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Meetings

ALBANY

Duyfken Boatshed, Princess Royal Dr, Albany

7:00pm 1st Mon

12:30pm Sat

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AVON VALLEY

Wool Pavilion Showground Toodyay

7:30 pm 4th Wed

9:00am 2nd & 4th Sun

David Eyres 9574 2937

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Cathedral Grammar School, Gelorup

7:00pm 1st & 3rd Wed

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Studio 8, Old Courthouse, 4 Queen St Busselton

7:00pm 2nd & 4th Wed 10:00am - 4:00pm Thu - Tue

Dennis Haddon 9752 1235

COLLIE

Various Home Workshops

9:15am - 4:00pm Last Sunday

Doug Gulvin 9734 1131

GOSNELLS

Huntingdale Community Hall, Holmes Street H/dale

8:30am - 12:30pm Mon & Wed

Bill Wallbank 9458 6723

JOONDALUP

Wanneroo H/S, Paltara Way, (Design & Tech Dept.)

7:00pm 2nd Wed

Tony Collins 9561 6887

MANDURAH

Mandurah High School, Gibla St. Mandurah

3:00pm 2nd & 4th Tues

John Mason 9537 6626

MANJIMUP

The Shed Timber Park

9:30am 2nd & 4th Wed

Yvonne Pegrum 9771 2737

MELVILLE

Melville Rec Centre, Cnr Stock Rd & Canning Hwy

Melville

8:00am Wednesday

Les Small 9364 6143

MUNDARING

Old Parkerville Primary School, Dura & Riley Rds,

Parkerville

7:00pm Friday

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STIRLING

Alexander Park Craffhouse, Clyde Rd. Menora

7:00pm 4th Tues

Malcolm Munro 9271 9503

SWAN

Gumnuts Family Centre, Mudalla Way. Koongamia

7:00pm 2nd Tues

1:30pm 3rd & 4th Tues

Noel Moyes 9295 2281

WANDI

Wandi Community Hall, DeHaer Rd, Wandi

7:00pm 1st & 3rd Thur

8:00am - 12:00pm Wednesday (Hands On)

Alan Roberts 9528 2520

Committee News

President's Forum



MORE WITH LESS AND LESS WITH MORE:

It comes with no surprise that we as an Association have the same problems as many other community groups. Membership is good, but getting people to

help run it is becoming more difficult.

People are happy to join and learn new skills, but don't see the administration as something for them. If most of us just gave a little time to our group or the Association, more would be achieved. Any help is better than none.

Many groups continue to expand their membership by promoting themselves and being involved in their communities. The more we are out in the public, the more people get to know WAWA and what we have to offer.

Don't allow the apathy of some stop the pleasure of others. We wouldn't be here after twenty-one years, if we only listened to those who say it is too difficult or can't be done.

WAWA has grown to what it is today, because of the enthusiasm and drive of those who wanted to share the fellowship of others who all had the same goal of learning and expanding their skills and knowledge of woodturning.

We now have members who are world-renowned, but remain true to heart in sharing their fellowship, knowledge and skills with others.

Remember that if it had not been for that handful of people who met twenty-one years ago in that

caravan park, we as an association would not exist today. Though their vision and drive, we continue to grow.

I thank you all for what you have done since you joined WAWA, and hope many more join and continue this wonderful Association.

21ST ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION:

Bookings have been made for Monday the 28 August 2006, in the foyer of the Perth City Council Building. The Exhibition will run for two weeks. Stay tuned for further details.

WAWA SPONSORED COURSES:

Courses have now commenced at Wandi. These are being organised by Alan Roberts. The first course has been run with good feedback from those who attended.

These courses offer everything for the beginner to the advanced turner. See the info in this newsletter for more details.

WOODSHOW 2006:

Dean Malcolm will be our turner in residence at the Woodshow this year. He has also agreed to conduct a one-day Master Class on the Monday after the Woodshow.

Details regarding his programme at the Woodshow and the Master Class will be published when they become available.

LOTTERYWEST GRANT:

WAWA has been successful in their application to Lotterywest. Our application for \$7,500 was for four laths and a computer. Further details will be in the next newsletter.

WANDI HOPE VALLEY SCHOOL BUILDING:

The Wandi Progress Association has been successful in their two grant applications. Much

progress has occurred since last year and will hopefully be available for use in the next few months.

Rod Cocks has been very busy with this project and continues to improve physically, although his back still causes him pain at times.

THE DECEMBER WEEKEND WORKSHOP:

The December Weekend Workshop saw the culmination of 2005 Awards of Merit were given to Shirley Munro for her work as

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Secretary to WAWA. Len and Nichols of the WAWA Shopping Centre Group were also given Awards of Merit.

Chris Smith was the turner of the year and won numerous awards.

All present had a wonderful time and a great lunch.

THE FEBRUARY WEEKEND WORKSHOP:

This Workshop saw the Gosnells Group present a Symposium of Woodturning. The turners were Jack de Vos, Charlie Broadbent, Gordon Ward, Viv Paust and Robert Jones. Having a choice of three turners to watch at any one time was great. Nobody could complain that there wasn't enough choice. Could this be the start of something new? I hear that the Gosnells Group is already planning for next year. Stay tuned.

THE MARCH WEEKEND WORKSHOP:

Wandi had the pleasure of running the March Weekend Workshop. Unfortunately Albany was unable to hold the Weekend Workshop.

RESIGNATIONS OF WAWA OFFICERS:

Shirley Munro - WAWA Secretary for seven years. Resigned December 2005.

Richard Leggo - Immediate past President. Resigned January 2006.

Joe Hegney - Newsletter Editor. Resigned April 2006.

Dan Kilgallon - Committee of Management Member. Resigned January 2006.

Lach Christie - Committee of Management Member. Resigned March 2006.

Jim McDonnell - Membership Registrar. Resigning June 2006.

NEW WAWA OFFICERS:

Kay Marris - WAWA Secretary. Commenced January 2006. New Wandii Member

Alan Roberts - Committee of Management Member. Commenced January 2006. Wandii Convener and WAWA Sponsored Courses Organizer

Outgoing Editor

Newsletter 121 contained an 'Editorial' dealing with a sad indictment on Australian's reluctance to volunteer, but when the chips are down many come to the rescue. This proved to be very correct in relation to someone taking over the role of Editor of this Newsletter. In the end I had three people show some interest in the role and a keen desire

from Kelvin Robinson, from the Wandii Group, to assume the role.

Kelvin has experience in producing Newsletters for other Service Clubs, plus his knowledge and skills in the computer world will make future Newsletters very interesting.

I would like to thank all those who in one way or another assisted me over the last little while to produce WAWA's Newsletters. It has been interesting and enjoyable and may be, if in the future the opportunity arises again I would like to be involved.

Joe Hegney

Incoming Editor



Greetings to you all, my name is Kelvin Robinson, I have been a member of WAWA for about 7 years. I'm currently the Treasurer for the Wandii group and now your humble editor as well.

Joe Hegney has suggested that I do a "Profile of a Turner" about myself however there isn't much to tell regarding woodturning as I haven't produced a great deal in the way of turned items and at the moment don't have a workshop. My lathe is in the games room much to my wife's disgust and must be wheeled out to the pergola if I wish to play.

For a little bit of history about myself I worked for Telstra for 28 years originally starting in the PMG in 1972 (how many can remember what PMG meant?) for the last 5 of those years I was the Operations Manager for Telstra MobileNet in WA and was made redundant in June 2000. After only 3 weeks of freedom I went into business as a contractor for the RAC operating a Tilt Tray tow truck. Basically this means that I pick up broken down cars and deliver them wherever the member requests, usually to a mechanic or auto electrician.

I'm also a founding member of the Southern Districts Triton Club, where I currently hold the position of secretary.

I have also been a member of the Rotary Club of Palm Beach for the last 18 or so years holding a number of directorships there.

My other interests include boating, fishing and a little bit of golf when I get the chance.

END OF AUTOBIOGRAPHY

On agreeing to take on the role of editor I was quite stunned to find out what this magazine costs to produce, print and post out to 600 plus members



bi-monthly. President Tony suggested I may be able to find ways of reducing some of the expenditure on the magazine.

With this in mind, those members who would like to receive their magazine via email in colour may do so. I intend to convert the magazine

into PDF format which is pretty much a universal format that works on all computers and which is easily read & printed if you wish.

To take up this option all that is needed is an email to kelvin.r@bigpond.net.au including your Name, Membership Number & Email Address and you will receive your magazine roughly 2 weeks before the printed version will be processed and posted out.

If you're not sure whether this is the option for you we will have a "TRY BEFORE YOU BUY". In other words send me an email asking to see this current magazine in PDF format and I will send you a copy to see what you think and then make your informed decision.

Subject to confirmation by our WEB expert it may also be possible to make the magazine available from WAWA's website which will give us worldwide exposure to anyone who goes to the website.

Wish me luck!!!!

Kelvin Robinson

Shopping Centre Displays

While setting up our display at Gateways Shopping Centre yesterday it was announced that Kevin McCrackan was standing down from doing the rosters and that Jim McDonnell was taking over.

Kevin McCrackan has for many years been a stalwart on the Shopping Centre team with particular regard to arranging the rosters, Jim

McDonnell is taking over the rosters and remember team it is your responsibility to contact him. We wish to record our sincere appreciation to Kevin for all he and Val have done for us and are glad to know that we will still have their support.

Kevin, please accept our sincere thanks and deep appreciation for all you have done with the rosters and we look forward to continuing our work with yourself and Val.

For details regarding display dates please check the calendar of events on the back page of your newsletter.

Yours sincerely in Woodturning,

Len Nicholls.

Display Organiser.

Library News



Two more books are now in circulation, these have been purchased from funds accumulated by the sale of donated and surplus magazines at Weekend Workshops, they are:

Turning Chessmen by Mike Darlow

500 Bowls a compilation of work from craftsmen and women worldwide, with a excellent representation of

work from Australian and West Australian artists.

Self-adhesives clips for membership badges are still available at the library desk for \$1.

Phil Berrill.

NEW 2005 CATALOGUE OUT NOW!

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Woodturning Courses

The first of the woodturning courses at Wandi was held on March 4th.

Tutored by Gordon Ward, the participants had a very full day and worked hard to achieve the goals that Gordon had set.

The morning session was devoted to Spindle Turning and the participants worked hard to master beads and coves before completing a very ornate shopping bag handle as their test piece. Sharpening gouges and Skew chisels was also included in this session.

The afternoon session was spent completing a Sheoak Bud Vase. Learning about abrasives, wood sealers, and the various finishes available proved quite an eye opener.

The day proved hugely popular with the participants and resulted in more bookings for future courses.

Vacancies exist for all courses so get your applications in soon.

Course Coordinator alba57@westnet.com.au.

Alan Roberts

New Members



Here is list of new chums for a big warm WAWA welcome.

Regards

Jim McDonnell

956	Glen Hanson	Serpentine (rejoined)
2153	Leon Beurteaux	Dudley Park
2154	Ron Hatch	Lesmurdie
2155	Ken Hands	Collie
2156	Rob Mutch	Busselton
2157	David Jackson	Kelmscott

Letters to the Editor



Thanks from

Mary

Walker

I would very much like to thank WAWA members for their kind thoughts

and lovely flowers for Henry & I which arrived at the Hospital on Monday.

I am pleased to say that Henry is making slow progress, and I am hopeful that we will once again be able to join the WAWA Weekends in the not too distant future.

Many thanks to everyone who has rang me over the past weeks, also sent letters and cards. I'm sure that Henry will be able to thank you all before long.

Everyone has been so caring, and I can't tell you how much I appreciate everything you have done.

Hoping to see you all again soon.

Mary Walker.

Letter Regarding Thomas

Kettle

2nd. February 2006

Dear Sir,

I am writing to let you know of the passing of one of your members, my father, Thomas William Kettle member no. 58. He was 82 years old. He died peacefully on January 21st at Hollywood Private Hospital. He is survived by his four children, 8 grandchildren and one great great grandson.

He thoroughly enjoyed his woodwork after retiring from farming life and completed his last piece about 3 months before he died. He had great pleasure from the membership of the Bunbury

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group and the various gatherings the Woodturners had. His family treasures the many pieces of furniture he made for them. In his last couple of years he assisted & taught at the workshop in the RAAFA retirement village Cambrai in Merriwa. He will be greatly missed. Thank you to your members for their friendship and company of my father.

Kind regards

Sandra Black

(I have included this letter for information of Members and because it is the type of letter I hope one of my own daughters can write when my turn comes. [Ed. J. Hegney])

A Turner Returns

After 1 year's tuition and a lay-off of 15 years, I decided it was time to rekindle my passion for woodturning. After seeking help from several of the woodturning fraternity, I finally attended my first "revision" lesson last Saturday, 4th March at Wandi and Gordon Ward was my instructor.

I thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it. I look forward to many more lessons and workshops in the future and can thoroughly recommend the classes to anyone who is interested in woodturning. Roz and I were very impressed with the organisation of the last workshop we attended at Wandi. The Wandi Club can be proud of their members and the generous help and friendship they offer newcomers.

Glen Hanson



Laser Designs

Quite a few members have expressed a desire to have timber name badges. So as a public announcement I have included the following

information.

Please find attached an image of Tims name badge they come with a magnetic clip for easy use.

They are \$7.50 each, plus Postage of \$4.00 (sorry they need to be bubble wrapped and this makes them into a small parcel not a letter). This postage cost would cover up to 8 badges. A cost of \$5.00

would cover up to 15 badges.

To avoid postage costs, badges can be ordered in advance and then collected at the Wandi group's meetings or at Weekend Workshops held at Wandi.

Names need to be clearly printed please.

We also laser many other items including pen clips, pens, clock faces, boxes, photo albums, photo frames just about anything.

Our details are:

Jarrah Laser Designs

10 Hope Place

Waikiki WA 6169

P/F. 08 95926315

Janet's Mobile: 0414876335

Tim's Mobile: 0424038332

Competition Results



From our February Weekend Workshop

The February Competition was the test run of the new system with the host group running the competition. It ran very smoothly indeed. I would like to thank the members manning the competition desk as well as the judges. They

received and judged 19 entries. Thank you to all those who were challenged to produce their interpretation of a Lazy Susan and add wow-factor to a basically simple design.

NOVICE:

- 1st. Owen O'Neill
- 2nd. Vince Triglia
- 3rd. Maurie Munro

INTERMEDIATE:

- 1st. Chris Davis
- 2nd. Bill Grimditch
- 3rd. Phil Berrill

ADVANCED

- 1st. Graham Lewis
- 2nd. Bob Nichols
- 3rd. John Lathwell

OPEN:

- 1st. Chris Davis
- 2nd. Graham Lewis
- 3rd. Owen O'Neill

POPULAR VOTE:

- 1st. Chris Davis**
2nd. Chris Sioulas
3rd. Bob Nichols

It has been brought to my attention that someone has made an unfavourable comment on the integrity of the judges (two of them from the Gosnells Group) as the group was very well represented amongst the placegetters.

In fairness to everyone I have to say that the two members at the desk have followed the present rules and procedures for the Weekend Workshop Competition which say: "Two competition judges will come from the host group and one from another group".

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At the same time I think that all our competition rules and procedures should be examined and if necessary be revised. I would like to invite you to be part of a small taskforce to take care of this in the near future. Advise any member of the COM or myself if you are willing to be in it.

Until this has been done and while I am in charge of supervising, trialling and improving the new system I make an executive, interim ruling that the judges have to come from any group except the host group.

Thanks again to everybody who participated.

George Kieliger

Competition Items 2006-07

- Apr 06 Musical Instrument fully turned and fit to play. (Keys for say a clarinet, tuners for strings, the membrane for drums, bag for bagpipes and similar are accepted)
- May 06 Mortar and Pestle fit to be used in the kitchen (not ornamental)
- Jun 06 Pair of Goblets or Vases one only for Novice
- Jul 06 Kitchen item own choice
- Aug 06 No competition nil
- Sep 06 Square-edged Bowl no natural edge
- Oct 06 Presentation Dagger or Letter Opener in dagger-style, up to 350mm long, fully turned, i.e. handle, guard and blade.
- Nov 06 Pedestal up to 900 mm high
- Dec 06 Best item turned in 2006 not entered and shown anywhere else before.
- Jan 07 No competition nil
- Feb 07 Hollow form (Vase) no carving, no bud vase

Weekend Workshops

Melville Group Weekend

Workshop

Saturday 8th April 2006, Wandi Community Hall
Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi

Convenor: Les Small
Master of Ceremonies: Kevin McCracken
Safety Officer Mick Hanlon
Comp Facilitators . . Norm Gratte & Allen Hoskins
Competition Item Musical Instrument

Fully turned & ready to play (refer Newsletter 121 for details)

Programme Theme: Green Turning

8:00am Unload Wagons, Set-up Venue,
Registration & Fellowship

9:00am Welcome & Announcements

9:10am Jack Pallas Hollow Form

10:00am Morning Tea (all members please bring a plate of Refreshments.)

COMPETITION VOTING COMMENCES

10:30am Jack Pallas Hollow Form Cont.

11:00am Viv Paust Part Green Turning
Blank preparation, turning item to stage where it will be left for seasoning & completed at a later date.

12:00pm Lunch

1:00pm President's Forum

1:15pm Show & Tell

1:45pm Alan Smith Green Turned Bowl
(Start to Finish)

3:00pm Afternoon Tea

3:30pm Ken Rex Making a Woodturning

4:30pm Competition Results

Days Conclusion: Dismantle Venue & Repack Wagons

MANY HELPERS PLEASE

Mandurah Group Weekend

Workshop

Saturday 20th to Sunday 21st May 2006,
Mandurah High School, Gibla St, Mandurah

Convenor: John Mason

Master of Ceremonies: Frank Evans

Host(s): All Committee Members
 Safety Advisors. Marie Gallin and Ed Crane
 Local Trade Supplier Mayama Gems
 Competition Item . . . Pair of GOBLETS or VASES
 One of the Mandurah members, Maurie Munro,
 has made a gigantic segmented ball. There will be a
 competition to guess the number of (visible) pieces
 used to make this astounding piece of work !!!

The Mandurah Group will have a trailer load of
 wood blanks available for purchase.

Due to alterations at the School, the
 demonstration venue will be different to previous
 years so please follow the direction signs.

As we encourage the public to view our turnings,
 members are requested to bring along their items
 for DISPLAY ONLY on the Saturday.

SATURDAY PROGRAMME

- 8:00am Set up, lots of willing hands please.
- 8:45am Registration and Fellowship
- 9:00am Welcome and Announcements
- 9:15am Peter Tutt, from Husquvarna
 Chainsaws. This will be similar to last
 years' (Sunday) presentation and Peter
 has been invited again due to popular
 response. If you think you know all
 about chain saws, think again !!

THIS IS ONE PRESENTATION NOT TO BE MISSED !!

Jim Morgan of Longs Mower City will be Peter's
 sponsor and will have a variety of equipment and
 accessories for your perusal and purchase.

PLEASE SUPPORT HIM.

- 10:00am Competition Voting Commences
- 10:00am Morning Tea, Members, a plate please
- 12:00pm Lunch - Sausage Sizzle and Salad \$3.00
- 1:00pm Norm Griffiths - Yet another Pull-Along
 Toy
- 2:00pm Competition Voting Closes
- 2:00pm Barry Granger - Lidded Box
- 3:00pm Afternoon Tea
- 3:30pm Charlie Broadbent - Chanter
- 4:30pm President's Forum, Competition
 Results, Show and Tell

Pack up, Clean up, Load the Wagons, Plenty of
 Assistance, Please.

EVENING PROGRAMME

Once again, the good old tried and true and
 popular "bring along a casserole" dinner which will
 be followed by another entertaining Quiz Night
 incorporating a few new twists and great prizes !!

SUNDAY PROGRAMME

- 9:00am John Mason - Turning a Double Recess
 Bowl in Burl
- 10:00am Morning Tea
- 10:30am Bob Hodgkinson - Pieces of Fruit
- 12:00pm Lunch

WRAP UP, CLEAN UP. ALL AVAILABLE HANDS PLEASE !!

Unique Weekend Workshop

The Busselton Group is planning a unique
 weekend workshop for 18th and 19th of November
 2006 for which you should start planning now.

A program with a difference is being put together
 and among the features of this event will be a bulk
 booking at the Kookaburra Caravan Park right in
 the centre of town, other accommodation
 alternatives will be available and a three Course
 meal at the Esplanade Hotel with an interesting
 guest speaker. More details of the event will be
 published in the next issue of the Newsletter.

This is an ideal opportunity to plan a pre or post
 Workshop holiday with Busselton as your base and
 tour the beautiful South West.

News from the Groups

Albany

Have saved room for you if you need it (Ed)

Avon Valley

Have saved room for you if you need it (Ed)

Bunbury Bulletin



On the 1st February 18
 members of our Club
 turned out in good order
 and condition to
 commence the New
 Year's meeting.

Jim Bennett brought
 along a truly excellently
 turned standard-lamp
 in jarrah which had the
 admiration of us all.
 That led to a discussion
 on the merits of Organ

Oil and unfortunately for the manufacturers of this
 product no-one could come up with anything
 meritorious about it.

The passing of another old member, Tom Kettle,
 was sadly noted. Tom was 82. When I met him 10
 or so years ago he told me that, about a year earlier

he had been given six months to live due to cancer which quite unexpectedly had become dormant. During that period of grace he turned out many quite beautiful pieces of furniture, most of which he gave away or were donated for raffles to raise money for the Lions Club of which he was a distinguished member for over 30 years.

We discussed our programme for the coming year and under the guidance of Jim Cunniffe agreed a schedule of projects and presentations for meetings in the next three months. Jim also brought along a video on Workshop Safety, the first part we saw that evening was on the safety aspects of the use of bandsaws. Though we were all aware of the inherent dangers, seeing the various hazards demonstrated on the screen gave pause for thought and for my part, at least, has made me more attentive whilst using my machine.

Our second meeting of February saw several items of interest in the show and tell but it was clearly dominated by a table-lamp in the form of a lighthouse presented by Malcom Targett. The lighthouse was turned in Huon pine on a base of jarrah burl, left mostly in its natural state and giving the impression of sea-ravaged rock. A beautiful and highly original piece.

Another item should be mentioned that was neither turning or woodwork. It was a pristine Record 050 combination plane, still in its original box with all its 14 blades still wrapped in oiled paper. It was brought along by Doug Chamberlain, who told us that his father bought it some 50 years ago but had died before using it. Doug never had occasion to use it himself,

We finished the evening discussing our next project, the making of a lazy susan with Jim

Cunniffe presenting various models demonstrating ideas for the making of this item which were duly discussed and points noted.

Thus ended our meeting with the anticipation of an interesting year to come.

David Daniel

A Letter From Busselton



Our Workshop Meetings are held in the evenings at the rear of the Old Courthouse Complex 4 Queen Street Busselton on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month commencing at 7.00 PM. At the first meeting for the month we conduct our Competition which is the same as that

for the WAWA's Weekend Workshop. Voting is by popular vote and the counting of votes is weighted for the annual cumulative totals to take into account the relative small number of members with a wide variation of skills. This meeting features a demonstration of next months WAWA Competition Item.

The days and dates of the January's meetings had to be changed around due to them clashing with a number of activities associated with either the Old Courthouse Complex or in the town itself. While this inconvenienced some of our members, the attendance at both of our meetings was about the average we have been able to achieve since relocating to the Complex. Charlie Broadbent gave

a presentation on the Platter including a Lazy Susan on 15 January where 13 members appreciated his efforts. This was followed up with a one-day Workshop where two of our people received help in preparing a Competition piece. These efforts resulted in Vince Triglia gaining a second place at the WAWA Competition in February. This was Vince's first attempt at entering the Association Competition and we congratulate him. The second meeting for January was a hands-on session where the 12 people attending were split into three teams of four with each team turning a lidded box to a given

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drawing. This drawing was taken from the material handed out by the builders of the replica of Duyfken several years ago. Time prevented any team from finishing, however, a member of each team took the piece away and promised to bring it back completed.

At the meeting on 8 February Ray Batt showed his method of turning an offset candlestick. Ray gave a very clear and precise demonstration of this unusual way of turning. The meeting on 22nd February was one of the best attended for a long time. The 17 people who attended included Ivor Bridges John Mason, Viv Paust, Milton Rundle and Les Small all of whom were visiting the Region. Viv volunteered to take on the role of assessing the way the teams approached turning a small plate and to critique the finished pieces. As usual his judgment was concise, well delivered and kind to almost everyone who participated. Our Convenor, Dennis Haddon, had his favourite tool with him just in case his team needed to gain an edge over their competition.

Our 'Artist-in-Residence' program sounds flash doesn't it continues to attract the attention of visitors and locals alike. Members are rostered on in the workshop studio each day six days a week. The participants discuss all aspects of turning, the wood we use and how the Group and the Association operate. This interaction is well received. Any WAWA members in the Region are urged to call in at the Complex and introduce themselves.

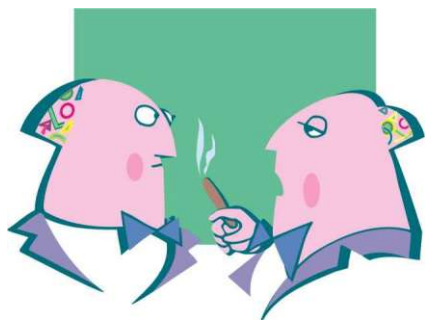
Our Group Committee have started work on organising the November WAWA Weekend Workshop and this promises to be an exceptional event both with the quality of the demonstration and the social activities. Full details will be available through the Newsletter and with direct contact with Group Convenors and Secretaries.

'Scriba'

Collie

Have saved room for you if you need it (Ed

Gosnells Gossip



Please Note the change of venue for the Gosnells Group

Wednesday 4th January. Our first meeting of the year was a casual affair. Hardly anyone brought tools, so we had a social morning.

Wednesday 11th January. Chris Smith's cunning strategy today was for our teams to attempt

turning an acorn. This was quite a challenge, as some of us present had never seen one. However Chris obligingly provided a plan. One half was finished today. We also had a visit from Cliff Hart who is now at Busselton. Cliff conducted show and tell and informed members of what was happening at Busselton. Thanks Cliff.

Wednesday 18th January. Today we turned the other half of the acorn. The exercise was of great value to our newer members, who learned a lot about chucking etc. We also had a lively discussion regarding moving to new premises, as our current venue is becoming rather cramped owing to excellent attendance of late. There is an opportunity to move to Shire premises. More on that later.

Wednesday 25th January. A needle case was today's project. A plan was provided which had many scratching their heads, as the case was in three parts, and not to scale. I have a feeling this could take some time. The esteemed Gordon Ward paid us a visit, and conducted show and tell, to which one member indicated he wished he hadn't entered today. He did not have to worry, as Gordon was fair, concise and informative with his comments.

Wednesday 1st February. The needle cases were finished today, to everyone's surprise. Bill Grimditch held show and tell, which was made more interesting with Bill's comments and actions on a jarrah bowl, which resembled the old chamber pots some of us remember being under the bed. It was however an excellent turning. Wednesday 8th February. Gordon Ward demonstrated filling in cracks and disguising faults in wood. I was on holiday at the time, but I was told it was an excellent demonstration as Gordon's demos are.

Wednesday 22nd February. We had a busy bee clearing out our bits and pieces in preparation for the move to our new premises in Huntingdale.

The Gosnells Group's Weekend Workshop on the 18th February went well. We thank all of our Demonstrators and helpers. Also the competition judges.

Jim McMillan

Joondalup

Have saved room for you if you need it (Ed

Mandurah

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Manjimup

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Group meetings commenced earlier in January this year than in the past and despite the absence of some members on holiday there was a very good rollup at our

opening meeting.

Demonstrations :-

11th January Keith Slater gave us a demo on longhole boring and this resulted in some discussion on the problems which can be encountered and on the different types of auger and approaches used.

18th January No demo but a very good hands-on session organized by Norm Gratte and Joe Hegney with a good number of people participating and benefiting from the advice offered.

25th January members brought in jigs they had made and found useful as requested by Norm Gratte and a good variety was on display. Ken Rex was the main contributor to what was a very good display. This was also our business meeting which was followed by a showing of a video of Dennis White exhibiting his wonderful tool skills.

1st February Alan France showed us how to make the perfect "lazy susan" not once but twice the first the commercial variety with ball bearings running in channels in between two metal plates and the second with a sealed bearing from a motor repair shop (cheaper?). The bearings in both lazy susans were concealed and the demo was up to Alan's usual high standard and was notable for the absence of a detailed drawing!

We had a visitor from the Trent Valley Woodturners Association -John Brunt a resident

of Kirby Muxloe and who is on the Register of Professional Wood turners. John gave us short talk on his experience as a woodturner and the workings of the Trent Valley organization which was appreciated by all of us.

8th February Bill Botman let us into the secret of how he gets "brownie" points from his wife by turning a very nice round picture frame with a natural bark edge. The end result was very effective and not something I had seen before.

15th February We had our monthly business meeting followed by a video of Chris Stott turning small boxes. Chris is another of the many British turners whose workshops are always super clean and uncluttered and who makes it all look very easy- especially in the use of jam chucks.

17th February This was a special demo by Charlie Broadbent up from Busselton who showed how he turns 3 bananas from a doughnut ring after turning the ring Charlie cuts into 3 equal sections and then creates 5 flats on the ring sections to mimic the shape of a banana. The ends of each section are shaped suitably, all the shaping being done with a round sander in a dremel or a similar tool. Charlie then described how he coloured the shaped banana with acrylic paint. Charlie also showed how he sharpens his bowl gouge with a long bevel on one edge which he uses on various work as a shear scraper. All in all a very good demo which was greatly appreciated by those who attended.

22nd February Another very successful hands on day under the supervision of Joe Hegney. Joe got some members to turn light pulls while others sought assistance with problems they had from the more experienced members present.

On the sick list are Henry Walker and Ron Eddy both seriously ill in hospital and we wish them both a speedy recovery.

Don Gunn

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Swan Snippets



New Year's greetings and Best Wishes to all W.A. Woodturners.

The Swan group has recommenced activities in February after having holidayed in January. Our first evening meeting benefited from a very well

prepared and informative expose of plain and offset turned candle-sticks by Don Clarke. Our demonstrations and competitions continue to anticipate the items programmed for the Association competition. Our first competition item was a lazy Susan which was well supported with ten very attractive items.

Congratulations to each entrant.

We have had three afternoon meetings which continue to be well attended by an average of fourteen members who always admit to learning lots and enjoying the experience very much.

Jim Hanney demonstrated a shop made bowl-holding device and also the making of a small Christmas tree. Eric Walker helped us all by demonstrating "How to do a demonstration" with tips on adequate preparation as essential prior to presentation. Joe Clark demonstrated chucking methods including his shop made faceplate to hold a square edged bowl while finishing the underside including making legs. He also showed methods used in making a lidded box.

We have been inspired by the wonderful displays of members' work by the Mandurah group and by the Gosnells group at the most recent Weekend Workshop. We have previously tried to encourage our members to display items they are proud of at our monthly meetings and will promote this more actively. We will aim for a very significant display of our group members work at the July Weekend workshop to rival the high standards of the other groups. We feel strongly that all members appreciate seeing the work of our Associations many very competent and creative turners. If we can somehow encourage members to bring out of hiding their treasured works for display to all members in a non competitive environment we will all stand to gain enjoyment and spur on our own growth and development as turners.

Happy Turning.

Bob Nichols

Stirling

Have saved room for you if you need it (Ed

Wandi Waffles



After a break during the holiday season our first demonstration for the year was Bob Nicholls from Swan. There was a good roll up and Bob's Natural Edged Bowls had members intrigued, especially one square edged, with bark on four sides.

Lac Christie from the Joondalup group was the demonstrator for the last meeting in January. Lac demonstrated top making and there was a show of tops which turned out to be rather hilarious as some had been around awhile. A lot of though must have gone into their production, as some required two people and a crossbow to get it started.

We had a visitor at one meeting from Trent Valley in the U.K. who gave an impromptu rundown on touring other countries as president of his group. It included a hilarious description of a barbecue in Argentina and the wood burning in the Barbie was Purple Heart, would you believe. Thank goodness for Kelvin Robinson who had a video and screen working perfectly for this years meeting. We have had large attendance and it's been good to be able to see every aspect of the demo close up.

Wednesday morning Hands On has not been without demonstrators. Last week Ron Yates was there showing us how to do segmented turning. He made it look so simple in his quiet way, that one could be excused for thinking that it was easy. There were four lady turners there that day and one described to me how she manages to turn without a lathe shed. She converted her laundry into a dual-purpose room. The wash trough and washing machine now have removable wooden tops to double as benches. One wall has a disused school blackboard on which the tools hang, and the drill press, lathe etc. fit in there also.

Several of Wandi Woodturners also attend on Monday morning when the carving guild meet for hands on. It's a very restful and sociable activity. Not to mention the advantage of some carving on the turning.

Charlie Broadbent from Busselton was our demonstrator at our last meeting (that's a long way for a demonstrator to travel). Charlie showed us how to make bananas on the lathe Wow!

Elaine Boyd.



Special Announcements

Bob & Pat Malacari's 50th Wedding Anniversary



Following the celebrations of two Golden Wedding Anniversaries featured in the last newsletter, it has come to notice that Bob and Pat Malacari had a similar occasion on the 26th of January this year, congratulations and best wishes for many more anniversaries.

Bereavements

Vale! Brian Parker



Brian Parker died suddenly on the 2nd February 2006 after suffering a massive heart attack. The Gosnells Group would like to assure his wife Maureen

and his family of our sympathy and continued support and assistance if required.

Brian was a long standing member of our group and he was instrumental in our shift from Liddelow to Gosnells. He served as Convener, he helped novices with advice, he repaired our broken

bandsaw blades, and he opened his home for committee meetings as well as for Christmas barbecues. Brian's specialty was to turn miniature hollow vessels with his home made tools. We will miss Brian, his gentle manner and his very dry sense of humour. R.I.P. Brian.

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All pipe is to be hollow throughout its entire length, do not use holes of different length than the pipe.

The I.D. (inside diameter) of all pipe shall not exceed the O.D. (outside diameter) - otherwise the hole will be on the outside.

All pipe is to be supplied with nothing in the hole so that water, steam, fuel or other stuff can be put in at a later date.

All pipe should be supplied without rust: this can be more readily applied at the job site. NOTE: Some vendors are now able to supply pre-rusted pipe, if available in your area, this product is recommended as it will save time on the job site.

All pipe over 500ft (153metres) in length should have the words "long pipe" clearly painted on each end so that the contractor will know it is a long pipe.

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All pipe over 6" (152mm) in diameter must have the words "large pipe" painted on it so the contractor will not mistake it for a small pipe.

Flanges must be used on all pipes. Flanges must have holes for bolts quite separate from the big hole in the middle.

When ordering 90 degree, 45degree or 30 degree elbows, be sure to specify right hand on left hand otherwise you will end up going the wrong way.

Be sure to specify to your vendor whether you want level, uphill or downhill pipe. If you use downhill pipe for going uphill the water will flow the wrong way.

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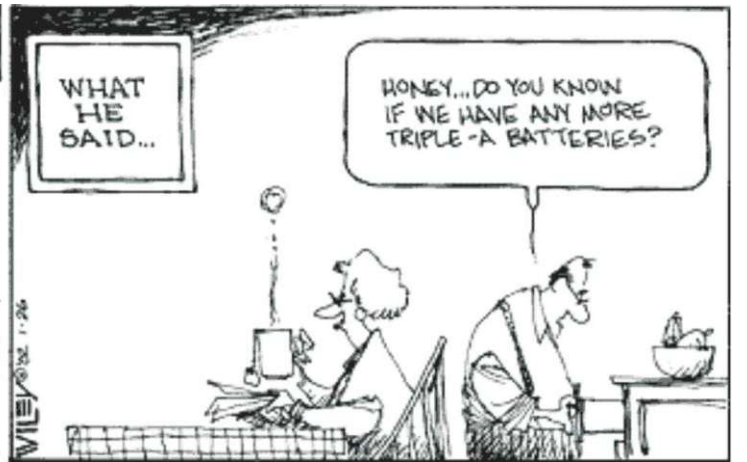
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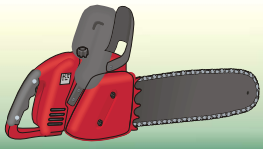


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Calendar of Events

SATURDAY 8TH APRIL 2006

Melville Group
Weekend Workshop

Wandi Community Hall
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SATURDAY 15TH APRIL 2006

Introductory Faceplate Turning
Course with Robert Jones

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SATURDAY 29TH APRIL 2006

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MONDAY SATURDAY 1ST 6TH MAY 2006

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SATURDAY 27TH MAY 2006

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SATURDAY 3RD JUNE 2006

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