# **Trad Tools**

May 2021

The Traditional Tools Group Inc www.tttg.org.au

The latest information from TTTG

The "update" to *NEWS* Magazine Emailed all members every month.

All TTTG publications are digital.
All TTTG publications are emailed.
All financial members are sent all
TTTG publications by Mailchimp.

## What's going on?

#### **Bob Crosbie TTTG Publications Editor**

The TTTG journal *NEWS 168* will be emailed to all members by Mailchimp in May 2021.

All publications will be sent to the member's email address.

TTTG has survived over a year of COVID-19.

TTTG has "traded through" the crisis.

TTTG is financially sound.

The "Real Skills" Workshops are well attended.

**Due to COVID restrictions:** 

The 2021 Sydney Tool Sale was cancelled.

The 2021 Sydney Wood Show was cancelled.

# Workshops

May 9 Saw Sharpening

June 20 Grandad's Tools

July 18 Hand Cut Dovetails

August 22 Sharpening Planes

September 19 Routers & Trimmers

Sundays Register and pay online \$60

## What's Next?

Sunday May 16 TOOL SALE AT OETH 9.00am

Sunday June 13 TTTG MEETING 2.00pm

## Old Tools Wanted

TTTG buys old tools and accepts donations.
TTTG can sell old tools "on consignment".
The chance for tools to find a good home!

## Final Words

*Trad Tools* includes a "For Sale" page. TTTG members can list tools for sale.

*Trad Tools* is a supplement to *NEWS*.

## For Sale

Woodfast 24-inch Jigsaw (Scroll Saw)

Excellent condition \$195

Old Tools sold at each TTTG Meeting.

Sharp Oil \$6 a bottle

Citric Acid \$5 a jar

Plane Handles \$10 each

Plane Knobs \$10 each

### 2021 May to September "Real Skills" Workshops

#### \*Saw Sharpening

#### Sunday 9 May 2021

#### How to sharpen hand saws

Filing and setting rip and crosscut saws. Handsaws, tenon saws and dovetail saws. The saw sharpening tools you need. Understanding tooth geometry and "set".

Picking a quality saw. Cleaning old saws.

#### Sunday 20 June 2021

#### \*Grand Dad's Tools

#### The essential woodworking tools

The hand tools you really need. Planes, saws, squares and gauges, chisels.

Measuring and marking out skills.

How to use these essential tools.

What are the best tools, old or new tools?

What you really need Grand Dad might have!

You don't need to throw money at it

#### \*Hand Cut Dovetails

#### Sunday 18 July 2021

#### Making dovetails with traditional tools.

Sharpening dovetail saws and chisels.

Setting out dovetail joints.

Using the cutting gauge.

Dovetail pitch and templates.

Using the coping saw.

Fitting and gluing dovetail joints.

# \*Sharpening/using Planes & Chisels Sunday 22 August 2021 What is Sharp? How do chisels and plane blades cut?

Grinding and Honing Angles.

Taking an edge tool from blunt to razor sharp.

Traditional methods to achieve a razor-sharp edge.

Using a Pedestal grinder. Soft and sharp wheels.

Using Oilstones and Diamond Plates.

No expensive jigs. Eclipse Honing Guide.

What you really need you probably have!

#### \*Using Routers and Trimmers

Sunday 19 September 2021

Routers, Trimmers and Router cutters.

What routers can do.

Home-made Router Jigs.

Commercial Router Jigs.

Working safely with Routers.

#### **Real Skills Workshops**

Only TTTG offers courses like this one in March 2021

#### Repairing and Using Moulding Planes

Ten participants, all actively engaged and leaving keen to learn more.

Compare this to some of the classes offered by a high-profile organisation. Marketing on the back of the right to repair movement but offering what?

Tool Abuse 101 in contrast to TTTG offering Real Skills!

**Real Skills** classes are not restricted to "the unplugged experience". TTTG classes promote safe hand tool skills and machine tool skills. TTTG promotes the use of the "best tool for the job; old tool or new tool.

**Real Skills** classes have the sub theme **Don't throw money at it**.

All TTTG classes include suggestions on buying "old and new" tools.

## TTTG Real Skills Workshops \$60

#**Enrol Online** All enrolments are online

No "pay on the day"

No refunds

**#What to wear** Enclosed shoes

Sensible clean clothing

#What not to wear Heavy Industrial clothing

Nail bags

#What to bring Lunch

**#Can I bring my tools?** Yes, but "use TTTG tools"

The classes start at 9.30am after "sign on" from 9.15am. Lunch is around 12.30pm and the class finishes by 3pm.

The TTTG Workshop is a compact learning space. There are no chairs to minimise "trip hazards".