

# Monaro Timber NEWS

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## Sign "o" the times

Hello all and welcome to May. I must apologise for the missing sign at the front of our driveway. I know a few people have shot past the drive over the last couple of weeks but I do plan to re-erect it soon. With the new name on it too. The reason the sign is gone is quite simple. Some bloke in a truck left the "business" down the front and then ran into our sign post. He must have been enjoying the euphoria of his previous half hour and didn't see where he was going! He was on such a high he kept going and was last seen heading to Melbourne.

In fact I do have all my letters and logos cut up to revamp the signage around the place but we have been pretty busy the past month and that's a job we haven't managed to get to yet. As I said, we will get to it soon.

### The New Guy.

You may have caught Ross on the phone recently when ringing us. He

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is our new staff member, currently working three days a week. Ross has an engineering background and has also run his own kitchen manufacturing business. On top of that, he has recently completed the furniture making course at Sturt in Mittagong. Sturt has gained a reputation for producing some very talented makers, however, Ross has joined us to help out with timber sales, paperwork and general yard work. Welcome aboard Ross.

### Triton Night.

A couple of nights back I was guest speaker a meeting of the Triton Club. The Triton Club get a good turn out at their meetings, probably around seventy or eighty at the last one. I waxed on about timber, grain, figure, sizes, species etc, then after a cuppa we had question time. Talking timber doesn't sound too exciting but the evening managed to go for about three hours so it couldn't have been too bad. Everytime I meet up with

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groups like this I learn a few things too. Doesn't matter whether the people are professionals or hobbyists, they all have some knowledge to offer. In fact I think that sometimes hobby woodworkers come up with some better little tricks because they often have more time to play around in their workshop and find out things. The rest of us are too busy trying to get the job finished and paid for! Thankyou Triton Club for inviting me to your meeting.

### New Stock.

We have plenty of Jarrah on hand at the moment in 150mm widths. Also new in is more Spotted Gum, Danta, Rock Maple, Brazilian Mahogany, Ash, Red Stringy Bark, Blue Gum, Jelutong, Blackwood in 150 x 38 and more. There are packs of Qld Maple, Blue Gum, and Blackwood on order too. See you in the shavings.

Cheers *Shaun*