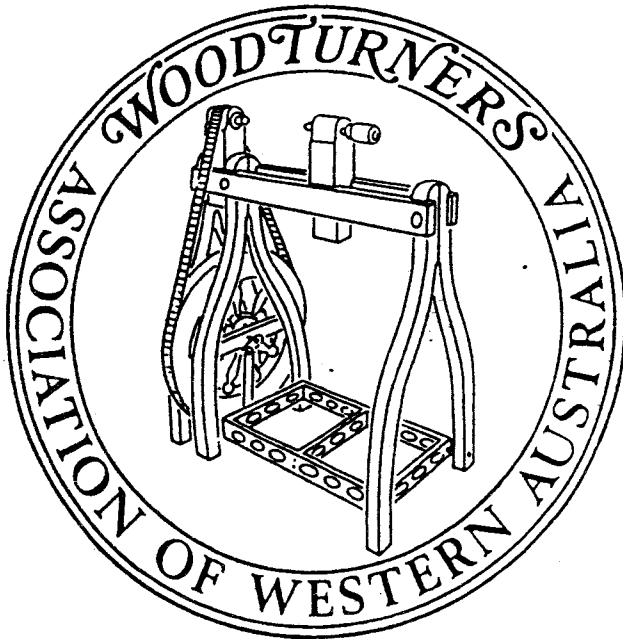


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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR ASSOCIATION

At the last Executive Meeting held 20th July a decision was made to form up a small subcommittee consisting of Milton Rundle (Chairman) Gordon Ward and Geoff Barkla. The Committee will co-opt members to assist in its researches. Ivor Bridges being the first. The Committee has been set up to investigate and report back to the Executive Committee on what is and will be needed to put our Association on a solid footing for its members well being and benefit.

The study covers such matters as to where our Association is now, where are we going and how are we going to get there, what sort of an organisation is needed, what objectives, what activities, how can they be carried out. What sort of an organisation structure will be needed to handle all of these activities now and in the future. Members will no doubt start to see changes in the new 1988.89 year after the present executive has passed on its recommendations to the new Executive

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING BUNBURY SUNDAY SEPT.18th at 10 am

The official Notice of the A.G.M. will be sent to all members. Enclosed with this notice will be copies of any notice of motion, The agenda, proxy forms and nomination forms. Note nominations must reach the returning officer by Friday 9th September.

Committee members whose terms expire this year are M.Rundle, M.Kenny, P.McQueen, B.Marshall, G.Ward, B.Malacari. Elections will be for President, 5 committee members to serve for 2 years and 1 committee member to serve 1 year.

PAM

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Competition</u>
Aug 20	Midland	OPENING x ELECTRICAL STANHOPE GARDENS
Aug 28	Exhibition of Excellence	
Sept 10	Allendale Square	
Sept 17-18	Bunbury	Best Piece of Year
Oct 15-16	Midland	Thin Turning
Nov 19-20	Possibly York	Lidded Box 4" x 4"
Dec ??	Belmont	
Jan 21-22	Kenwick	Candlestick 2 open Candlestick 1 novice
Feb 18-19	Bunbury	Bowls up to 12" Diam.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Reflecting on the achievements of the past 3 years. This has been far and above our original hopes & expectations with assets including a membership which commenced at 25 and is now 525 members. We have 5 grinders, Bandsaw, 3 Lathes, 2 Lathes on permanent loan, 2 TV/Video units, several Video Tapes electric urn and catering equipment, Covered Trailer & many minor items eg. signs, lathe guards etc and a healthy bank balance of aprox \$6000 with renewals due again in September.

I would like to thank the foundation members for their help and support in establishing this Association. Without them we would not have got our Association off the ground. I also appreciate the untiring efforts and support of my wife.

This Association has something unique in that the ladies who are not woodturners are always very welcome and attend our meetings regularly, some even attending group meetings. This is much appreciated by the woodturners. There are not many clubs I know that the members wives are welcome and this fact and the sharing of knowledge and fellowship was one of the things that impressed our recent much travelled guest from America, Del Stubbs who remarked favourably on this fact.

I do not like to single any one person out for thanks but the efforts of the editor and his wife should not go unnoticed. Thank you Ivor & Sherry for an interesting & informative magazine.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members and their partners for their help & support in making our Ass. the success it is today and to thank the members for the way the sawdust & equipment is cleared up and removed after meetings. Many hands make light work.

The Association activities cover a broad range initiated by different members. We have progressed from bi-monthly meetings to monthly meetings and seen the formation of 9 groups within the Association which meet monthly, others fortnightly & one group of fanatics meet weekly!

The exhibition/demonstrations/sale of members work which have been held at several shopping centres, demonstrations

at other functions including Yarloop Steam Festival, Woolarama, Manjimup Timber Festival and various country shows. A demonstration at the Royal Show this year and arranging better prize money for woodturning at the Royal Show. Participation in the Bicentennial Travelling Exhibition and the staging of our own Bicentennial Exhibition at Allandale Square. Establishing and running the Annual Woodbridge Easter Crafts fair on Easter Sunday & Monday giving many crafts people an opportunity to sell & demonstrate their crafts. All these activities give us the chance to contact potential members.

Most importantly we have given W.A. woodturners the chance to attend locally lectures and demonstrations by interstate & overseas woodturners. And last but not least we publish a bimonthly newsletter and special bulletins of information.

A few years ago we didnt know about the woodturner at the end of the street. Thro the efforts of the committee & all members we now know most of the woodturners in our own & other areas of W.A. & this has brought about the sharing of information & knowledge between woodturners and we now have contact with woodturners interstate.

Looking forward, we have formed a sub committee to review the constitution and look into the establishing of a headquarters at Midvale with the generous offer of premises from Cross Electrics and to make an overall plan for the future of the Association.

Now that the Association has grown so large the committee feels a reorganisation of management is needed and to this end Geof Barkla who has had a great deal of experience in this field, both in business & with **ROTARY** has prepared a draft plan of sub committees to streamline management. However there is still a lot of work to be done in this area.

See you all at the Annual General Meeting at Bunbury in September.

Keith.

AGM. BUNBURY SAT. 17TH SUN. 18TH SEPT. 1988.

VENUE: Bunbury Catholic College.
Rodsted St., Bunbury. (off Picton Rd.)

BARBECUE TEA: 6 P.M. Saturday.

A.G.M. MEETING: 10.00 A.M. Sunday.

COMPETITION: OPEN: THE BEST THING MADE THIS
NOVICE: YEAR.

Competition Winners and Show & Tell directly after
A.G.M. Sunday.

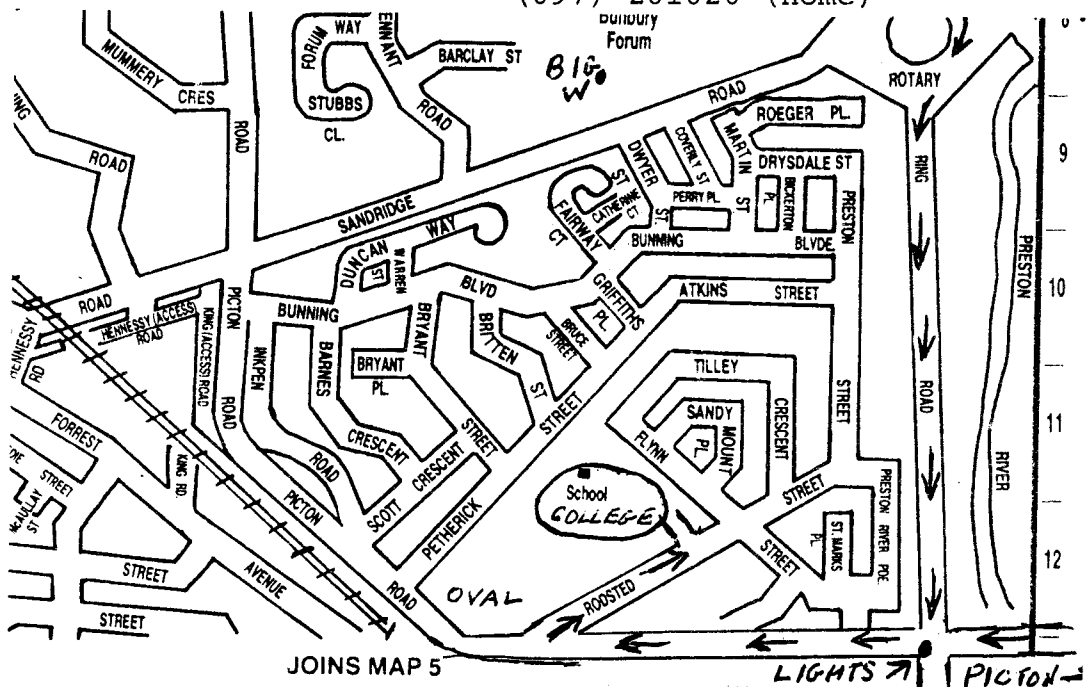
7 P.M. SATURDAY EVENING: Lecture & Film on Chainsaw
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Video Training System.

A decision to purchase two Teac Televideo machines has resulted in these machines being delivered early in August. Keith Stout has been asked to research and purchase appropriate Videos. For the time being Keith will house one machine and all Association tapes. The other machine will go to John Shinnick for the benefit of our Southern members. Members will have to be fair with each video being returned promptly to Keith who will forward promptly the video desired, this of course depends on the prompt return to him of videos.

Videos available

Turning Wood by Richard Raffin
Bowl Turning " Del Stubbs
Video of Mike Darlows Bunbury Show & Tell

On order in Australia available soon

Wood Mill Studios

- A. Wood Turning Lathes Tools and Safety
- B. Grinding and Sharpening
- C. Wood Finishes, Staining and Filling

On order from England Some delay

- A. Bowl Turning By Denis White
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A HONEY DIPPER STORY

Sir,

This story explains why I do not compete in Honey Dipper Competitions or demonstrate turning honey dippers. I did make a beautiful honey dipper, and after a couple of weeks among my favourite turned objects, I decided to put it to good use. After a couple of weeks, the honey went to candy, not ordinary, sensible candy - but ROCK HARD!

I tried to lever it out to no avail, rocking did no good, then I remembered the skew chisel, with which I removed the bee stings at Greenough, as honey comes from the same source as stings. The skew worked, and out came the dipper. We were due to catch a bus for town, rushing a bit for time, I unthinking put the honey dipper in my pocket. On getting into the bus I was abused by the driver because the money was honeyed. I got into trouble from my wife, because the trouser leg kept sticking up at half mast and all the females were giving me the wink because they thought I was showing a leg. Eventually we did what we had to, and caught the bus home, my wife paying the fare.

After being threatened not to use the washing machine to wash my good pants, I went to the dry cleaner for help. He said he'd 'fix it ok if I took my pants off and sat to wait for a while'.

Soon the drycleaning machine started to make queer noises, seized up and caught fire. A butchers shop next door soon burst into flames and a shoe repairer next to him was next to go. I was a bit embarrassed because I had no trousers on so had to hold my singlet down to hide my nakedness. The Butcher took after me, said he'd cut something off, and I knew it WASN'T the honey dipper; the Bootmaker was after my hide.

By this time the Fire Brigade had the shopping centre flooded, and I heard someone yelling out to 'Save the women and kids'. I was having a pretty hard time trying to hold my singlet down, bent over in the effort and trying to find a way out.

Eventually I found my way out up a side street, and saw a patrol car approaching so hid in a bush in a front garden. The bush was full of biting ants, which went for me for the honey on my leg. I had to stay still to stay concealed until the patrol went by.

At last I was able to be on my way, and a little further up the road I spied an urn on the side of the road awaiting the pick up truck but had to leave it as I couldn't handle the urn and hold my singlet down as well, as I proceeded, there was a Holden motor full of push rods which I also had to leave behind, by this time I was well and truly browned off, when a bloke with a hand bag over his arm came along and said "Hello Dearie, Having a nice day?" My answer brought the following comment 'Ooooh Poo to you if your not having a nice day!" I eventually reached home without further incident, found my favourite old wood turning pants, put them on to get stuck into some wood turning to calm my fractured nerves, so that is why I am shy of 'HONEY DIPPERS'.

DIGGER

PS: I can't attend the next meeting as my good trousers got burnt in the shopping centre fire.

PSS: My wife has threatened to change the house locks if I made any more honey dippers!!!

...oooOooo...

The Association Members would like to extend sincere sympathy to the wife and family of Bill Norris who died recently.

His quiet friendliness will be missed by all who knew him.

IVOR BRIDGES

It is with regret that we record the loss of a very keen Association member, namely, the late Ern Clark from Safety Bay. He will certainly be missed, particularly by his local group. We extend our sincere sympathy to his wife, Del, and the rest of the family for their sad loss.

ERN MARGETTS

MANDURAH MEETING

VENUE: Mandurah Senior High School Manual Arts Department

ATTENDANCE: Turners 82
Helpers 64

A fantastic turn out on a very wet and blustery weekend.

What an excellent venue with a very helpful and co-operative Senior Master of Manual Arts making available the wood workshop with its lathes, bandsaw and equipment, also several other rooms and facilities.

A special thanks is due to DICK MORLEY for organising and co-ordinating the weekend workshop not forgetting his very willing and hardworking team of helpers.

The main emphasis of the workshop was on participation so there was plenty of 'hands on' with a team of experienced turners giving tuition where and when requested.

The programme included demonstrations on Tool Sharpening by John Shinnick; log to lathe blank conversion with an Electric chainsaw then to rough turned platter by Keith McQueen; plastic coatings by the scribe - there was always something on the go! If I have missed anyone who I should have mentioned, I apologise - the slight is not intentional. I did not expect to be a stand in for Nancy and was pretty well pre-occupied all weekend.

I can only say that the success of the weekend in terms of camaraderie and fellowship fully justified the long journey to Mandurah that many members made.

Some fine examples of the turners art were exhibited on a very full 'Show and Tell' table our thanks go to Bob Adams for conducting the 'Show and Tell'.

PHOENIX PARK SHOPPING CENTRE

The Melville group will be conducting an exhibition, demonstration and sale of goods at the Phoenix Park Shopping Centre in Spearwood. This, by the way, is a very big and modern centre. The starting date is Monday, 7th November, going through to Saturday, 12th. Lists to be in the hands of Ern Margetts by Friday, 4th November, and the goods available for display by 1 p.m. on Saturday, 5th. More details in next News Letter.

The standard and quantity of entries in the competitors was also very high. Though one of those amongst us needs to buy a tape measure and pension off the knotted string.

COMPETITION:

OPEN: 1st Ern Margets
2nd Bill Botman
3rd Ern Morley

NOVICE: 1st Lofty Haywood
2nd Ham May
3rd Peter Beason

The Consumers Prize went to
and the Door Prize, donated by Cross Electrics, was won by

I would be remiss of me not to conclude by thanking the Ladies for their efforts in keeping the inner person fed and nurtured - WHERE WOULD WE BE WITHOUT THEIR TIRELESS SUPPORT.

For those of you foolish enough to leave before the banquet was served on Saturday night, I can't begin to tell you how good that soup was on a cold blustery night.

The Banquet was fit for a King and Queen (albeit we we had to settle for a McQUEEN!)

WELL DONE MANDURAH !!!

GORDON

- A SHORT STORY -

From a selling venue, St George's Bluff Point May Fair Day.
(Early May)

A lady interested in the purchase of a Honey Spoon asked if it was possible to be used in a left handed manner, to which I replied. 'Madam, these are universal types adaptable to both left and right handed usage'. At which she purchased her Honey Spoon and departed happy in her purchase.

Regards to all Woodturners

Yours faithfully

BERT MARSHALL

MELVILLE WEEKEND

9 - 10 July, 1988

VENUE: YMCA HALL, Aflred Cove - EXCELLENT!

ATTENDANCE: Turners 83
Non-Turners 37

A very good weekend co-ordinated by John Lillywhite, Keith Johnson, Ern Margetts and Bob Richards. It was very pleasing to see a programme printed for people to collect as they registered. Chairman for the weekend programme was Bob Malacari. A job well done Bob, THANKYOU!

A section titled 'Association Information Period' was brought into the programme which is an excellent idea giving those present an opportunity to put forward ideas, ask questions and be informed of Association happenings.

A lecture by a Representative from Wattle Products was very well received.

'Show and Tell' was conducted by Keith Johnson. Quite a number of items were on the table and one thing that pleased Keith was the very good work being done by the older members of our Association and the wonderful therapy it gives to those participating.

COMPETITION - Walking Stick -

OPEN: 1st Gordon Ward	NOVICE: 1st Keith Seaman
2nd Mike Lynn	2nd Milton Rundle
3rd Keith Johnson	3rd Gordon Wetherall

Prises for the competition were kindly donated by WILLETTON HARDWARE. Door Prize won by Keith Stout. This prize was donated by BOB RICHARDS - THANK YOU. Thank to Cross Electrics for the use of the TV and Video, for an enjoyable evening; after a hot soup and casserole meal that our ladies excell at. Thanks to our Ladies for keeping the cuppas and meals going during the weekend.

It was very distressing to discover that a walking stick was stolen during Saturday night. The only compensating aspect to the owner was that the thief chose it as the best one there.

We were treated to a fine display of walking sticks, so much so that Milton Rundle is organising a late mass entry in the Exhibition of Excellence.

Much thanks goes to all who answered to the call for demonstrators. I do not want to try to thank them all individually, but special mention must be made of Gordon Ward who attracted rapt attention with his presentation of softening and retempering files and the making a gauge from a prepared file blank. I would exhort members to follow Gordon's instructions very carefully as any deviation from his hand out instructions could be very dangerous!!!

Thank you to our supporters CROSS ELECTRICS for their display of lathes. WATTLE for their talk and display on finishes and WILLETTON HARDWARE for the well stocked trading table.

I deeply apologise to the Ladies for failing to thank them for their efforts in both the business and social side of our meeting. The failure on my part does not imply that we are taking them for granted and the organisers and members genuinely appreciate their efforts.

THANK YOU LADIES !!!!!

Those who could stay for the Saturday evening meal were treated to the results of the thoughts and efforts of the Melville Ladies who supplied a selection of 3 large containers of thick, tasty soup. There were present, two members (who's names we shall not mention) from the South West who were anxious to return home to their families. When invited to eat with us they were seduced by the aroma of Italian Beef soup. I hope their good wives were not too hard on them when they returned home! The evening was completed in a warm comfortable atmosphere watching a video of the skills of 65 years of experience as demonstrated by an English Woodturner. Brian and Nancy Launer, still feeling the effects of their trip to Queensland to the 'Exhibition' they generously gave a talk on the manner in which the Exhibition was run, and the well known turners who were presenting.

Thank you to all who attended for a most pleasant and educational weekend.

REPORT BY NANCY LAUNER AND BOB MALACARI

A MEMBERS IMPRESSION OF A WEEKEND MEETING

The first meeting that I attended was the one at Yarloop. We arrived late on Friday evening at the invitation of John and Kath Shinnick.

On Saturday morning it was 'action stations' for John, Mike, Kenny and myself, taking lathe and tools etc and off loading at a huge shed, where many other members were already setting up. The ladies came along and set up the sale stall and a tea and coffee outlet for members. When the public enquiries asked if the tea and coffee were available - the ladies promptly said 'yes' and that was the beginning of a very hard working weekend for the girls.

Many people came to see the turning demos and were very interested in the demonstration on how to turn Cabriole legs by Tom Kettle. After the building closed, we had a barbie under a large tree with plenty of chat and 'cannies'. On Sunday, it started all over again, with an early start for more people and a late finish.

It was amazing the number of trailer and ute loads taken away from the site.

The Burbury area people worked really hard with digging in power cables etc on Friday and loading their vehicles; and all this had to be done in reverse on Monday.

Thank you to all members who were there. We learnt a lot and we met some lovely people.

Our second meeting was at Liddelow House at Kenwick on the Saturday and Sunday. This was a lot different from the Yarloop meeting. It was basically for the wood turner so we were able to find out a lot about the inner workings of WAWA, and the amount of help that one turner gives to another. We got a lot of ideas and knowledge from the weekend and we met still more 'lovely people'.

We stayed at the Orange Grove Caravan Park and on the Sunday evening we were walking along the road and we were hooted at by 3 cars - it took us by surprise.

Impression of a weekend cont ...

We were told off a couple of times by Keith and Pam for failing to stay with them - we will next time if you will have us.

We were invited to stay at Mandurah but we won't be able to make that one.

We hope to be going to Bunbury at the end of June and have another session of turning. Yes John, my tools are keener now.

Previously we were thinking of chopping our subscription as down in the 'deep south' we seemed to be out of it but now everything is happening and my quality of turning is improving.

DON AND HILDA BURTON

PS: If anyone wishes to see the venue for the Albany meeting week, look on the Cover of the South West Telephone Directory and behind the TS Endeavour is a split of land that is it.

- BICENTENNIAL EXHIBITION -

Please advise Geoff Barkla (09 2934330) by August 20th if you will be attending the Official Opening 3.00pm Sunday 28th August at Allendale Square Foyer which will be open from 2.00--4.00pm All Association members and partners are welcome.

The Hon. Yvonne Henderson Minister for Lands and Arts will open the Exhibition.

Exhibitors/Groups are asked to make arrangements for their exhibits to be delivered to the Allendale Square Foyer between 1.00 and 3.00pm Saturday 27th August

Please wear your name badge.

Geoff Barkla

KENWICK WOODTURNERS

Following the woodturning courses, arranged by the Gosnells Council, it was decided to see if a Woodturning group could be formed under the umbrella body of the WAWA, to further the art of Woodturning in the Gosnells area.

At a meeting on 7(?) September, which was attended by 28 people, it was decided to form this group and to meet in the premises of the Liddelow Homestead on the first Wednesday of each month.

Keith McQueen laid out the lines along which other groups ran their meetings and what we could arrange for the future meetings.

On 7 October, the first official meeting, about 30 people attended and we listened to the Homestead President who explained the way in which craft groups operated within the Homestead 'umbrella', and then invited us to join the Homestead (at \$15 per year) and, then, stated that the Homestead would make money available to purchase a lathe Ownership would be the Homesteads, but the Woodturners' group would have full use and would run woodturning courses as required.

Keith then explained the WAWA's fees if \$10 registration and \$12 per year.

Fourteen of the original twenty-eight were in attendance with the rest being newcomers and most of those present agreed to join the Homestead.

At a later meeting, Doug McKay, Mike Jones and Terry Hammond were elected President, Secretary/Treasurer and Vice-President respectively. These three people are well supported by the members of the group when asked to organise things, eg: videos and demos.

This is a short history of the Foundation of the Kenwick Woodturners Group.

A NEW TURNERS ASSISTANT

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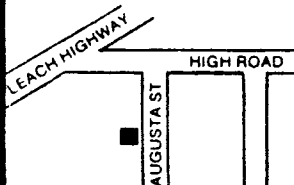
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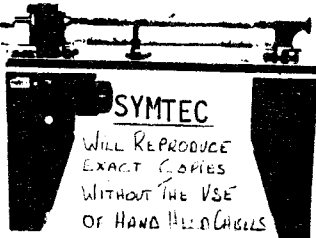
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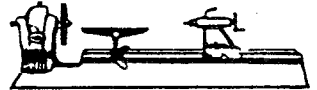
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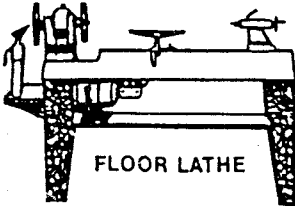


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