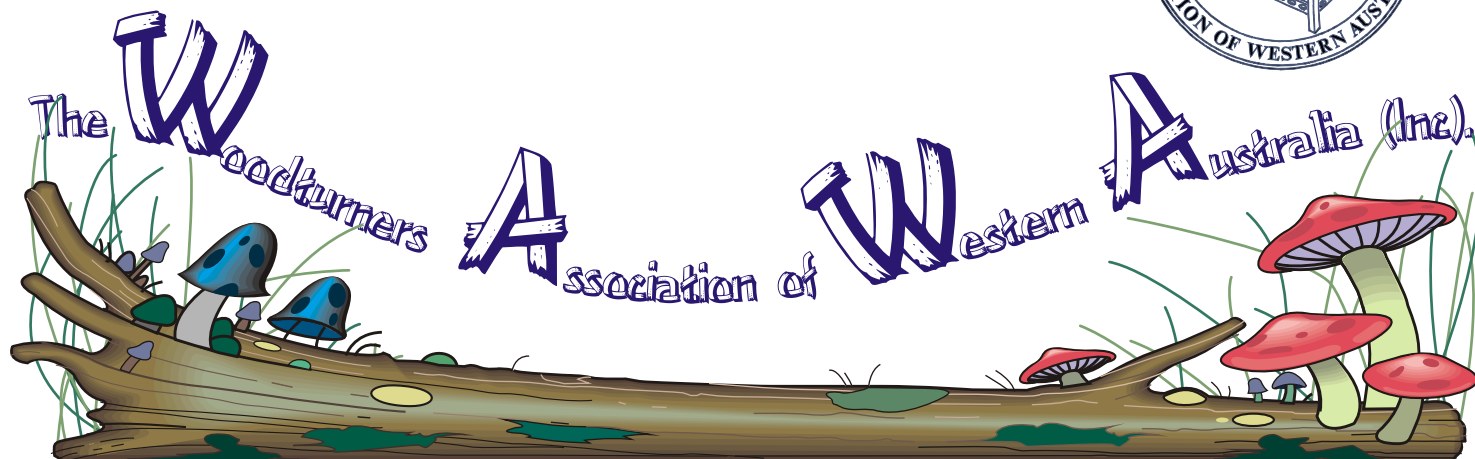


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# Meetings

## **ALBANY**

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Wool Pavilion Showground Toodyay  
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David Eyres 9574 2937

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Cathedral Grammar School, Gelorup  
7:00pm 1st & 3rd Wed  
Tom Brixey 9731 5261

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

Wandi Community Hall, DeHaer Rd, Wandi  
7:00pm 1st & 3rd Thursdays  
8:00am - 12:00pm Wednesday (Hands On)  
Alan Roberts 9528 2520

# Committee News

## President's Forum

### APOLOGIES AND SADNESS:

Firstly, I would like to apologise to the Swan Group for the error in the last newsletter. It indicated that they were closing. It is in fact the Stirling Group.



It is with great sadness that the Committee of Management received a letter from the Stirling Group formally notifying us of their closure. I would like to thank all those who have been involved in the Stirling Group.

### MEMBERSHIP REGISTRAR:

Kevin Treasure has now taken over as membership registrar and treasurer. Thank you Kevin.

A special thanks to Jim McDonnell (Registrar) and Verna Paust (Treasurer) for their wonderful work over many years.

### WOODSHOW 11 TO 13 AUGUST 2006:

Chris Smith is awaiting items for display at the Woodshow. Dean Malcolm will be our turner in residence.

### 21ST ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION 28 AUGUST OLD PERTH TOWN HALL:

Jim Stitfall and Derek Martin await items from individuals and groups for the exhibition.

### COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT VACANCIES:

With the closing of nominations for the COM, 4 vacancies were still open. We were able to get 2 further nominations, which left 2.

Unfortunately Norm Griffiths will be moving to Victoria soon and will resign from the COM. A Weekend Workshop and Member of Com are required.

The COM meets monthly, on a Wednesday afternoon for 2 hours maximum. It is not an onerous task. We go through the running of WAWA and functions it is involved in.

Previous committee experience is not required. Only 12 people are required for the COM, but we continue to have difficulty in filling the vacancies. A mileage allowance is paid to those who attend from outside of Perth.

### OCTOBER WAWA CONFERENCE SATURDAY 28:

Group officials and individuals are invited to the yearly conference held at Wandi. This is set to look at the final draft of the constitution. Also we will look at WAWA's progress.

### SEPTEMBER AGM AT WANDI:

The AGM will be held at Wandi on the 16 September 2006. This is part of the Wandi Weekend Workshop, which is over 2 days.

*Tony Boschman*

## Election of Office Bearers

2006 2007

Following the close of nominations on 30 June 2006, I declare as follows:

President- Tony Boschman has been elected unopposed for a further one-year term effective from 16 September 2006.

Committees of Management – Derek Martin, Alan Roberts, Kelvin Robinson, Jim Stitfall and Ross Wilton have each been elected unopposed for a two-year term effective from 16 September 2006. Alan Andrews, Norm Griffiths and Malcolm Munro continue to hold office until the 2007 Annual General Meeting.

Immediate-Past President – Richard Leggo holds this office until Tony Boschman is no longer President. He is still eligible for election to the Committee of Management.

Vacancies – there are a further three vacancies required to ensure that Clause 12 of the Constitution relating to the Committee of Management is complied with. Therefore I hereby re-open nominations for the remaining members.

### RE-OPEN OF NOMINATIONS ELECTION OF OFFICES 2006 2007

Nominations for three vacancies on the Committee of Management for 2006 2007 will close with me at 5.00 PM on Thursday 31 August 2006. The Nomination Form printed in the June/July issue of the Associations Newsletter will be accepted. or further copies can be obtained from the President Tony Boschman, the Secretary, Kay Marris, or myself. This can be photocopied if required. I will accept properly executed forms as an Email attachment provided they are sent prior to the closing time.

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# *Editor in Chief*

## **CLOSING DATE FOR EDITION 126 IS: SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2006**



I have a few requests, many people have said that they like the concept of the back page calendar giving a forward glance at what is on the agenda. However I seem to be running out of items, if your group has anything planned that would be of interest to the

rest of us please let me know and it will be included.

Please keep your group's information rolling in, I certainly like to see what's happening around the traps as I'm sure most others do too.

The number of people requesting their magazine via email continues to grow. It's never too late if you wish to try out the wonders of technology!!!

Regards

*Helvin Robinson*



### *New Members*

It's my pleasure to welcome the following eleven members to WAWA in my first month in the role of Membership Registrar. I'm sure we will all

make them most welcome.

2170	Ron Swarbrick	KINGSLEY
2171	Jack Ross	WAIKIKI
2172	Dennis Street	BULLCREEK
2173	Glen Saul	MOUNT HELENA
2174	Bruce Jackson	WANNANUP
2175	Dee Power	KELMSCOTT
2176	James Benford	MUNSTER
2177	Paul Mundy	BUSSELTON
2178	Anders Hammarstrom	BUSSELTON
2179	Mike Firman	DAWESVILLE
2180	Bruce Barnett	KALLAROO

Regards

*Kevin Treasur*



### *Shopping Centre Displays*

My thanks to the team effort of certain turners and in some cases their wives which have kept the shopping centre's team going this last

year . From 1st July. '05 to 30th .June '06 we have swelled the coffers of W.A.W.A. by \$4.070. not as good as last year but nevertheless a pleasing result.

May I pass on some thoughts that have been recently expressed. We need more members to take part in the shopping centres, of those currently participating there are several who because of health problems and/or age cannot carry out all duties. Of particular concern is the setting up and dismantling of the stall, there are not enough able bodied members for moving and loading the trailer. particularly getting the tables on and off the roof. Also a number of members will not take part if the stall is too far away from their home. With the current trend in petrol prices we see this as a problem that is going to get worse. We need to attract more members from a wider area so that there are people who live reasonably close regardless of which shopping centre we use, this may also mean selecting more shopping centres away from our current areas.

*Len Nocholls*

### *Library News*



Two new books will be available to members, they are:

Carving Nature Wildlife Studies in Wood by Frank Fox-Wilson

Woodturning Projects a Workshop Guide to Shapes by Mark Baker.

Would members please make the effort to return books and magazines on time. Several notices have to be sent out for items overdue, one book I'm told is now in NSW after being loaned to a non member who moved east - good-

bye book!!!

A surplus of Woodturning magazines will be for sale at our September Weekend Workshop, to minimise congestion they will be in bundles of three which will also allow more members access, they are dated pre 2000 and in good condition.

*Phil Berrill*

### *Hands On Woodturning for Women*

Plans are being made to provide a weekly hands-on woodturning session for women.

The aim of this session is to provide an opportunity for women to get hands-on experience in a stress free environment, run by women woodturners.

This is not an attempt to discourage women from

attending existing meetings and hands-on sessions. Rather, it is to encourage more women to try woodturning and draw more members for WAWA and boost our dwindling number of members.

The aim of this group would be to give prospective turners a chance to see if they would like to pursue the art of woodturning, then encourage them to join their local groups where they can draw on the wealth of knowledge and experience in that groups hands-on sessions.

These sessions will be held at Wandi to take advantage of the equipment there. The idea will be publicised at the Wood Show in August and hopefully sessions will run each Wednesday from 12.00pm until 3.00pm commencing the 6th September.

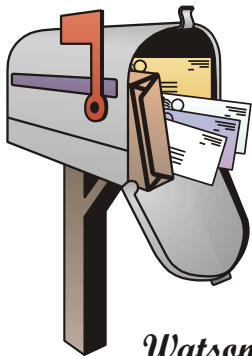
Please let anyone know who you think may be interested, and pass the word round when you do demonstrations.

For further information you can contact Marie Gallin (95252114), Elaine Boyd (95922232) or Alan Roberts (95282520)

## Letters to the Editor

### *A Very Special Fund Raising*

### *Raffle.*



*Mandurah Weekend Workshop 21st may 2006.*

*A near new mini lathe was raffled as a means of raising funds to support Glenice*

*Watson in her bid to cover medical and transportation costs following her*

*husband's recent death from cancer. Peter was a wood turner and although he was not a member of WAWA he won a special award after only twelve months of turning.*

*His death after a prolonged period of intensive therapy in the Eastern States and Western Australia amassed huge expenses for Glenice, who at the age of seventy, was forced to return to work to pay the bills.*

*Due to the generosity of everyone who purchased tickets leading up to and including the weekend workshop at Mandurah a sum of \$663.50 was raised.*

*The winner was Bob James.*

*My very special thanks go to everyone who donated and to those who assisted me in selling tickets.*

*Barry Granger.*

*Secretary - Mandurah*

### *Wandi One Day Workshops*

*I recently participated in a workshop session at Wandi and to say that I was impressed would be an understatement.*

*I had the impression that we would be working the clubs mini lathes but to my surprise we were working full sized and very appropriate lathes with plenty of space between them. I think that Alan Roberts is to be congratulated for this initiative and for his enthusiasm and keenness to see that everyone was comfortable in the working environment. I hope that others will take advantage of this opportunity to get first hand tuition from expert woodturners and think seriously about registering.*

*Barry Granger. Mandurah.*

### *Thankyou for Caring*



*On April 8th I gave the worst of my fifty plus demonstrations to WAWA. I had done my preparation but things came to a head (no pun intended) when I started to speak. The words would not come out right. Everyone knew there was something wrong when I*

*had no come back to MC Kevin McCracken's banter. After an embarrassing hour, Ted Stewart-Wynne (a neurologist before becoming addicted to woodturning) insisted I go to my GP on Monday morning. The result was that a fortnight later I was operated on to remove a sizeable brain tumour.*

*I was swamped with phone calls, visits and cards from WAWA members. Verna and I wish to thank you all for your concern and*

encouragement. I am happy to report that my rehabilitation is going extremely well and I expect to make a complete recovery - I will return!

*Viv Paust - (Member 319)*

## Woodturning Courses at Wandi


I have attended two of the WAWA sponsored Saturday Courses organised by Alan Roberts at Wandi and strongly recommend them to anyone who is ready to try different ways of doing things.

The teachers have wealth of knowledge and expertise and are so good at imparting their knowledge of design, techniques, effective grinds on chisels and how to improve tool skills.

Not only have I come home with a beautifully turned object each time, but I have felt both invigorated and motivated to practise the techniques learned. It is really so exciting to learn and achieve some success using tools in different ways, and pushing yourself to try things you may never have otherwise attempted.

So, if you are not too set in your ways, open to try other techniques, or simply just want to improve your tool skills and designs, try a course yourself.

*Marie Gallin Member 1958 Mandurah Group*



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# Competition Results

## MAY WEEKEND WORKSHOP

The competition item for this month was a mortar and pestle; it had 26 entries and the place getters were:

### NOVICE:

- 1st. **Buster Bailey**
- 2nd. **Alan Roberts**
- 3rd. **Michael Whitehead**

### INTERMEDIATE:

- 1st. **Chris Davis**
- 2nd. **Jim Hanney**
- 3rd. **Ray Batt**

### ADVANCED

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

### OPEN:

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

### POPULAR VOTE:

- 1st. **Derek Pollard**
- 2nd. **Buster Bailey**
- 3rd. **Bob Nichols**

Mortar and pestle was a very popular competition item. It was a pleasure to see the aggregate of our efforts on the competition table. Thank you to the judges, the Mandurah members who manned the desk and thank you to all competitors for taking part!

*George Kielige*

## JUNE WEEKEND WORKSHOP

Pair of Goblets or Vases.

### NOVICE:

- 1st. **Chris Gray**
- 2nd. **Buster Bailey**
- 3rd. **Maurice Munro**

### INTERMEDIATE:

- 1st. **Gerry Quesnel**
- 2nd. **Jim Hannay**
- 3rd. **(Two entries)**

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### ADVANCED

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

### OPEN:

- 1st. **Chris Davis**
- 2nd. **Chris Gray**
- 3rd. **Graham Lewis**

### POPULAR VOTE:

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

This months competition provided a choice of item to be turned.

Seventeen items were entered and four included goblets. I was impressed with the standard of work in the goblet turned by first time entrant Chris Gray in the novice section. Also Chris Davis and Bob Nichols turned Goblets and Vases, both requiring skill and lots of time.

Thanks to the judges who made themselves available, Margaret Young, Mick Hanlon and Owen O'Neill.

*Ivan Moro*

### Competition Items 2006-07

- 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

### THE DAGGER (PART I)



### THIS IS YOUR WOODTURNERS CONSCIENCE SPEAKING.

Recently I went to see Gerald Young to talk to him about my thoughts, my problems and my experimenting with the competition item for October: The Dagger. This visit was a truly fantastic experience. It was absolutely great to see Gerald's zest for life, to experience his clear and sharp mind and to see his great turnings including a work in progress for the competition at the Wood Show. My visit prompted me to write what went through my mind afterwards.

The Monthly Competition is a great way to learn wood turning, to progress and improve our skills and to attain excellence. I know we all agree on this. The snags are that we have to think about a project, that we have to make a plan, that we have to look for a suitable piece of timber and that we actually have to turn the lathe on and do it. In my case as a learner I usually even have to do a practice run or two and with the mortar and pestle which looked like a pretty easy project it took five goes.

On reflection these snags are not real problems. The real problem is that in retirement we have a tendency (and I include myself) to think that we have done our best during our working life and that we now want to sit on our laurels and enjoy.

I agree that we should enjoy but I don't think we should sit and wait. If we continue to go forward and continue to progress, the rewards will be immeasurably greater and we will be happy and content with ourselves.

When I joined WAWA, I joined a large group of people with the same hobby, interest, fascination or disease, you name it. I am going to the monthly WEW not only for social interaction or entertainment, but to learn new aspects of woodturning, new techniques, and new approaches to old problems. I am going for encouragement when I'm a bit low and I'm going for networking and problem solving with more experienced turners or with people who have an interest in special aspects of turning.

My writing is really a plug for the Monthly Competition. I say it again: our competition is a great way to learn. If a novice resolves to take part in it on a regular basis the learning curve will be steep and the progress will be fast. If you are an 'old hand' you have not missed the boat. Because of your experience you will rise through the ranks very rapidly. However it may also highlight some shortcomings and thus encourage you to learn things which you always wanted to but somehow never did. I am convinced there is no stigma attached for an 'old turner' to submit an item in the Novice Category. By the way the competition rules offer the option of self-promotion into the next category anyway.

In the past I usually entered only when I liked the item and wanted to own one. But during the conversation with Gerald it became quite clear that this is wrong and I shall mend my ways. We are more likely to learn by doing things we otherwise wouldn't.

Happy turning - George Kieliger

## THE DAGGER (PART II) – OR HINTS FOR THE OCTOBER COMPETITION.

The specifications say: fully turned, i.e. handle, guard and blade. Anybody can shape a blade with bandsaw, rasp and sand paper, but is it a challenge? The purpose of this item is really to tickle our grey matter and to practice our skills in

off-centre turning.

Here is the summary of my thoughts and research for this project. I will give you some hints on how I think it can be done and I will slightly modify the specifications.

·A dagger consists of a blade, a grip and very often but not always it has a guard or hilt.

·The blade has a taper and it is symmetrical with two equal edges similar to a sword.

·The cross section of the blade in a metal dagger varies greatly. By using wood and by turning only I think we can only achieve an elongated oval cross section with pointed ends. (Please proof me wrong!)

·The grip of a dagger should fit your hand. For me this would be about 110 mm long. It could include a pommel. For a letter opener you have to work out the proportions.

·The shape of the guard or hilt, i.e. the bit between the blade and the grip varies greatly. It can curve backward or forward or it can be straight and in a Scottish dirk or a Roman dagger for instance, it is absent.

If you choose to make a dagger without a hilt it will probably be made in one piece, otherwise it will be three pieces of timber: the blade with a tang (a spigot), the guard with a central opening for the tang to pass through and the grip with a recess to receive the tang.

I think there are two options to achieve the curve of the blade by turning: inside-out turning or mounting the billets on a square barrel. Both are off-centre turning methods. In each case you will make four blades. No matter which method you use precision cutting of the barrel and the billets as well as precision drilling for the screws is essential. The choice of timber is critical. For the blade it needs to be very dense. Your tools need to be very sharp. The dagger blade needs to be supported during its manufacture to eliminate the springiness when it gets thinner (rubber foam) and

it needs to be secured to counteract the centrifugal force (strips from an inner tube). The most critical and difficult part will be to make the tip of the dagger blade. This is unlikely to be achieved by turning only. So a small amount of shaping by hand is required and acceptable. Of course any amount of hand work is accepted to embellish any part of the dagger.

If we take along our jigs as well as the finished item or the failure to October WEW we will probably have an interesting 'show and tell' session.

*George Kieliger*

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Joondalup/Wanneroo Weekend Workshop

Joondalup/Wanneroo will host the October workshop at the Wanneroo Senior high School on 21 October 2006.

The workshop theme will be Glass & Brass Adds Class.

Demonstrations by John Mason, Lach Christie and Norm Griffiths will be featured.

## Upcoming Weekend Workshops News

### *Wandi September Workshop*

Wandi is hosting the September weekend workshop and AGM this year.

The workshop will run over one and a half days and the theme will be embellishment.

It is intended that all topics will be at a level that can be tried at home and we intend for those attending to have the opportunity to try out some of the activities.

Topics will include:

- Routing on the Lathe.
- Relief Carving
- Pyrography
- Marquetry
- Using the Dremel for Piercing
- Air Brushing

Lunch on the Saturday will be a variety of Home Made Soups and Fresh Crusty Bread. Nice and warm for an Spring day.

Caravan sites will be available for a fee of five dollars per night (payable to the Wand

Progress Association). The fee includes power, showers and use of the main kitchen.

Details and times in the next news letter.

Come one come all for a embellishing good time!

Competition item is a Presentation Dagger or Letter Opener in dagger-style, up to 350mm long, fully turned, i.e. handle, guard and blade.

One session during the day will be devoted to a turning tournament. Teams of two or more nominated from each group will be supplied with a 50x50x250 wood blank and brass ferrule. Their task will be to complete a candlestick, to their own design, in the 1 1/4 hr session. Each team member is to spend the same time on the lathe. Lathe and Vicmarc scroll chuck will be supplied. Please bring your own tools.

### *November Weekend Workshop*

The Busselton Group is putting the finishing touches to the Workshop Programme on the third weekend of November 2006.

The Associates event on Saturday 18 November will be a bus trip to Annie Brook Flower Emporium in Vasse. 'Annie Brook' is currently doing some major developments and visitors will have a wider range of products to see and choose from. A bus will take people to the venue, for which there will be a fee of \$5.00 payable at the Reception desk prior to lunch. The bus will return in time for afternoon tea.

Accommodation in Busselton will be at a premium that weekend. The Kookaburra Caravan Park and you can confirm your Woodturners discounted booking by telephoning 9752 1516. If you want Motel or Hotel accommodation telephone Michael Whitehead on 9751 2023 and he will give you the options available.

Make a pre or post workshop holiday while visiting the South West...you will not regret it.

*Regards.... George Herring*

# News from the Groups

## *A Letter From Busselton*



Our meetings on the second Wednesday of the month features a demonstrator presenting a given item. In May Charlie Broadbent turned a Goblet as his choice for the June Competition. As usual this was an informant presentation and included a clear and

concise drawing.

Our Group Competition piece for the month of May was a Mortar and Pestle and there were seven entrants – the highest participation this year. Voting was close with only four votes separating the top four placegetters. Ray Batt lead the field closely followed by Dennis Haddon and Michael Whitehead with Vince Triglia being unlucky. The follow-up to this was that there were five entries from members of our Group in the WAWA Competition at Mandurah with Ray Batt getting third place in the intermediate category and Michael Whitehead third place as a Novice. We congratulate each placegetters and thank the other members for participating.

The Great Eggscope – this was our hands-on session for May and was a test in turning an eggcup in the quickest time. Our Program Co-ordinator readily admits that it was not his idea but came from an American Woodturners Association event some years ago. The first event run by that organisation saw Richard Raffan turn an eggcup in sixteen seconds. Results from our members were Tom Mazey 2.00min, Michael

Whitehead 3.00 Min, Charlie Broadbent 2.43 Min, Ray Batt 2.17 Min, Dennis Haddon 2.10 Min, Rob Mutch 3.00 Min and Owen Isbel 1.50 Min. Therefore our 'Raffanite' for 2006 is the erstwhile Owen Isbel. Charlie Broadbent critiqued each of the seven entries. Charlie kept to the fun theme and at the same time offered excellent advice in ways everyone can improvement both their design and turning skills.

On Saturday 27 May we hosted the Bunbury Group at the Old Courthouse Complex. Queen Street Busselton. A total of 36 members and guests attended - of these two-thirds were our visitors. Demonstrators for the day were Charlie Broadbent, Ray Batt and Dennis Haddon from Busselton with Jim Cunniffe and Wallace MacDougall from Bunbury. Toni Wilson gave a DVD presentation of her attendance to the International Woodturning Symposium in the Blue Mountains west of Sydney late in 2005. All those present drooled at Dennis' efforts in turning a small cheese board with a skew chisel. A very big thanks to Val Mazey who her coordinated the catering. The ladies of the Busselton Group provided an exceptional range of salads for the barbecue lunch. The day was a real fun event with everyone enjoying good fellowship. We believe that this type of function must increase the morale of the Association.

Our first meeting for June was demonstrating a 'Kitchen Item' which is both the Associations and Groups Competition item for the month of July. Michael Whitehead chose a Scoop for his contribution. This was first time that Michael has demonstrated before the Group and his presentation showed the reason his turning has improved over the past twelve months and is indicative of his participation in our Artist in Residence program at ArtGeo together with the work he is offering for sale at the Old Courthouse Gallery. Tom Mazey showed us how to make a mixing spoon and though he was unable to finish it because of our prohibition on sanding in the Studio, he was able to give everyone a good idea how to produce this interesting article. Tom has become one the Groups consistent contributors in a wide range of activities.

Our hands-on session on 28 June 2006 continued the teams' events. The item selected was a 'Weed Pot'. Each team was given the same size piece of timber and a sheet of graph paper and was required to design a Weed Pot as a pre-requisite to actually turning it. The judging took into account the design produced prior to turning and attracted fifty percent of the total votes. Everyone had fun in doing this exercise once some of the participants were able define what a 'Weed Pot' is.

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November 2006 is going full swing and we are planning on a very high attendance, given the quality program. A draft program is on the associations web site – [www.wawa.com.au](http://www.wawa.com.au), click on Groups, click on Busselton and scroll down to the draft program. A final program will be published in the October/November issue of the Newsletter. However, we urge everyone to look at the exciting accommodation options and act now.

*'Scriba'*



## Collie Chatter

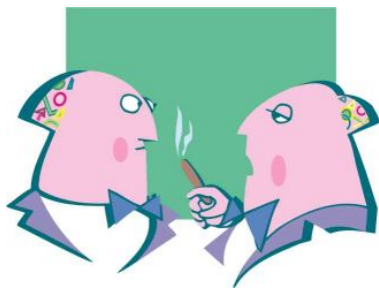
Sunday 25th June. A brisk cold morning plenty of frost around but everyone in good spirits around the fire at Peter Hills workshop this month.

18 members braved the cold and after a hot cuppa held our monthly meeting.

Fred Pavanini started the day rolling with a demo and hands on with the newer members of the group.

This month's competition item was a candle stick design at the discretion of the individual turner. Les Beaglehole was the winner of the day with his entry in the shape of a flower opening its petals to the sun. A pleasant day was had by all. Next month's comp item is pomanders.

*Roy Harris*



## Gosnells

### Gossip

26th April. We were primed for the monthly competition of

The mortar and pestle. The consensus was

that not enough members (new or old) are submitting entries. I as a novice admit that I don't have the confidence to show my skills. Perhaps in the future. Old dog, new tricks syndrome?

3rd May was garden week. We had a not so good turnout, as a lot of our members were involved at Perry Lakes. However we did start the mortar and pestle.

10th May. We finished the M and P today with a variety of designs and timbers. For once Dan did not tell us to go thinner, as everyone knows the article in question has to be robust.

17th May. I could not attend today, but I am told that Ian Eagles gave an excellent demonstration on making salt and pepper mills. This is one of Ian's

specialties. Ian is full bottle on mechanisms, and gets his from overseas, as he reckons they are much better quality than the run of the mill stuff.

24th May. On this day Dan gave a demo on embellishing bowls. Robert Jones kindly brought in an astonishing collection of embellished work and gave the group lots of helpful hints. We thank Robert for taking the time and effort to attend.

31st May. We started our toy making drive today with detailed plans by Chris of a doll with separate parts which can be made and dismantled by youngsters. Some teams struggled with the parts, especially the novice team, so the project was extended for another week. The bonus is that advance teams can produce more toys for the kids.

June 7th. We continued with the dolls. George Kieliger showed the group a jig he has devised for inside/outside turning, producing a dagger/sword. Very intricate and a lot of hours involved. G's effort is dedicated to trial and error techniques, possibly a catalyst for us all to try new ideas.

June 14th. The dolls were finished. Ivan told me his team made four. Good on 'em. Even the teams who only made one make all the difference to a kid's enjoyment. Let's hope all our members contribute to this year's toy drive.

June 21st. The dreaded sphere was our project today. Makes me wish I was on Ivan's team, had a variety of shapes, from perfect to bowling ball shapes.

I'm sure some of our new members at least will appreciate the difficulties involved in turning a bowl.

I admit that it is beyond me but my partner in crime Sam Proud seems to have got the hang of it as he did most of the work on our team. In our group Sam has shown the way for novices by entering most competitions and being recognised for his efforts.

*Jim McMillan*

## Manjimup Matters



### TASSIE TURNERS

Last spring the Manjimup group enjoyed a visit from Tom & Pam Harper from Tasmania. They are the proprietors of "Tom's Bridport Turnery". During their visit to Manjimup, Tom &

Pam issued an invitation to members to visit their workshop in Bridport, Tasmania.

Recently, Yvonne Pegrum took up their invitation and spent a great day with them in Bridport. Tom was busily turning an order for 200 cheese knife

handles on his new Jet lathe.

The new lathe came about because of a disastrous workshop fire which occurred shortly after their return from the WA trip. Fortunately they were quick enough to get most of the saleable items out of the shop before the fire destroyed any of it, but the old Tough lathe and a number of other machines & equipment were destroyed.

Tom was able to salvage most of his chisels, but the handles were charred. Rather than replace them all, Tom coated them liberally with Estapol. It seems to have done the trick.

The fire Department carried out an investigation, and determined that the fire was caused by a build up of fine dust on a spotlight directly over the lathe. Tom had been turning, and had gone up to the house for lunch - leaving the spotlight on. They saw the smoke from the house, but it was well away by the time they got down to the shed. The fire destroyed almost half the shed.

Fortunately, the building was fully insured so they were able to replace that which was lost. The repaired workshop now includes adequate ventilation and dust extraction!!

#### **A LESSON TO US ALL.**

Tom & Pam extend an invitation to all WAWA members who may be travelling in the north of Tasmania to call in and see them.

We thank Yvonne for the information on her Tessie trip and I for one wish I could have gone with her to see this turner as I think his work is very good. It was nice to see Yvonne go on a nice trip but it is nicer to have her back.

#### **IN THE LONG SHED**

The Demo at the Farmers Market went well and there was a good turnout from members but the day was overcast and not many people were out and about. Plus that weekend also saw an AFL team down here in Manjimup and a lot of people would have gone to see them I am sure.

Not much else going on here in the south west

but to say the Manjimup Weekend Workshop looks like it is going to be a good show again this year. Everyone is looking forward to the show and we hope to put on a very warm welcome to all the Turners from around the state.

That just about raps it up for the Manjimup Matters for this Month and we wish you and yours a very warm and happy winter.

*Wes Mattox,*

## **Melville Mutterings**



Attendances at our weekly Wednesday morning meeting continue to be around the 50 mark and it was nice to see the return of the Eastern State wanderers - Brian Fowlie and Les Small.

The Program was:-

4th May- Alan Smith gave us a rundown of the various ways of achieving a clean bottom to bowls. The methods shown by Alan were all achievable without the need to buy expensive chucks so there is no excuse for chuck marks on the bottom of any turned bowl.

11th May- Bernie Dixon turned up a very nice footed bowl with a short stem made in 3 pieces.

18th May- It was good to have Alan France demonstrating how to turn spheres to size without a ballturning jig - Alan made it look so easy that you were left wondering why anyone would want a jig. Our thanks to Maxine for bringing Alan along and sitting patiently through the demo.

25th May- Richard Leggo got to the meeting early and turned a very nice table lamp comprising 4 pieces and also showed how he bored the long hole through the body of the lamp.

1st June- Ron Oliver conducted our monthly business meeting for May and in lieu of a demo we saw a video of David Springett showing how to make

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and use an elliptical chuck.

8th June- Kevin McCracken turned a very nice shallow footed bowl.

15th June- Jack Pallas from Wandi visited and showed how to turn a natural edged bowl using the Vermec tool and rest which enables the turner to hollow the bowl from the far side

of the lathe with the tool cutting upside down on the upward rotation of the work.

22nd June- After the monthly business meeting we saw an excellent New Zealand video - courtesy of Ross Wilton- showing the salvaging of an ancient Kauri log of 3 meter diameter from a bog. Its removal to the site of a showroom for "Kauri Kingdom" where it was cut into two pieces and one half stood on end and carved by chainsaw into a spiral staircase to the second floor of the showroom. The whole process was truly amazing and impressed everyone - many thanks Ross for letting us see it

This meeting was also the first at which an idea of Norm Gratte of having a display of members unidentified work of a specified item shown and commented upon constructively was held. The item on this occasion was a bud vase and the number of members displaying pieces was most encouraging. Joe Hegney conducted a constructive critique inviting comments from members and the whole idea seemed to go down very well.

29th June - Ken Rex started the first of 3 consecutive demonstrations he will give on using the router on the lathe. This time Ken showed how to make a salt and pepper set in the shape of a nut and bolt.

Members who attended the June meeting of WAWA at Menora will know that Frank Leder suffered a nasty fall and had to go to RPH for treatment Frank is presently at home but unfortunately his shoulder which was broken in the fall may require surgery and Frank tells me he has to see specialists about this next week. We all wish Frank the very best for a successful recovery.

## *Stirling*

Stirling Group held a successful Weekend Workshop on Saturday, 17th July. There were a few problems at the beginning with the power but these were eventually ironed out. The demonstrations were varied and very interesting. Thanks especially to Neil Piper who stepped in at the last moment to fill in a sudden gap. Thanks also to those who assisted in setting up the venue

and the very good response in packing up. This was the last weekend workshop to be hosted by the Stirling Group as at the meeting on 27th June it was resolved that the group disband due to falling numbers. Members will still be attending the Weekend Workshops and look out for them in other groups



## *Swan Snippets*

The first of variations of demonstration and competition items in our program as distinct from the WAWA list occurred in our June meetings. Don Duck who has produced many gavels for use in the

Rostrum groups with which he is involved showed us the finer points of design and in turning. This will be our competition item in July.

The previous meeting in May saw David Devereux demonstrate many examples of items which would qualify as kitchen items in line with the WAWA requirement for the meeting in July. David actually made a honey dipper for us after having made so many items at home to be able to show and discuss for our meeting. Our members made some beautiful and diverse items including scoops, spoons, salt and pepper dispensers and a spectacular rolling pin with crossed inserts by Graham Bell and a delicate tea strainer by Jim Hanney.

Joe Clark showed us on two afternoons the pleasure of turning green wood to make a vase and later a bowl. Both blanks came from a snotty gobble tree growing on his property which certainly has a distinct beauty.

Jim Clark demonstrated for us one afternoon one of his special mushroom toothpick holders so popular at the shopping centre displays.

Jim Hanney furthered the theme of kitchen items by demonstrating the making of a caddy spoon from Cape Lilac.

Chris Allen demonstrated for us an attractive toothpick holder which has been for him a good seller at his Guildford Market Stall.

In response to an expressed need we ran a hands on afternoon on bowl turning using two lathes and led by Eric Walker and Bob Nichols. We intend to follow this up with a bowl turning competition on our first afternoon meeting in July and also our evening July meeting.

By the time this appears in the newsletter our weekend at Kalamunda will have an historical event. We hope our efforts will have been successful in making this workshop both enjoyable and useful.

Happy Turning *Bob Nichols*



## Wandi Waffles

Some of the Wandi group participated in a display of woodturning at the Waikiki Shopping Centre again this year. Some items were donated for sale and the proceeds went towards the club. As quite a lot of interest was shown in the demonstration on the little

lathe and the display it is hoped that we will gain a few members as a result.

Alan Roberts' entry in the competition at Mandurah's W.A.W.A. Weekend Workshop won second prize in the novice class, maybe this will encourage some of our members to enter their work also.

The overhead power points have been installed and connected to the power and some more new lathes have appeared.

Demonstrations have included Deep Hollowing with some hands on to follow. Interesting items are appearing on the Show and Tell with several newer and younger members participating. I missed Jack deVos' demonstration as we were away with the Goldfields Woodies. But I was told that it was a good night. Jack's demos always are.

There are now several ladies coming to the Wednesday morning "hands on". Perhaps we will soon need a Wednesday afternoon "hands on" for the ladies (watch this space").

*Elaine Boyd.*



To list any items you would like to sell to other members simply email [kelvin.r@bigpond.net.au](mailto:kelvin.r@bigpond.net.au) with a description of the item, price, your name and membership number along with relevant contact details.

### LOST & FOUND

A Brooch was found in the carpark following the Stirling Group Weekend Workshop. For further information or to claim your property please contact Malcolm or Shirley Monro on 9271 9503.

### FREE TO GROUPS

The Association has a number of Items surplus to their needs stored at the Wandi Storage Facility. These Items are available to interested groups free of charge.

All items may be viewed on a Monday or Wednesday morning between 9.00am and 12.00noon by appointment only. Convenors or Secretaries only should ring Wandi

Convenor Alan Roberts to arrange viewing times.

All items are available as is.

2 x TEAC combined 14 in Television/VCRs' in carry boxes

1 x Carbatec Micro (pen) Lathe HM 1A on stand with accessories

1 x Nova TL 1500 twin rail Lathe on stand

2 x sets of 6 small steel lockers

4 x Over Head Projector Screens

2 x Speakers in cases

1 x PA amp and Microphone

1 x JVC Video camera without battery

1 x amplifier

1 x Panasonic Video Camera

2 x Power Horns

1 x Personal Microphone System

1 x TV Portable Stand

The entire inventory of the Stirling Group is available to Groups and may also be viewed at Wandi.

Items not requested and picked up by the AGM 16th and 17th September will be sold privately or discarded.

Please contact Wandi Convenor Alan Roberts to arrange viewing. Goods will be allocated on a first in, best dressed basis!!

### HELP ME FIND A LATHE!!!

I'm Graham Snow, WAWA member number 2121 and I'm in need of a replacement lathe.

I currently have a Record DML 24X but the twin rod bed vibrates and is making my turning hard work. I have outgrown the beginner lathe.

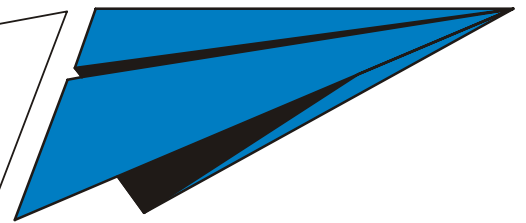
I am looking for a replacement, preferably used to keep the price down. I was wondering if a member is selling something that would be useful for me. I am looking for a general purpose lathe for centre turning and faceplate work. I would like a cast iron bed with about 900mm between centres; an index would be nice but not essential. A stand is not important as my current lathe is on a strong wooden bench. I have up to \$500 to spend.

I live about 100km North of Perth but I have a trailer so I can collect from any area.

Your help is very much appreciated

*Graham Snow*

# WEEKEND WORKSHOPS



## WANDI GROUP WEEKEND WORKSHOP

### Saturday & Sunday 16th - 17th Sept 2006

Wandi Community Hall

Convenor: . . . . . Alan Roberts

Master of Ceremonies: . . . . . Alan Roberts

Safety Officer. . . . . Chris Gray

Competition Facilitator . . . . . Rod Cocks

Host(s): . . . . . Wandi Group Members

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#### COMPETITION ITEM”

**Square Edge Bowl with NO Natural Edge**

Programme Theme: Embellishment for Every Body.

It is hoped that all members will take advantage of the HANDS ON opportunities that will be offered.

8:00am. . . Set up, lots of willing hands please.

8:45am. . . Registration and Fellowship

9:00am. . . Welcome & Announcements

9:15am. . . Annual General Meeting (See Footnote)

10:30am. . . Morning Tea, Members, a plate please

. . . . . Competition Voting Commences

11:00am. . . TBA - Timing Subject to AGM

12:00pm. . . Lunch - Hearty Home Made Soup and  
Crispy Fresh Bread

1:00pm. . . Bruce McCormick Flame Seasoning

2:00pm Simultaneous Demonstrations and  
“Hands On” of:

Relief Carving on Platters

Routing on the Lathe

Piercing for All Levels

Embellishment “The Unusual”

Marquetry

3:00pm. . . Afternoon Tea

3:30pm. . . Continuance of Hands On

4:30pm. . . Show & Tell - Competition Results

#### LADIES SATURDAY PROGRAMME

From 10.30 until 12.00 pm, there will be a Show and Tell and also Demonstration of Scrap Booking by Ms Michelle Farrell.

We hope that the Ladies will have a room, kitchen and toilet all of the weekend in the newly refurbished Hope Valley School.

#### SUNDAY PROGRAMME

##### Learn A New Skill Day

9:00am. . . Welcome

. . . . . Six Lathes will be in the Main Hall for  
Demonstrations and Hands-On of  
Spindle and Faceplate Turning

. . . . . Fetch your Lathe Tools and learn  
Sharpening Techniques

. . . . . Get Solutions for your Foul Ups

10:30am. . . Morning Tea

11:00am. . . Lets Just Carry On

12:00pm. . . Lunch Sausage Sizzle

1:00pm. . . Pack Up Many Helpers Please

#### A.G.M. Note.

**A Mediator will M.C.?? the meeting**

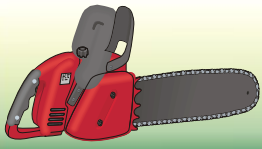
**In order to get through business smoothly and with the minimum of delay the following Rules of Procedure will Apply:**

**There will be only TWO speakers FOR and AGAINST all Motions.**

**Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of THREE minutes to state his or her case.**

**All business NOT completed by 10.30 am will be referred to a special general meeting.**

**It is hoped by adopting this procedure that all business can be concluded swiftly, efficiently and with the minimum of procrastination and the business of the day can carry on.**



# Calendar of Events

## FRIDAY 4TH TO SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST 2006

Shopping Centre Display

W.A. Craft Show  
Claremont Showgrounds

Len Nicholls - 9339 6490  
Jim McDonnell - 9294 3511

## FRIDAY 11TH TO SUNDAY 13TH AUGUST 2006

Shopping Centre Display

W.A. Wood Show  
Claremont Showgrounds

Len Nicholls - 9339 6490  
Jim McDonnell - 9294 3511

## MONDAY 14TH AUGUST 2006

Woodturning Master Class  
with Dean Malcolm

Wandi Club Rooms  
Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi

Alan Roberts 9528 2520  
[alba57@westnet.com.au](mailto:alba57@westnet.com.au)

## MONDAY 28TH AUGUST TO FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2006

WAWA 21st Anniversary  
Exhibition

Perth Old Town Hall  
Cnr Hay & Barrack Sts, Perth

Jim Stifall 9277 3132  
Derek Martin 9330 3626

## MONDAY 28TH AUGUST TO SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2006

Shopping Centre Display

Phoenix Shopping Centre  
Spearwood

Len Nicholls - 9339 6490  
Jim McDonnell - 9294 3511

## SATURDAY 16TH TO SUNDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2006

Wandi Group  
Weekend Workshop & AGM

Wandi Community Hall  
Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi

Alan Roberts 9528 2520  
[alba57@westnet.com.au](mailto:alba57@westnet.com.au)

## MONDAY SATURDAY 25TH 30TH SEPTEMBER 2006

Shopping Centre Display

Melville Plaza  
Melville

Len Nicholls - 9339 6490  
Jim McDonnell - 9294 3511

## SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2006

Joondalup/Wanneroo Group  
Weekend Workshop

Wanneroo Senior High School  
Paltara Way, Wanneroo

Tony Collins 9561 6887

## MONDAY SATURDAY 23RD 28TH OCTOBER 2006

Shopping Centre Display

Southlands Shopping Centre  
Burrendah

Len Nicholls - 9339 6490  
Jim McDonnell - 9294 3511

## SATURDAY 18TH TO SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2006

Busselton Group  
Weekend Workshop

Churchill Park Show Grounds  
Adelaide St, Busselton

George Haddon 9752 1235  
[maggiden@westnet.com.au](mailto:maggiden@westnet.com.au)

## MONDAY SATURDAY 20TH 25TH NOV 2006

Shopping Centre Display

CentrePoint Shopping Centre  
Midland

Len Nicholls - 9339 6490  
Jim McDonnell - 9294 3511

## SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2006

WAWA Christmas  
Weekend Workshop

Kalamunda Agricultural Hall  
Canning Rd, Kalamunda