallet using your creative inspiration. Items due in November (date and delivery place to be set).

For further information contact Sharada (activity co-ordinator)

Categories

1. Toys
2. Furniture
3. Turned Article
4. Games/Puzzles
5. Decorative Article
6. Useful Article
7. Miscellaneous (not covered above)



An example from Sharada. A clock made from pallet timber.