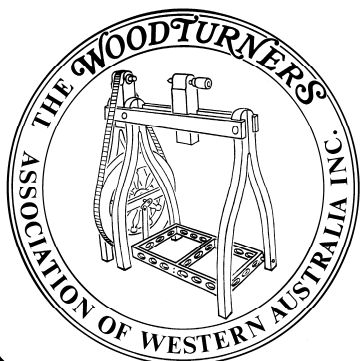


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A picture painting a thousand words—Mick Johnson of Bunbury Group receiving his Life Membership at Busselton, November 2014



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BUNBURY

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9.00am to 12.00 noon Tuesdays
7:00pm 1st Wednesday of month
9.00am to 2.00pm Thursdays
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BUSSELTON

Agricultural WA Building cnr Queen St & Marine Tce,
(Most) Tuesdays 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursday 9.00am to 12 noon
7:00pm 2nd & 4th Wed., 10:00am - 4:00pm Sat.
Tom Mazey 9754 1818

COLLIE

Clubrooms -cnr Witnoom & Steere
Wed 9:30am - 3:30pm
Month Meeting on the last Sunday
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GOSNELLS

Southern River College, T&E Building,
Southern River Road, Gosnells
12:15 to 4.15pm Wed., 6:30pm - 9:30pm Wed.
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Heathridge Leisure Centre, Sail Tce, Heathridge
2nd 3rd & Last Monday 7:00pm
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The Shed, Timber Park.
Wed. & Thurs. 10.00 - 2.00 & Sunday 11.00 - 3.00
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Melville Rec Centre, Cnr Stock Rd & Canning Hwy
9:00am Wednesday
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MUNDARING

Old Parkerville Primary School, Dura & Riley Rds, Par-
kerville 2:00 to 4.00pm Wednesday
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Swan Senior Citizens Centre, The Avenue, Midland
2nd Tues. 7:30pm 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th Tues. 1:30pm
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Wandi Community Hall, DeHaer Rd, Wandi
7:00pm 1st & 3rd Thursdays (Gen. Meeting & Demo)
Tuesday 8:00am - 12 noon & 6:00pm - 9.00pm
Wednesday 8:00am - 12 noon & 12 noon - 4:00pm
Bill Younger 9419 1862

Presidential Pronouncements

So much for the Christmas break ... have no idea where it went!

Next year is now this year and in many ways, 2015 is going to be significant year for WAWA. Apart from the fact that it is our 30th anniversary of establishment, there is a strong possibility of the establishment of a new group at Cannington and interest in establishing a new group closer to the coast in the City of Cockburn. Three groups that I know of – Avon, Mandurah and Swan – will be moving to new premises this year and Gosnells to a new site at the same premises. The COM is working on a promotion strategy to attract new members that will involve the distribution of the DVD Rudi Goh produced for the Wood Show last year. The COM has tested successfully remote attendance at a meeting using computer and internet technology thus enabling committee members to contribute to meetings if for some reason they cannot physically attend. Hopefully, more country members will be inspired by this to nominate for positions on the COM in the future.

I encourage all groups to consider some way of celebrating our 30th birthday.

Quite a lot has happened since the last edition. An excellent Busselton workshop, at which I was privileged to present Mick Johnson with Life Membership. Two COM meetings that have resulted in some important decisions and some great initiatives. A number of Christmas functions that were good opportunities to chat with and get to know members in a relaxed (and very well fed) environment. Then Christmas. After that it gets blurred around the edges. But I hope you all had a good one and Santa found your chimney.

Important decision one: the WAWA Group Challenge. Bruce Jackson, in his capacity as Competition Coordinator, has proposed an inter-group competition to run concurrently with the traditional weekend workshop competition. As you will appreciate, developing a competition format that puts all groups on at a more-or-less level of competitiveness required some innovative thinking. The aim of the new competition is to get more members involved in weekend workshops through more entries in the competition and, hopefully as a result of more entries, higher attendance. A formula has been decided whereby each entry will gain a point for that member's group. At the end of the year, total points for each group will be tallied and the totals divided by the number of members for each group eg a group finishes the year with 50 points and that group has 40 members. The score is 1.2; a group earns 20 points and has 20 members, score is 1. The prize for the winning group will be \$1000 with \$500 to the runner-up.

A consequence of this initiative is that we will need a bigger pool of judges for the workshops and may need to consider some changes to judging procedures if it is successful and there are LOTS more entries.

Important decision two: changes to distribution of the newsletter. The cost of printing and posting the newsletter has become unsustainable and, for the past year, has been slightly in excess of \$6000. This works out at \$20 per member

receiving a printed copy. There have been rumblings from members who receive the email copy, and fair enough when the majority of “print members” do have an email address.

This is the last newsletter that will be prepared for printing and posting by the newsletter editor. From edition 177, the newsletter will be available for download from the web site and will be emailed to all group secretaries. An email advising members that the new edition is available will be sent to everyone for whom there is an email address listed on the membership database. **If you change your email address, please let the Membership Registrar and the Newsletter Editor know your new address.** Those members who have not got an email address or have other problems with using email must let their group secretary know that they would like a printed copy. The newsletter will continue to be produced as a PDF file, so printing should not be an issue if members wish to print their own copy.

The up-side of this decision is that the money saved will be directed into the the equipment fund thereby increasing the amount that is returned to groups each year.

I'd like to thank all the members who have shared with me their thoughts and opinions on various matters at different functions and trust you will continue to do so.

Andrea McCandlish, President

“Experience is not what happens to you; it's what you do with what happens to you.” *Aldous Huxley*

Registrar's Ramblings

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members to our Association:

David Finch 2813 Melville
Steven Milne 2814 Bunbury
Ian Ludford 2815 Melville
Rod Taylor 2816 Busselton
Murray Robinson 2817 Bunbury
Ian Cooper 2818 Gosnells

Ken Hamilton-Brown 2819 Busselton
Carol Hackett 2820 Manjimup
Rodney Cummings 2821 Joondalup
Alan Onyett 2822 Melville
Graeme Meadowcroft 2823 Wandi

Group secretaries and members, please let me know of any changes to address or contact details so I can keep the membership database up-to-date. Thank you.

Noel Moyes, Registrar

Editor's Epistle

This edition is a little later than usual but I've just been a bit slack because there are no functions needing advertising for January.

One side-effect of having a digital only newsletter will be that I won't have to spend hours getting everything to fit into multiples of 4 pages and will be able to do more with colours.

As always Photos and contributions are welcome.

Andrea McCandlish Editor

News From the Groups

Bunbury Bites

The Bunbury Wood Turners are very proud of the fact that another of their members has just been awarded 'Life Membership of WAWA. I refer of course to Mick Johnson who was recently presented with this award at the Busselton Wood Turners weekend in November 2014. Speaking of the Busselton weekend our club was well represented on this occasion with many of our members making the short trip along the coast to watch some very good demonstrations.

In early December 2015 the club finished a total of 100 small wooden bowls which were filled with chocolates and delivered to the elderly members of the Bunbury Community by the Silver Chain Group. The chocolates were donated by the Woolworths Store at Treendale (a new Bunbury suburb). The recipients of the chocolates this Christmas are part of the Community Home Care Program.

On Saturday the 13th of December 2014 the club held its Christmas BBQ and the event was well attended with over 40 members and partners attending. The WAWA President also attended the event, which was good to see. The club provided sausages, buns and onions and members were asked to bring either a salad dish or a sweet dish to share. The response was overwhelming with their being lots of nice salads and sweets to choose from plus the sausages buns and onion were pretty good also.

At this event the winners of the various club awards were announced. The winners were;

The John Schinnick Award for best improved turner. Norm Hoskin.

Most Attendance at Club. Tony Mellar.

Most 'Show and Tell'. Edward (Ted) Norrie.

Best Club Person. Lyn Poli.

Most Club Competition Points. Norm Hoskin.

Most Improved Beginner. Keith Davies.

On the subject of award winners for 2014 I believe special mention should be made regarding Norm Hoskin. Throughout 2014 Norm entered many WAWA

monthly competitions yet was never able to actually win one of them. He was placed second on four occasions and third on two occasions. He was however able to jointly win the award for the top points scorer for the year. Moral of the story must be you don't need to win to do well, just need to compete very often.

See you all in 2015.

Keith Davies, Club Secretary

Collie Calling

Our October comp was won by Ken Hands with a very old dark jarrah square bowl, crafted in a lotus like design. Second was Doug Gulvin with his silky oak square bowl (perfection), Doug also was our winner of the most points awarded throughout the year, well done Doug (there was no doubt in our minds who it would be). There were 15 entries for the October comp, our new members really excelled with innovative designs which were wide and varied.

The electrics at our club rooms leave a lot to be desired, well under par. Our convenor and secretary have secured a grant from the Collie Shire for \$2,500.00 which we intend to spend bringing the electrical system into the 21st century just as soon as we can get a contractor to give us a satisfactory quote and a start time. It is very hard to get any trade person in Collie due to the demand and big money that can be earned at the coal mines, aluminium refinery, power stations etc.

Massive road works are being undertaken on the Coalfields highway, basically getting the bends out of the road that seem to be the cause of so many bad accidents, particularly with the large trucks etc using the road. Work is scheduled to be complete about March/April 2015.

Collie Woodturners had their Christmas wind-up at the Collie Fields Cafe, the building used to be a hotel many years ago, the food was second to none and it was a very pleasant evening.

It was agreed for the November meeting being the last of the year, that we all bring in our best piece of the year, just for show and tell. It was a pleasure to see all the lovely work, keep it up guys, hope we do as well next year.

Collie group would like to wish all WAWA members and their families a very Happy and safe Christmas, and New Year.

Ken Hands—Collie Scribe

Gosnells Gossip

The Gosnells Groups presence at the Canning Show was a success as usual with plenty of public interest and some sales.

Owen O'Neill's inside/outside lamp was awarded 1st place and he took 2nd and 3rd

place with other entries in the woodturning competition. The lamp was beautifully executed and finished and deserved the win in spite of the absence of competition.

Owen demonstrated the making of his lamp at the Group meeting on 23rd Nov. and provided us all with an appreciation of the need for great accuracy in the preparation of the blanks to ensure the final result.

In the competition at Busselton, Gosnells was represented by Rob Woodward, (1st Novice and equal 2nd Open) and Colin Moth (2nd Intermediate).

Good progress is being made towards the establishment at Southern River College of our own dedicated workshop with a tentative completion date of March 2015. The construction costs are being borne by the College with the Group being responsible for the fit-out and electrics. In order to help meet these anticipated costs we held a very successful sausage sizzle at Bunnings, Harrisdale on 6th December.

Jim

Joondalup—Wanneroo Journal

November: In his member short talk, John Van Den Bogert described his early life in Balcatta in the 50's before completing a chair making apprenticeship which he completed about the time mass produced furniture made the trade redundant. He then followed a career in the building industry making curtain walling on high rise buildings. He was also involved in the construction of a large chamber to test building component resistance to wind and rain. He took up turning after acquiring a cheap lathe, then, after some near misses, joined WAWA to improve his skills.

The Christmas decoration comp was dominated by Christmas trees, lanterns, snowmen and angels. Intermediate winner was Randall Harding with Mike Wickings runner up. In the advanced division, Frank Visser's inside out turning won from my effort.

Graeme Skewes demonstrated his method of making spinning tops and the handles with draw-strings to spin them. The December comp (spinning tops is to include a spin off as part of the judging)

In Show & Tell, Jabbal showed a beautifully made segmented Jarrah and European Beech dish and Indian cooking vessel, comprising some 385 individual pieces of timber carefully glued together. His finish was four coats of poly urethane

Tony showed us a hollow form vessel (made in two halves) and bowl made from Huon Pine with Sheoak and Jarrah inlays respectively. His finish was Danish Oil and Wax.

Viv showed laminated pepper/salt grinders needing only small pieces of wood,

which he had made up following his show & tell at the last meeting. One had a friction fit top which dispenses with the need for a retaining knob.

December: A total of 75 Christmas gift toys made by Joondalup/Wanneroo members were donated to Vincent de Paul, Santa's Workshop (Bentley) the Joondalup Baptist Group.

Our December regular member's short talk was presented by our convenor. Frank spoke of his life since being born in Holland in 1947. His family migrated to Australia by air. The trip took a week, flying only between 0800 and noon each day. Life here commenced at the Northam Army Camp for three months from where his father had to commute to Kwinana for work each day. He had seven children to feed. The family moved to Kalgoorlie. Frank got an apprenticeship in the mines where he soon became electrical foreman. He married Mary in 1970. His career progressed to Western Mining's design office in Perth, working with CAD design systems and gaining his diploma in electrical engineering at night school. He retired at 65 after many years contracting, and took up woodturning through WAWA in 2008.

In the spinning top comp, Mike Wickings and Aiton Sheppard apologised for not bringing in their items which they had forgotten at home – such is the pressure of office bearing! Novice and intermediate were won by Bob Hammett & Jim Waters respectively. A respectable seven entries in Advanced, and the winner was yours truly followed by Graeme draper and Barry Cobb. The spin off had tops going in all directions entertaining all present.

Our next competition, in February will be a Multi-material turned item (could include metal, acrylics, bone etc., but not painted).

In the absence of a demo, we had an extended Show & Tell.

Mike Wickings expressed his concerns that the Group were concentrating on boys' toys and showed Japanese Dolls that can easily be turned for girls.

Jim Waters showed the nut bowl and mallet he had made from ancient timber; the jam chuck and threaded face plate he uses for restoration; and, how he made up a push rod gouge and ring gouge out of old screwdrivers.

Andy Hill showed the home made chatter tool he uses on end grain; and a variety of spinning tops including a 'tippy top' and finger spinner.

Frank Visser showed his hand top.

Graeme Skewes showed a variety of hollowing tools and scrapers he had hand made from old files.

Barry Cobb showed a MDF chuck jaw extension. He advised that 12mm M6 Pan Phillips head bolts are available from Porter Agencies in Malaga.

Events: Our stall at the Hot Rod day at the Yanchep national park on 16 November was successful with some \$350 in sales. The Poynter Primary Farmers Market stall on the Saturday before Christmas was even more successful with interest in turning and sales much higher than other events, even though it is only a three hour event. We will have a stall there again on the weekend before Easter.

Our regular meeting and BBQ, with partners included, will be held at Bob & Susan Hammett's residence in Duncraig on 18 January. Viv gave his apologies as he will be celebrating his 80th birthday that day. Happy birthday Viv from all.

Andy Hill

Mandurah Memo

This has been another good period for the Mandurah Group. We have seen some outstanding turnings crafted by our latest group of novices, they are ready to be in the Intermediate Group of craftsmen.

We celebrated a very enjoyable club Christmas Function Party at the Mandurah Bowling and Recreation Club. We were honoured to have Andrea McCandlish and David Doye as invited guests. Andrea and David had an opportunity to talk to the Mandurah members. We had an interesting competition and some lovely entries. There was a door prize and a reverse raffle followed by a Secret Santa. We were able to talk to everybody around us and had a great time.

As always, Cheryl had done a superb job in organising the event, included the decorations and individual gift bags placed at the place settings filled with little gifts from Bali. Cheryl's effort was very well appreciated - Well Done.

Our Demos have been: a Tiered Cake Stand by Maurie Munroe, Bud Vase with glass or plastic insert, by Frank Evans.

The Manjar Markets are on each Sunday until March and we expect to be a presence there most week ends.

We are eagerly awaiting news of our new club premises as we must leave our current venue by July.

Jon Braine

Manjimup Matters

By the time you read this, next year will be this year and I hope 2015 is a good year for everyone.

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MANJIMUP GROUP WEEKEND WORK- SHOP

***Saturday & Sunday March 21st & March 22nd 2015
MANJIMUP TOWN HALL
Cnr Rose & Brockman St., Manjimup***

SATURDAY PROGRAMME

8.30 Registration

9.00 Welcome & Announcements

9.15 DON CLARKE

10.00 Morning Tea

10.30 DON CLARKE (cont)

11.00 PRESIDENTS FORUM

11.30 Maroo Wild Life Refuge

12 noon Manjimup Country Style Lunch

1.00 RUDY GOH

2.15 NOEL MOYES

3.30 Afternoon Tea

4.00 Competition Results, clean up, many hands would be appreciated

SUNDAY PROGRAMME

WOODTURNERS WORKSHOP, TIMBER PARK

This will be an informal session starting around 9.a.m..finishing whenever!!

The lathes are available for anyone else to demo.

11.30 a.m LUNCH

***THERE WILL BE NO EVENING MEAL ON SATURDAY NIGHT.
MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO MAKE THEIR OWN ARRANGEMENTS.***

Manjimup Turners finished 2014 with a fabulous Christmas lunch with members all contributing plates of food. After a two week break we will start turning again on January 4th 2015.

Our main focus for the next couple of months will be organising our weekend workshop. Although Collie will have their weekend in April we hope that many of you will take the time to come to Manjimup and enjoy our hospitality.

WANTED:

Chuck to fit a 1 in 10 thread lathe, faceplates, live centre, and tail stock centre. 8" grinding wheel.

An assortment of turnable wood pieces.

Please contact Adrian on 0437 665 455 if you are able to help.

"Success is finding something you love and doing it."

Jen

Melville Mutterings

Oct 29 –Today's demonstrator was Graham Sibon who showed his approach to creating a simple letter opener involving quite a significant amount of time using a skew chisel to achieve the intended result. Well prepared & presented demo with excellent displayed use/explanation of the skew techniques. A comprehensive show & tell of the items tabled was given by Milton Rundle. Early evening we had a small gathering of a Melville Council reps, local sea scouts members & the supervising artist (John) , & a few Group members to hand over the sculpture created from timber salvaged from the old Deepwater Point jetty. The evenings format was a presentation by George Walker on wood carving, aspect of woodturning by David Rechter & a short practical demo by Norm Gratte on woodturning. An attentive & appreciative audience.

5 Nov – Robin Spence today captivated his audience with his technique for creating an off-set handled scoop utilizing conventional & unconventional approaches to achieve the finished item. A novel item, not without its difficulties as Robin highlighted by passing around earlier efforts (at home) each minus a handle OR a very short handle. Fortune smiled on Robin who completed the demo without mishap using standard tools. A good tabling of S & T capably presented by Graham Sibon.

12 Nov - Frank Dymond entertained us today with, initially, a display & presentation/detailed description of his creation of 7 wooden dolls, all different , all decorated in bright colours, & some creatively finished as money boxes. A great deal of thought & skill was involved in the finish of each. This was followed by a talk on his life's journey in the work force in the field of education. Very interesting & varied.

19 Nov – Norm Gratte's Hands on Day (again !!!) with the item selected

Melville Weekend Workshop

28th February 2015

**Melville Recreation Centre,
cnr Stock Rd & Leach H'way, MELVILLE**

Convenor: David Rechter

MC: Brian Fowlie

Hosts: Melville Members

Competition Item: A wooden turned item with multi embellishments, can include bone, metal, acrylics etc, not painted or stained

**Trade Supplies—P-Square Agencies
Timber supplies Bruce Jackson**

PROGRAMME

7.45am Set-up

8.15am Registration & Fellowship

9.00am Welcome & Announcements.

9.10am **Milton Rundle---** Gavel and anvil

10.00am Morning Tea (Members please bring a plate of Goodies)

Competition Voting Commences

10.30am **Kevin Luff---** A "Folly Box"

Alternate Programme

Georgina Ryan--- Macular degeneration. A complaint becoming all too frequent in our time'

11.50am . **Presidents Forum**

12 noon **Lunch** –Two 4" Subway rolls and a piece of fruit \$6.50

Cans of cool drink \$1.00 each

1.00pm *Competition voting closes*

Greg Miller--- 18th Century woodturning

2.00pm Comfort break and stretch.

2.05pm **Norm Gratte---** An eagle ray

3.05pm Afternoon Tea

3.35pm Raffle draw

Show and tell followed by competition results

PACK UP—MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

“Christmas Baubles” with an option of 6 design plans provided. The usual enthusiastic participation from the 41 members in attendance with most being completed although some design modifications became necessary in the course of progress & numerous comments about what “I will do next year” – time will tell !!!
Being “hands on” no “Show & Tell” on the programme.

26 Nov – Final demo day for 2014 with Robin Howarth demonstrating the creation of a unconventional three legged lidded box, assisted by Syd Harvey & all the members present – a real collaborative effort !

3 Dec – Our annual toy/sweet bowl handover to City of Melville reps, Unitingcare West for toys , Silver Chain for the sweets bowls. Excellent attendance followed by a light morning tea and plenty of social interaction. Last Group meet for the year.

4 Dec – Group end of year/Christmas luncheon held at the East Fremantle Yacht Club with 80 members & guests attending. An excellent gathering in a good venue with an extremely pleasant outlook & thoroughly enjoyed by all attending.

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Swan Snippets

28 Oct: Noel Moyes went bananas, by showing how to make a banana bowl, always a good demo.

4 Nov: Today we saw Ian Moss turn a bottle opener. Ian’s demo was a ‘how not to’ you learn more by watching them.

11 Nov: Joe Clark turned a two piece pedestal bowl, only two entries in the monthly competition.

1 Brian Kirkby 2 Bruce Shephard

18 Nov: Another of Chris Allen’s demonstrations of how to make a 40 year calendar.

25 Nov: Another of Malcolm Munro’s interesting demos. By using a scroll chuck he was able to use it for multi centre turning.

2 Dec: Graeme Bell was able to make a spiral using an off-set method, very effective!

9 Dec: Doug MacDiarmid gave a talk and demo on the many varied skew chisels and how to use them, he made it look easy.

16 Dec: We were shown the new defibrillator bought by the club with the grant donated by the Bendigo Bank. Also myself, Bob Jones showed example of my other hobby, model wagon and wheel righting

Bob Jones

Toodyay Tattles

Well hi there from the Tattler

We have been busy at Toodyay since we last had a Magazine. We were invited to go and demonstrate and also show our wares at El Caballo near Woorooloo on the 23rd November. There were four of us down there and although we didn’t sell much turned items, we had a lot of interest in what we were doing. It was a promotion for the lifestyle village there and all had a good day out.

There has been a lot of activity at the pavilion as well as we made about 30 bowls and filled them with sweets and presented these to Silver Chain for the oldies around town. These are greatly appreciated by the older people.

Also we had been asked to make 10 pot pourri Bowls for Christmas gifts for a person and so we were flat out trying to get all this turning done as well as doing some Christmas presents for ourselves to give away.

We have just recently received news that the Lottery West Grant has come through for the Shire of Toodyay to go ahead with their plans to relocate us and other organizations down Railway Road out at our new Community Depot and so it looks like our move will be sooner than later.

We've been fortunate to have had success with grant applications from our local Bendigo Bank and Roadwise. Both these grants will be most welcome when we move in and need such things as Dust Extractors etc.

The group were chuffed to learn that our Convenor David Doye came in second in the Novice section of the weekend workshop competition with the over all points for the year. Congratulations David! As a lot of you have witnessed, David is turning out some great stuff.

We had a Christmas wind-up barbecue to finish our year and it was an enjoyable affair although a bit hectic as we had our launch of the extended Avon Link Service on the same day which took away some of our Members for a while. I will mention that one can now catch the train to Toodyay from Perth and go back later in the day. So if you would like to visit Toodyay you can do it in comfort of the train through spectacular country you'll only ever see from the train.

Just before the end of the year, someone phoned secretary Andrea asking if the group wanted some mulberry and casuarina trees that were otherwise going to be firewood. So now we have about two tonnes of English mulberry and a pale coloured casuarina under carpet and plastic in a hay shed. Can't wait till it's dry enough to turn!

So I will now close and say to you all - have a great new year!

DON'T DRIVE TIRED.

The Tattler

Wandi Waffles

Our year has finished with a club Christmas Function attended by members and guests where we were entertained by an 'a capella' group whose voices were delightful. They sang a collection of Christmas Carols with opportunities for us to join in, which was done with enthusiasm.

Presentation of award for most wins in the club competitions was a black goody

bag to Andy Phillips.

Demonstrations in the last few months have been:

Scroll Saw with Rob and Jim sharing their wealth of knowledge, humour and practical expertise.

Bob Malacari showing us just how easy making a segmented vase with sacrificial panels tapered and out of round, along with the benefits of bondcrete can be. He also encouraged members to have a go at doing things a little differently.

Steve Horley sharing his skill and knowledge of the Skew Chisel, its functions and application.

Rod Cocks and the task of critiquing. What to consider when assessing the work of others.

Jack de Vos - long necked vase hollowed out through the base. His drawings, advice, pitfalls and solutions discussed.

Bob Malacari with Christmas Decorations, using timber and other common materials to create lovely ornaments.

Andy Phillips aka 'Dremel Man' complete with costume, humour and of course some tools.

John Scarfe with the Vicmarc slow speed grinder, 1475rpm with 40 and 80 grit wheels.

Show and Tell from members as always highlights members' creativity and workmanship.

Bill Younger- large jacaranda bowl.
Travis Houtl - pen and sample piece of 45,000 year old Swamp Kauri.

Dave Mundy - marri fruit bowls.

Les Whiddett - Flemish tailors measure in style of 1860's model.

John Mercer - jacaranda and red morrel bowls, durian timber inlaid cheeseboard, sandal wood salt and pepper mills, wide rimmed jarrah platter with glass insert, bougainvillea bottle stopper.

Graham Ding - olive vase, red mulga mina Ritchie lidded container, olive rolling pins various sizes.

Russell Potter - fluted olive vase, camphor laurel bowl.

Andy Phillips - selection of jarrah and sheoak jewellery, green jarrah fencepost vase, olive bud vase.

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Willy Nelson - platters from wandoo and camphor laurel, burl bowls from jarrah and York gum, large shallow bowl from goldfields timber.

Jack Pallas - 1,000 piece large tall narrow necked vase, fluted zanthera vase with natural edge top.

John Scarfe - carving samples using CNC router, faces, signs, torsos and fish.

Bob Malacari - large clock face on lightweight jarrah base.

Graham Lewis - calabash (tapered hollow form with lid) and carved female form from camphor laurel both items for entry into the York Art Fair. Gaining a first prize for his turning and highly commended for his carving.

Jim Cameron - rose engine from internet kit.

Alan Williams - bust created on 3d printer

Weekend Workshop - another successful day with lots of information and camaraderie. Thank you to all members and guests who assisted with various aspects of the day. Everyone pitching in ensures the load is shared and lightened.

Derek Doak Open Day - another good day with Derek opening his workshop and showcasing his new slabbing machine which creates incredibly fine sawdust. The sawdust is free to anyone who would like to come and collect it.

2015 workshop sessions resume on January 13 and 14, with the first demonstration on Thursday 15th.

Finally, best wishes to all members and their families for a healthy, happy and safe start to 2015.

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THE WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA Inc.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Held at Middle School Hall, Southern River College, Southern River Gosnells,
on Saturday 20th September 2014 at 9.00 am**

1. WELCOME: The MC, Peter Pickering, welcomed the members, explained the day's proceedings and then handed over to the President John Gardiner.

2. PRESENT: John Gardiner (President & Chairman), David Rechter (Vice President & Acting Treasurer) Kevin Cheetham (Secretary) Peter Povey (Registrar) Derek Beer, Noel Moyes, Bruce Jackson, Andrea McCandlish, Rudy Goh. And 87 members as per the attendance register.

3. APOLOGIES: Chris Davis, Ray Booth, Nat Goh, George Carr, Dominic Italiano, Harry Butler.

4. CONFIRMATION OF 2013 MINUTES: Proposed: Laurie Green Seconded: Ivan Moro That the 2013 minutes are a true record of the proceedings. Carried.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: John Gardiner presented his report. (Attached to these minutes). David Rechter proposed a vote of thanks for the excellent work that John had done during his tenure as President. This was received with acclamation from the members.

6. ACTING TREASURER'S REPORT:

David Rechter presented his report pointing out that falling membership had contributed to lower income. Shopping Centre Group had less trading opportunities due to rising rents resulting in lower returns, Weekend workshop income was up around 50% due to an extra workshop. Master classes were up considerably resulting in a budgeted loss of around \$2000.00. He then explained some anomalies in the income and expenditure figures and outlined the formula used to calculate the Equipment Allowance distributed to groups. He also drew the members' attention to the purchase of the new Audio Visual equipment now used at weekend workshops which, most considered had improved demonstration presentations. David also explained the change of insurer's midway through the year was because we were under insured.

Proposed: Dan Kilgallon Seconded: Les Small that the report be accepted. Carried

7. AUDITOR'S REPORT: Proposed: Joe Clark Seconded: Frank Evans That the auditor's report be accepted and that Mr Chris Ring be retained as Auditor for 2015. Carried.

8. ANNUAL FEE'S:

The COM moves that due to increased running costs & falling membership, the annual fees be increased to \$60.00, nomination fee \$40.00.

After discussion it was Proposed by Milton Rundle and Seconded by Laurie Green that the annual fees not be increased. Not Carried.

After further discussion it was Proposed: Colin Moth and Seconded: Rob Snowdon that the annual fees be increased to \$60.00 per annum and the nomination fee of \$40.00 remains the same. Carried.

9. ELECTION of COMMITTEE of MANAGEMENT:

The returning Officer has published the results of the poll in the newsletter.

John Gardiner thanked Derek and Doris Martin for the work in preparing for the election of the President. The members were then informed that Laurie Sutton had withdrawn his nomination for President and therefore, Andrea McCandlish being the only other candidate was elected unopposed.

Proposed Joe Clark Seconded Kevan Hunt that the following nominations for the Management Committee be accepted.

Vice President/Acting Treasurer: David Rechter (1 Year), Secretary: Kevin Cheetham (1 Year), Registrar: Noel Moyes (1 Year), Bruce Jackson (1 Year), Andy Philips (2 Years), Barbara Jennings (2 Years), Chris Paplinski (2 Years), David Doye ((2 Years) and Peter Cunnington (2 Years), Laurie Sutton (2 Years). Carried

10. GENERAL BUSINESS:

In view of declining support for the Annual Christmas Function, do the members feel it should

continue? Or what format should it take? The COM feels that it should be cancelled for this year. After some discussion it was Proposed: Jim Clarke Seconded: Derek Martin that the Xmas function for 2014 be cancelled. Carried

11. PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES, AWARDS:

John Gardiner presented The Wood Show place winners certificates for 2014 to:

Novice:

Third place: Rob Snowdon Second Place: Syd Harvey First Place: Colin Moth

Intermediate:

Third place: George Walker Second Place: Michael Head First Place: Laurie Green

Advanced:

Third Place: Robbie Norton Second Place: Chris Sioulas First Place: Barbara Jennings

Brian Fowlie proposed a vote of thanks for the outgoing committee which was received with acclamation.

Meeting closed at 10.00 am.

Please note that the President's report and the Financial Statement that were presented at the AGM are not in a format that will readily reproduce in the newsletter. If you wish to obtain a copy of either of these documents, please contact the president (Andrea McCandlish <wawapresident@gmail.com>) or the secretary (Kevin Cheetham <woodturnerswa@gmail.com>) to request a copy be sent to you.

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An ex member, Stan Gaston At Bindoon, has the following equipment he can no longer use to be disposed of.

26" bandsaw with 5hp 3phase motor
Mini Lathe (No brand name)
Tough Lathe with tools and chucks etc
Triton 2000 work centre
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Competition Results

Busselton—November 2014

*End-of Year Accumulated Points
2014*

Competition Item:
Christmas Decorations

NOVICE

- 1st Rob Woodward
- 2nd Norm Hoskins
- 3rd Gary Watson
- 4th Colin Rutherford

INTERMEDIATE

- 1st James Murray
- 2nd Colin Moth
- 3rd Colin Smith
- No fourth

ADVANCED

- 1st Norm Gratte
- 2nd Barbara Jennings
- 3rd Mauri Munro
- 4th George Parke

MOST POPULAR

- 1st Rob Woodward
- 2nd Gary Watson
- 3rd Mauri Munro
- 4th Colin Rutherford

OPEN

- 1st Norm Gratte
- 2nd tie, Barbara Jennings and Rob Woodward
- 4th Norm Hoskins

NOVICE:

- 1st Cheryl Butler (Mandurah)
- 1st Norm Hoskin (Bunbury)
- 2nd David Doye (Avon)
- 3rd Aiton Sheppard (Joondalup)

INTERMEDIATE:

- 1st James Murray (Melville)
- 2nd Frank Visser (Joondalup)
- 3rd Colin Smith (Mandurah)

ADVANCED:

- 1st Robbie Norton (Mandurah)
- 2nd David Rechter (Melville)
- 3rd Steve Horley (Mandurah)

MOST POPULAR:

- 1st Steve Horley (Mandurah)
- 2nd Frank Evans (Mandurah)
- 3rd Frank Visser (Joondalup)

OPEN:

- 1st Steve Horley (Mandurah)
- 2nd Frank Visser (Joondalup)
- 3rd Tom Jarratt (Gosnells)

KEITH STOUT MEMORIAL TROPHY:

- Steve Horley (Mandurah)

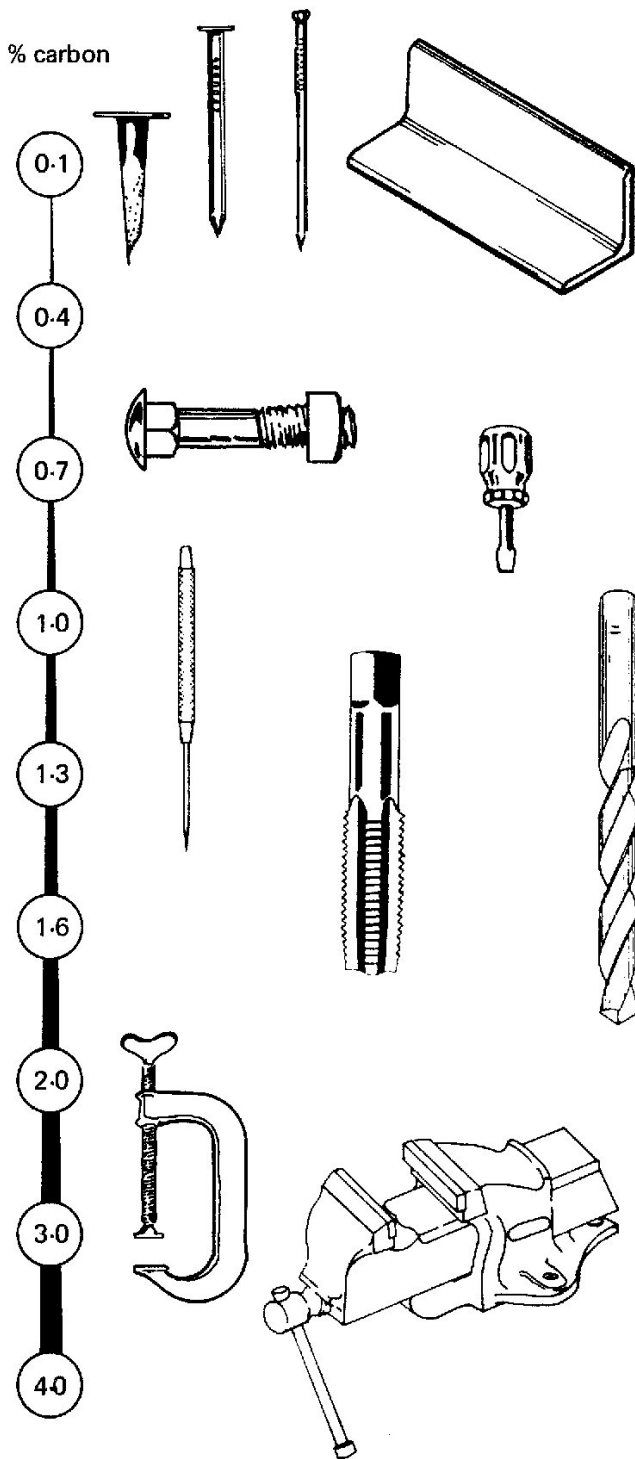
Congratulations to all winners and place-getters

TECHNICAL DESK

Joseph P Hegney

The difference between Carbon Steel & High Speed Steel

This involves a study of metallurgy that can get quite involved, however, for new turners who turn up with some older tools formed from carbon steel; this may help to explain why HSS is the better way to go.



By definition- **mild steels are those in which carbon is the main alloying element.** The chart opposite is an indication of the various carbon content and uses. In the past many lathe tools were made from tool steel with a carbon content of between 0.6 to 1.5 %, which meant they could be hardened and then the 'temper' could be drawn to the toughness required, unfortunately they did not remain hard at 'red heat' (*pressing too hard on a emery wheel*).

By definition – HSS , an alloy steel that remain hard at red heat and **gain their properties from either tungsten or molybdenum**, often a combination of both.

Different manufactures will have different alloying composition that may include chromium, vanadium, cobalt and aluminum.

In summary, since it is possible to achieve specific properties by careful adjustment of alloying elements, manufacturers are able to offer the most suitable HSS grade for virtually all kinds of applications. With woodturning this includes, the optimum comprise between the hardness to be able to take and hold a sharp edge, and the toughness required to minimize the possibility of brittle fracture as well as the abrasive nature of turning.



Barbara Jennings making a point while demonstrating the making of a pepper-mill



Dennis Haddon with a superb piece for show-and-tell



Bunbury 2014 Award winners proudly showing off their certificates



Mandurah did well in the WAWA Accumulated Points competition for 2014



Joondalup-Wanneroo members displaying their wares at a Hot Rod event



A rare picture of Mick Johnson lost for words!

VALE - JIM STITFALL 1877

I first got to know Jim in about 2004, when we were both new chums on the Committee of Management. At that time Richard Leggo was President and in the throes of re-writing the Constitution, which entailed much information to be read prior to meetings. Richard was most put out because Jim was not on Email and therefore he had to send all the papers through on snail mail.

Jim and I always got on well together and had similar ideas, so when asked to organise "The Exhibition of Excellence" in 2006 we took on the project with enthusiasm. This exhibition was held in the Perth Town Hall and ran for a week, we had many beautiful pieces on display and it was the best exhibition WAWA had ever held. Jim was very active in arranging for the stands to be up graded and painted prior to use and collecting and labelling the various items. He was also at the venue every day, often till late at night!

Later Jim was elected as President of WAWA, and became a popular President, a position he held for 2 years, during which time he oversaw the updating of the Handbook, parts of which had become obsolete as the association had grown in size. Jim served the Association well for 7 years as a committee member. He could always be found at the conclusion of a weekend workshop helping pack the trailers.

Jim was a member of the Swan Group, where he also helped arrange an exhibition of their works to be displayed at Midland.

On a personal note, I found Jim to be a very good friend, always willing to help, always cheerful and someone I shall forever miss.

Derek Martin 194

Diary Dates

Competition Items for 2015

February 28th—Melville

Turned item with multiple embellishments, may include metal, acrylic, bone, etc.

March 21st—Manjimup

Platter, may be embellished. Height to be 10% of diameter

April 11th—Collie

Square-edged bowl

May 23rd—Mandurah:

Jewellery stand with min. Two items of jewellery

June 20th—Gosnells

Vase with 3 or 4 stemmed flowers

July 18th—Swan

Tall hollow vessel with lid. Min. height 200mm, not including lid

August— Joondalup-Wanneroo TBA

September 19th—Wandi

Lidded box, no restrictions

October 24th—Avon

Item featuring 50% or more of offset turning

November 21st—Bunbury

Set of goblets on a tray, min. 2 goblets

WAWA Shopping Centre Displays 2015

Bullcreek Shopping Centre

4th to 9th May

Kardinya Shopping Centre

22nd to 27th June

WA Wood Show

7th to 9th August

Waterford Plaza

9th to 14th November

The following may be contacted for information or if you would like to join the display/sales team.

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