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“**T**o be or not to be”. To be good or not so good. I am of course embroidering on Schalk van Niekerk's theme from our last meeting. I kind of liked his down to earth, no frills approach to his hobby and his philosophy of “ you don't have to have the best tools to produce good work”.

When I was still playing golf I noticed some of the higher handicapped players who bought a new or different set of clubs every six months believing that it will improve their game - owning a set of Ping irons made you an instant pro, or so they thought. Sadly, however, this did not happen. In golf the primary factor is your swing (technique), the clubs are only the instruments(tools) that you use.

Obviously it is important that you at least need an average set of clubs suited to your length, build etc. You wouldn't want the club head breaking off every time you hit the ball. The same principle applies to woodworking. Having the best(?) tools does not make you a good woodworker - only a woodworker with good tools.

As far as tools go, we all have our preferences and for various reasons but that should not be the criteria for any judgment. The fact that I own a Record lathe does not necessarily make me a lesser turner. The “puritans” amongst us, to use one of Schalk's pet phrases, would probably disagree with me - “ if you do not own such or such a lathe and use these chiseis and this chuck you cannot become a proficient turner”. As Schalk quite correctly points out, it's the end-product that counts irrespective of the lathe, tools or technique that was used.

See you around!

STYWE LYNE

Dis vir my so mooi as daar van ons lede is wat ook op ander gebiede presteer. **Okkie vd Merwe** is nie net 'n kranige houtwerker nie maar ook 'n hengeljaar van formaat. Hy het die eer ontvang

om vir beide die Nasionale binne- en buitelandse varswaterhengelspanne gekies te word. Baie geluk Okkie en mag jou vangste alles behalwe kraaineste wees.

Okkie het ook 'n hengelwinkel begin en bied afslag aan lede wat hulle lidmaatskapkaarte toon. Die adres is: H/V 24ste Laan en Ben Swartstraat, Villeria.

And Then there was None!

I visited Hardware Centre the other day - it was an eeerie experience. Apart from a number of power tools, bandsaw blades and some tins of Woodoc, there was nothing. All the shelves, display cabinets and window displays were empty. (Anyone interested in shelving can phone Julian).

Gentleman, it is a fact - there is no more Pretoria Hardware Centre; no more free coffee; no more browsing; no more.....anything.

Many thanks Hardware Centre for the many blissful hours that we as members could spend in your premises over many years. We wish you all the best for the future.

[It's a strange coincidence! We were associated with PowerDek and they closed, and now Pta Hardware Centre. What other business don't we like guys?]

Vorige Byeenkoms

Diegene wat daar was gaan nie gou vir Schalk van Niekerk en sy gedraaide ruimtewesens vergeet nie. Ook nie sy spitsvondigheid en besondere benadering tot draaiwerk nie. Dit was lékker om weer iemand te hoor wat met passie en vurigheid oor sy stokperdjie gesels. Baie dankie Schalk. Ons sien uit na die demonstrasie gedeelte van jou aanbieding - jy het mos so belowe?

It was also nice to have **Raymond Maggit** and **Andrew Riley** visit us. The guys enjoyed chatting to you.

NEXT MEETING

Please take note that our next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday 27 Aug 97 [1800]** at **Hardware Centre**[for the last time].

As part of our "how did I do it" series, **Charles Anderson**, one of our members and winner of a Gold certificate at our last exhibition, will be demonstrating the art of **marquetry** [dis nou opleg- of inlegwerk]. This is a definite gray area as far as my experience goes and I am looking forward, as I am sure you are, to what promises to be an informative and interesting evening.

Hope to see you all there!

Nuwe lid

Baie welkom aan **Ryk van Romburgh**. Hy is verbonde aan die Thuto Matlhale Tegnieuse Kollege se hout werkswinkel in Mamelodi.

Uitstalling

Reëlings vorder fluks en as alles volgens plan verloop behoort vanjaar se uitstalling iets besonder te wees. Daar is heelwat instansies wat gaan demonstrasies lewer, kompetisies hou en dinge uitstal. Daar sal ook gesorg ook word vir die vaste en vloeibare versterkings. Besonderhede sal later bekendgemaak word.

Ons doen baie moeite en daarom vertrou ek dat ons lede hulle kant gaan bring met die uitstal van items wat hulle gemaak het. Onthou daar is drie kategorië nl, meubelmaak, draaiwerk en algemeen of diverse. Dit hoef ook nie items te wees wat u vanjaar gemaak het nie. Die enigste vereiste in die verband is dat die item nog nie van te vore by ons uitstalling beoordeel is nie - dit kan egter nog steeds uitgestal word.

Die datum? **8 November 1997.**

Change of address

Members please note the address of Hardware Centre:

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Ons Hoor ...

- Dat **Brian Moore** aangestel is as verkoopsbestuurder by die masjienafdeling van Buchels. Gaan kuier gerus as u 'n kansie het.
- Dat ons tesourier, **Carl van Rensburg**, bevorder is na interne ouditeur by Centurion Munisipaliteit. Geluk Carl en doen iets omtrent die hoë erbelasting.

TV Kabinet

Die projek vorder, maar nie so vinnig as wat ek gehoop het nie danksy moeder wat my ingespan het om 'n paar verf take te doen en, asof dit nie genoeg was nie, 'n groot doringboom af te saag, op te saag en weg te ry - ek het nie een van hierdie take geniet nie!

Ek het toe die Triton router tafel ingespan en dit op die proef gestel. Ek bly beïndruk met hierdie opset. As jou router eers op sy raam gemonteer is vat dit werklik enkele minute om die tafel op te stel en te begin werk. Die omskakeling van tafel na oorhoofse konfigurasie vat nie eers 'n minuut nie. Die gids is vinnig en akkuraat verstelbaar. Die invoer kant van die gids het ook drie verstellings - baie gerieflik wanneer jy die kant van 'n plank wil reguit sny. Dit werk dan soos 'n vlakskaaaf wat op sy sy lê. Omdat die Triton aan die kante oop is, is dit maklik om snyers te vervang en verstellings te doen.

Die oorhoofse opstelling is 'n wenner en ideaal vir die sny van gleuwe, penne en diesmeer. Ek moet hierdie aanwending nog verder beproef.

Turners sub-group

Rodger Courtney informed me that there are around 10 members who are interested in this sub-group. When this goes to press they would already have had their first meeting to decide on a plan of action.

Interested members are welcome to phone Rodger at [H] 83-2068.

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Workshop Crawls / Werkwinkelsafari's

Following is the programme for the forthcoming workshop crawls. Please note that only 5 members per crawl can be accommodated. Ensure your place by phoning the group leader as indicated

| Groupleader | Date | Crawl Points | Address | Time | Phone [H] |
|----------------|--------|--------------------|------------------------------------|-------|-----------|
| GROUP E | | | | | |
| Andy Sutton | Aug-20 | | 252 Frangipani St La Montagne | 18H00 | 803-9241 |
| | | 1.Roger Courtney | 275 Kent Rd Meyerspark | | 83-2068 |
| | | 2.Connie du Toit | Simmetriestraat 253 Meyerspark | | 83-1750 |
| | | 3.Johan du Toit | Keunigstraat 213 Meyerspark | | 83-3858 |
| GROUP C | | | | | |
| Jack Munting | Sep-10 | | 4 26th Street Menlo Park | 19H00 | 46-2203 |
| | | 1.Cyril Blom | 301 Geoff street Garsfontein X 6 | | 98-3467 |
| | | 2.Harold Lacock | 593 Borzoi street Garsfontein X 10 | | 98-4902 |
| | | 3.Louis vd Merwe | Carolinastraat 65 Faerie Glen | | 991-1186 |
| GROUP B | | | | | |
| John Snyman | Sep-17 | | 1017 Hermina street Constantiapark | 18H00 | 98-4498 |
| | | 1.Carl v Rensburg | Mustanglaan 9 Pierre van Rynveld | | 662-1768 |
| | | 2.Chris Steyn | Peddiestraat 769 Wingate Park | | 345-4305 |
| | | 3.At Smit | Puccinistraat 546 Constantiapark | | 98-1822 |
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| | | 1.John Snyman | 1017 Hermina Str Constantiapark | 18H00 | 98-4498 |
| | | 2.Neville Commins | Langenhovenstr 149 Constantiapark | | 98-3414 |
| | | 3.Derrick du Toit | Wendystraat 418 Waterkloof Glen | | 998-5065 |
| GROUP J | | | | | |
| Don Moody | Sep-19 | | 743 Trumper Str Waverley | 18H00 | 332-3060 |
| | | 1.Charles Anderson | Bellistraat 6 Kilnerpark | | 333-0073 |
| | | 2.Sarel Allers | Kamferbosstr 142 Kilnerpark | | 73-3593 |
| | | 3.Llewellyn Bester | 1414A Walter Ave Waverley | | 332-0183 |

| Group Leader | Date | Crawl Points | Address | Time | Phone(H) |
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| GROUP F | | | | | |
| Gert Greyling | Sep-20 | | Teretastraat 1030 Eldoraigne X 1 | 08H00 | 654-0164 |
| | | 1. Kobus Jansen | Mulders Mile 47 Eldoraigne X 3 | | 653-2600 |
| | | 2. Louw Trichardt | Susanstraat 345 Wierdapark | | 653-1874 |
| | | 3. Jas Fourie | Piet Hugostraat 304 Wierdapark | | 653-1903 |
| GROUP G | | | | | |
| Rolf Schramm | Oct-11 | 1. Rolf | 688 Makou St. Monument Park X 2 | 08H30 | 45-4683 |
| | | 2. Keith Jones | 8 Hammerfest Rd Valhalla | | 71-5460 |
| | | 3. Deon Geyser | Van Riebeecklaan 302 Lyttelton Manor | | 664-4731 |
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Note:

1. All telephone no's are Pretoria.
2. The crawl starts at crawl point no 1. Confirm this arrangement with your gp ldr.
3. Time per crawl point is approx 60 min.
4. Please note the date and time.
5. You are welcome to attend more than one crawl - just book your place.
6. Bookings on a first come first serve basis.
7. If you require further information please phone any of the committee members.

NEW MEMBERS! - Believe me, this is an opportunity you should NOT miss.