



# Newsletter

September 2025

## Quote

"Love is like a good piece of wood: It just gets stronger and stronger as the years go by." **David Baldacci**

## 19 Sept General Meeting Things to note:

A great turnout at the 2025 September General meeting with 18 members in attendance.

The meeting agreed to donate \$100 to 2WAYFM for their ongoing support to the Guild.

The Hastings Men's Shed have invited the members of the Hastings Woodworking Guild to use their MT/lunch facilities. They have quite a splendid set up. The Men's Shed have also discussed sharing ideas, tools, etc.

## Recent Events:

Good to see folk at the Wauchope Volunteer Expo on Saturday August 16. There looked to be a good roll up from locals and a few sales were made. Will H & George C did a few demonstrations on the mini lathe.



## Social outing

**18 September**, Hastings Hotel Wauchope social gathering. The venue was great, the company wonderful and the food was delicious! 23 members were there to enjoy the time together- don't miss out next time!



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## Upcoming Dates to remember:

**2, 3, 4 October - Guild Annual Exhibition and Sales at CWA Port Macquarie.**

Raffle – 3 prizes: Coffee Table Will & David, Red Gum Burl Bowl by Will H; 3D decorative clock by Jon W. Howard H is organising tickets; Rod and Greg coordinate media publicity and signs; all members to make creations to exhibit and sell. There will also be a bargains table on which you can put items that have been hanging around. Money raised from odds and ends will go to charity (TBA)

**15 October** Yippin Creek for further cleanup of the container. Members note there is wood to be sorted and tagged for future use. Start thinking of future projects.

**13 November – Port Macquarie Golf Club** social lunch. Sharada coordinator.

**16 November - Laurieton Riverwalk Markets.** Greg S coordinator.

**22 November - Wauchope Farmers Market.** George C coordinator

## 5 December- Christmas Lunch at Wauchope RSL.

Greg S coordinator

## 12 December – Lighting of the Christmas Tree and Wauchope Christmas Markets, Bain Park, Wauchope – George C coordinator.

## 13 December – Foreshore Markets Port Macquarie.

Greg S coordinator.

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### Show & Tell

### From September Meeting



**Rod H:** Wally's Cousin's  
Slippery Slope

**George C:** Another bowl, from  
a Red Cedar burl! And a honey  
dipper from olive wood.







**Jon W:** Clocks and owls from 'heavy' paper in layers mounted on ply



**Rob M:** a project from scraps of wood- pen holder. Inventive use of skewers and toothpicks as well.



**Steve S:** Bandsaw Box or is it boxes.  
Hints of a babushka doll!



**Jeannie S:** Fragrant wood shavings to fill embroidered sachets to put with woollens, etc to keep the bugs away. (Not in the undie drawer!)

Wooden balls to make Christmas stars.

**Will H:** A tree snake  
from an angophora  
branch





## Show & Tell

## From August Meeting



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## Member Spotlight:



Jeannie and  
Allison at the  
Scottish  
Borders, 2023

### Jeannie Sainty:

Born in Sydney but love the wide Australian outback! I left home at 19 to complete a teaching degree in Secondary Mathematics in Newcastle. There I met the exploration geologist husband and we got married and spent the next 20 years roaming as mining gypsies in Northern Territory (Tennant Creek), Tasmania (Rosebery on West Coast), Queensland (Rockhampton and Charter Towers) and Western Australia (Kalgoorlie) looking for gold, silver and base metals. I worked in mine offices, did some teaching and raised our daughter, Allison.

Sadly, after we returned to Sydney, the marriage died, and we divorced. I had started working full-time for the Uniting Church in their Youth Unit Ministry and from time to time, George and Sue Campbell and I had adventures together with youth at our church.

I went back to full time Maths teaching after 5 years at the Youth Unit.

I met Richard after 10 years and we decided to move to Wauchope.

Sadly, 3 years later, Richard died at home one day from a heart attack!

I have decided to retire in Wauchope with Garry.

My daughter has married and now lives in Scotland so there will be regular trips to Highlands. Sadly, she has Rheumatoid Arthritis and cannot have children so we will have grandpuppies!

My skills include embroidery, knitting, crochet, cooking, calligraphy, maths, water colour painting and now woodwork!

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