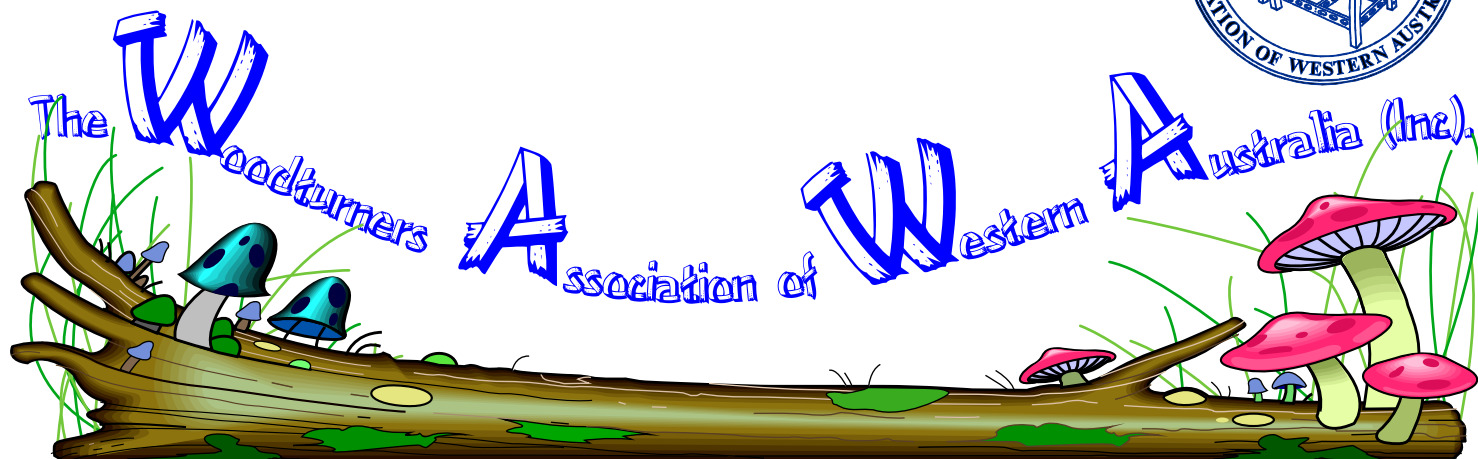
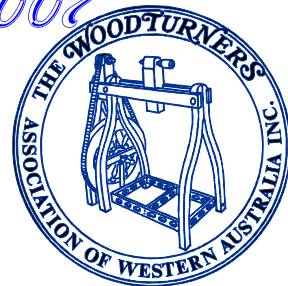


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# Meetings

## **ALBANY**

Duyfken Boatshed, Princess Royal Dr, Albany  
7:00pm 1st Mon 12:30pm Sat  
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## **AVON VALLEY**

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7:30pm 4th Mon 9:00am 2nd & 4th Sun  
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Bill Grimditch

## **JOONDALUP/WANNEROO**

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3:00pm 2nd & 4th Tues  
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9:30am 2nd & 4th Wed  
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8:00am Wednesday (**excluding School Holidays**)  
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Wandi Community Hall, DeHaer Rd, Wandi  
7:00pm 1st & 3rd Thursdays  
8:00am - 12:00pm Wednesday (Hands On)  
12:00pm - 4:00pm Wednesday (Ladies Group)

# CLOSING DATE FOR EDITION 132 IS: SUNDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2007

## Committee News

### Editor in Chief



I'm still enjoying the role of editor with some great editorial coming from quite a few members. I would enjoy greater input by way of letters, group

news or ideas from the silent majority. Getting the information by the required date has been the greatest difficulty but we will have to grin and bear it I guess.

There is still a steady trickle of members taking up the option of an emailed magazine and its never too late to join the brave if you wish. Send me an email (preferably from that email address) with your name and membership number and you will be added to the list.

Over the last couple of years I have fulfilled a few roles within WAWA (Wandi Group Treasurer, Committee of Management Member & Association Editor) none have been too onerous. I have been a little stunned with the lack of volunteers from a membership of more than 500 to the point where George has to call for nominations more than once and often positions are left vacant.

So here are a few messages to those on the brink of volunteering for those vacancies. Hopefully they will push you over the brink and putting your hand up for some enjoyable & creative work for the organisation. It is a great one, isn't it???????

You can join a band of past contributors and volunteers who have worked tirelessly to get us to where we are!!!!

## Volunteers

**V**aluable is the work you do.  
**O**utstanding in how you always come through.  
**L**oyal, sincere and full of good cheer,  
**U**ntiring in your efforts throughout the year.  
**N**otable are the contributions you make,  
**T**rustworthy in every project you take.  
**E**ager to reach your every goal,  
**E**ffective in the way you fulfill your role.  
**R**eady with a smile like a shining star,  
**S**pecial and wonderful - that's what you are.

## Why be a Volunteer

It's not for the money, it's not for fame and it's not for any personal gain.

It's for love of fellow man, It's just to lend a helping hand.

It's just to give the tittle of self.

That's something you can't buy with wealth.

It's not the medals worn with pride.

It's just for that feeling deep inside.

It's that reward down in your heart.

It's the feeling that you've been a part of helping others far and near,

That makes you a **VOLUNTEER**.

## Ode to Volunteers

Many will be shocked to find  
When the Day of Judgement nears  
That there's a special place in,  
Heaven set aside for volunteers.  
Furnished with big recliners,  
Satin couches and footstools  
Where there's no committee chair,  
No group leaders for carpools.  
Telephone lists will be outlawed,  
But a finger snap will bring  
Cool drinks and gourmet dinners,  
And rare treats fit for a king.  
You ask, who's serve the privileged few  
And work for all they're worth?  
Why, those who reaped the benefits  
And not once volunteered on earth.

## Library News

Many thanks to the Botman family for donating books and magazines to our library, I'm sure members will enjoy them, among the books are the following:

The complete Manual of Wood Finishers by Frederick Oughton.

Wood Finishers handbook by Sam Allen

Kauri - A King among King's by J G Adams

New Zealand Timbers, Exotic and Indigenous by N.C. Clifton

Two folders of Manual Arts a Teacher's Guide have also been donated by Jim Waters (446)



Happy Reading

*Phil Berrill*

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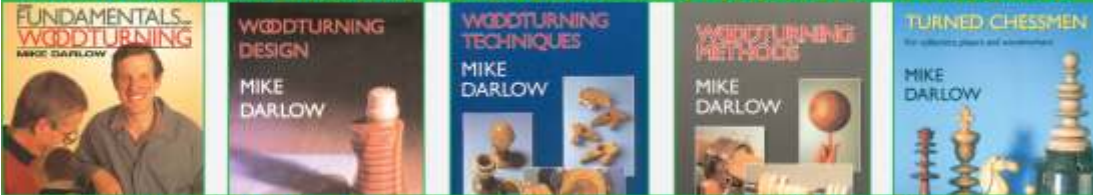
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requirements of the present Constitution of the Association the nominations for the following positions are required;

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**Members of the Committee of Management:** Five vacancies each for a two-year term.

Reopened Nominations close with me at 5.00 PM on Friday 31 August 2007 and should be sent to the address shown at the foot of this report.

## Election of Office Bearers

### 2007 - 2008

#### INTERIM REPORT OF RETURNING OFFICER

At the close of nominations on 30 June 2007 I declare the following results:

Committee of Management:

- 1) Phillip Berrill – elected unopposed for a two-year term.
- 2) Tony Boschman - assumes the position of Immediate Past President.
- 3) Derek Martin, Alan Roberts, Kelvin Robinson, and Jim Stitfall continue to hold office until the 2008 Annual General Meeting.
- 4) Ross Wilton will resign due to ill health at the conclusion of the 2007 Annual General Meeting and will not complete his full two-year term. Chris Smith has recently resigned from the Committee of Management.

## Notice Of Reopened Nominations

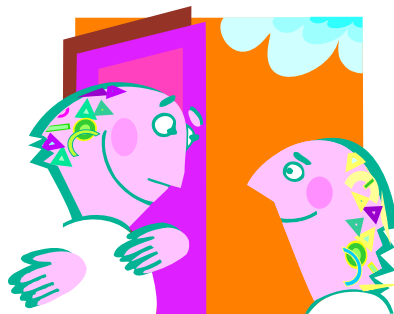
### 2007 – 2008 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

In my position as Returning Officer and acting in accordance with the Associations Incorporations Act together with Joske's 'Law of Meetings' as a reference, I reopened nominations for that of President of the Association together with that required for the remaining Committee of Management positions. In order to comply with the

A Nomination Form accompanies this notice.

George Herring  
Returning Officer  
7 Heppingstone Road  
Busselton WA 6280

2 July 2007.



## Membership Registrar's Bit

### NEW MEMBERS

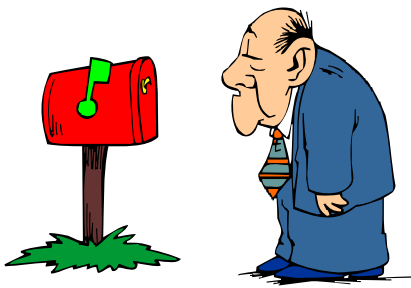
Over the last two months we welcome eight new members to

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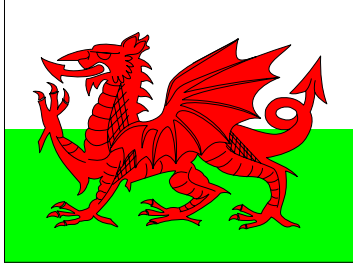
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2237	George Sharpe	CASUARINA
2238	Marion Murray	WARNBRO
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2241	Greg Williams	WELLARD
2242	Gerry Doyle	BUSSELTON
2243	Allan Jones	BUNBURY
2244	Joash Boyton	YANCHEP
2245	Barbara Jennings	BUSSELTON

Cheers

*Kevin Treasure*



# Letters To The Editor



## Letter From Wales

Just a few lines to let all those whose company I enjoyed that you are not forgotten, and I do miss WAWA. I have said it

before and I'll say it again members do not know how well off they are with their organisation. There is nothing to compare with it over here. I was hoping to have been visiting just about now but for a few health problems though I'm feeling great at the moment and back in the shed.

Recently Jack deVos and Rob Jones visited us and so I'm fully up to date on WAWA. Both visited my local club with Jack giving us an all day demo o Saturday, and Rob giving a talk on his embellishing techniques. They were both given a warm welcome by our members and their input was well appreciated.

I've had to put up with some cheeky remarks from Gordon on the web, but that only goes to show he is on the mend physically if not mentally, . sorry Gordon. Hopefully, I'll see you next year until then happy turning all especially everyone at Wandi.

*Gwilym Fisher.*

## A Letter To Members

### WAWA SPONSORED WOODTURNING COURSES 2007.

The year started very well with courses in February and March running with full classes. Unfortunately, the April course was cancelled due lack of numbers.

As with last year, most participants in the two courses run have been from the public domain, this year topped up mainly by the Lady Turners.

You will all appreciate that a lot of work and time goes into organising the courses, time that may be best spent on more productive aspects of woodturning.

The questions need to be asked therefore:

Do the rank and file members of the association wish WAWA to continue sponsoring these courses?

If the answer is yes, what can be done to attract more member participation? Are the learning outcomes currently being offered what you want?

I am open to any and all constructive suggestions to help achieve the aims of the Association in furthering the art of woodturning in WA.

This is YOUR Association, I would ask you all to please contact me with your thoughts on the above two questions, your opinion is valued. I would ask you all AGAIN to please contact me, I can be contacted

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## Competition Guidelines For The Working With Wood Show, August 2007.

The competition item is a Wine Bottle and Ice Bucket. These items can be of any size but obviously, must be in proportion. This is to be a "standard" Association competition, the exception is that it will be held at The Wood Show instead of a group workshop. Members and the public will be voting on this as well as appointed Judges.

However, there are some necessary guidelines for our members to follow. They are:

- 1.. Entries must be received by 10.30 am on the Friday of the Show. **Remember Late entries will not be accepted !!**
- 2.. I (John Mason) will be in attendance at opening time. (Hopefully!)
- 3.. Members may obtain an entry number (as per our workshops) from me by phone or e-mail. Stick this number on your item. This will work as long as I have knowledge of the item. They must still have it at the Show on time.
- 4.. The judges selected must be at the Show at the same time. These will be selected at our July workshop. I will supply the judging forms to them at that time.
- 5.. Members will be responsible for the collection of their entries after the show unless alternative methods are used.
- 6.. Suggest some groups allocate a central receiving depot and possibly an agent to collect the items.

If you have any queries of any kind, feel free to contact me by Phone on 9537 6626 or by e-mail [jasmon@westnet.com.au](mailto:jasmon@westnet.com.au)

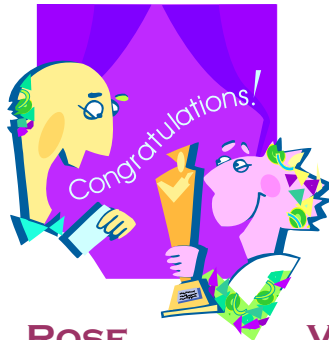
*John Mason*, Competition Co-ordinator

## Competition Items for 2007

- August . . . For the Wood show. A wine bottle in an ice bucket. The size is unlimited but the two items must be in proportion
- 15-16 Sept W a n d i G r o u p Lidded Bowl or Container... Must feature at least three different timbers in the lid by laminate or insert. Size unlimited
- 20-21 Oct . A v o n G r o u p at Toodyay Clock... Mechanism and hands or an insert clock. Mounted in wood and in turn supported by wires, cords, fine chains or similar in a supporting frame. Size unlimited.

17-18 Nov. B u n b u r y G r o u p Natural edged Bowl... Must have continuous natural edge on the rim or edge of the bowl. Size unlimited

8 Dec . . . W A W A Committee at Bullcreek Best item turned in 2007 that has not been previously judged at an Association workshop



## Competition Results

### Mandurah Group May Weekend Workshop.

#### ROSE

An excellent showing with 19 entries overall. The designs were as varied as the number of entrants and it is good to see the thought that goes into these competitions.

As in the past competitions this year, it is heartening to see new turners entering as well as some of our members who have been around for a while but have not entered until now.

These people must be encouraged to keep on entering as this is the proving ground where they can compare their items and see what to do next time to make a better item.

Maurie Munro won the Novice Section this month and is now promoted to Intermediate. Congratulations, Maurie!

Many thank to the judges, Bob Hodgkinson, Cliff Cross and Dan Killgallon.

*John Mason*

#### NOVICE:

1st	Maurie Munro
2nd	Vince Triglia
3rd	Les Coleman
4th	Harold Worth

#### INTERMEDIATE

1st	Joe Clark
2nd	Jim Hanney
3rd	George Kieliger
4th	Buster Bailey

#### ADVANCED

1st	Phil Berrill
2nd	Barry Robins
3rd	John Mason
4th	Chris Sioulas

## OPEN

1st	Maurie Munro
2nd	Phil Berrill
3rd	Barry Robins
4th	Joe Clark

## POPULAR VOTE

1st	Barry Robins
2nd	Maurie Munro
3rd	Joe Clark
4th	Phil Berrill

## Association

### June Weekend Workshop.

#### PLATTER.

This month saw the very best turn-out for the year with 26 entries! Well done. In spite of some confusion about the actual description. However, all the entries were of an exceptional quality and I congratulate all who entered. The judges, Chris Paplinski, Neil Piper and Alan Fettes did a wonderful job in selecting the place getters. Thank you.

Again, there was a first time entrant, Peter Povey who attained a credible 4th place (which is an encouragement point) and it is hoped that we see more of his entries.

*John Mason*

#### NOVICE:

1st	Tom Callaghan
2nd	Harold Worth
3rd	Michael Whitehead
4th	Peter Povey

#### INTERMEDIATE

1st	Jim Hanney
2nd	Dennis Haddon
3rd	Ray Batt
4th	Buster Bailey

#### ADVANCED

1st	Barry Robins
2nd	Graham Lewis
3rd	Tom Mazey
4th	Phil Berrill

## OPEN

1st	Jim Hanney
2nd	Dennis Haddon
3rd	Tom Callaghan
4th	Barry Robins

## POPULAR VOTE

1st	Chris Smith
2nd	Dennis Haddon
3rd	Graham Lewis
4th	Bruce McCormick

# News from the Groups



## Bunbury Bulletin

We were sorry to hear that David was unwell and unable to contribute to this edition of the magazine. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to future bulletins from Bunbury...Ed.

## A Letter From Busselton



WORKSHOP ACTIVITY – Our first meeting for the month of May was a 'Big Beautiful Bruce' McCormick (since promoted from 'Big Bad') show how to turn a Platter. Bruce gives a flawless exhibition and subsequent events showed

that all those present absorbed what he demonstrated. This was

Competition night and the eight entries of a Rose Vase were of a high standard. The placegetters were Tom Mazey in first place with Ray Batt and George Herring equal second. A pleasing result is that every entrant earned points, and a number of these went on to compete at Mandurah's Weekend Workshop at Wandi with Vince Triglia gaining first place in the Novice Category.

On 23 May the 'hands-On' theme was 'Put a handle on it' with Tom Mazey leading with a spinning top handle, Ray Batt with a new style Bread Knife handle courtesy of Peninsular Woodturners Guild, and Dennis Haddon doing one for an Awl.

The idea was for each group to move from lathe to lathe every 20 minutes or so to ensure everyone got a chance to turn each of the three handles. 'Skew' Haddon almost convinced everyone that his item was the only one that could be turned with his favourite tool. This was a fun night with some very interesting articles produced.

The second Wednesday of June saw Vince Triglia demonstrate how to conquer inside-outside turning. Someone unkindly said Vince was 'handicapped'; firstly someone inadvertently took home all of the spur drives and secondly the Program Coordinator, in his wisdom, arranged for Charlie Broadbent to provide a commentary while Vince did the turning. This was definitely a case of Ying and Yang at work. Vince and Charlie gave a first class presentation. This was also the June Competition night for the Platter and there were nine entries with a further five on the Show and Tell table. The results saw Vince Triglia first followed by Ray Batt and George Herring filling the minor

places. Once again every entry received votes. Seven of our members entered the Competition at the Associations' Weekend Workshop at Wandu with a great deal of success. The Show and Tell table had some interesting submissions and a lively discussion took place as to what is the definition of a 'Platter'. The second meeting for the month was hands-on with the theme 'Put a finish on it'. Members were asked to bring a number of pieces to final sanding stage. Ray Batt featured Mirrotone and EEE Wax while Tom Mazey showed how he uses Penetrol to great effect.

On 23 June we conducted one of our bi-monthly one-day workshops. There were 9 participants including Ray Batt and Chas Broadbent, Dennis Haddon and Tom Mazey acting as 'mentors'. The project was a table-lamp to a specific drawing so that everyone worked to the same end result. We borrowed four lathes from members because we just don't have enough of our own to conduct this part of our activities.

Other Activities...Saturday 9 June was our annual wood gathering activities and we had a terrific turn out for both days. As usual there were some momentous and hilarious incidents. To avoid embarrassment we won't mention a breakdown in the convoy arrangements, suffice to say that a Compass, or even a GPS, would not have helped. Their respective wives were delighted to see them home early.

We have now got a good supply of timber for sale at the Group's headquarters at the rear of the Old Agricultural Building on the corner of Queen Street and Marine Terrace, Busselton. Visitors can contact Convenor Tom Mazey on 9754 1818 to purchase some of this. We will be taking some to the November Weekend Workshop in Bunbury on 17 and 18 November.

Future Activities - The next one-day workshop is scheduled for 25 August 2007 which will feature one of the Busselton Show Categories. Full details are on the Notice Board so our members are asked to express their intention to participate as soon as possible so that we can ensure we have sufficient lathes.

The Group has revamped the alternate Wednesday evening sessions led by Tom Mazey but now including other experienced turners so as to give Tom some support. These are not going to be structured sessions but conducted to enable everyone to get some help to improve their individual skills. The times are 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm. Our Open-Day each Saturday continues to attract

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visitors.

In recent weeks we have attracted people to our workshop activities and hope that they will become members of the Association. Group members wanting to help spread the workload can contact Convenor Tom Mazey on 9754 1818.

*"Scriba"*

## Gosnells Gossip

# M.I.A. ????

## *A Memo From Mandurah*

It



has been a relatively quiet period since our last Memo. The meetings and Hands On at John's place continue as

usual with good attendances at both venues.

The last meeting was held on the patio at John Mason's place on a (fortunately) wonderful day, weather wise. It was a very well attended meeting of great excitement due to the confirmation that, at long last, we have secured access to premises that will allow us to function through the school holidays and most importantly, at night or on the weekends!

We will be meeting at the Baden Powell Scout Hall, on the corner of Anstruther Rd and Elizabeth St in Mandurah. Tuesday, July 24th will see our first meeting there. The place has a kitchen, male and female toilets, an area large enough to have our



annual workshop, storage, rear access, great security and a heap of parking spaces.

Naturally, we have advised the High School of our move and gave them a donation as well as the planned presentation clock. We have been at the High School since the Group's inception which was in November 1987.

And that raises another planned activity, our 20th Birthday! Will keep you posted on those activities.

I close this letter on another sad note. At 1.30am on Tuesday July 17th another of our members passed away. Jock McGavin was a man of tremendous generosity, always fun to be with and as strong as an ox! Jock was a great supporter of our group and could be relied on to participate in our many activities. We will miss him.

Our sincere condolences to Margaret and all of Jock's family.

*John Mason.*

## *At Memo From Mandurah Pt2*



Our Annual workshop day has been and gone once again. This year we decided to shift everything to Wandi and conduct our

demos from there and by all accounts the move was an outstanding success. It was a pity that our publicity was so jumbled, but not to worry, everyone that came congratulated us on the variety and quality of demonstrations. The competition element was well patronised again with the open type rose vase being a very popular item and we had plenty of entries of an exceptionally high standard. John Mason is to be thanked for his tireless efforts to ensure everyone understands the competition requirements and to make sure the judging is done fairly and accurately. Talk about food, we had heaps and many people went home with a plate of cakes as a bonus for attending.

We tried using the Vicmarc lathe on the floor this year instead of on the raised platform to overcome the problem of vibration and shaking. Most of those in attendance felt that because the big screen was available for viewing, the need to elevate the lathe was unnecessary. The demonstrators stood on an elevated stand instead and it all worked out very well.

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Our members volunteered their help to grind and sharpen and repair the metal planes that the students at the High School use because the Design and Technology staff has been depleted to only one staff member.

The resultant collection of repaired planes worth thousands of dollars looks very impressive when polished up like new again. The net result of our efforts made the exercise well worth while. It is disappointing to see the workshops closed down but on the upside we have been granted the full use of one workshop room exclusively for our meetings for the remainder of this year. This means that we can set up the demonstration lathe, white board and notice board on a semi permanent basis.

Edenvale, the arts and crafts centre at Pinjarra conducts three days of activities over the June long weekend and our members attend giving demos and membership applications to anyone interested. Special thanks go to the persons involved in setting up the lathe. The weekend generates a lot of interest even if it is only for the smell of fresh Camphor Laurel being turned.

I have noticed that some of our grey nomads have returned and so have several overseas travellers. They must be selling lots of woodturning to be able to afford a holiday every winter. Our membership stays fairly constant and because of the effect of coaching from John Mason some of our "novice" turners are showing the advanced blokes a thing or two. It certainly makes for improved competition pieces that's for sure. Unfortunately, I have to report that a couple of our members are not in the best of health. We wish them a speedy recovery of course and hope they can be back on the lathe as soon as possible.

Finally and certainly not the least important news is that Mandurah Group is on the move. At long last we have found a home at the Scout Hall in

Anstruther Street and we will have gone from the High School to our "new" venue by the time you read this.

This has got to be the best news we have had in ages. We are over the moon about future possibilities.

Cheers

*Barry Granger.*

## Melville Mutterings



This newsletter is being prepared in some haste as I only returned from a short holiday in Scotland on Tuesday evening and it's a bit like making bricks with straw.

My sources for the program for June have I think memories like mine but we have I think cobbled something together which will give some idea of our activities for May and June.

May 9th – Alan France demonstrated how to make a very nice fluted candlestick, this was a typical Alan France demo – he showed how he made jigs to hold the router to do the fluting (all in wood of course) and the turning was all too easy. Thanks to Maxine for bringing Alan along to the meeting.

May 16th – This was a hands on morning and we were all given the opportunity to practice our skill with the skew chisel in making a stool leg as shown by Joe Hegney. It was a good morning although some members preferred the spindle gouge to the skew we all learned something.

May 23rd - A meeting day followed by Bill Power showing what was possible with our recording equipment. Bill's demo emphasized the need for more of us to become familiar with this gear in the event of he and his small band of helpers being unavailable at the same time.

May 30th – Laurie Green brought along a wide selection of the tools he uses for deep hollowing he then showed how the various tools were used and no doubt helped those members who were contemplating going into deep hollowing (no pun intended) in deciding what tool to buy.

June 6th – Ron Goodson demonstrated how to make a very attractive segmented platter with scalloped edge. He explained how he cut and glued the segments stressing the importance of cutting same angle on each segment. It was as usual a very interesting and professional demo from a master turner.

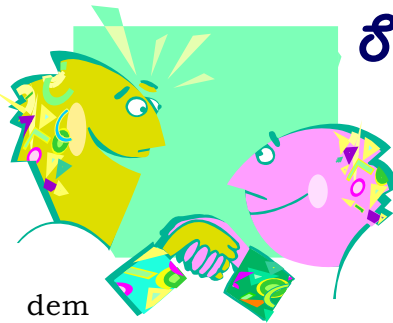
June 13th – Ken Brown a member new to demonstrating showed how to turn a pen. I am told that he got a lot of prior private tuition from Ken Rex nevertheless he made the effort and I am sure that he and all the members benefited from the his demo.

June 20th – Hands on day and more coaching from Joe Hegney and others in the use of the skew chisel and spindle gouge. I understand that all members

found the morning helpful.

June 27th – Monthly meeting day which was followed by a guest speaker Elmer Ellison from Abrasive Industrial Distributors of 28 McCoy Street Myaree. I am told that Elmer's talk was well received and he said that he would be pleased to attend to the needs of any turners in regard to abrasives.

*Don Gunn*



## Swan Snippets

Swan continues to have a big turn out at its evening and afternoon meetings. The evening meetings

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petitions, show and tell, and a raffle. The afternoon meetings are quite informal (and more fun), with a demonstration or hands-on activity, followed by much discussion and advice from the members.

The demonstration at the May evening meeting was presented by a guest woodturner, Robert Jones.

He discussed how he turns platters while the timber is green, then leaving them to dry before finishing. He demonstrated turning a half-finished platter using scraper and bowl gouge, getting a high quality finish before sanding ready for embellishment. This he did with an assortment of acrylic paints. His demonstration was very entertaining and inspiring, judging by the competition in June. This produced some beautiful platters, especially in the Novice section. Unfortunately, some did not fit the criteria (as per guidelines) as they did not have flat bases. We hope that Robert will return at a later date. The evening raffle was won by Eric Walker – At Last!

Don Clarke returned from holidays in England in time to demonstrate at the June evening meeting,

In spite of little time to prepare, his inside-outside

candlestick demonstration was of his usual high standard. Don turned the inside first, then reversed the pieces in the jig to do the outside. Holding the four pieces in the jig enables him to reverse them when needed. He

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numbers each piece to keep track of them. Again, a quality presentation of a difficult procedure. We expect some great entries in our next competition. The raffle was won by Eric Walker – Again. We will all have a better chance next month when Eric is away.

The first afternoon demonstration was by Jim Hanney. He showed how he produced the lattice work on a mounted clock which he had entered in a competition earlier this year. He started making the back of the lattice work, centred on a faceplate board, screwed and hot glued to hold in place. The work is reversed and offset to the left or right, creating the lattice effect. Jim's turning was all achieved with a thin parting tool (home made of course, from an old pair of scissors). Looks complicated, but quite easy according to members who had a go.

The following week's demonstrator was Graham Bell. He started his pen in the usual way, but his finish was very unusual. He uses a mixture of thin machine oil and superglue, working it into the wood with a 240 sandpaper, creating a slurry to fill gaps and cracks. Of course, rubber gloves are essential for this procedure. Graham then gave the pen a finishing coat of Shellawax. This was not the first time Graham demonstrated this technique. It was used to finish a burl fob watch which he demonstrated last year.

At the first June afternoon meeting we were treated to a faultless demonstration by Bob Naphtine.

Bob is vision impaired and was working in unfamiliar surroundings and with a lathe he had never used before. We were amazed how he guided the tool with his fingers so close to the sharp end as he demonstrated making a paper towel holder. Bob measures with home made devices he is familiar with. Well done, Bob, you did not have one dig in!



**Bob Naphtine making his paper towel holder**

Eric Walker demonstrated at the next afternoon meeting. He started off with a jarrah blank burl on the lathe, and proceeded to turn a platter with a

bowl gouge and scraper. (unusual for Eric to use a scraper). The finished platter was sealed with lacquer. Eric then used pliers to nip small pieces off the edge, then touched it up with ebonizing liquid, creating a natural effect. A great demonstration.

Eric would have finished his platter off at home by spraying with lacquer.

Our final June afternoon meeting had Bob Nichols repeating his demonstration of the pull-up toothpick holder, which featured at the last Wandi workshop. This time he drilled a perfect 1 ½" hole in no time at all. Even the chatter tool worked well and gave a good "scream". His demo created a lot of interest, and the plans will be in the drawing file soon, courtesy of our resident draftsman, Richard Barkman.

Demonstrations are made much easier since we have the use of our new tool trolley. This was made by Joe Clark and Jim Hanney and is a great asset. Thanks, Joe and Jim for your time and skill.



### **Swan WAWA's latest acquisition**

The woodturning lessons run by Eric Walker are in recess for the next two months, while Eric is holidaying overseas. Meanwhile, the committee has moved its meetings from the evening of the 4th Tuesday of the month to the afternoon, following the club meeting. This is working well. Good idea, Ted and Joe.

*Chris and Judith Allen*

### **Wandi Waffles**



### **MAY CLUB NIGHTS**

No further hiccups from the video player, as daddy (Kelvin) is back in tow, although there were a few initial groans of discontent from the gadget at

first.

Alan Roberts, armed with many pieces of Carob, prepared at various stages of completion for his task at hand, together with some of his favourite

tools, including a continental spindle gauge and a very handy three point scrapper, entertained a throng of members as he constructed a rolling pin with revolving handles.

Rob Jones silenced all with his renowned skill, displaying his talents while creating a gorgeous jarrah burl bowl. Ebonizing the foot with a mix of vinegar and steel wool created an exceptionally effective feature to the piece.

The bits and jigs evening provided the opportunity for some of the members to display and discuss the use of some of their 'favourite' tools. David Austin's mammoth scrapper, the size of a javelin, requires Herculean strength just to pick up, let alone use on wood. Ron Yates brought in a couple of jigs used for his infamous inlays. His 'ying and yang' salt and pepper shakers were gorgeous. One of Rob Jones's items included his sharpening jig. He enforced the need to keep your tools well sharpened and to do this roughly every twenty minutes.

### **JUNE CLUB NIGHTS**

Sadly, our trusty video camera finally succumbed to its many hours of hard labour and is in need of some repairs.

**D**oing what comes naturally

**A** feast of skilful techniques were

**N**imbly, proficiently and

**K**indly demonstrated by our guest.

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**O**rnate applications of electrician's wire

**N**ourishing our appetites.

Our thanks go to Dan for a great night.

Jack Pallas, ever encouraging, helpful and supporting on the Wednesday mornings, offered his insight into the ingenuity on the art of 'off-centre' goblet making. Yours truly took centre stage for a very brief moment to have a go. I hope to see some imaginative creations using this technique at future 'show and tell' displays.

The 'Show and Tell' displays continue to be impressive. Tony introduced several fine pieces of art. Many of which had a story behind them, including Stan's beautiful bowl, a birthday gift for his mother, who lives in England. Sending it well in time to reach its destination, given the clash with Yule tide, he was later to find he had put the incorrect address on said gift and it eventually boomeranged back to Oz. His trip to England will have a special meaning later this year as he hand delivers it!!!

Ron Yates also did the honours at one of the

evenings. He was full of praise for the design and shape of bowls which had been made during the previous weekend workshop, courtesy of Rob Jones and his entourage of assistants

At another 'show and tell', Gordon Ward, recovering strongly after his stroke, voiced his admiration of some of the work the ladies brought in. Paying particular notice of Sheila's bowl made out of cape lilac. He was also impressed by the design of Julie's jarrah bowl and Jeanne's natural edged bowl.

### **WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S GROUP**

Wow, what a feast of talent displayed at the women's group recently. From its humble beginnings last year, where three ladies participated in its launch, we now have eleven ladies participating in the afternoon group each attacking their own projects. From delightful delicate needle holder containers, to beautiful burl pens, jewellery, a colossal eye-catching pepper grinder made from laminated wood, to bountiful bowls in various shapes and sizes. We all appreciate the magnificent expert guidance of Alan Roberts and Marie Gallan.

The enthusiasm is infectious and we welcome and thank all guest demonstrators who take the time to visit and inspire us. Gordon Ward recently demonstrated the use of an Arbortec. Despite the bitter wind and overcast conditions, the 'outside' demonstration did little to dampen our spirits. With ease, some of the ladies grooved away at a piece of log. DVD's were also available for viewing more uses and applications of the Arbortec (add it to my Christmas shopping list).

### **SEPTEMBER LOOMS**

We want you!! "Many hands make light work".

The success of the September Workshop depends on your assistance. Please do not rely on the same people to do the work. Help is needed to set up the hall, man the doors, cook the soup (not the packet variety) and tidy up.

Western Australia's own master craftsman Dean Malcolm will be there to beguile and entertain you. Hope to see you there if I can organize time off work.

*Daphne*

## **Bereavements**

### **VALE JOCK MCGAVIN (1983)**

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following office at the election to be held on 15 September 2007

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**COMMITTEE MEMBER**

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(Signature of Nominating Member)

I \_\_\_\_\_ Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_ second the Nomination  
(Name of Seconder)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/2007  
(Signature of Seconder)

*I accept the nomination and agree to serve if elected.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/2007  
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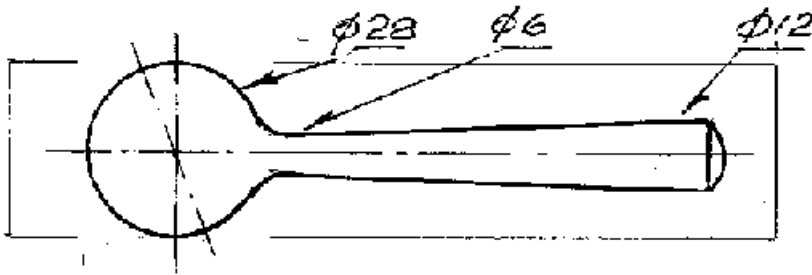


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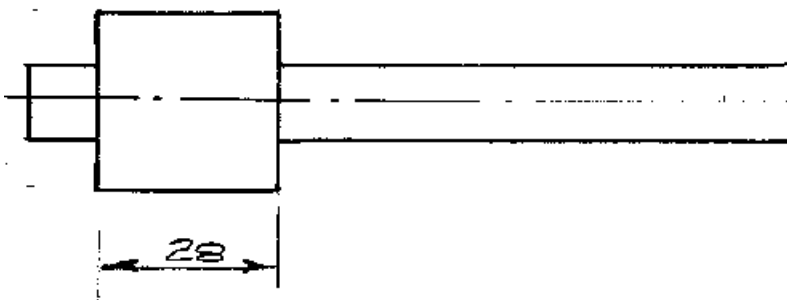


As a starting point, to get the feel & procedure of 'spoon making', suggest you start with a piece of material 30 mm square by 120 mm long.

Mark the centres on each end, place on the lathe, between centres and turn down to a cylinder, say 28 mm dia.



Mark the width of the 'bowl', same as the diameter, and turns as shown in the diagram. The next stage is to turn the sphere to form the 'bowl', take care to form a fair sphere, otherwise when it is hollowed out an ellipse will result.



The handle can now be formed as required, various decoration/ design may be turned.

The next stage is to hollow out the 'bowl'. Have seen various methods of holding the piece, in order to turn out the hollow – the following is fairly simple to 'in shop build'.

In this instance the jaws were made from material 30 x 20 50 mm long.



Having mastered the procedure for spoon making, the next thing would be to experiment with different sizes !!



# WEEKEND WORKSHOPS

**WANDI GROUP**

**Sat 15th - Sun 16th  
September 2007**

Wandi Community Hall, DeHaer Rd, Wandi

Convenor: . . . . . Alan Roberts

Master of Ceremonies: . . . . . TBA

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

Safety Officer . . . . . Chris Gray

Competition Item . . . . Lidded Bowl or Container

*Must feature at least three different timbers in the lid  
by laminate or insert. Size unlimited*

## SATURDAY PROGRAMME

8:00am . . Set up

8:45am . . Registration & Fellowship

9:00am . . AGM & President's Address

11:00pm . Lunch (Variety of Homemade Soups &  
Crusty Bread)

12:00pm . **Dean Malcolm**

The principles of cutting revolving

wood and selecting wood,

Basic Spindle Turning.

Sharpening Tools.

Turn a Table Leg.

Turning an Identical Table Leg.

Principles of Bowl Turning.

Mounting Methods.

Face Plates, Hot Glue Chucks.

Turning the Back of a Bowl

2:00pm . . Afternoon Tea

2:30pm . . **Dean Malcolm Returns**

Sanding and Finishing. Paper versus  
Cloth

How to hold a Part Turned Bowl for  
Finishing.

Cutting procedures for Removing the  
Inside of a Bowl.

Turn the Inside of a Bowl.

Decorative Touches.

More on Processes and Procedures.

Tricky Techniques.

Procedures and Planning

Lidded Box or Miniature Goblet or  
Capriole Leg.

A Slide Show of some Work and it's  
Inspiration.

4:00pm . . Competition Results

Raffle Draw

**To help with catering, members are asked  
to indicate on Saturday if lunch is required  
on Sunday.**

**Sunday Lunch will be a Sausage Sizzle  
Advance payment is not required**

## SUNDAY PROGRAMME

9:00am . . **Dean Malcolm Returns**

Ornamental Turners, Who were they  
and what did they know.

By Jig or by Hand.

Construction and design of some  
simple Jigs.

Decoration of a Box with a Fly Cutter  
and Drills.

Developing the Jig to suit the Design.

Construction and Design of some  
complex Jigs.

10:30 . . . Morning Tea

11:00am . Turning a Spiral Fluted Vessel.

More possibilities in wood turning.

Setting and Achieving Goals.

Considering new processes and  
materials.

A Slide show showing the direction  
Dean Malcolm is heading, his ideas,  
and models.

1:00pm . . Lunch

2:00pm . . **PACK TRAILERS AND CLEANUP  
PLEASE - MANY HELPERS  
REQUIRED**

You will have noticed the change, not only in format  
for this year's AGM but the invitation extended to  
one of WA's top turners with an International  
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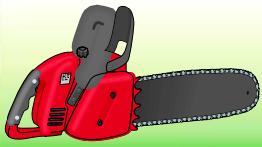
Rightly, or Wrongly, I personally believe that the  
association has to move forward and this is just one  
way of doing so.

I am already enquiring about the possibility of  
fetching over another international turner of  
repute from the eastern states for the 2008 AGM.

**BUT**, if you, the members do not support this years  
AGM on **BOTH** days it will be hard to convince the  
management committee to justify the expense to fly  
in interstate turners in future years.

You can demonstrate your support for this  
initiative by turning out in force on Saturday and  
Sunday in September. The future of YOUR  
association lies with you.

Dont' let it down. Alan Roberts .Wandi Convenor



# Calendar of Events

## WEEKEND WORKSHOPS

### WANDI GROUP WEEKEND WORKSHOP

When: . . 15th-16th September 2007  
Where: . . Wandi Community Hall  
Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi

### AVON GROUP WEEKEND WORKSHOP

When: . . 20th-21st October 2007  
Where: . . Toodyay

### BUNBURY GROUP WEEKEND WORKSHOP

When: . . 17th-18th November 2007  
Where: . . Bunbury

### WAWA COMMITTEE WEEKEND WORKSHOP

When: . . 8th December 2007  
Where: . . Air Force Memorial Estate, Bullcreek Drive,  
Bullcreek.

## SHOPPING CENTRE DISPLAYS

### W.A. CRAFT, QUILT & KNIT SHOW

When: . . Friday 3rd Aug - Sunday 5th Aug  
Where: . . Royal Agricultural Showgrounds  
Claremont

### W.A. WOODSHOW

When: . . Friday 10th Aug - Sunday 12th Aug  
Where: . . Royal Agricultural Showgrounds  
Claremont

### PHOENIX SHOPPING CENTRE

When: . . Monday 27th Aug - Saturday 1st Sept  
Where: . . Rockingham Rd, Spearwood

### MELVILLE PLAZA SHOPPING CENTRE

When: . . Tuesday 2nd Oct - Saturday 6th Oct  
Where: . . Canning H/way, Bicton

### SOUTHLANDS SHOPPING CENTRE

When: . . Monday 29th Oct - Saturday 3rd Nov  
Where: Burrendah Boulevard, Willetton

### CENTREPOINT SHOPPING CENTRE

When: . . Monday 26th Nov - Friday 30th Nov  
Victoria Street, Midland

## WOODTURNING COURSES

### INTRODUCTORY COURSE

When: . . 11th August 2007  
Tutor: . . Jack deVos  
Subject: . Chisel Handle & Bud Vase  
Where: . . Wandi Club Rooms  
Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi  
Contact: . Alan Roberts  
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[alba57@westnet.com.au](mailto:alba57@westnet.com.au)

### INTRODUCTORY COURSE

When: . . 8th September 2007  
Tutor: . . Jack deVos  
Subject: . Small Plate & Bowl  
Where: . . Wandi Club Rooms  
Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi  
Contact: . Alan Roberts  
9528 2520  
[alba57@westnet.com.au](mailto:alba57@westnet.com.au)

### INTERMEDIATE COURSE

When: . . Saturday 13th October 2007  
Tutor: . . Gordon Ward  
Subject: . Small Table Lamp  
Where: . . Wandi Club Rooms  
Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi  
Contact: . Alan Roberts  
9528 2520  
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### BEYOND ADVANCED

FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER  
Turn and Carve a SEEDPOD with Jack de Vos  
SATURDAY 3RD NOVEMBER  
Turn and Carve a Goblet with Gordon Ward  
SUNDAY 4TH NOVEMBER  
Turn and Embellish your choice of Bowl (two)  
With Robert Jones

### INTERMEDIATE COURSE

When: . . Saturday 10th November 2007  
Tutor: . . Robert Jones  
Subject: . Large Platter with Embellished Edge  
Where: . . Wandi Club Rooms  
Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi  
Contact: . Alan Roberts  
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