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Presidential Ponderings

It is almost the middle of January 2020 as I write this, but not too late to wish you a happy and healthy New Year and hope that it brings for you and yours all that you would wish it to.

Before Christmas, I did my workshop over with a major spring clean. If you haven't done one recently, I recommend you do the same because, if you're like me you'll come across things that you thought you had lost forever, found things that you didn't even know you had, and uncovered others that you no longer have a need for. What to do with this last lot is a problem. They're too good to throw out but are taking up space wanted for other things. Surely somebody has a need for a centre steady or a grinding platform or a few plastic containers and so on and so on, but how do I find out who they are? Here is a little job for us to sort out during the year.

Also before Christmas, I had a good look at our new website. Some important finishing touches are still needed but it is shaping up well and has the potential to be a very good tool for us all. Training for some members of the COM will begin this month before being extended to groups and from groups to members. Start thinking now about who in your group is going to manage your web entry and who is going to train the members in your group in its use.

The first WAWA workshop for the year, Saturday 15 February at Wandi, is shaping up to be an absolute cracker. Miss it and you will have missed something good! The segmenters and embellisher will make their joint debut with an exciting demonstration program and what looks like being an equally exciting show-and-tell display. Vaughn Richmond has been given the challenge in the afternoon of embellishing a segmented item produced in the morning. That should generate a most interesting and enlightening day. An added attraction is the LED lighting installed in the workshop that the Wandi people hope you will come and admire, and do note that the meeting room is now fully air-conditioned so that you can enjoy the proceedings in comfort.

That hasn't been the case with the victims of the disastrous bushfires impacting much of eastern Australia. I encourage you to be generous in your support but cautious in your selection of support agencies. And do give thought for the trees destroyed in the blaze. WAWA will want to make a collective response once the situation becomes much clearer and would appreciate any suggestions that you may have.

In the meantime, do enjoy your wood turning but do take care while you do so. Let 2020 be safe year as well as a happy and healthy one.

Jim

Registrar's Ramblings

New Members

We welcome the following members to the Association:

Frank Riolo 3174 Swan
Mark Douglas 3175 Swan
Frank De Mattia 3176 Bunbury
Sam Oldfield 3177 Busselton
Will Oldfield 3178 Busselton

A note to group secretaries and all members requiring a new name badge or cloth badge, please contact me for those items.

Also ... PLEASE remember to advise of email changes.

Barbara Jennings, Registrar

Editor's Epistle

I've added the competition items to the back page. The Gosnells competition item has an image to show design intentions and Busselton competition item has a diagram showing the required measurements and design. These documents have been distributed to groups.

Would each workshop host PLEASE appoint a scribe to take notes of the their workshop proceedings for inclusion in the newsletter.

Andrea McCandlish, Editor

Bunbury Workshop Notes

The Group held its Weekend Workshop at Dardanup on the 16th.Nov.

The weather gods certainly had a scowl on their faces that day. Both the humidity and

temperature had a fair dinkum ding dong race to see who could break records for the day. (editor's note: the temp was a refreshing change as it was 44C at my home base and still 38C when I got home at 8.45pm!!)

By about lunch time our lovely lady volunteers in the kitchen began to look like Snowmen? Err ... Snow ladies on the Equator, despite all this they did a fantastic job, so every body got fed and watered.

From all of us at the workshop, Thankyou Ladies.

From (L to R) Rose Jordan, Sarah Mellar, Mary McFadyen, Jane Flower, Anne Laidler.



Despite the unbearable weather conditions, the Weekend Workshop was a success with just over 100 attendees treated to a splendid show of turning by masters of the Art:-

Barbara Jennings, Neil Turner and Rudy Goh.

Neil was first cab of the rank with a very simple but elegant demonstration of using a bowl gouge to create a thin section hollow form, completing the work with delicate draw and sheer cuts, which almost negated the need for sanding.

This was followed, using materials literally taken from the off cuts and reject material, from previous works to create ring holders. Again with elegance and grace in design and proportion and delicate tool work.

Neil was followed by the inimitable Ruddy Goh who produced as only Ruddy can, something completely different, a 3D log cabin, just about big enough to house a mouse or two, but made up of 90 very carefully machined and cut pieces. Yours truly has a copy of the plans, but I am still bamboozled.

And last but certain not least, Barbara Jennings who proceeded to chuck a wobbly ???

No not that, had wobbly chuck, oh damn help somebody... oh an eccentric chuck....thanks Casper.

I think Barbara must have the eyes of an eagle and strike speed of a cobra. I was three rows back from her lathe, but still felt I had to count my fingers at the end of her demo.

I would very seriously recommend that should your group get even the slightest chance to see one of her demos, grab it with both hands. Even if you have to beg, bribe or invite her to your group under false pretences.

News From the Groups

Avon—Toodyay Tattles

We at Avon hope all had a great Christmas and a good start to the New Year.

Things have been going along quietly at Avon.

Yours truly spent most of the time since last issue in Tasmania where I saw some beautiful woodturning and of course the Wall in the Wilderness. What a beautiful experience The Wall was.

Some how, some Tassie timber found its way home.

We had our meeting soon after I came home and we were looking for a project for the future. Some time ago, Avon crafted several small bowls and these were given to Silver Chain compete with sweets for some of the pensioners around the place. It was also decided to hold a Raffle in February for the fire victims in the East with a number of turners donating some thing towards the prizes.

It was decided that we wouldn't have a Christmas windup but wait and have a bbq breakfast when we kick off again on the 19th January.

Finally we have our dust extractor close to being finished. It has been operational but the finishing touches needed to be done. Finally we got around to gyprocking the room and this has been very effective in cutting down noise in the shed.

We are now looking at purchasing a couple of industrial fans for a bit of air movement in summer.

We have requested a break from having a Workshop this year as with only a small group it is difficult to find help with most of the happenings on the day. Another few members would definitely be a help.

Anyway, that is about all from Avon at the moment, so remember our Motto: DONT DRIVE TIRED.

The Tattler

Bunbury Bits

Hello All and greetings once again from our little piece of paradise.

Well 2019 has quietly slipped away leaving us with Twenty-Twenty, can that be right? For some reason it seems to ring a faint bell some where...Oh Well.

The group has had a fairly quiet end to the year, except for two notable occasions.

On the 26th. Oct. Ken Wraight, the genius of ornate turning, held a demonstration at the Group's club rooms,

And on the 16th. Nov. the Group conducted its Weekend Workshop at Dardanup, just south of Bunbury.

Ken Wraight's work can only be described as "engineering in wood" due to its complexity and precision. His finished pieces are delicate and awe inspiring, almost to the point of being ethereal.

Those fortunate enough to gain a place to this demonstration where absolutely overwhelmed by what they saw, and even startled by their own efforts and skills.

Should your Group have an opportunity have Ken visit your club, grab it with both hands.



(LtoR). Barry Laidler, Ken Wraight, Lyn Poli, Jono Flower, Glenys Hough, Linda Brumby and Jock MacFadyen.

The Ghost Writer

Special Interest Groups Weekend Workshop

The Pavilion, Wandi Community Centre De Haer Road, Wandi Saturday 15th Feb 2020

Convenors: Segmenters—Syd Harvey Embellishers—Robin Campbell Safety Officer: Bob Malacari MC: Jim Cameron

Competition Item: Artwork/sculpture – free standing or wall art style, incorporating contemporary turning with embellishments and/or segmenting to enhance the design. Judging will use artistic criteria.

Trade Stalls: P-Square Agencies; Bruce & Sam Jackson Timbers; Allan Williams; Graham Turner; Ray Woodcock

Programme

0700- 0800-0900	Set up Registration		
0830-0900	Fellowship		
0900-0905	Welcome – Jim Cameron		
0905-1000	Session 1 – The segmenters in review, with Syd Harvey		
1000-1030	Morning tea		
1030-1130	Session 2 – The segmenters on parade (various)		
1130-1200	Session 3 – Embellishing - a glimpse of possibilities, with Robin Campbell		
1200-1215	President's Forum		
1215-1315	Lunch – hamburger & salad		
1230-1315	Lunchtime display: Embellishers and segmenters at work		
1300	Competition voting closes		
1315-1515	Session 4 - Vaughan Richmond		
1515-1545	Afternoon tea		
1545	Raffle draw/Competition results		
1600	Pack up – all helping hands appreciated.		
Collie to arrange trailer pick-up			

Gosnells

(editor's note: this tribute was inadvertently missed out last edition in the team effort to produce the newsletter)

VALE - Barry Mayfield 18.10.1946 - 20.06.2019 Member #1470

One of our past members, Barry Mayfield passed away suddenly on June 20th, 2019. Barry hadn't attended the Gosnells club for several years as his wife Dixie had been battling cancer, before succumbing to the fight on October 26th, 2015, just prior to their 40th wedding anniversary. Although he had chosen to spend time with Dixie over time at the club, he never lost his interest in wood turning. Having worked for the Water Corporation for 34 years, during which time he travelled all over the state he had gained an obsession with accumulating timber. Barry passed away unexpectedly at the age of 72 on June 20th this year.

By chance, whilst sorting out the estate, his daughter Michelle advertised his wood turning gear on Facebook Marketplace which was spotted by Rob Woodward and he and Ian Hamilton went to check it out on behalf of the Gosnells club. Michelle had Barry's membership badge by which we were able to track down as him being a previous Gosnells club member.

Gosnells club and members would like to sincerely thank Michelle who looked after our group with primary access to his gear and a copious quantity of timber.

We removed 1.1/2 ute loads and a 6x4 trailer load of turning wood and this still left a shed full of mainly firewood and timber at the side of his house, plus more at a house in Lesmurdie. Members also purchased a VL300 Vicmarc lathe, Bandsaw, an enormous amount of tools and project parts. Although many of our members hadn't met Barry, those that had said he was a very good turner and he continues to support us even in death. Barry's grandson and great grandson will most likely be joining the Gosnells club due to his influence by teaching them turning.



Thanks again and Rest in Peace Barry.

Mandurah Memo

This latest period has many items of major significance for our group, some surprising and some sad.

One of our long associate and beloved members, Bill Blanken's wife Nell died early in December. Nell was a really lovely lady and was loved by all the group. Nell and Bill attended all the group meetings and weekend workshops. Bill is known for beautiful segmented items and Nell was a talented artisan, and would embellish some of Bill's work. At Nell's funeral, which was attended by many, many people, 30% percent were from our Mandurah Group. Oh, by the way, did I mention Nell's Fantastically delicious Dutch Apple cake, she often brought one to our meetings. God rest you Nell, we all miss you.

We had a lovely Christmas Dinner and were honoured with Jim Cameron and his wife as our special guests. We were pleased to have him present two inaugural awards to two very deserving members of the Mandurah Group.

These awards were not for woodturning excellence but for services to the Group. First was Clubman of the year2019-2020. This award represents the services to the Group in helping with

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the setup and preparing fixtures and improving the shop. The text of his award is as follows:

Awarded to Col Smith for his services to the Mandurah Woodturners Group for the year 2019.

Helping in many ways with the layout of the tools for each lathe station. Being on hand to support other, also projects for the group, with his welding and procurement of specialised tools and equipment. On-line orders were handled with ease.

The timber display wall of individual woods has been a boon to woodturners in determining what appears of wood they are using as desire. The layout and manner of

determining what species of wood they are using or desire. The layout and manner of design allows for re-positioning of the timber samples as may be required.

Jobs large and small were no trouble and were handled in a timely manner.

His immense skills experience has been valuable to the Group.

Col attends most demonstration at Group level, he has recorded many competition entries for our Mandurah Group.

I am pleased to present this award to

<u>Col Smith</u> Congratulations

The Second award Presented that night was the Inaugural <u>Jeff Tills Award</u> as follows:

Presented with honour to John Selfe

Awarded to John Selfe for his services to the Mandurah Woodturners Group for many years. In many ways, John has by demonstrating, with high standards at many weekend workshops, helping at Royal Shows, at schools, the Pinjarra Markets, Yarloop Machinery shows, helping at Bunnings sausage sizzles and other Group Functions.

John has also audited the Mandurah Woodturning Group Financial Records for many years.

His empathetic manner shows an ability to understand and share the feelings of another with patience and care, he has often given helpful advice.

He manages the club display cabinets at various libraries and other public spaces, to promote our Group.

You have served the Mandurah Woodturning Group with distinction.
I am pleased to present this award to

<u>John Selfe</u>

Congratulations

John Self has been a very busy and regular member of the Mandurah and is highly regarded by the group. His Membership Number of 937 signifies a long standing membership of the woodturning fraternity.

Marjory Tills, Jeff Tills' wife was another guest at our dinner. Jeff was an inaugural member of our group and served in many capacities for many years. The award keeps his memory alive.

Prior to our dinner we held several demonstrations of clock making by Frank Evans, Hourglasses by Bruce Jackson.

This Years Awards presented at our Dinner were:

End of year comp results

Open-1st Col Smith, 2nd Lynsay Dunning, 3rd Bruce Jackson Novice- 1st Kerry Nicholls, 2nd Terry Nicholls, 3rd Hellen Garrett. Most Popular- 1st Col Smith, 2nd Lynsay Dunning, 3rd Kerry Nicholls. Most improved- Hellen Garrett. Encouragement award- Irene Tienhoven Most Popular on the dinner night Perpetual Trophy- 1st Frank Evans, 2nd Lynsay Dunning, 3rd Col Smith

Happy New Year

Jon

Manjimup Matters

2019 finished on a rather warm note when the Cherry Festival was held on a 39 degree day, which is pretty hot for Manjimup. As a consequence, the number of visitors for the Festival was down on recent years and the festivities were pretty much over by 2 o'clock. We were lucky as our display was set up in the Town Hall which is air conditioned, so we were fairly comfortable.

Our club activities finished with a sit down lunch and Christmas celebration in our workshop. Quite a few wives, and some of our sponsors joined in our celebrations. Members self-catered for the event, and it was deemed a huge success. In the past we have had a stand up lunch, with people just wandering about, plate in hand. A "proper" sit-down meal was so much better.

Unfortunately, the year ended on a sad note with the passing of former member Bert Piggott on Christmas Day. Bert and his wife Peg moved to Bunbury about a year ago to be close to family when Bert's health deteriorated. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Our 2020 activities began on Thursday 2nd January. The new Electrical museum – "Power Up" – has also been opened, together with a café in the new building. Hopefully this will mean a few more visitors to our workshop.

All that remains is for the Manjimup members to wish you all a safe and healthy New Year.

Yvonne P

Melville Mutterings

23rd Oct – This week's program was to promote our members with the liveliness of their imagination for the upcoming competition item for the Bunbury Weekend Workshop. It was our committee's idea that everyone would hopefully "smoke" the competition, so we had a guest turner who is arguably one of the best pyrography artist in the state and a very good embellishing artist also, Robin Campbell (Wanda member) gave us some inside tips and techniques, so many to list here. An extremely informative and interesting presentation.

Rob Snowden presented S & T that included urn entries from the last weekend workshop, as well as completed Angels and flour scoops from our previous hands on.

30th Oct – For the second week in a row we had a guest turner, Kevin Luff and it was a packed room with latecomers in the standing room area. Kevin held the group in awe of his skills in turning a cabriole style leg wit and offset method. Along the way he provide tips and explanations for all skill level of turners. Of particular help was where to get good equipment from at reasonable prices. With the leg completed and with about 20 minutes to spare Kevin then turned a lidded box with a great economy of holding and tool use. It was clear to all present form the skill he showed why he is a highly sought after professional turner. Normal show and tell was highlighted by Denis Tapley showing his winning entry from segmented bowl competition and his highly deserved awards from the WAWA AGM.

6th Nov – On Wednesday we had Icicles on the menu for the demonstration (a request was made prior to our meeting those members that won on the Melbourne cup to bring champagne bought from their winnings, we'll chill it). George Kieliger showed us his way of making icicles, colouring and gilding them (The Midas touch!). George showed us Icicles he had done previously and explained that they where actually finials hung upside down. Another tip he gave that was by painting one hides turning imperfections. Woods he used was a broom handle but also said thin tree branches were ideal. George then proceeded to turn an icicle using spinal gauges cutting various beads and coves. A very entertaining demo with humour thanks George.

13th Nov – Ian Ludford demonstrated today showing how to make quite spectacular hanging Christmas ornaments. The basic concept of a central "bauble" with a long and short "finial" at the bottom and top respectively allows for very creative designs. Ian had several quite spectacular examples he had done previously and proceeded to then turn one based on a decorated sphere as bauble and then spindle turned the top and bottom finials. The clever use

of counter sunk tenon and socket produces an almost perfect join. The show and tell was ably conducted by Graham Simon.

20th Nov – Hands on day with the topic of repeating Ian Ludford's demo of the previous week. Good participation by those attending and results reflected Ian's presentation. Hands on so no S & T today.

27th Nov - This week is was a demonstration with the theme being "Inspiring members to embrace the opportunity to venture into the world of abstract art; to try something new, even though it may not serve any function except to look good!". The catalyst was Denis Tapley on sharing ideas by showing our members a variety of artistic photo samples taking from the internet, then Allan Williams started by showing items on using Pyrography and resins to enhance your work.

Show and tell included items (prize winning!) from the recent Bunbury Weekend workshop and some nice Christmas ornaments from last week's hands on. Once again some of our members got rewarded taking out places in all divisions. Denis Tapley was awarded the special perpetual trophy for 2019.



Dennis Tapley being congratulated by Bernard Boycott (deputy convenor)

4th Dec – The program for today started early with our members filling and then wrapping lolly bowls that we donate to charity organisations. After packing away the lolly bowls, Dennis Tapley continued our meeting explaining the propose of our next January meeting which will be a challenge of turning a self design piece that will be critiqued by our experience judges.

Pieces will be judged on the following, simplicity in turning, style, high quality finish and design.

So go to it members during our Christmas break.

Dennis proceeded to do his demonstration of turning his self design square edged bowl with a lid and finial, followed by turning a piece of conifer that had a variety of grain directions. This piece he turned to form a vortex bowl that was very pleasing to the eye. Well done Dennis.

Our final S & T for this year was presented by Geoff Shaw with eye catching items, plus some ideas for future Christmas toys.

11th December - The last group meeting for the year was our annual Toy and Lolly Bowl hand



over. Silver Chain were the recipients of 100 bowls filled with lollies donated by two Local IGA stores. There were over 350 toys of all shapes and forms including soft toys, all being made and donated by members and their spouses. These toys were split between three organizations, Parkerville Youth and Child Care, Mercy Care and Wanslea Family Care. The meeting was attended by the Melville City Mayor and the Community Liaison Officer from the council along with

representatives from the recipient organizations. Following the formalities morning tea and coffee with scones and jam allowed all those present to socialize.



12th December - The wind up Christmas lunch was held at the East Fremantle Yacht Club dining room overlooking the Swan River. 78 members and partners attended with the WAWA President and his wife as honoured guests. The Convener summed up the past year and thank those who had contributed to the group during the year in administration, helping out and participating in group and WAWA activities. As in past years the bottles of wine offered from the lucky seat raffle were spread evenly around the tables. Despite the hot weather and some air-conditioning problems members were able to socialize in the relaxed format and it was a fitting way to end a successful year by the group.

RH

Special Interest Groups

KENT STREET WEIR, CANNINGTON, 1 DECEMBER, 2019.

It was a grand day, enjoyed by all. Present were Syd and Sheryl Harvey, Ross and Marilyn Flint, Noel Moyes, Ian and Kaye Hamilton, Aiton and Pauline Sheppard, Bob and Sue Hammett, Rob and Jean Woodward, Brian and Maureen Caplan, and Dave McLaughlin. Apologies were received from Ray and Thelma York, Joe and Deanna Clark, Trevor Flynn, and Don and Tina Clarke.

Syd welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. He mentioned that a friend at Mt Barker has old Jarrah, cut into 600mm lengths, which is available for collection. It was decided to take trailers down and collect some for our use and for sale to raise funds. Syd will co-ordinate this

WAWA GRANT

The \$1500 the Segmenters and other Special Interest Groups received as start-up funding from WAWA after the COM meeting on 13 November has been credited to Melville's accounts, where it will be held for our use. Syd will deposit the \$100 he holds from our Gosnells Workshop into our account with Melville before it is forgotten.

Syd raised concerns about the inaccuracy of his new DeWalt compound mitre saw, which he has returned to the supplier. Ross tabled specifications for Festo, Bosch and Makita saws. They all specified margins of error up to one degree which, when compounded, is not acceptable for segmenting. It was unanimously agreed that we will not rush. Ross will consult further with Ron Mack Machinery and Timbercon. Meanwhile we will continue to make up a sled and test our restored table saw/buzzer for accuracy. With hindsight a compound mitre saw may not be the best option and we do not intend wasting our WAWA funding.

Ross has serviced and painted the motor Charlie Totten (Joondalup/Wanneroo Group) donated. It will be ideal for our table saw/buzzer, so he won't get it back now.

FEBRUARY WORKSHOP

Syd and John Quartermaine have had preliminary discussions. A sub-committee is to be formed to come up with firm proposals before the beginning of January. A meeting of all who are interested are invited to attend a brief meeting at 1030 on Tuesday 10 December, 2019, at Melville clubrooms. Members of the DERSIG will attend and it is noted that Ian Hamilton is now the Workshops Co-ordinator on COM.

A series of more hands-on demos could be run in the various rooms at Wandi. If the subcommittee gains the support of special interest group members, who are also Wandi members and are prepared to co-ordinate the workshop with help from other special interest group members, the workshop could be a different, interesting and exciting event.

FUTURE TOPICS & DEMOS

Jeff's talk on design and demo of his drum sander. Jeff has not renewed his membership for 2020, so this one is unlikely to happen.

Hands-on exercise in a simple feature ring design, cutting and construction.

NEXT GATHERINGS & EVENTS

Meeting at 1030 on Tuesday 10 December, 2019, at Melville clubrooms to discuss the February

2020 workshop at Wandi.

Saturday 22 February, 2020, Special Interest Groups' Workshop at Wandi. The competition item is an artwork/sculpture – "free standing or wall art style, incorporating contemporary turning with embellishments &/or segmenting to enhance the design". It will be judged using artistic criteria. Don Clarke, Joe Clark and Aiton Sheppard are apologies.

Aiton

Embellishers

The next module for embellishment will commence at Wandi in February on alternate Friday mornings.

The dates are 7th Feb; 21st Feb; 13th March; 27th March.

We will cover texturing in this module. It will include Dremel, Proxxon/Merlin, Texturing tools, texturing paste and others as time permits.

You will need to turn some basic stuff for use during the course (but not your best wood) as you will be learning some new tricks we hope.

You will receive notification of what is required by email, and you will be provided with some detailed notes as we go through the course. It will be structured so be prepared to be doing what everyone else is doing..

If you are interested in attending please notify me by email on sievol1@bigpond.com.

For those wishing to do resin work our intention is to resume on the first Friday of the month at Wandi, but this will not happen until we have our locker sorted and we have set up a drying area for the group. Probably looking at kicking off in April. Again email contact if you are interested on the above address.

Robin

Swan Snippets

Fun for all was had when the Swan Group held our last Hands on Tim Tam Competition for the year. Brian Kirkby set the item (a small lidded box with finial) supplied the wood and organised the team leaders. Each team had three members and each member had 20 minutes to do their bit of turning. It is starting to get serious when members have measurements. Teams try to distract other teams. Much noise, dust and laughter created some fun. Thanks Brian for your hands on programme for the year.

It looked a lot like Christmas with Mary Byers setting the start of the Christmas theme for our woodturning demonstrations. Mary had a number of Christmas trees to hand around but proceeded to turn Christmas trees by way of the ring turning process. A round blank held between centres and the outside of the tree profile turned on both sides of the blank. Then band sawed into small sections creating many flat sided trees.

Bruce Shephard demonstrated a walking stick. Firstly making the cane length from hard wood as long spindle turning. Then fashioning the handle from contrasting wood. An interesting method of connecting the cane and handle was shown. Bruce has challenged us all to make one as he says we will all need a walking stick in time. LOL

Christmas Trio of turners, Bernard Horton turned a snowman, Ted Garden turned a bell followed by Ted Stewart-Wynne turning an angel. Great to see two of these turners who haven't been up the front doing a demo before. As you all know the first demo is the hardest. All three ideas are great to make for decorations for your tree or to give away. Well done.

The Christmas theme continued with Shelley Piang-Nee doing her first demo at the group. Her

subject was an angel. There was a host of angels she had previously made on display. Well done Shelley for a smooth and interesting take on turning an angel. Ian Moss then made turning a snowman look easy. The moustache, top hat and button ideas made the snowman look very distinguished.

Brian Kirkby showed his skill at turning a Christmas decoration using the inside out method. The inside of the ornament was turned first, once the shape is achieved it is sanded and finished. Then the four pieces are split apart, arranged so that what was once the inside now becomes the outside of the ornament. Then the four pieces are permanently glued back together and the outside is turned. Brian then glued a decorated Christmas tree (into the formed hole in the centre) to stand proud in the middle. A table decoration to impress.

The Swan Group has been out and about turning at both the Darlington Arts Festival and Bunnings Midland. It is great to see the traditional art of woodturning being on display to the public. Maybe someday someone will join our group having watched us turn at these type of events.

Swan Group Competition Winners: Congratulations to our winners

Wide Rimmed Bowl with Embellishment: Intermediate 1st Elison Corstorphan 2nd Neil George

Advanced 1st Bruce Shephard & Ian Moss 2nd Brian Kirkby 3rd

We held our annual Christmas BBQ and Trophy night at our club rooms in early Dec. Many members all pitched in in so many ways to make our night a success. Lucky seat prize, Show and Tell Competition, Quiz Competition, Spinning Top Competition and our lovely raffle, meat packs, lovely salads, desserts along with such good company made for a wonderful night. The hall had been decked out with Christmas colour, wonderful talented place cards and name tags were made by Suzanne Kirkby and these certainly caught the eyes of the people present.

It has been some years since the Swan group recognised some of the sterling effort that has been put into our group by a number of members. So we decided it was high time we addressed this. Five Swan members were presented with a WAWA Merit Award for their outstanding contributions over the years to the Swan group as well as WAWA more generally. We are so proud of these five members and thank them for their commitment to the art and craft of Woodturning and their help and assistance they have given. Ted Stewart-Wynne, Don Clarke, Joe Clark, Chris Allen and Richard Barkman. Many thanks gentlemen.

The accumulated points for our group competition entries over the year resulted in the following trophy winners.

Novice Trophy was won by Michael Stronach. **Intermediate Trophy** was won by Elison Corstorphan. **Advanced Trophy** was won by Bruce Shephard.

The Erick Walker Trophy (for the most demonstrations in the year) was won by lan Moss.

The Peter Low Perpetual Platter was awarded to lan Moss as well as the Show & Tell Trophy.

Well done to our winners.

Rest up, safe Christmas and New Year, come back ready for another fun year.

Mary Byers

... and the winner is ... Lindsey Ford!!!



Wandi

VALE Graham Lewis, 1855

I regret to announce the death this morning, 14 January 2020, of member number 1855 Graham Lewis OAM JP, initially a turner with the Liddelow group and then Gosnells before he made his home at Wandi. Graham followed Gordon Ward and Jack de Vos as Wandi's in-house trainer and for many years looked after the Tuesday/Monday hands-on group which commonly had up to a dozen learners at a time. Graham was one of the best trainers of adults that I encountered in nearly a half-century of training people how to teach — always impeccably prepared, patient, attentive, and insistent on his high standards and always with a highly refined and personalised instructional technique. He was my trainer as well as my good friend. We will miss his presence greatly but his legacy will live on, if only through his students' sharp and shiny tools and the quality of their finished work.

Jim Cameron	
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Other Notices	

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WAWA members are invited to an all-day demonstration by Neil Turner hosted by the Melville Group.

The Saturday 8th of February demonstration day has 5 separate elements that be presented Neil Turner.

The elements are as follows

- 1. A curved bowl form which will be carved on the outside small elevated base. Talking about timber selection, wall thickness, form and function, inspiration for the piece, finish, sharpening grind angles.
- 2. Cake stand 3 components 300mm top, stem, 150mm base purely turned covering elements of design, use of template explaining the process.
- 3. Tools you can use to achieve thin wall vessels use of scrapers, hollowing tools, spindle gouges, bowl gouges. Techniques to achieve even wall thickness measuring devices and the process as well as timber selection. Tools and burs to pierce if time permits.
- 4. Turn a grain spoon, turning process, chucking method, use of speed control to negate vibration, design consideration to bear in mind. e.g. left handed or right handed carving burrs and machinery, sanding equipment
- 5. Turn a chop stick using a different method of tensioning the wood.

This is an outstanding program and should not be missed to be held in the club rooms from 9.00am-4.00pm.

Cost is \$20 includes lunch, tea and coffee. Please book your place by contacting Brian Fowlie on phone 9310 3161 or email bsf33@bigpond.com

COLLIE WEEKEND WORKSHOP

MARGARETTA WILSON CENTRE 99 FORREST ST, COLLIE (OPPOSITE COLES)

Collie Caravan Park offering a discount: 2 people \$30pn 1 person \$25pn. Just show WAWA membership card.

Trade Supplies. Alan Williams, P square Agencies, Bruce Jackson

M C. Dave Saunders.

Competition Item: Goblet with at least 1 captive ring. max 150 mm high, 1 piece of wood, no joins.

Program

07.45	Set up
08.30	Registration and Fellowship
09.00	Welcome and Housekeeping Notices
09.05	Charlie Broadbent TBA
10.30	Morning Tea. Members please bring a plate of goodies
11.00	Frank Evans Lidded Box
12.30	Lunch Choice of Beef or Chicken Burger & salad.
01.00	Competition Voting Closes
01.30	Presidents Forum
01.40	Chris Smith Stingray Bowl
03.00	Afternoon Tea
03.30	Raffle & Competition Results
04.00	Clean up - all help appreciated

Swan to arrange pick-up of trailers

Competition Results

Burbury November 2019

Competition Item: wide-rim bowl with embellishment, 260 > 350mm diam.

NOVICE

- 1. Callan Souter (Gosnells)
- 2. Ian Ludford (Melville)
- 3. Helen Garratt (Mandurah)
- 4. Neil George (Swan)

INTERMEDIATE

- 1. John Quartermaine (Melville)
- 2. Elison Corstorphan (Swan)
- 3. Jukka Lehtonen (Gosnells)
- 4. Ken Morgan (Collie)

ADVANCED

- 1. Jock Macfadyen (Bunbury)
- 2. Chas Broadbent (Busselton)
- 3. Denis Tapley (Melville)
- 4. Barbara Jennings (Busselton)

OPEN

- 1. Jock Macfadyen
- = Chas Broadbent, John Quartermaine
- 3. Denis Tapley
- 4. Barbara Jennings

MOST POPULAR

- 1. Jock Macfadyen
- 2. Ian Ludford
- Chas Broadbent
- 4. = Denis Tapley, Lynsay Dunning (Mandurah)

February 2020

Competition Item:

NOVICE

INTERMEDIATE

ADVANCED

OPEN

MOST POPULAR

Congratulations to all winners and place-getters

Diary Dates

Competition Hosts 2020

February 15th—Special Interest Groups (at Wandi)

Item: Artwork/Sculpture freestanding or wall art style using contemporary turning with embellishments. Judged on artistic criteria.

March 21st—Collie

Item: Goblet with at least 1 captive ring on stem, height 100-150mm, using one piece of wood.

April 18th—Swan

Item: Lidded box, max height 100mm, max diameter 100mm

May 16th—Mandurah

Item: Cup and saucer, life-size

June 20th—Melville

Item: Natural edge vase, height 200—300mm

July 18th—Gosnells (may be changed to coincide with school holidays) Item: Wine bottle & glass holder, photo example available

August—Wood Show

Item: Open, artistic competition

August 15th—Bunbury

Item: an item including inside-out turning, no size restriction

September 19th—Wandi (AGM also)

Item: 3-cornered bowl with stand, lid and finial

October 17th—Joondalup-Wanneroo

Item: Cut and re-assembled item. Judged on artistic criteria.

November 21st—Busselton

Item: Spindle sample as per diagram in training manual. Length 300mm, any type of wood, off-the-tool finish with NO sanding. Judged on turning alone.

WAWA Shopping Centre Displays 2020

Still being negotiated

Brian Fowlie 9310 3161

Geoff Saw 9354 1562

Neil Piper 9399 3723

REMINDER!

The points accumulation for competition commencing at the AGM in September 2019 and running till August 2020.