



# Crosscut

◀ *Made in Workshop* logo – see below.

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**Next Turners Meeting** on **Monday, the 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020** from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** - TBA.

**Next General Meeting** on **Wednesday, the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020** from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop**. - TBA

AGM – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October – 15h00 at **Made in Workshop** – the auction next door should be over and there should be plenty of parking.

## News

### **New Location for the Wits Woodworking Association – **Made in Workshop** – move completed**

Alistair reported that the move to **Made in Workshop** was completed in August, as scheduled. The machines have been moved the woodworking room, together with the benches. Henry has allocated some space to store our equipment, which will require some shelves to be constructed, and the equipment organised. There is a small upstairs tool room and more substantial downstairs storeroom. Some time was spent tidying on Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

Ray Deftereos has been cataloguing the library into a digital format, so it can be accessible on-line for members looking for a title. It is a “work in Progress” project and Ray will be updating it over time as it is a big job downloading some of the missing covers. See

<https://handtoolbookrev.libib.com/i/wwa-library>. Thanks Ray!

The target date for restart of normal club activities is October 2020, but this still needs to be



confirmed. The workshops together with the facilities at **MiW** need to be ready. This is the conference room on the 28<sup>th</sup> August 2020 - there was still work to be done. The square tubing structure will be a serving counter. The beam in the ceiling, at the top of the picture will support a large-screen TV for presentations. On Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2020, the counter tops were being fabricated from pine, so it should be usable soon.

We will have full use of the 20x8m woodworking workshop on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from

09h00 to 13h00. Below is a draft list of activities, based on the previous list and the times we are allocated access to **MiW** for your information and comment.

**Draft Schedule for Regular Events:**

**Meetings – regular meetings in addition to those given above**

1. First Saturday – Bobby Bezuidenhout – Woodwork 101 for beginners. Contact Bobby on 083 873 3872 or [bobbymel109@gmail.com](mailto:bobbymel109@gmail.com)
2. Second Saturday of month - Herman – all things turning related – 083 631 0501  
[hermanpotgieteresq@gmail.com](mailto:hermanpotgieteresq@gmail.com)
3. Friday mornings – Topics for presentations will be advised by Graham Rudings – 082 900 0242 [grahamcr@mweb.co.za](mailto:grahamcr@mweb.co.za) – None are planned as yet - TBA

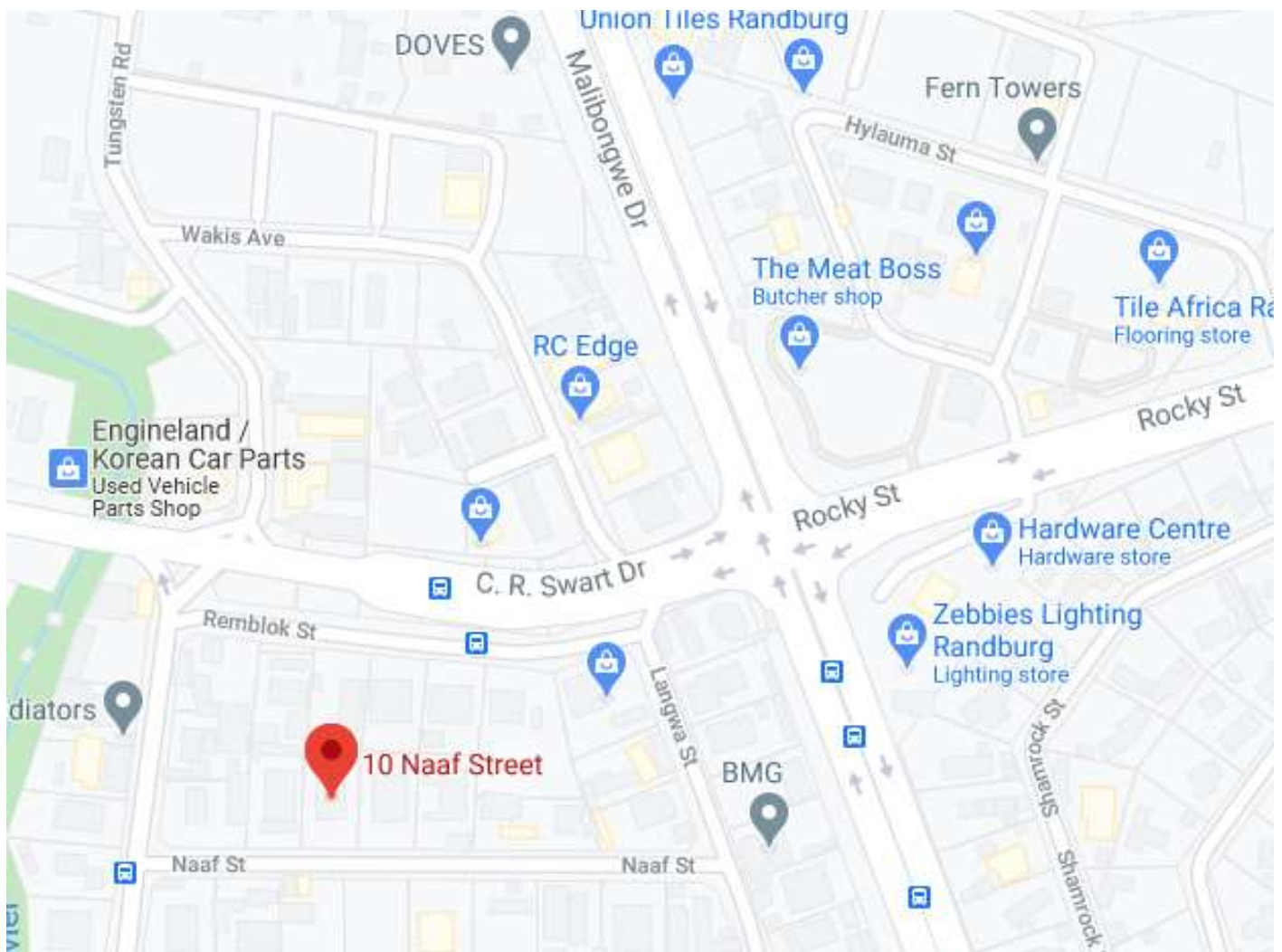
This list is subject to change!

Visit <http://madeinworkshop.co.za/> for more information.

When they resume after lockdown, all club activities will take place at the **Made in Workshop** premises.

Most of the WWA members know where Hardware Centre is – **Made in Workshop** is just 600m to the West, at 10 Naaf Street, Strydom Park. The picture from Google maps shows the front of the building.

The map below shows the location of **MiW**. You can see it is just a stone's throw from Hardware Centre.



### CLUB RAFFLE

Frans has donated a Wild Olive Salt & Pepper Grinder Set, a Wild Olive Salt & Pepper Shaker Set and a Wild Olive Root Elegant Lady Ballpoint Pen for us to raffle – see attached  
These items would retail for around R2000.00-

Roy Gibbs donated the platter and the blackwood log shown below.



The committee would like to request that members think about making a similar donation of items they may have made during the lockdown as this would enable us to have a meaningful number of items for members to win.  
Please let us know if you can assist with a donation

We recently posted a video on **cleaning TCT Saw Blades with Oven Cleaner**. Denis Lock includes the following information in an e-mail:

“Cleaning saw blades: I recently watched a YouTube video that demonstrated the use of oven cleaner to clean circular saw blades. Please don’t do this with your saw blades! Saw-blade manufacturers warn against this practice. Many oven cleaners are caustic and can affect the brazing between the tungsten tips and the blade body. You don’t want tips flying off your blades: even if they are spotlessly clean. Hot water and dishwashing liquid are perfectly safe.”

### MEMBERSHIP

From Alistair’s communication, you may have noticed that access to the new premises and the preferential rates at **Made in Workshop** are subject to being a paid-up member. This will be strictly enforced, so please, check that you have renewed for 2020/2021.

To ensure that there is a proper understanding of the respective responsibilities of **MiW** and WWA, the following was compiled with **MiW** and distributed by Alistair on the 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020. It is reproduced here for your information.

## **MIW RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Provide free of charge access to all equipment housed in workshop 4 of MIW known as the Woodworking Shop to paid-up members of WWA on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays between the hours of 9am and 1pm
2. Provide access to Engineering Workshop 3 to WWA members for “non-dust making” woodwork
3. Maintain the current WWA equipment which will be moved to the MiW premises.
4. Replenish consumable tooling and cutting blades, as necessary
5. Replace and/or add woodworking equipment, as required
6. Provide replacement accessories for the wood lathes such as chucks and centres for use by both WWA and MIW members
7. Include the lathe accessories such as chucks and centres (supplied by the WWA) in the MIW booking system for use by both WWA and MIW members
8. Provide within easy access of workshop 4 a lock up storage unit to keep WWA sundries and tools for exclusive use of WWA members
9. Provide appropriate “overnight” storage facility for temporary storage of w.i.p. or monthly storage facility at a current charge of R450/month
10. Provide adequate loading and off-loading vehicular access to WWA members within close proximity of the woodworking workshop
11. Provide appropriate hosting facilities for evening meetings and events at agreed times, but at least on three occasions per month, (currently 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays and 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays between the hours of 5pm and 9pm). WWA will pay for guarding and parking attendance during evening sessions
12. Provide adequate space and/or storage within easy reach of the hosting venue for WWA events materials, including library, raffle prizes, show & tell / demo equipment, as well as food & beverage facilities
13. Provide chairs/seating for up to 40 attendees at evening sessions
14. Offer members of WWA day access to additional MIW facilities at a discounted rate (currently the 30-day access rate of R175/day)
15. MIW will not interfere in WWA operations
16. MIW will include the WWA machines in the MIW insurance policy

## **WWA RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Provide its own specific cutting tools such as turning chisels and router cutters
2. Conduct operations that do not interfere with the operations of MIW.
3. Adhere to MIW attendance registration protocols
4. Limit WWA attendance during the designated sessions to 10 working members, excluding spectators
5. Allow members of MIW to use WWA equipment outside the WWA designated sessions
6. Give MIW members access to WWA equipment during its designated sessions if no WWA members are in attendance after 10am, through the MIW booking system
7. WWA members are to book the use of the MiW machines on designated WWA days to enable MiW staff to ensure WWA members are sufficiently trained to use them – this applies to the Panel Saw, Thicknesser and CNC Router.
8. Adhere to all MIW operating regulations, conduct rules and Health & Safety requirements
9. Remove from the workshop, at the end of each session, all work in progress and materials and tooling.
10. Not to operate machinery, other than for demonstration purposes, during the evening sessions

Progress at **Made in Workshop** – move from old premises.

The metal working machines have been moved into the new metal working shop. Here are some of the machines – more details on their website.

Metal centre lathe



Roll, bending brake and guillotine; Small milling machine; pipe bender/roller



Iron worker



Surface grinder



MIG Welding work station and CNC router



Plasma cutter





Laser cutter

Fly press



Metal bandsaw, sand blast cabinet and milling machine (knee mill)



Here are our benches laid out in the woodworking shop



View of the woodworking shop showing the CNC router in the foreground.



WWA members admiring the large thicknesser in the wood machining room.

## Members' Work

(Taken from Alistair's email newsletters.)

**Eugene's Tool Cabinet** You will note that Eugene has left space for Stanley No1 and No2 planes – so if you know of any going cheap!



## Trevor Pope - Ring box

– Karee – *Searsia Lancea* – 60 mm diam.

My daughter is getting married this month, so to store the rings for the ceremony, prior to the ring exchange, I made a small turned box. The names of the bride and groom are engraved on the lid, facing in opposite directions, so there is no favouritism as to who is first. The rings are held in a foam cushion, with a suede covering, which is removable, so the box can be repurposed, if required. The rings shown are antique rings to show the scale of the box – they are not the ones for the ceremony.





**David Moon** reports as follows "I have just completed an *avant-garde* chair based on a design by Jerry Brigham. I made this out of iroko wood which challenged the sharpness of all my tools, but the finished product turned out OK."



### **Herman's Brand-new Antique.**

The photos show a real fun project that I tackled. I had some tiny scraps of yellow wood left over from restoring/building a bench from a ~200-year-old farmhouse roof beam. These were destined for the proverbial fire wood pile.

However, there were still some pieces with the outside skin showing the original outer wood texture.

So I decided to make a box. I had been wanting to make "antique" dovetails. The joints shown use no measuring instruments whatsoever. The only dimensions were taken from the output of my thickener (being the thickest setting that allowed all the wall pieces to be cleaned-up) as well as my bench saw (being the widest setting that made all the pieces parallel). So the depths of the pins and tails were taken from the wall edges. The positioning of the tails were judged by eye, sawn and cut out with a chisel. The pins were marked by using the corresponding set of tails. The lid comprises 5 different pieces of wood "skinned" of various scraps and glued together. I hoped I achieved an authentic appearance.



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**Dave Drummond** reports as follows: I made 3 of these shaker tape settees for my daughters. The 25mm wide, natural cotton tape of 400metres was sourced from Weavewell in CT. 200m was dyed for me by Zamfos Dyer's also in CT. The total cost with postage was just under R9 a metre. The cost in USA is about USD 1.30 a yard before freight so quite happy. Weavewell seems to be the only place in SA that make cotton tape. Learned to weave by watching YouTube.





**Bobby's** wife's request, two coffee tables. Size 410 long x 285 wide x 540 high. Timber used Burmese Teak and oiled with Teak oil  
Happy Wife, Happy Life!



Bottle Stoppers made by **Frans**.  
GREAT FINISH!



Chopping Board made by **Bobby** for donation to Frans' son for the use of his truck and staff for both the Albertskroon and Living Link moves

