

Waikato Guild of Woodworkers



Members' Newsletter
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Workshop Sessions

Monday Morning	Dave Croucher	07 846 4554	
Wednesday Morning	Bob Hoyle	07 847 8434	
Wednesday Evening	Rodney Haynes	027 218 4950	
Thursday Morning	Richard Matthews	07 856 9285	
Thursday Afternoon	Clive Dyson	07 829 7256	
Thursday Afternoon	Hugh Oliver	07 847 9541	Wood carving session
Friday Morning	Keith Buick	021 072 0269	

Workshop sessions will end and recommence in the new year at each Group Leader's discretion.

Club Principles

Our Club is built around the members and our shared interest in all things wood. The club has a small but passionate team of volunteer committee members and workshop leaders, however the continued success of the Club relies on the expertise, time, and effort put in by all our members. We encourage all members to volunteer to help with the operations of the club, such as hall setup for events or contributing to promotional materials. It does not need to be a major commitment, but it all helps spread the load.

2025 Memberships

Our club memberships for the new year are now due; thank you to those who have already made the payments. Payment details are as follows:

Amount:	\$70.00
Account number:	01-0450-0046663-00
Account name:	Waikato Guild of Woodworkers Inc.
Payment reference:	Membership & <Your Name>

If you have any questions on this, please contact Ross srosskennedy@gmail.com.

Please also let me know if you:

- do not wish to renew your membership, but keep receiving our newsletters/emails.
- do not wish to renew your membership, and opt out of our mailing list.

End of Year Potluck

In lieu of our monthly Club Night, we will be having our end of year potluck BBQ at **Grant's Home** on **Tuesday 17th December 2024** - all members, friends, and family are welcome.

Please feel free to **arrive from 5:30PM onwards**; dinner will be served from 6:30PM. Please **bring a plate to share** with everyone, the BBQ will be available for the evening; BYO drinks; and bring your togs if you want to jump in the pool – skinny dipping may be frowned upon.

There will be a presentation table for *anything Christmasy and anything else you've made* during the year that you haven't yet displayed.

End of Year Clean Up - Club and Fred's

We have organised a **Working Bee for Fred Irvine's** workshop and garden as a sign of our appreciation for all the work and support he has provided the club over the years. This is scheduled for **Saturday 07th December from 9AM**. Please contact Grant if you are able to help; we would also appreciate any trailers for the day if you are able to bring one.

We have also scheduled an end of year **Club workshop and general clean-up** for **Tuesday 10th December from 9AM**. We will be giving the entire club premises, including the workshop and garden areas, a tidy up before we wind down for the year. As always, your participation is greatly appreciated - many hands make light work!

New Club Committee

Following our recent AGM, the Committee for the coming year has been confirmed:

Kevin Macdonald	Chairperson
Rodney Haynes	Deputy Chairperson
Ross Kennedy	Treasurer
Tunde Balvanyos	Secretary
Andrew Sherrin	
Grant Taylor	
Connie van der Walt	
Niels Yuan	

Fred Irvine will remain as Club Patron for the year.

Members' Trade Table

Mini-Lathe	Listing by the Club. Includes a number of accessories. This is the unit that is currently being stored in the Club's kitchen and is valued at over \$550 in its current condition.
Nova Comet II	Listing by the Club. Includes a number of accessories and a wooden stand. This is the extra lathe in the Club's workshop and is valued at over \$1000 in its current condition.

These two lathes being sold by the club are currently listed for sale on TradeMe; however, please get in touch with Niels if you are interested as we may be able to offer a member's discount on these.

If members have items they would like to advertise for sale in our future newsletters, please contact Niels. Our Club Night **Trade Table** will also be available throughout the year; please feel free to bring in your items (or photos for bulky items).

Club Projects

As you will be aware, our wig stand project to support local cancer patients is ongoing: if you would like to help with this project, please contact Rodney Haynes or Grant Taylor; the club has a good supply of timber set aside for you to use.

Your Club Needs You!

Please have a think about becoming one of our workshop leaders for the new year. These are voluntary positions, but are crucial to keep our society up and running.

Workshop leaders help supervise our sessions at the club workshop. You will help open and lock up the workshop, and offer some guidance when required but do not need to be an expert craftsman. Even if you are unable commit to a regular time or day of the week, we would still like to hear from you.

Calendar and Other Events

Dec 07 th	Working Bee at Fred Irvine's
Dec 10 th	Club Workshop Clean-up
Dec 17 th	End of Year BBQ at Grant's

Members Projects and Gallery

Showcasing some recent works and photos from our members. Please send in photos of your own projects to Niels so we can include them here in the next newsletter. As always, if there are any errors with the names or wood types, please let me know and I will note the corrections in next month's issue.



Above: **Chopping Boards.** *Dave Watson (2024).* Various woods, including Kahikatea (*Dacrycarpus dacrydiodes*), Red Gum (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*), Matai (*Prumnopitys taxifolia*), and Kauri (*Agathis australis*).



Above left and right: **Baby/Ammonite**. *Hugh Oliver (2024)*. Puriri (*Vitex lucens*). The two photos are the obverse and reverse of the same piece!



Above: **Female Form and Fetus Figurines**. *Hugh Oliver (2024)*. North Island Rata (*Metrosideros robusta*).



Above left: **Plate.** *Connie van der Walt (2024)*. Laminated Rimu (*Dacrydium cupressinum*). This is the finished plate that Connie demonstrated at the Club Night in September.

Above right: **Fish Hooks.** *Denis Morgan (2024)*. Puriri (*Vitex lucens*), Rimu (*Dacrydium cupressinum*) and Kauri (*Agathis australis*).



Above left: **Chain Trene.** Hairy Oak (*Allocasuarina inophloia*).

Above right: **Lidded Container.** *Roger Dean (2024)*. Tawa (*Beilschmiedia tawa*), with Hairy Oak (*Allocasuarina inophloia*) lid.



Above: **Small Embellished Vessels.** *Peter Watt (2024).* Maple (*Acer sp.*).



Above left and right: **Bowl.** *Andrew Hills (2024).* **Mystery wood** – this was made from a piece of wood from the club wood shed; possibly a palm of some variety. If you know what it is, please get in touch!

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