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Next General Club Meeting on **Wednesday, the 11th February 2009** from 18h00 at the WWA clubhouse at REEA. Jeff Evans will present the building of a Harpsicord as well as show us his patented honing jig.

Next Turner's monthly meeting is on **Monday, the 2nd February 2009** at 18h00 at the WWA clubhouse at REEA. Dries Blignaut will do a thin walled long stem goblet using light to gauge wall thickness.

News

January General Club Meeting. Keith Ballard from Country Woods talked about Country Woods' range of timber available, etc. He also passed around a piece of "snake wood" that retails for approx R1.3m to R1.5m per cubic meter, depending on availability. A representative from Ampol also gave us an overview of their range of abrasive products and gave out samples of many of their products to the members

From the committee:

Hobby-X. Don't forget Hobby-X will be taking place from 5th to 9th March 2009 at the Dome at Northgate. We will need volunteers to demonstrate turning and demonstrate making of small items, so please volunteer at the next meeting. There will be no workshops for the public this year.

Clubhouse Keys. We have changed the padlock for the front door – it has worn-out and was becoming difficult to work. We took this opportunity to look at the policy for keyholders:

Keys will be issued to those that need them. The main keys are the front door padlock and the key-cabinet key. The key cabinet contains the other keys. This means that access can only be gained by people who have the key to the front door padlock and key-cabinet. Glenn Lopich, the treasurer will issue keys to committee members and the leaders of the work-groups, such as Winston and Eddie. All key holders will be required to sign a special indemnity similar to our general indemnity acknowledging their possession of keys and detailing why those keys are in their possession. There will be a register at the clubhouse which must be signed by a key holder who opens and closes the premises and the member should accept the obligation to complete the register each time the member makes use of the privileged access. This is important in the context of our indemnity as well as insurance so we limit exposure to any claims for damages as a result of any injuries sustained by members or visitors.

Please feel free to raise any points around this at the next meeting, so your concerns can be addressed.

Membership Fees for 2009/2010 year. There will be point on the agenda for the March 2009 General Club meeting to discuss membership fees for the next year. This needs to be decided in advance of the start of the next club year which starts in May 2009. If you have any points to make, you are welcome to do so at the March meeting, failing which, please discuss this with a committee member.

Shelf Brackets. You may remember the plan that was handed out last year. Members were asked to make a pair, and bring them to the club for an informal judging and show-and-tell. This will take place at the February Main club meeting.

Show-and-tell and Woodworking questions. Don't forget to bring items for show and tell. Pose any woodworking questions or problems to the club, and maybe you will get an answer from the collective wisdom of the members.

Please Note:

Toymakers. The first meeting of 2009 will be the 2nd February 2009. Normally, the toymakers meet on the first and third Mondays of every month, at 09h00 till 12h00 at the clubhouse. Contact Eddie Marchio on (011) 678-8062 or [renato AT pixie.co.za](mailto:renato@pixie.co.za) for more information.

Wednesday Workshop. The first meeting for 2009 is on the 4th February. Normally, the Wednesday evening workshops are on the first and third Wednesdays of every month, from 18h00 till 20h00. Contact Winston Klein on (011) 674-1513 for more information.

Sources of Supply for Woodworkers

Trevor Pope – Jan 2009

This list is aimed at woodworkers based in Gauteng, but does include some suppliers elsewhere in South Africa. It was first published some time ago, but has now been updated and corrected.

Where possible, all the details have been checked. Contributions to the list and corrections are welcome – please send them to me at [tpope AT iafrica DOT com](mailto:tpope@iafrica.com) or pass them onto me at a club meeting.

Timber Merchants

Name	Products	Telephone	Address
Citiwood	Plywood and Boards, Timber (Denver: Good selection of plywood and MDF in larger sizes)	Denver: 011-622-9360 Silverton: 012-804-3554/5/6 Capetown: 021-930-5923 Durban: 031-579-2274 PE: 041-374-7414 Vereeniging: 016-421-1683	339 Main Reef Rd, Denver, Johannesburg 33 Dykor St, Silverton, Pretoria
Country Woods	Importers of exotic hardwoods. Small to large quantities and turning blanks too.	011-444-6705 031-701-8809 (Dbn) 021-511-8604 (Ctn)	10 Delphi St, Marlboro North, Jhb www.countrywoods.co.za
East African – Dave Zick Timbers	Timber Merchants	011-825-1440 (Barry Kampel)	Refinery Road, Driehoek, Germiston
Fechters	Local indigenous timbers as well as large volumes of karri & Saligna	044-382-3011 louis@fechters.co.za (Louis Fechter)	Cnr. Waenhout & Meubel St, Knysna, www.fechters.co.za
FG Hoffman	Bulk timber supplier of cabinet grades	011-873-0247/8	37 Harriet Ave, Driehoek, Germiston
Foresta Timber and Board	Agents for saligna, pine, etc	011-908-5828 kfourie@foresta.co.za	14 Vereninging Rd, Alrode 1449 (Alberton) www.foresta.co.za
Lumber One Canada	Imported hardwoods such as North American beech, oak, ash, maple, walnut,	031-700-9844	Unit 1D Westgate Ind Park, 484 Stockville Rd, Mariannhill, Pinetown.

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	cherry, and African hardwoods	011- 626-1002	223 Lower Germiston Road, Heriotdale Industrial Park, Germiston. www.lumberone.co.za
Maple St Timbers	Local and imported wood, decking	011-979-4459 Pomona Rd Exit on the R21, go East to Maple St	51 Maple St, Pomona, Kempton Park www.mstimbers.co.za
Midtown Timbers	S.A.Pine	011-450-4163 011-450-4232	110 North Reef Road, Meadowbrook, Bedfordview
Mint road Sawmills	Pressure treatment of wood with CCA (Copper Chromium Arsenate)	011-864-2894 011-864-2997	13 Dienst Str, Alrode www.treatedpoles.com
Noag se Mark	General building timber and hardware. Good selection of CCA treated timber	011-396-2300	West of the R21: take the Pomona Rd off-ramp Into Kempton Park, go West and then South. www.noag.co.za
P.G. Bison	Manufacturers and distributors of hardboard, softboard, veneers, poles, etc.	011-878-0800	Cnr Jack and Jonas Str, Driehoek, Germiston www.pgbison.co.za
Paul Venter	Tree Felling – offers wood as available for sale	011-795-2165 / 011- 794-1587	
Plywood Distributors	Importers of plywood, veneers	011-336-9534	72 Mooi Str, (Corner Commissioner Str) Jhb
Rare Woods	Importer of hardwoods	044-382-6576 021-535-2004	34 Sandpiper St, Knysna Ind. Estate, Knysna. 12 Nourse Ave, Epping 2, Capetown. www.rarewoods.co.za (last updated 2002)
Rhoms Timberworld	Timber Merchants – African and exotic	011-792-8873 (Pat Haylock)	Tungsten Rd Strijdom Park, Randburg
Rubin Potgieter	Tree Feller – often has green wood available for turning blanks	011-705-2714	
Silverton Houthandelaars	Timber merchant – local and imported	012-804-3110	266 Plantation Rd, Silverton, Pretoria
The Woodman's Timber Agencies	Local hardwoods – such as yellowwood, boekenhout, etc	044-382-5408 Mike Ferguson	Vigilance road, Knysna Ind Estate, Knysna woodmans@netactive.co.za
Thorpe Timber	Joinery timber – pine, meranti, saligna, ply, boards.	011-724-4200	3 Forsdick Rd, Roodekop, Germiston www.thorpe-timber.co.za
Timbercity	Distributors of timber and boards	See phone book for a branch near you.	Various branches see www.timbercity.co.za

Hand Tools, Tooling and Spares

Name	Products	Telephone	Address
Eldis Saw Services	Saw Doctor	(011) 422-1892 Lionel Williams	12 Cranbourne Ave, Benoni
Executool	Hand and power tools, wood and metal working	012-548-7425 Fanie le Hanie	Shop No 28, Montana Value Centre, cor Calliandra and Zambesi Drive, Montana Park,

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			Pretoria sales AT executool.co.za www.executool.co.za
First Cut	Precision Saw Manufacturers (Starrett bandsaw blade stock)	011-872-1138	37 La Bassee Rd, Industries East, Germiston www.firstcut.co.za
Hardware Centre	Stanley, Lee Valley (Veritas), Record, Henry Taylor, etc. Best selection of quality hand tools www.hardwarecentre.co.za	Randburg 011-791-0844 (Viv Martin, Kishore) Boksburg 011-826-1058/9 Cape Town 021-421-7358	-Cor Malibongwe and CR Swart Drives, Randburg -Unit C1, Cynthia Road Bardene -14 Bree Street, Cape Town
Leuco Tool Industries	Saws, drills, cutters –sales and sharpening	011-455-6313 031-701-6366 043-736-3330 021-557-5364	4 Sunnyrock Close, Sunnyrock, Germiston Also Dbn, EL, CT www.leuco.co.za
National Conveyor Products	For all belting requirements such as V-belts, Poly-V-Belts, Link Belts	011-902-4141/44 (Kevin Duncan) timingbelts@virtuality.co.za	Unit 21, Momentum Ind Park, Crocker Road Wadeville www.nationalconveyor.co.za
Sharp-rite	Record tools	(011) 624-3185	261 Main St, City and Suburban, Jhb
Sheldon Engineering	Saw Sharpeners	(011) 493-2033	28 Laub St, New Centre, Jhb
The Stanley Works	Stanley agents – plane parts, some of which will fit Record planes as well.	011-472-0454, 011-472-0482 (Rolf Terblanche)	289 Granville Ave, Robertville (Near Austro, further West along Main Reef Rd)
Tool Mart International	Saw Blade Supplies	(011) 402-8986	30 Voorhout Str, Troyeville, Jhb
Toolquip and Allied	Machine tools, parts and tools (Just off the end of the M2 W, south at the robot into Press Ave)	011-370-2727	Press Ave, Crown Mines, Jhb www.toolquip.co.za
Triton Workshop Systems (SA) (Now owned by Bantam Trading)	Triton power tools, accessories and equipment – agent.	(021) 987 6071 (021) 987 6073 (fax) Free Call: 0800 600 432	99 Langerberg Street (off Langerberg Rd.), Durbanville, 7550,
			PO Box 6391 Welgemoed 7538 tritonsa@icon.co.za Also a Midrand branch.

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