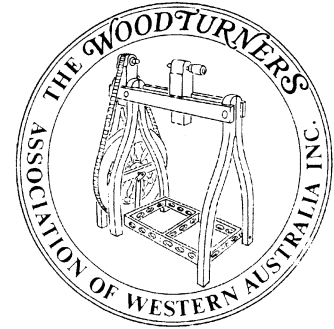


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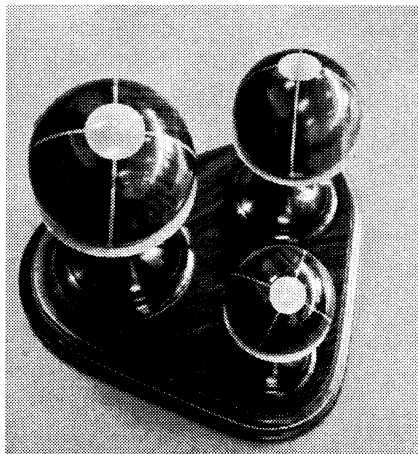
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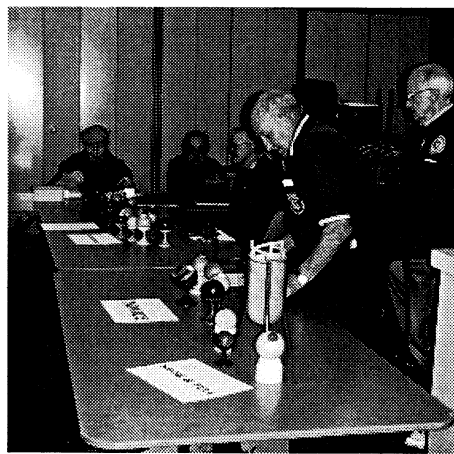
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June Competition — Spheres



Clean sweep of prizes by **Ivan Moro**



Bill Crow checking **all dimensions**.
 Many thanks to **Ian Eagles** for photos.



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GROUP MEETINGS - DATES - VENUES - TIMES:

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| ALBANY | 1st. Monday of the month, 7 pm. Every Saturday Workshop, 12.30 pm Duyfken Boatshed, Princess Royal Drive, Albany. Alan Murdock Ph 9842 1622 |
| AVON VALLEY | 4th. Thursday 7.30 pm. 2nd. & 4th. Sunday 9 am to 12 noon. Wool Pavilion Showground Toodyay Fred Cook Ph 9574 5102 |
| BUNBURY | 1st. & 3rd. Wednesday 7 pm Cathedral Grammar School, Gelorup Tom Brixey Ph 9734 5261 |
| BUSSELTON | 2nd. & 4th. Wednesday, 7 pm Busselton High School Dennis Hadden Ph 9752 1235 |
| COLLIE | Last Sunday of the Month 9-15 am to 4 pm Various Home W/shops Doug Gulvin Ph 9734 1131 |
| GOSNELLS | Every Monday & Wednesday 8-30 am to 12-30 pm Bennett's Hardware, Stalker Rd, Gosnells Ian Eagles Ph 9493 0214 |
| JOONDALUP | 2nd. Wednesday 7 pm - Wanneroo High School, Paltara Way, Wanneroo (Design & Technology Dept.) Ric Foster Ph 9448 3572 |
| MANDURAH | 2nd. & 4th. Tuesday 3.00 pm - Mandurah H/S Ed Crane Ph 9586 4243 |
| MANJIMUP | 2nd. & 4th. Wednesday 9-30 am - The Shed. Timber Park Yvonne Pegrum Ph 9771 2737 |
| MELVILLE | Every Wednesday 8-00 am - Melville Rec. Centre Ron Oliver Ph 9330 5613 |
| MUNDARING | Every Friday 7 pm - Old Parkerville Primary School Dura & Riley Rds. Brian Adams Ph 9295 4486 |
| SWAN | 2nd. Tuesday 7 pm 3rd. & 4th. Tuesday 1-30 pm Gumnuts Family Centre, Mudalla Way. Koongamia Allan Fettes Ph 9248 6507 |
| STIRLING | 4th. Tuesday 7 pm Alexander Park Craffthouse, Clyde Rd. Menora Malcolm Munro Ph 9271 9503 |
| WANDI | 1st. & 3rd. Thursday 7 pm & Every Wednesday 8 to noon (Hands on) Wandi Community Hall. Tony Boschman Ph 9434 2962 |

From the President's Workshop:

Our attendance at Mandurah in May was 103 members (plus 19 on Sunday), 42 Associates and 40 visitors. Congratulations to the Host Group Mandurah for their usual good performance. I was particularly impressed with a really excellent presentation on Sunday morning when the mysteries of chain saw maintenance were clearly explained.

On June 18 at Alexander Park we had 79 members, 23 Associates and 1 visitor. Our thanks to the Host Group Stirling for an interesting program and for a well managed workshop.

It has been my practice to use the forum to tell you about what your committee has been doing. In April we established the practice of putting up a notice board. Last month we put up the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on the Tuesday prior to the workshop. I have also followed the practice of summarising COM minutes in this column in the newsletter. In this way I have hoped to keep all members informed. I have asked Groups to also have a notice board and to put up Minutes and letters from COM as well as matters of interest from the Group.

Our AGM in September is at Toodyay this year and we are hoping for a good roll up to participate in this important event. A drive in the hills will be splendid if it's a sunny day. Lets try to boost the numbers for a good workshop.

There are still some vacancies for the Ernie Newman masterclasses on August 28 and 29. These will cover topics of interest to participants and they will receive a list shortly. Bunbury and Albany will also have classes and plenary sessions. Ask your Convenors.

Don't forget the Ernie Newman plenary session is at Wandi on Saturday 27 August and will be programmed for a normal monthly workshop with the exception that **Ernie will be sole demonstrator and entry fee will be \$10 for members and for visitors.** Associates will have their own program and as usual there will be no charge for them but we may not have room in the main hall for Associates since the capacity is limited to 150. **There will be no workshop on the third Saturday.**

WAWA membership is predominantly retired and many are taking extended holidays they could not enjoy while in the workforce. In June with 5 committee members on leave and one who couldn't come we were down to a bare quorum of 6. Since more heads are better than a few we invited some convenors to participate in debate and were pleased to hear opinions from Ron Oliver of Melville and Ric Foster of Joondalup Wanneroo. Our delegate to the Wandi Hall Les Small also at-

tended and gave us a report on hall progress as well as his experience as President and committee man for many years. It is important to have a spread of views in reaching a decision. COM is giving notice that it would like the Constitution to be amended to give it power to appoint temporary members to take the place of those who have been given leave.

Another Officers Conference is proposed for 29 October 2005. and Groups have been asked to give their opinions on this proposal.

Two major reports in the Joe Hegney/John Mason Report on Workshops and the Swan Group report on Safety are with Groups for comment. COM hopes to address these questions at its August meeting and wants your valuable opinions.

COM is considering a proposal that WAWA engage a competent clerk to do around one day per week inputting data to a computer. At present all work is done on a voluntary basis but there are signs this era may be coming to an end. If those presently doing the work decide they will not continue and we get the usual number of volunteers answering the call, we will have to shut up shop or pay someone to do the work. A decision along those lines might add something like \$15 to annual subs.

Who would you like to see at our special workshops for 2006? Groups are invited to put in their ideas for consideration.

Progress on revision of the Handbook has been held up by nature. Unfortunately Ted Grant's computer was incapacitated by a storm and repair people say they got so much work they are way behind. Ted has been waiting quite a few weeks..

In considering my own future, I am loath to commit myself for another year since this would carry the obligation of serving another 2 years on COM as IPP. I have already done 5 plus nearly 2 as newsletter editor and nearly 10 as Returning officer. I will serve out my year as IPP and, if requested by COM, will undertake to finish any tasks I have started and which may not be complete by September.

A final thought. I joined WAWA for fun and have enjoyed that for 19 years. The last year has been different and some of the unpleasant aspects of shop politics have emerged. The identity of Groups have been more evident in some cases where the needs of the groups are being pressed, seemingly without regard for the overall management of WAWA. There are more signs of groups making arrangements for their own accommodation without reference to the

COM. Entering contracts is a matter for COM since groups now do not have a separate legal identity and there has been no delegation of power. Perhaps it is time for at least some of the groups to consider the question of incorporation.

I wish you all well.

Richard

**WAWA WEEKEND WORKSHOP
SATURDAY, 27 AUGUST 2005
WANDI COMMUNITY HALL
DeHAER Rd. WANDI**

The Ernie Newman Show.

Entry cost \$10.-
 Convenor Tony Boschman
 Hosts Wandi Group
 MC Tony Boschman
 Safety Officer John Scarfe
 Competition Magazine rack/holder.
 Own design, to feature spindle turning.
 8.00am. Setup
 9.00 Start
 10.00 **Morning Tea-**
Members bring a plate
 10.30 **Alternative Programme**
 with **Inger Ward**
Tiles and mirrors – Dragon Fly or Flower Design Cost \$20 includes instruction and materials. \$12 item may be available.
 12.00 **Lunch-** Sausage Sizzle \$2.50
 Cool drinks \$1.

Ernie's demonstration proposal:

1. Super Slender Turning– turning goblets with long slender stems– use of home-made string steady rest to support the work.
2. Magic, Science & Woodturning – turning objects which 'defy the rules of physics'.
3. Toys-dolls, mini baseball bats, magic wands, Christmas trees.
4. Natural edge egg.
5. Hand Thread Chasing– making screw top lidded boxes with home-made hand held chasers.

"Ernie is a wizard with the chisel & the speed at which he shaped his items was awesome & left those watching gasping with admiration. What made him such a delight to watch was the lively explanations and repartee that went with the turning".

**THE AVON GROUP WAWA WEEKEND
WORKSHOP and AGM.
TOWN HALL, STIRLING Tce, TOODYAY
SEPTEMBER 17th AND 18th 2005**

The Avon Group welcomes all Members, Associates, Friends and Visitors to this Weekend Workshop and Annual General Meeting.

Convenor Fred Cook
M.C. David Eyres
Safety Officer Fred Cook
Competition Item **Pull-Along Toy**
Demonstration Lathe..... Woodfast M910 with 30x3.5 mm Thread. [1'x10 adaptor available]

SATURDAY PROGRAMME.

8.00am. Unload Trailers and Set Up.
 8.30 Registration and Fellowship
 9.00 Welcome and Announcements
 9.10 **Chris Paplinski**, Xmas decorations
 10.00 **Morning Tea-**
Members, please bring a plate
 10.00 Competition Voting Commences
 10.30 **Bob Nichols**, Natural edge bowl.
 10.55 5 Minute Break
 11.00 **Neil Piper**, Embellishing a Bowl with a Router
 12.00 **Lunch...** *Soup (several varieties) Bread Roll and Fruit \$3.00*
 1.00 Competition Voting Closes
 1.00 **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
[The following times are subject to the completion of the A.G.M.]
 2.30 Show and Tell
 3.00 **Afternoon Tea**
 3.30 **Eric Walker**, Split deep hollowing.
 4.30 President's Forum followed by.....**Competition Results**
Clean the Hall. Pack the trailers, all hands to assist, please.

Saturday Night Dinner...At the Hotel, Names and numbers to the registration desk by 12 noon !

SUNDAY PROGRAMME at the CLUB ROOM — TOODYAY SHOWGROUND

9.00am. Gather around the Club Room and Lathes.
 General Hands On, Problem Solving and Tool Skill Check.
 10.00 **Morning Tea**
 Hands On etc continues
 12.00 **Lunch** Sausage Sizzle. \$3.00

MONTHLY COMPETITION RESULTS:-

May 2005- Bowl- Green Turned.

The response to this competition was quite good with 19 turners participating – 11 entries from the novice division; 7 intermediate; but sadly only one turner from the advanced division (Bob Nichols).

As the bowls entered were to be turned from green timber, the results were interesting, showing that stability is variable between different timbers.. We saw 15 timber species displayed on the competition table.

I must acknowledge, with thanks, the services of the three judges– Derek Martin, Les Small and Henry Walker.

Results:

| 1st. | 2nd. | 3rd. |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Novice- Barry Granger | George Kieliger | Bob Hodgkinson |
| Intermediate- Chris Smith | Phil Berrill | Chris Davies |
| Advanced- Bob Nichols | _____ | _____ |
| Popular Vote- Chris Smith | Phil Berrill | Bob Nichols |

Note: **Chris Smith** will no doubt be thrilled with his promotion to the Advanced division.

June 2005 – Spheres on Stands.

Twelve entries in this month's competition, with two 'first-timers' - Jason deGrussa and Barry Cobb. Barry would have been delighted to achieve a win with his first competition piece.

Bill Crow agreed (as he always does!) to check all items for accuracy and made several gauges to go with calipers and metric rule to this end. Bill commented that few dimensions checked showed few errors, particularly the spheres.

Good to have Ivan Moro return to competition with his superb spheres and stands, winning the Open, Advanced and Popular Vote divisions.

Elaine Boyd, Gordon Ratcliffe and Margaret Young officiated as judges, and helped by Bill Crow's report rated all entries– Appreciated !

Results:

| 1st. | 2nd. | 3rd. |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Novice- Barry Cobb | John Attwater | Bill Arbery |
| Intermediate- Frank Seymour | Chris Sioulas | Joe Clark |
| Advanced- Ivan Moro | David Devereux | John Parker |
| Popular Vote- Ivan Moro | John Attwater | David Devereux |

Allan France
Competition Coordinator

UPDATE - WANDI STORAGE FACILITY

A group of 14 persons, including some from the Wandi Progress Association, met on site on Saturday 11 June to make further progress on the building which has been at a standstill in recent times for a variety of reasons.

The busy bee decision was made at comparatively short notice but members are to be commended for their response to a ring around and the number in attendance was adequate for the tasks to be undertaken.

The original intention was to prepare the wall for the external cladding, which was to be fixed at a later date, but with the good roll up all the external wall sheeting was affixed by the end of the day leaving only trims (flashing, corners etc) still to be fitted which will be attended in the next few days.

At this stage the building is at lock-up stage, entry via a single roll-a-door. Further access doors will be fitted later when internal division wall are erected to define individual tenants space allocation.

Progress is being made but not quite as quickly as originally envisaged.

Once again many thanks to members who responded to the short notice request.

Les Small
14 June 2005



THE WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA Inc

ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2005/06

Following the close of nominations on 30 June 2005, I declare as follows:

President- Tony Boschman has been elected unopposed for a one-year term effective from 19 September 2005. He is eligible to nominate for a further one-year term at the 2006 Annual General Meeting.

Committee of Management - Norman Griffiths and Malcolm Munro have each been elected unopposed for a two-year term effective from 19 September 2005.

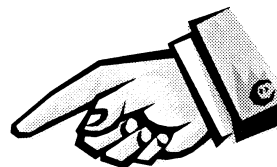
Lach Christie, Derek Martin, John Mason, Jim Stitfall and Ross Wilton continue to hold office until the 2006 Annual General Meeting

Immediate-Past President – Richard Leggo assumes this position at the 2005 Annual General Meeting He holds this office until Tony Boschman is no longer President.

Vacancies – the Constitution requires that the Committee of Management *'shall comprise not less than 11 or more than 12 members and as far as practical one shall be the Immediate Past President'* Therefore I hereby re-open nominations for the remaining 3 members of the Committee of Management.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2005/06

RE-OPEN OF NOMINATIONS



Nominations for **the remaining three positions** on the Committee of Management for 2005/06 will close with me at 5.00 PM on Wednesday 31 August 2005. The Nomination Form printed in the June/July issue of the Associations Newsletter will be accepted. or further copies can be obtained from me as shown below. 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.

George Herring (865)

Returning Officer

7 Heppingstone Road

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Tel 9751 4751

Email; chuditch@iinet.net.au

A warm welcome to new Members:



| | | | |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------|
| 2117 Sheryn Howard | Mount Barher | 2122 Chris Thompson | Mandurah |
| 2118 Chris Hatlock | Albany | 2123 Keith Macfarlane | Roleystone |
| 2119 Wolf Tesch | Wattle Grove | 2124 Rob Smyth | Albany |
| 2120 Chris Barker | Greenfields | 2125 Richard Flugge | Langford |
| 2121 Graham Snow | Guilderton | 2126 Carmel Featherstone | Coogee |

WANDI WAFFLES:

I missed the send off to Gwelym, but have heard that it was a good gathering and we are all going to miss him, (especially me, I'm writing the Wandi Waffles now that he's not here to do it.

On our first meeting for June the group held an egg cup turning competition. Four teams of two turners, and it was interesting to observe the different hollowing out methods of the competitors. It was all good fun. A small hollow vessel, on the show & tell table was made by Rob Jones using the method of reverse hollowing as demonstrated by Jack DeVos at the April meeting.

An interesting invention by Kevin Robinson was a follow on after a demonstration of vacuum by Allan Roberts, Instead of using a vacuum cleaner, Kelvin's invention included a venturie which creates a vacuum and with its on/off switch can be left on the lathe.

It was great to see Rod Cox at the meeting after his accident. He looked very well, but don't give him a big hug will you.

The Busy Bee for the Hope Valley School Heritage Building (to store chuck wagons, equipment, etc) was well supported. A sausage sizzle was provided for lunch and the work was finally finished after dark with the aid of headlights from a car. It is now at lockup stage.

At the June meeting, members braved the cold and rain to watch Jack Pallas demonstrate how he turned the bent legs attached to a hollow vessel. He described the process involve, with trial and error until his final success. On Wednesday July 6, the Gosnells group have been invited to join us and Jack will again demonstrate turning bent legs, with hands on for anyone willing to give it a go.

Elaine Boyd.

BUNBURY BULLETIN:

Whilst we are rejoiced to see this abundance of rain that we have been having over the last few weeks, we in Bunbury have had our enthusiasm slightly tempered by the tornado which swept through the city doing considerable damage and knocking St. Pat's church skew-whiff on it's foundations. With meteorological mayhem forecast it was deemed prudent to cancel our mid-May meeting.

With moderating weather our get togethers in June have been well-attended and very enjoyable. A point of interest in our Hands On and general discussion night was Tom Brixey's demonstration of the Kreg Pocket Hole System which allows the angled insertion of thin but

extremely strong self-tapping screws to form butt joints of extraordinary strength and neatness which could be used for the making of sub-frames for chairs and tables and for the secure attachment of legs thereto . It would also be useful for the construction of "knock-down" furniture where strong unglued and easily detached joints are required.

Our mid-June meeting was one of those rare evenings which perfectly combine presentations of very good and very unusual work accompanied by interesting comments by the presenters, sparking observations, questions and debate from a thoroughly interested audience . Among the "Show and Tell" presentations, ably presented by Jim Cunniffe, were two hollow-form vases made by Dave Roberts and Stan Zieba during their recent lesson by the internationally known Jack DeVos at our center of craft excellence at Dwellingup. Both items reflected the high standard of attention to detail we have come to accept from these two members. The hollowing of the vases was done from the base after the careful removal of a plug which was replaced after the hollowing was completed in a way that made its detection almost impossible. They were both warm in their praise for the value of the instruction they had received.

Another couple of entries, one of a clock in huon pine with an inlaid face of segmented jarrah and a beautifully inlaid plate of the same woods were presented by Malcolm Targett who, it may be remembered won first prize in the Novice section at the last Bunbury Weekend with his precisely inlaid cake-stand. The piece de resistance, however, was a magnificent vase some two feet in height made of segments of sheoak, blackwood, jarrah and huon pine and turned to a most pleasing and elegant shape. The hours of painstaking work entailed in the creation of this beautiful piece of work by Haydn Matthews, though he raised gales of laughter at his telling of it, was not lost on his audience.

The final presentations of the evening were given by Jim Cunniffe where he showed us the progression of the various and unusual techniques he employed in the creating of his realistic-looking models of the familiar Hurricane Lamps from superannuated pieces of the Bunbury jetty. Jim brought along a box of bits and pieces showing how he had developed ways of doing things which most of us would consider well-nigh impossible. He finished off by showing his method of making handles for tomahawks, axes and hammers. It was, indeed, a splendid evening and I hope we shall see more like it .

David Daniel.

A LETTER FROM BUSSELTON:

The Busselton Committee are working on a proposal to re-locate to a premises which will enable the Group to overcome the break in our activities that arise as a result of school holidays, it will also give those members who want to undertake activities such as problem solving, helping beginners and generally woodturning when the High School premises are not available. When a full proposal is drawn up all members will be given the opportunity to discuss its merits as well as disadvantages at a suitable at a meeting.

WAWA Weekend Workshops: A quintet consisting of Cliff Hart, Dennis 'Skew' Haddon, George Herring, Tom Mazey and Michael Whitehead attended the May Weekend Workshop at Mandurah. It was a fantastic presentation with demonstrations having something to learn from. Dennis kept the 'flag flying' by submitting an entry in the monthly competition – we hope others join him and Frank Seymour in contributing regularly at WAWA weekend workshop competitions as a means to increase their turning skills.

Cliff Hart and Tom Mazey went to the Weekend Workshop conducted by the Stirling Group at Alexander Park on Saturday 18 June 2005 and reported on the success of this function. Frank Seymour won the Intermediate Category with his entry of two spheres.

Demonstrations: At the meeting on 26 May, Tom Mazey and Dennis 'Skew' Haddon gave us an informative demonstration on various finishes. These included Penetrol, Gilly Stephenson's canauba wax, Shellawax and two varieties of Organ Oil. Our guest for the evening WAWA Committee of Management member Malcolm Munro showed a tool for making small coves details of which he got from The American Woodturner – Malcolm also showed a number of us how it was used.

19 members and guests attended the meeting on 8 June 2005 – our best attendance for a long while. Our guest for the night was the master turner Robert Jones. Rob showed us how to make a chunky bowl from Jacaranda, from rough turned to decorative finishes and embellishments. The use of small coves, a secondary stage inside the bowl, wire brushing (using the edge of a tenon saw to replace the forgotten wire brush) and the use of acrylic paint. **Those who could not attend certainly missed a fantastic presentation.** Charlie Broadbent, 'Skew' Haddon, Cliff Hart, Vince Triglia and Rob Jones brought a number of Show and Tell items along. This element of our meetings continues to show us lots of ideas and exceptional work

On Wednesday 22 June 2005 we hosted 12 members from the Goldfields Specialty Industries Group and the feature was a demonstration on sharpening drill bits by Murray Joyce from Kalgoorlie. This was a fantastic demo and all woodturners would benefit from what Murray had to show us – Murray is of the believe that everyone should have a separate set of bits for their woodworking.

Promotions: Frank Seymour has volunteered to take digital photos of our members work and have it featured on WAWA's Web Page under the Busselton Groups section – please contact Frank on 9755 3933 if you want an avenue to promote your work to a wider market.

'Scriba'

ADVANCED NOTICE:

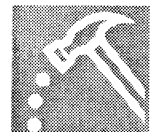
Manjimup Weekend Workshop

Members are advised that the Weekend Workshop, November this year will be hosted by the Manjimup Group– not on the third weekend, but on the **12th-13th November** (due to the availability, or lack of, the Hall plus other events on the third weekend.

The Group would like to draw attention to their local blacksmith, who has a workshop near their building in the Manjimup Timber Park.

"George the Blacksmith" makes all types of metal fittings for fencing, gates, Woodturning, furniture etc. Members going to Manjimup who would like to make contact with George now with an order, that can be collected in November, can call him on Tel. 0429 239 343 or write to "George the Blacksmith"

C/o Manjimup Timber Park, Manjimup.



Editor's Desk:

As one can see (read) this is a very full edition.

Any Member taking a caravan to Toodyay, please consider the Moondyne Park, near the Race course, as we may be able to share a B.B.Cue on the Friday evening.

**Deadline for next Newsletter
31st August 2005**

[Ed]

GOSSNELS GOSSIP:

Filing in for Jim?

Our organiser Graham Lewis has kept us busy with team events, he gives us 6 drawings, the last one a small challis, we are then divided up in to teams with a team leader, (we all draw numbers) these are then judge on accuracy and finish. Some fall by the way side and do not get finished; some have the time to start again.

We had the privilege to have Gerald Young to judge this one with some interesting observations on ways to make improvements; we were also treated to a private showing of a shortened version of the demo he gave at the weekend workshop, with some of his jigs! Wow? I still need all my fingers!

In between this we have toy making days, so we do not get bored! June 8th we are having a demo from one of our own, John Currie, the template man, the subject is completely up to him and a surprise for all of us.

Well it was a surprise, John could not come, so in his place we had a video of Mike Darlow, this caused some discussion, as every one has their own technique. Mike Darlow's ears must have been burning.

Hopefully we will have John's demo this week, we also have display of the competition items for this coming weekend workshop.

June 22d , this will be a team competition and toy making; it will be turned legs for small stools to go with the rest of the collection. We would like to thank the Mandurah group for a great workshop made all the better by the new sound equipment, *(thank you committee.)*

The turning quality has slowly been improving at our group as can be seen by the success at the week end workshops, we must be doing some thing right, for this we must thank the experience turners for their dedication and patients in guiding us in all manner of wood turning.

On a sadder note one of our members Fred Fairclough has had to retire due to ill health, so an auction was held at his place, most of his things found a new home and we all wish Fred well for the future.

Well done all the competition entries and winners you inspire the rest of us and give us new ideas to try and entering in these does help improve your quality of work, no matter how good you are, or in my case how good I 'am not.

Alan Andrews.

MEMO FROM MANDURAH :

Mandurah meeting topics prior to May were focussed greatly on planning to make the May workshop another one of the best on the year's calendar. We would like to thank again the wonderful demonstrators who gave their time and shared their expertise:

- Alan Murdock, who turned a table leg
- Frank Evans demonstrated turning a natural edged goblet
- Gerald Young showed the development of non circular turning
- Toni Wilson's artistic bent stimulated some creative juices to flow.
- Eric Walker shared his approach to creating spheres. We can all now make wooden balls (with no bark) for our dogs. (They wooden bark again)!
- Joe Hegney stimulated discussion on tools terminology and talk.

The Sunday session didn't see very many starters, but those who came, were treated to a highly informative presentation by Peter Tutt from Husqvarna. Peter invited the audience to offer topics that they wanted covered, then proceeded to explain and demonstrate each aspect of the chainsaw construction, its purpose and correct maintenance, covering all requested topics. Questions and comments flowed freely from the group and Peter's abundant knowledge and experience brought forth the required answers. A session with Peter Tutt should not be missed if another opportunity arises.

We would also like to thank Jim Morgan from Long's Mower City for organising this session and for providing products for sale.

Mandurah members also spent 3 days over the June long weekend demonstration at the Edenvale craft festival in Pinjarra, with great success. These occasions are a means of showing interested people what is involved in woodturning and explaining how our group meetings and WAWA operate.

Every Monday our members and prospective members are invited to John Mason's shed for hands on experience. There has been great attendance at these sessions, with a mixture of beginners, novices and some more experienced turners. Anyone can have a go, ideas are shared and problems are posed for suggested solution. These occasions are very stimulation and successful, often resulting in 10 or more participants. Many thanks to John for making this happen.

Lastly but not least, we were very pleased to see Barry Cobb win a first in the novice competition with his sphere at the June workshop.

Congratulations, Barry.

Marie Gallin 1958

MELVILLE NEWS:

Attendance at our weekly Wednesday morning meeting continue 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 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 com-

ments 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.**



Don Gunn.

SWAN SNIPPETS:

The Swan program continues as usual with the much appreciated evening meeting on the second Tuesday of the month where we feature a major demonstration, hold our monthly competition, show and tell and conduct any other necessary business. Our demonstrations and competition items anticipate the items for competition at the WAWA meetings. Thus our demonstrated item precedes the WAWA item by a month and is featured in our competition the following month just a few days ahead of that competition.

We will be departing from this established pattern in July and August when we will be focusing on toy making to make an impetus toward donations of toys for Christmas. We will also feature a top spinning competition at our August meeting.

Our demonstrator in May was Don Clarke who showed us how to accurately turn a sphere to specific dimension. In June Joe Clark demonstrated the making of a dinner bell.

Attendances have been boosted recently by the welcome visit of Richard Leggo and Les Small and we welcome Phil Griffiths a turner from North Queensland who is in WA for about six months.

Our afternoon meetings are increasing in popularity with consistent attendance and the need now for an additional meeting on the first Tuesday of the month as well as the current 3rd and 4th Tuesdays as from July. In May Jim Hanney demonstrated bowl-saving technique using a parting tool and Eric Walker demonstrated problems and solutions in spindle turning.

In June Richard Barkman showed us how to make a banksia nut pot and Kevin Hardman demonstrated a fragmental bowl. This was Kevins first demonstration and was well prepared, competently executed and well received. Jim Hanney is now becoming more relaxed, this most recent demonstration being his third and the topics he has selected have been quite demanding. The climate of our afternoon meetings is very encouraging to newer turners, especially when beginning to test their wings at demonstrating.

Plans for our July weekend workshop are well and truly in hand and set to deliver a significant event.

August sees our Annual General Meeting where we will be seeking to fill vacancies on the committee and for convener as Allen Fettes has to retire after serving commendably for two terms.

Happy Turning. *Bob Nichols*

Letter to the Editor

Some people have told me that I am unpopular because I am telling the members of problems.

What would you have me do? Keep them secret?

My life's work has been serving local communities as the local shire clerk. I learned many years ago that it's better to put things on the table openly. The Australian community has a way of ferreting out secrets that their servants are trying to hide.

When first elected I said I was only one of 640 members and that it was your show not mine. I feel obliged to tell you what I know because you are entitled to that message. If the message isn't too good, don't shoot the messenger. WAWA seems to be going through a fairly bad time at the moment. It is very hard to find volunteers to do the work. We can't always get input when we invite some. Yet there is criticism in the air about a number of things. I have tried to bring the arguments out into the open in the hope so that they may be debated and dealt with. Only then can we move forward. But no-on comes and shop talk is diverted to my personality instead of focussing on the real issues. I am what I am and neither shop talk nor I can change that.

Rest assured I am entirely sincere in working for the welfare of WAWA and only that.

I suspect that people are uneasy about my quest to tidy up the Constitution, Handbook and Policies. Do they find it threatening in some way I can't understand?

If you want me to stop just say so. I'd much rather work on my lathe. Until you make up your mind on this point

please accept my promise

- I don't have some grand plan for WAWA
- I am not carrying out some sort of enquiry to expose problem areas that do not lie in the paperwork itself
- Any work that is done will be circulated for comment before adoption
- The main work will comprise of preparing a full index so the document is easier for reference
- The format will be updated with modern software
- New page numbering and chapter set out will help reference
- Obvious contradictions/out of date material will be highlighted before deletion
- No new matter of principle will be inserted before approval of the COM and it will be up to them to decide whether any new issue should be circulated for comment. I would be surprised if important issues were not circulated.

No one has so far taken me to task on the matter although one or two have argued the old story 'if it ain't broke don't fix it'. Well in my opinion it is broke in some respects. (Dot points 4 – 7) Also there is inadequate reference to groups and their powers. Some of these problems have the potential to damage members if questions of legality ever arise (and I sure hope they don't). Change will benefit all office bearers making information more easily available so it will save you time.

COM is dealing with a report on incorporation at its July meeting but I can't tell you the outcome since I won't know the decision until after the deadline for the newsletter. I am recommending the matter be circulated for discussion before any decision is made.

It is strange to think that an offer from a person with particular expertise to put in a huge number of days working for nothing has been met with a wall of resistance, little understanding and limited appreciation. Fair go – why didn't you tell me earlier. I wouldn't do things you didn't want done and its against my principles to waste my own time. On the other hand those of you who won't take office should remember that the many who do may be at some personal risk if they don't carry out the duties expected of people who manage an incorporated body.

Richard Leggo #82 President

Forest Heritage Centre Woodturning Courses.

The next course will be conducted by
Vaughan Richmond, 20th. August 2005
at Wandii.

The cost for the day is \$85 and please note —that only the first six individuals
that pay will be considered.

**All enquires to the Forest Heritage Centre
on Ph. 9538 1395**

Letter to the Editor

NO MORE MONTHLY WAWA WEEKEND WORKSHOPS!!

There are certain elements about who wish to bring about a reduced number of Weekend-Workshops – because [and I don't blame them] **too few are doing all the work !!**

Are there very many of you out there who really enjoy Weekend Workshops??
Because - Do you realise that you/ we are very likely to loose our opportunity to have them !
--- Are you aware that it is on the cards to cut down our monthly Weekend Workshops to one so called big one per year !

At the moment we share twelve Weekend Workshops - I urge every one to evaluate what you get out of WAWA monthly Weekend Workshops.

As individuals = Fellowship, Learning, being part of **WAWA**, what else?

As Groups = Hosting a Weekend Workshop involves = Pulling together, showing what your made of, increasing your ability to organize, learning and **fellowship.**

WE, YOU & I have a chance to save our monthly Weekend Workshops by taking our share, our turn to help. – don't wait to be asked - ask what is to be done. If you have a physical problem find some other way to assist

John D. Lathwell #36

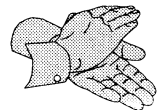
I had the privilege of being Weekend Co-ordinator for seven years.

**** SHOPPING CENTRES 2005 ****
EXHIBITIONS.SALES AND DEMONSTRATIONS

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|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|
| W.A. CRAFT SHOW, | RAS. CLAREMONT. | Frid 5th to Sun 7th August |
| W.A. WOOD SHOW, | RAS. CLAREMONT. | Frid 12th to Sun 14th Aug. |
| Phoenix Shopping Centre. | SPEARWOOD. | Mon 29th Aug to Sat 3 rd Sept. |
| Southlands Shopping Centre, | BURRENDAH. | Mon 24th to Sat 29th Oct. |
| Centrepoint Shopping. | MIDLAND. | Mon 14th to Sat 19th Nov. |

For further info please ring — Len Nicholls 933 96490 Nell Piper 949 63722
Kevin McCrackan 9310 1057

MY thanks to the members of the Shopping Centre Team, from 1st July '04 to 30th June '05 we have contributed **\$4,900.00 to W.A.W.A. funds.**
This exceeds last year's figure by almost \$500.00. Good work Team.



Len Nicholls Display Organiser.

MASON MART

This will probably be the last word on the Mason Mart.

It has run for just on three years after the initial offer by Pat and John Mason to sell items made and donated by our members in the Fremantle shop.

Pat and John have for the most part, returned 100% of the money raised from sales. However, the supply from our members has died off, sales at the shop are down (as it is Australia wide) so it has been decided to allow what has been known as the Mason Mart to die a natural death.

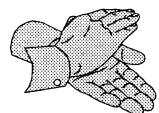
There are still some items in the shop available for sale, so there will be some money returns in the future, albeit small and possibly slow.

To date, the amount of money raised is a staggering **\$13,592.00 !!!!!!!**

John and Pat's efforts have been recognised with them both receiving an Award of Merit.

So, as the sun sinks in the West, **we say farewell to the Mason Mart.**

And..... Thank you.



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**THE WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD IN THE TOODYAY HALL ON -**

SATURDAY - 17th SEPTEMBER 2005 COMMENCING at 1.00 pm

AGENDA:

- 1. APOLOGIES**
- 2. MINUTES OF 2004 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
- 3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
- 4. TREASURER'S REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 2005**
- 5. AUDITORS REPORT**
- 6. BUDGET FOR YEAR 2005-2006**
- 7. NOMINATION FEE AND SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2005-2006**
- 8. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR FOR 2005 - 2006**
- 19. RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT:**
 - 1. Election of President**
 - 2. Election of Committee of Management**
- 10. APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICER**
- 11. SPECIAL BUSINESS NOTICES OF MOTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION:**

The Committee of Management gives notice of its intention to move that the following Special Resolutions be passed in order to amend the Constitution. These special resolutions require a three fourths majority of those present or voting by proxy. Proxy vote authority must be in writing signed by the member and nominating who is to exercise the proxy and be in the hands of the secretary before commencement of the Meeting

11.1 Clause 16: Appointment of Substitute Members of the Committee

Recognising that the bulk of the membership is in the retired category it is to be expected that members of the committee will seek to be excused from duty for a period so they can enjoy holidays. In June 2005 five of the 12 committee members were on leave leaving only seven (7) to perform the duties. In the event of two of those being sick or otherwise unable to attend a meeting, the business of the Committee could not be dealt with. Clause 16 gives power to the Committee to appoint a new member in place of a regular member who, "for any reason what soever is unable to act". However, the appointment is for the remainder of the term until the next AGM and it does not envisage return of the regular member. Committee believes that a better solution would be to give it clear power to appoint Convenors or other suitable members on a temporary basis to take the place of a regular committee member who has been granted leave for a period of more than one month.

MOTION: That Clause 16 be amended by adding the passage -

"The Committee may co-opt a Convenor or other suitable member to be a member of the Committee during a period of leave approved for a regular member of the Committee".

11.2 Clause 29 – Appointment of Auditor

This clause sets dates for the financial year. It requires audit of accounts by an auditor appointed by the members at the AGM. When there is no person willing to take on the task of auditor at the time of the AGM it has been common practice for the Committee to appoint someone at some other time when the name of a person is known. The motion proposes that this practice be given formal recognition.

MOTION: That Clause 29 be amended by adding the passage -

"Where there is no nomination of a person willing to accept appointment as auditor at the Annual General Meeting the Committee shall make such appointment". That the heading for this clause be FINANCIAL YEAR AND AUDIT.

11.3 Clause 32 – Giving Notice of Motion

Present requirement is that notice be given on or before 15 July if a matter is to be dealt with at the AGM. Since the deadline for the August/September newsletter is 30 June that would be a more suitable date to ensure that details of any proposed motion are included in the meeting notice which is published in that newsletter.

MOTION: that in Clause 32 the words “15th July” be altered to read “30th June”.

11.4 Clause 33(d) – Returning Officer’s Report

This is a technical adjustment to clarify and endorse the long standing practice of conducting any necessary elections at the workshop held on the day of the Annual General Meeting rather than during the actual meeting itself. See also Clause 38(b).

MOTION: That Clause 33(d) be amended by adding the words “Returning Officer’s Report of the” after the word “the” where it first appears in line 1 of the Clause.

11.5 Clause 48 – Amendment of the Constitution

Clause 48 currently requires a majority of two-thirds to agree to alterations to the Constitution whereas the Associations Incorporation Act requires the majority to be three-quarters (75%) of those present and/or voting at a general meeting.

MOTION: that the Constitution be changed to conform with requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act and that Clause 48 be amended accordingly to make the majority required be “three-fourths” as prescribed by Section 24(1) of the Act.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS (Other than that required in accordance with Clause 32 of the Constitution; ie 12 above)

*S. M. Munro
Hon. Secretary
16 July 2005.*

LIBRARY MATTERS:

Five volumes of hard-covered Woodworkers books have been donated to the library, these are old books and contain many interesting projects and are well illustrated, produced in Britain, they date back to the 1930’s.



*(They are well worth the effort to go through, I thoroughly enjoyed the exercise
Editor)*

Any member requesting a particular book can leave the title with me at the WEW and I’ll search for it during the day.

Surplus magazines are selling well (*Sam now gets a bone every week*) at 50 cents

and more mags have been pledged by members, so this service should continue for some time.

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Phil Berril Librarian

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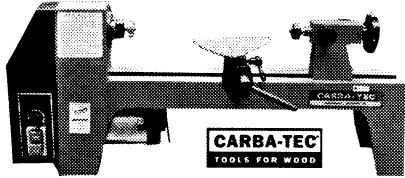
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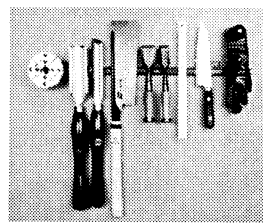
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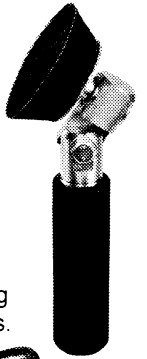


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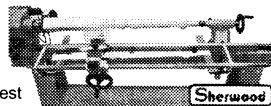
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