

MEETINGS

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm at the Menzshed, 22b Rangihiroa Street, Waikanae Beach.

WORKSHOPS

The Guild runs workshops on the 3rd Saturday of the month through the year. Topics are always woodwork related with the opportunity for hands-on demonstrations.

HOME GROUPS

In addition to our full monthly meeting, the Guild has four home groups meeting monthly in Waikanae, Otaki and Levin. Participation in the group provides further opportunity each month to explore, share, discuss, develop and improve woodworking skills.

► RATANUI GROUP

Based in Waikanae, this group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm, usually at 13 He Awa Crescent, Waikanae.

► VILLAGE GROUP

Based in Levin, the group meets at 10am on the 1st Friday of the month, alternating at group members home workshops.

► FRANK TORRANCE GROUP

Based in Waikanae, this group meets at 10am on the 1st Wednesday of the month, alternating between members home workshops.

► BRIAN ARTHURS GROUP

Based in Otaki, the group meets at 10am on the 1st Wednesday of each month, alternating between group members' home workshops.

MEMBERSHIP

We warmly welcome new members to the Guild. A Membership Application form to join the Guild can be found on our website; www.kwwg.org.nz. or from one of our committee members at a Guild meeting. The membership subscription is currently \$60.00 per annum. This is discounted by \$10.00 for NAW (New Zealand Association of Woodworkers) members.

KAPITI LANCEWOOD

The Guild has a monthly newsletter - The Kapiti Lancewood. It contains a summary and photos of events during the month, interesting articles from members and contributors, plus details about upcoming events.

LIBRARY

The Guild has an extensive library of woodworking-related books, DVDs and magazines which are free for members to borrow.

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Visit our website: www.kwwg.org.nz for upcoming meetings and events, photos of our recent activities, useful resources, woodwork for sale and more.



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INTRODUCTION

The Kapiti Woodworkers Guild was set up in 1997 to bring together like minded locals with an interest in various forms of woodworking, to foster camaraderie and to encourage learning and sharing opportunities with members.

While most of the members of the Guild are woodturners, we also have some skilled furniture makers, marquetry artists, musical instrument makers, carvers and some members with a combination of skills and interests.

We are a friendly group with a strong focus on helping each other and using our skills to help the community.

► MEETING FORMAT

The monthly meetings are a mixture of demonstrations, presentations and sharing of our woodworking projects. We have a display table for members to display their creations, and there is an opportunity to have your work critiqued. We invite speakers to share their experiences on anything from turning techniques to furniture making, miniatures, embellishments, musical instrument making and much more. The home group leaders report on the group's achievements and what members have been up to. We also run a monthly raffle. The meeting concludes with tea or coffee and time to chat.

► WOOD STORE

The Guild has a large store of various timbers suitable for a variety of uses. These are available to members at reasonable prices. The store is open for 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. The wood store is the result of working bees by Guild members and donations from the community.

KWWG IN THE COMMUNITY

A strong focus of the Guild is to share what we can do with our community. We are currently involved with several projects, shows and festivals that reflect this.

► GIFT BOWLS

Our members make about 100 small wooden gift bowls each year and fill them with sweets and chocolates that are given to our local Hospices and the Cancer Society to distribute to their patients at Christmas.

► RED TULIPS

Members of our Guild make wooden tulips which are painted red. The tulips are sold to raise funds for Parkinson's New Zealand.

► WIG STANDS

Since 2008 the Guild have made wig stands for patients losing their hair in medical circumstances. The wig stands are distributed by Hair Loss Specialists to patients referred to them from the Wellington and Lower Hutt Hospitals, cancer, haematology, plastics and burns units, the respective Cancer Society's and many other Medical Specialists.

► KAPITI COAST ART TRAIL

The Guild participates in the Kapiti Coast Art Trail each year, with a demonstration of turning wood and a large display of work for sale. You can find us at Big Mac Slabs Creative Centre for the Kapiti Coast Art Trail weekends.

► KAPITI STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

The Strawberry Festival raises money for the Mary Potter Hospice. The Guild supports this work with a display of woodwork for sale on the day.

► LEVIN A. P. & I. SHOW

Each January the Guild puts on a large display of woodwork for sale plus a demonstration of turning wood at the show.

LEARNING AND GUIDANCE

Guild members enjoy sharing their time and skills with those new to woodworking. In the 'home groups' we carefully and gently guide newcomers to the field, keeping them safe and learning at a pace to suit. Help with advice about purchasing the right equipment or even sourcing second-hand gear and tools is also available.



TRAINING COURSES

From time to time we run a six-week training course for beginners - details of upcoming courses will be on our website.



NAW

Our Guild is affiliated to the National Association of Woodworkers (NAW). This is another great source of knowledge and skill sharing with international demonstrators and workshops.