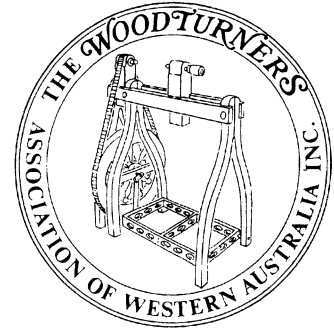


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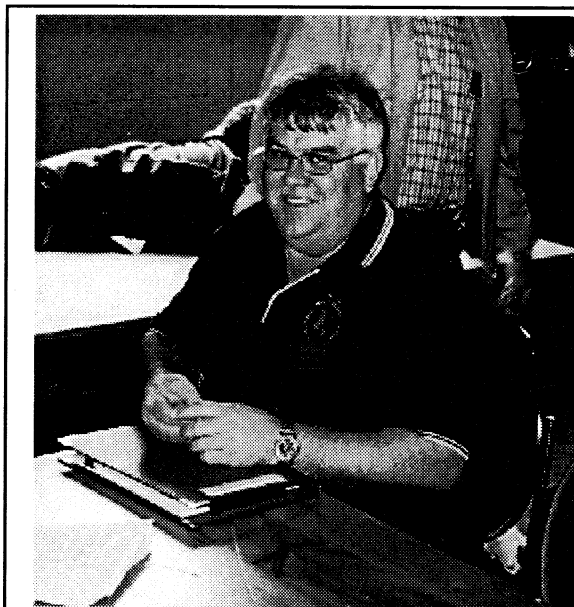
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Introducing the New President –

Tony Boschman

(Tony is part of the Wandi Group and when he 'finds his feet', we will have A 'Profile of a Turner' - no pressure just a gentle reminder!)



INFORMATION PAGE



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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	Bill Wallbank	Ph9458 6723
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MELVILLE	Every Wednesday 8-00 am – Melville Rec. Centre	Les Small	Ph 9364 6143
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	Noel Moyes	Ph 9295 2281
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.	Alan Roberts	Ph 9528 2520

THE PRESIDENT'S PIECE: President's Report



As this is my first report as the new President of WAWA for 2005-2006, I would firstly like to thank **Richard Leggo** for his work as President in the past year. Although people may have complained about Richard, he was and always has WAWA in mind. **His work will see WAWA progress and blossom.** I would also like to thank the outgoing committee for their work and support throughout the year and their time on the committee of management. Thank you to the new committee members, you nominations were greatly appreciated.

Thank you to those members of WAWA and their associates that tirelessly help at weekend workshops, shopping centre displays, group meetings and with group outings and activities. You are all the unsung heroes of WAWA. WAWA has as a Committee of Management, but it is all the behind the scenes work that keeps us going and growing.

The biggest thanks must go to Shirley Munro. **The work, hours and years Shirley has devoted to WAWA is immense.** Her loose will be great.

This year sees WAWA celebrate its twentieth year. As a new member of WAWA, I have seen and heard what the embryo of WAWA was and what it is today. It has grown from a small group of people with an interest in woodturning, to an Association with over 600 members. We have members who are world-renowned and those like me who are novices. We work and support each other to enjoy to art of woodturning.

May we continue to help and support each other? Only through this will WAWA grow.

Positions Vacant:

Secretary: As most of you are aware, Shirley Munro is stepping down as secretary after seven years. This will occur at the end of December 2005. Therefore, it is with urgency that we request the services of a person or persons to take on this position.

Committee Members: At present, we are still two (2) committee members short. We require your support in filling these positions.

Newsletter Editor: Joe Hegney is standing down as WAWA Newsletter Editor in April 2006. A suitably qualified person is required.

Any interested persons should contact Shirley Munro, Joe Hegney, or Tony Boschman. See inside cover of newsletter for contact details.

Special Conference:

On the 29th October 2005, thirty-one people gather at Wandi for the 2nd Special Conference. Roles of Group Office Bearers, Safety Officers, Equipment Officers, and 1st Aid Officers were discussed. Drafts from these discussions will be drawn up, and ratified by groups. After acceptance, final policies and guidelines will be added to the WAWA Handbook.

Robert Aitken of the Swan Group presented draft amendments for the Constitution to ensure inclusion of groups. Those present recommended that a small working group review and update the constitution to include groups, but also to update the existing constitution to bring it in line with current requirements of the Associations Act.

Dan Kilgallon presented his interim plan for the 21st Anniversary of WAWA. This will involve an exhibition of pieces from groups and commissioned pieces from WA professionals.

To promote WAWA and their groups it was resolved that all groups should receive a banner for their use and display at functions and demos. The banners will include the WAWA Logo and name and the Group name. This will help to promote WAWA and the groups involved.

All who attended the special conference felt a lot was achieved and that the special conference should be a yearly event. This will ensure that on a yearly basis matters are discussed and clarified. It also

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EDITORIAL

It is a sad indictment on Australians in general that we do not want to volunteer. I've heard many an old soldier of WW1 say that no one would ever volunteer for anything, and again in WW2 it was more like Dad's Army or Hogans Heroes where the platoon took one step back leaving a poor unsuspecting member on his own and therefore snapped up as the only volunteer. Yet when the chips were down there have always been stacks of mates who go out into no-mans-land to rescue wounded comrades. We're a queer mob!

The committee always come up for criticism no matter who they are or what the organisation is; And for some unknown reason we usually demand that the head honcho take the full blast, as we have witnessed with the Health Minister, even though the problems there started way back when our free and efficient Queensland system was forced to knuckle under.

Unfortunately we are often the losers because we miss out on the competency and expertise of some who are just not prepared to cop unwarranted criticism.

I honestly don't know of any committee of ours who deserved any criticism whatsoever, and while I'm at it, a big thanks to Ray Roberts for a good job well done even if he was one of those who came in for some unnecessary criticism; The same applying to Col Neucom who had excellent credentials for the job.

I would love to see an honour board erected in the lovely new (?) hall paying tribute to all those who have volunteered and done a darned good job managing our very worthy organisation.

Col O'Brien

THE EDITOR'S DESK

The above Editorial is a powerful statement of the situation that most voluntary Organizations face in this day and age, Woodturners Association of WA, included. One would expect that with a Membership of over 600, filling positions on a Committee of Management would be 'a piece of cake'.



When was the last time we had an election to fill any position? Do we have 'an Honour Board' where recognition is given to those that have served the Association in the past?

The present situation is -

There is still **two vacancies** on the **Committee of Management..**

By December, a **Secretary is urgently required** - a Secretary is vital for the smooth operation of any group and is the hub of most activities. In this situation it may be, the duties could be shared between a couple of individuals !

Ivor Bridges has filled the role of **Technical Advisor/Editor** for many years and has requested a replacement. An interesting role that could suit a younger Member, willing to become involved in progressing the Association, without the hassles of Committee meetings and the like.

Newsletter Editor- I will be away on an extended caravan trip in 2006, (*It has been four years since we have enjoyed the pleasure of a long trip*).

The situation is quite simple — **No** Newsletter produced or someone willing to take over the role.

With the Festive Season almost upon us, *Elaine & I* would like to extend **Seasonal Greeting to all.** *May be the 'World' will be a happier place in 2006!*



The **deadline** for the February/ March Newsletter — **2nd. January 2006**

**W.A.W.A. WEEKEND WORKSHOP
SATURDAY DECEMBER 10th, 2005**
KALAMUNDA AGRICULTURE HALL
CANNING Rd. KALAMUNDA

Welcome to all members, partners and visitors to a day of fun, fellowship and Annual Prize giving.

Convenor.....Norm Griffiths
MC.....Dan Killgallon
Host.....Brian Adams
Competition Item..... *Best thing Turned this Year (2005), that has not been previously judged.*



Show and Tell ... *Your greatest stuffup.*
Christmas Toy.. *Your toy may be the only that some child receives!*

Spinning Tops... *Max Dia 100mm, cord max length 400mm, shaft dia min 9.5mm (3/8 inch) .*

Trade Supplier.....Mayama Gems

There will be a great Door Prize up for grabs, so make sure you get your ticket when you register.

- 8.00 Unload chuck wagons and set up
- 8.30 Registration and fellowship
- 9.00 Welcome and Announcements
- 9.10 Top Spinning Comp. Run by Dan Killgallon- prizes for best turned top & longest spinning top.
- 10.00 **Morning Tea,**
Members, please bring a plate.
- 10.30 Show and Tell moderated by John Mason
- 11.00 Paul Duff of 'Blue Grass Park way', speaking about making & playing Mandolins
- 12.00 **Lunch** *Hot Xmas dinner & Fresh Fruit Platter. \$10.00 per person.*

Bring along your own hardware if you do not like plastic cutlery.

- 1.45 Sing Along
- 2.15 Show & Tell Xmas Toys by Lach Christie
- Door prize draw
- 2.45 President's Forum
- 3.00 **Afternoon Tea**
- 3.30 Competition Results & Annual Prize presentations. *Alan France*



Clean up and pack up, many hands make light work. **Please.**

**W.A.W.A. WEEKEND WORKSHOP
JANUARY 2006**



The COM would like to remind all Members that there is **NO Weekend Workshop in January 2006.**

The number of Workshop per year has been reduced to ten – the other occasion is in August, when it may be possible to attract a visiting Turner at the time of the Perth Wood Show.

**W.A.W.A. WEEKEND WORKSHOP
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 18th,
2006**

Advance notice:

The Gosnells Group will be the hosts for this Workshop, which will be at Wandii.

Dan Killgallon is working towards a 'symposium' for this meeting involving five of the State's top woodturners.



(A number of Members have been asking for variation in the WEW programme, here is an attempt to try something new !)

[Ed]

Towing the two 'Chuck Wagons'

A gentle reminder to Group Convenors, that it is the responsibility of each Group to arrange the towing of the Chuck Wagons **to the Workshop** that they are responsible for. This includes the collection from the previous meeting.

The work load has to be spread, otherwise the few willing workers will 'jack up' - resulting in no morning / afternoon tea or video & PA systems at the Weekend Workshops.



BUNBURY BULLETIN

Our first meeting in September saw the beginning of a new move towards more disciplined and regulated programmes for our evenings, I suppose we had all become aware that our Show & Tells tended to wander on a bit and despite Tom Brixey's efforts to give a demonstration or spark a bit of discussion, often quite successfully, there was nonetheless a bit of feeling that perhaps we were not getting the most out of our meetings.

Then up spake brave Jim Cunniffe the recently retired master of manual crafts at Bunbury Cathedral Grammar's vast and beautifully equipped workshop where, incidentally, we hold our meetings. He didn't actually rap on the table with his cane for I don't think Jim has ever owned a cane much less needed one but he did put it to us quite convincingly that we need to -
(a) have an evening programme and
(b) have a fairly strict timetable so that, say, the Show & Tell does not overrun or crowd out a demo which was to be given. I am happy to say that, without hardly anyone having to be smartened up with six of the best, the system Jim set out seems to be working.

Thus it was that our Show & Tell on the 21st went off quite expeditiously and by 8 pm were at our tea, coffee and bickies plus the generous contribution by Stan Zieba of gooey cake that sets at all defiance the combined efforts of Weight Watchers and Jenny Craig. After this addition to our collective biomass we were treated to an exhibition by Toni Wilson wherein twenty or so strips of wood each about 10"x1.1/2"x1/2" bolted together to form a square and then put on a lathe and a random pattern of circular coves beads and ogees etc. cut into them. Then the pieces were removed, the bolts withdrawn so that the individual pieces could be moved about to form kaleidoscopic patterns of amazing and delightful complexity. This description does little justice to Toni's innovation but if it inspires other members to experiment with this, I suppose "toy" describes it well enough, they will be rewarded.

On our first October meeting Tom Brixey gave an interesting demonstration of wood

threading. This was followed, strictly on schedule, mark you, by Malcom Targett talking about metal threads. Here was a master of his subject giving us the benefit of his considerable experience and the attention of his hearers was complete. We were also told to bring along two of our best bits of turning the following meeting so that they could be photographed for our proposed website.

October 8th saw our club put on a display at the increasingly popular "Bull & Barrel" fair held at Dardenup. Over \$400 worth of work was sold, a great improvement on last year. \$150 of that went to Doug Chamberlain for his attractively turned cruet sets and teapot stands etc. On the second October meeting we all duly brought along our two best bits ranging in size, at least from a rocking chair to the exquisitely inlaid lace making bobbins of Mike Fenton. Our mug shots (good heavens!) were taken by Geoff Paynter with a camera which reminded me of the Hubble Telescope. Perhaps not quite as large but certainly much bigger than my Box Brownie. After that our pieces were individually photographed. The idea seems to be that we set up a website and here I have to confess my comprehension falls off the edge. Computers and the strange jargon which seems to accompany any reference to them are rather beyond me as I struggle to master the technical complexities of my crystal set. I am sure, however, that those in the know will bring it to fruition and who knows, some advantages may accrue.

By the way can anyone tell me how to fix a crashed cat's whisker?

David Daniel.

SWAN SNIPPETS

We are approaching the end of year 2005 with only two more major monthly meetings scheduled. We have achieved our planned programme of demonstrations and competitions which we have developed as the year progressed. We would have to admit that the year has been successful and has certainly been enjoyable. Our new committee is settling down with Noel Moyes as convenor. Robert

Atkins continues as secretary and Joe Clark continues as treasurer with Chris Allen, Richard Barkman, Kevin Hardman, Bob Nichols and Jim Stitfall committee members.

We have continued to focus attention in our programme in making toys in the hope and expectation that Swan members will make a significant contribution to the Association's donation to charities at Christmas time. With this exception, we have continued to follow the programme of the Association's competition to facilitate and encourage Swan Woodturners entering the Association's competition. We need somehow to enliven our competition as the number of participants is not growing but is faltering as seems also to be the case in the Association where no intermediate category entrants have been seen at the last three monthly meetings.

With a more adequate facility for storage of equipment in our current home at the Gumnut Family Centre, we have been able to accept the bandsaw previously offered to us by the Association and which on several recent demonstrations we found to be necessary. We are grateful for this item and are in the process of making it stable and safely transportable to and from storage.

The list of demonstrators and items demonstrated since last reporting has been impressive including:- Allen Fettes demonstrating the making of a hollow form in two parts; Eric Walker demonstrated a rattle doll; Ted Stewart-Wynn demonstrated a toy racing car which was 100% turned; Jim Clarke demonstrated making a needle box and ball point pen; Richard Barkman demonstrated making an egg from interesting timber and a base on which to display it; Jim McDonnell at very short notice demonstrated making a decorative Christmas tree; Chris Allen demonstrated making a paper towel holder; Jim Hanney will demonstrate something as yet unknown to this author as I will be interstate at the time. We certainly are blessed with the number and capability of our members who share their skills with us and who hone those skills in the process.

You are welcome to join us for any of our meetings on the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Tuesday afternoons and 2nd Tuesday evening each month.

Happy turning,

Bob Nichols.

WANDI WAFFLES

Has anyone seen two emerald green extension cords with Wandi name tags? May be they were misplaced at the Ernie Newman workshop.

For the first meeting in September our demonstrator was Gerald Young with involute turning. Gerald used wedges to turn a vase which, when finished, was oval at the base and also at the top but in the opposite direction.

For those who never went to Ernie Newman's Master Class, Allan Williams gave run down on what they had been taught and had brought along his completed pieces to illustrate. For our next meeting in September our Convenor was back from his trip to N.Z. As there was quite a lot of business to be attended to, it was just as well that the night's demonstrator never turned up. (He was away on a trip also). Although there were only three pieces in the Show & tell, each had a story from which we could learn something and were of very high quality workmanship.

Tim Harrison has been making and supplying wooden badges for anyone who wishes to replace their plastic one. They are quite inexpensive. Tim's number is ph. 8592 6315 if anyone wishes to order one.

Wandi has started a class for carvers on Monday mornings commencing at 9 am. There has been good attendance and new people are joining as they hear of it.

The Wednesday morning group for 'hands on' turning is progressing smoothly, with demonstrations of turning by competent turners at each session. Some woodturning books have been purchased, which will be added to the magazines in the library.

Although there is no ordinary meeting on

the fifth Thursday of the month a committee meeting was held followed by a maintenance night. The lathes and other equipment were given a thorough clean and general maintenance. The next fifth Thursday may be for a barbecue followed by some hands on for anyone who wishes to bring along something that they are working on. Maybe something on which they could do with some help or advise from another member.

Elaine Boyd

GOSNELLS GOSSIP

31st August- Six teams competed in turning the best side plate. Co-ordinator Chris Smith's instructions were "thin as possible". Perhaps it was poetic justice that Chris himself (as a member of Dan's team) showed how thin he could go, with disastrous results. Ah the folly of youth. If only we oldies had the courage to emulate Chris and be successful. Notwithstanding Dan (as team leader) showed remarkable composure, which of course is true to Dan's nature ??.

7th September -The programme Chris had arranged "two candlesticks" had to be cancelled owing to a power cut, so instead we had a talkfest, which resulted in a motion to have the usual Wednesday talkfest once a month instead of every Wednesday. The majority of members present thought that there was too much talking and not enough turning, so the motion was passed. However any urgent matters would be brought up for discussion.

14th September -Our members were treated to a demo by the talented Frank Wherren. The first subject was a segmented bud vase. The parts to be joined seemed a difficult task, but Frank showed it was just a matter of common sense and made it look simple. As we had some time left, Frank kindly showed us how to chuck and turn a bowl. Frank is a very modest person regarding his turning skills, but his unassuming manner masks a great ability in producing fine work.

22nd September -Back to our teams turning candlesticks. Some of our teams worked to a plan, others made it up as

they went. Perhaps relying on Spike Milligans credo "we don't have a plan so nothing can go wrong"

29th September -The candlesticks saga continued, with a mix of modern and traditional design. A healthy debate raged over working to a plan or doing your own thing. As a result we all learned something which, as we all know, is a good thing, and some of us found that things can and do go wrong, plan or no plan.

5th October -Our group participated in a toy making session assembling dolls cots, which parts had been machined by Ivan Moro. Ivan obviously carried out the difficult part. Other members turned spinning tops.

12th October -Chris came up with the teams turning a lidded box Out of five teams only three finished, owing to Murphy's law etc.

19th October -Our task today was a goblet with five teams competing. There were a few disasters, as is the case with turning thin stems, but we all had fun. Thanks to all our demonstrators.

Jim McMillan

A LETTER FROM BUSSELTON

During the first week of September we took part in the 2005 Adult Learners Week and were located at the Busselton Seniors Citizens Centre for seven days. While the weather was at times atrocious and the publicity we had arranged had a massive glitch, it was a successful promotion for the Group. It was surprising how many Woodturners there are in this area but not members of WAWA. Sincere thanks to Ray Batt, Dennis Haddon, Cliff Hart, George Herring, Brian Launer Tom Mazey and Michael Whitehead for their help. Also Gwen Herring, Nancy Launer and Val Mazey helped tremendously. Our sales were encouraging and the interest show in our activities could see an influx of new members.

Relocation - the ArtGeo organisation has formerly accepted our proposal to relocate our activities to the ArtGeo complex lo-

cated at the beach end of Queen Street. We have a unit at the rear of the Art and Historical Court House complex and are committed to demonstrating and conducting hand-on sessions five days a week Wednesday through Monday. Hours are yet to be formalised but you can see us there about five hours each day. The agreement is for a trial period of six months and an Agreement has been sent to WAWA'S Committee of Management. Meanwhile we actually moved into the Unit on 15 October because the Shire of Busselton is keen to see greater woodturning activity in the Shire. There is a weekly rent involved and we have received some sponsorship from Busselton businesses and Troy Buswell – the local MLA. Added to this is that we will receive income from a share of the Commission paid by individual members who sell their work in the Old Court House Gallery.

The Groups Annual General meeting was held on 12 October 2005 and the executive for 2005 -, 2006 consists of Dennis Haddon (Convenor), Clifford Hart (Secretary) George Herring (Treasurer) with Charlie Broadbent, Tom Mazey and Michael Whitehead making up the team.

Workshop Meetings - Our first meeting for September saw Ray Batt lead a hands-on session turning a pedestal. This was well received even though one or two claimed they couldn't take part because they had their good clothes on and didn't want to get into trouble when they got home'. A welcome visitor for the night was Les Small – former President and Life Member of WAWA. Bruce McCormick came out of hibernation and appeared to thoroughly enjoy himself – hope to see you more often Bruce.

The meeting on 28 September 2005 was one of the best attended for some time – 17 of us gathered at the home of Brian and Nancy Launer. Vince Triglia brought along his Router Lathe and Charlie Broadbent put it through its paces. A lot of people showed interest in what could be achieved although someone said that they were sure that he heard 'Skew' Haddon muse that he could produce the 'diamonds' just as well with his favourite tool. The attendance at this meeting showed the benefit of doing

something different during the school holidays together with our Group Committee's decision to conduct a phone around to all members. Our Committee have worked hard on a number of initiatives and all of our membership is encouraged to attend more often so as to benefit from their decisions.

The woodturning content that followed the Annual General Meeting featured Frank Seymour with carving on faceplate work. Frank showed us some examples of items he had previously made both for competitions and his ongoing development. This work was embellished using such tools as a Coping Saw, an Arbotech Mini Grinder, and several Dremels. Frank's presentation certainly inspired us to develop this aspect of our turning. In Show and Tell Ray Batt brought along a range of bowls turned from Jarrah he obtained in 1996. The feature of these items was that the majority was from crotch timber and was certainly beautiful work.

'Scriba'

Melville News

Our demonstration program continues to be well supported and the search is on to get members to commit to becoming demonstrators and enable us to see some new faces at the lathe!

Sept. 7th – Ron Goodson continued with the standard lamp he had started in August and showed how he achieved a twist pattern on a section of the lamp.

Sept. 14th – Ron showed the finished twist and then discussed how he proposed to assemble the lamp.

Sept. 21st – Alan France showed how to turn a goblet from a detailed plan. Alan's demo resulted in a goblet as per the plan as usual something we should all aspire to (if only we could get round to drawing the plan)!

The demo was followed by a Norm Gratte organised show and tell of 2 goblets one rustic style the other classic thus avoiding the problems of matched pairs and dare I say it "plans". The numbers were encouraging 36 items so the format is worth continuing.

Sept. 28th – In lieu of a live demo a video was shown E. Conover turning spindles for furniture.

Oct. 5th.- Alan Smith gave us a detailed account of how to draw a plan to scale of an inside out turned table lamp. How to paper join the 4 sections of wood suitable for the plan and then turn between centres to fit templates conforming to his drawing of the inside dimensions of the lamp. After turning the 4 sections between centres to his templates Alan split the sections and said he would rejoin them after rotating each section through 180 degrees later at home.

Oct. 12th. Alan returned to complete his table lamp but first went over what had been achieved the previous week before showing us the 4 rejoined sections which he had partly cut on his bandsaw to conform to the final outside shape of the lamp. He then split off the waste wood he had cut with the bandsaw and mounted the 4 sections between centres and turned the sections to match his templates of the outside shape of the lamp.

The above is a very inadequate summary of Alan's excellent presentation which for the first time gave me at least some idea of how to plan a piece of inside/outside turning.

Oct. 19th. - Joe Hegney was the presenter of " Tool Design and Geometry" unfortunately I was absent from this meeting but my spies tell me that Joe gave his usual well prepared and thought provoking talk, which involved a lot of discussion from the group.

Oct 26th. - After our monthly business meeting we viewed a video of Dennis White the senior English turner showing how he turned boxes. His methods were not all that different from ours except for his use jam chucks for every part of the process. His tool skills are impressive but I'm not sure that Bill Botman (who was absent) would approve his use of the skew chisel as a scraper.

Norm Gratte once again organized Show and Tell and the items were spinning tops of all kinds. Once again the number of tops on show was Gratifying and after a spin off token prizes were awarded.

The Melville Group is participating in the Melville Festival by way of a demonstration and display at Piney Lakes on 25th. March 2006 further details later.

Don Gunn

Monthly Competition Results:

September 2005 Pull-along Toy

With no Intermediate entries, the competition table looked rather bare, but thankfully, six Novice and three Advanced turners rescued the situation.

Nine toys on show- all different! Onlookers were all amused watching the big kids playing with the delights, especially Marie Gillon's lawnmower and Milton Rundle's wagons with "bobbing passengers"

Thanks to Bob Malacari, John Mason and Les Small for judging this competition, albeit with some difficulty, as when pulling the toys around yourself (a judging requirement of course!) people kept getting in your way.

Results:

1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Novice-		
Marie Gallin	Maurie Munro	Barry Cobb
Advanced-		
Milton Rundle	Bill Botman	Chris Smith
Popular Vote-		
Maurie Munro	Marie Gallin	Barry Cobb

October 2005 Own Choice

As it was a free choice competition, turners expressed their own ideas and techniques through their creations - from simple straight forward turnings to complex and delicate designs. 7 Novice and 5 Advanced turners entered this month's competition, but surprisingly none from the Intermediate category!

Many have commented in the past that WAWA turning standards have steadily improved and the items presented this month certainly reflected this trend.

Congratulations to Chris Papinski who scored 1st place in the Advanced, Open and Popular vote categories (the same result attained the last time he completed which was 2004!)

Thanks to Kevin Bryant and Dick Morley who kindly performed the judging role for this competition.

Results:

1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Novice-		
Marie Gallin	Sam Round	George Kieliger
Advanced-		
Chris Papinski	Chris Smith	John Parker
Popular Vote-		
Chris Papinski	Chris Smith	John Parker

Alan France Competition Co-ordinator

TRADING POST

SALES OUTLET

An opportunity exists for the supply of Woodturning items to the Armadale Visitor Centre.

This is available for a Woodturner living in Heritage Country which is the Tourism precinct covering the local government municipalities of the City of Armadale, the City of Gosnells and the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale.

The Centre currently gives one Woodturner exclusivity. The commission rate is low however there is a requirement to work at the Centre one day each month providing tourism services. Training and a comprehensive instruction is provided.

Any member interested should contact -
Linda, Phone: Ph9495 4245
to discuss the supply of items in detail.

WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE

Information on Colonial Woodturning Lathes prior to 1910.

Treadle operated
Hand Cranked
Wood Framed/ Cast Iron assembly
Entirely Iron construction

Also information on Colonial Woodturners operating before 1910 in WA.

Any material given greatly appreciated and hopefully will become book form in the future, with all contributions acknowledged.

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Palmyra Ph 9438 1901

E-mail Timothyh7@bigpond.com.au

A warm welcome to New Members-

2134	Guenter Jaesche	Mandurah
2135	Derek Beer	Gosnells
2136	Mike Howard	Kalamunda
2137	Peter Briggs	Collie
2138	Jim Hill	Mandurah

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED

Assistance will be required to **transport all the Christmas Toys** that will be collected at the Kalamunda Christmas wind-up, back to Lach Christie's home.



Any Member who lives North of the River, with a trailer, van, ute or the like, who could assist, please bring it to Kalamunda with any cardboard boxes that you can lay your hands on.

May like to check with Lach before hand
Ph 9246 2829

Shopping Centre Group

By the time you read this we will have completed our 'Shopping Centre' appearances for 2005. Overall they have been successful and I am certain the WAWA has benefited both financially and also in new members. We have already been invited back to two centres for the latter part of 2006.



May I take this opportunity of thanking all those that in one way or another help with the stalls. Particular thanks to Kevin and Neil.

As the festive season approaches, Joan and I wish all good health and a happy Christmas and New Year period.

Thanks
Yours sincerely in Woodturning.

Len Nicholls Display Organiser.

2140	Wally Trawinski	Toodyay
2141	Rob Snowden	Leeming
2142	Geoff Saw	Willetton
2143	Kay Marris	Jandakot
2144	Frank Rossi	Oakford



Phil Berrill was handed a number of bound yearly copies of the *English Woodworker*, earlier this year, I happened to see them and booked them out of the library. In one of them, I found this piece that could very well be labeled – [Ed]

‘ The prayer of the Craftsman’

Quii Laborat orat (cf. Ecclesiasticus xxxviii)

There are some that pray from the printed book,
And some from the heart alone,
And some that pray by the work of their hands,
And carve their prayer in stone:
Though he be not wise that handleth the plough,
And giveth the heifers their food,
If his heart be set on the furrows he turns,
The prayer of his hands is good.

The smith, and the cunning worker in iron,
Therein is their hearts desire,
The heat of the furnace may waste their flesh,
And they wrestle with flame of the fire:
Though their heart is set on the things they wrought,
And there is no word on their tongue,
Though the noise of the hammer be in their ears,
‘Tis a hymn that their hands have sung’.

By such, as the son of Siroch saith,
The city is built and stayed,
The work of their craft shall speak for them,
In the things that their hands have made:
For in every beam that he sets aright,
And in every stone he lays,
If his heart is pure and his hand is sure,
The craftsman kneels and prays.

Dr. C.A. Alingto

*Late Headmaster of Eton
Dean of Durham*

Woodworker 1949

helps in the flow of information.
The President’s piece continued-

Joondalup Wanneroo Weekend Workshop:
The Joondalup Wanneroo group presented a wide and varied workshop. Items on display were excellent including work from one of their junior members.

Disappointing was the turnout, with just over 60 attendees. I and others that attended were surprised, considering this is a metro group. Remember a lot of time and work goes into these workshops and your support and attendance is needed.

The Future:

Even though the issue of insurance may have put some people off, things are starting to look brighter with cheaper and better options becoming available to non-profit Associations such as WAWA.

Planning for the future is starting in some groups with attendances and meetings numbers growing. Promotions of woodturning by groups through demos and displays in their communities, has assisted in the growth of groups and their presence in their community.

The August 2006 Woodshow will see WAWA better promote itself and the art of woodturning.

Therefore, your assistance, no matter how little, will help promote WAWA, your group and you.

Remember the aim of WAWA is to promote the art of woodturning, but the benefits to all are, **friendship and knowledge.**

Christmas and New Year:

May you all have a happy and holy Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year from me and the Committee of Management. May God bless you and your family, friends during this Christmas break, and we hope to see you again in the New Year.

Tony Boschman President

(“An excellent piece, first up– a very good start to One’s Presidency “ [Ed])

Competition items for 2006

Month:	Item:	Specifications:
January	No competition	
February	Lazy-Susan	nil.
March	Pair of Candlesticks	offset turned, one only for Novice.
April	Musical Instrument	fully turned & fit to play. (Keys for say a clarinet, tuners for strings, the membrane for drums, bag for bagpipes & similar are accepted).
May	Mortar and Pestle	fit to be used in the kitchen (not ornamental).
June	Pair of Goblets or Vases	one only for Novice.
July	Kitchen item	own choice.
August	No competition nil	
September	Square-edged Bowl	no natural edge.
October	Presentation Dagger	or Letter Opener in dagger-style, up to 350mm long, fully turned, i.e. handle, guard and blade.
November	Pedestal	up to 900 mm high.
December	Best item turned in 2006	not entered and shown anywhere else before.
January 07	No competition	
February 07	Hollow form (Vase)	no carving, no bud vase.

Competition Taskforce

On behalf of the *Committee of Management* I invited all groups to a meeting on the 14. October 2005 to establish the *Competition Program* for 2006. Four groups were represented; ten groups chose not to exercise their democratic rights in this decision making process. Nevertheless the meeting was cordial, useful, and constructive and it achieved its objectives of producing a list of competition items for 2006 and of fine tuning the way the *Competition* is going to be conducted from now on.

The new additions to the rules will include that the registration of the competition items closes at 9.30 AM when the judging and the public voting will start. It is now the host groups responsibility to run the competition at their *Weekend Workshop* and a set closing time will allow the member or members of the host group who run it to leave the desk and take part in the regular activities, until such time that they have to come back to count the public votes and to prepare the announcing of the winners and the presentation of the certificates.

We have also agreed, for practical reasons that the *Leader of the Competition Taskforce*, who will take over from me at the end of 2006 and who will chair next years meeting, will come from one of the metropolitan groups. The groups will take turns in alphabetical order, i.e. Gosnells 2005/6, Joondalup 2006/7, Mandurah 2007/8, Melville 2008/9, Mundaring 2009/10, Stirling 2010/11 Swan 2011/12, and Wandu 2012/13.

While our new competition system is in its infancy, it is an elementary requirement that the member or members responsible for conducting the competition at their groups *Weekend Workshop* learn how to do it. This can be done by watching and talking to the people at the competition desk at the *Weekend Workshop* preceding their own. Alternately it can be done by following the check sheet in the *Competition Manual*. A copy of this manual will be in the competition box in the chuck wagon and an extra copy will be sent to the host group's convenor ahead of their *Weekend Workshop*.

Using the *WAWA Weekend Workshops* schedule on page 14, in Newsletter No.120, it will be easy to work out when it is your groups turn to do the *Competition*. It also follows that the Albany Group has to learn from Gosnells at the February *Weekend Workshop*, the Melville Group from Albany at the March *Weekend Workshop*, the Mandurah Group from Melville at the April *Weekend Workshop* and so on. Of course I will always be available for advice on those *Weekend Workshops* which I attend.

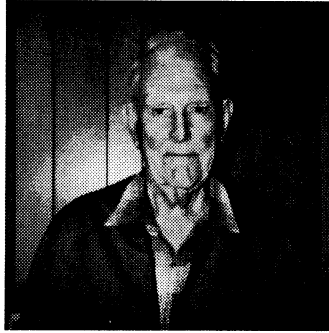
Finally I would like to thank all members who have made valuable contributions at the meeting and I would also like to thank the *Committee of Management* for trusting me with the reorganisation of the *Competition* at the *Weekend Workshops*.

*George Kieliger -
(Competition Taskforce Leader for 2005)*

Profile Of A Turner:

Doug Chamberlain.

Doug was born in Birmingham to a farming family in 1919. At the age of four his family were conned by the notorious Group Settlement Scheme into migrating to Australia. They finished up in Margaret River; a vastly different, remote and unserved Margaret River than today's tourist attraction.



They endured life there until 1932 when, with some money from England, Doug's mother bought a farm in Pinjarrah. To move there meant abandoning the results of nine years' work without reward or compensation, which they did.

Doug went to school in Margaret River and Pinjarrah leaving, as we did in those days, at 14 to take a job on a farm in Yarloop where he milked cows and did general farm work at 10/- per week.

In 1942 he joined the A.I.F. but was pronounced medically unfit. 60-odd years later and still doing his mile or so daily walk, he wonders a bit at that assessment.

Following his rejection by the A.I.F. he became subject to the then Manpower Direction and was sent to work extracting wandoo which was used (and I choke as I write it) for leather tanning. When the extract mill folded (and, hopefully the wandoo were spared) Doug was directed to W.A.Wire Netting which job he endured for six months before being accepted by the A.M.F. whose medical officer, we must assume, was a bit more clued up.

Whilst attending the wedding of his sister in 1941 he met his future brother-in-law's sister, May and, liking what he saw married her and 64years on, he reckons it was not a bad decision.

After the war, in 1943, Doug took a job as a driver with Watson's Supply stores but shortly after went to Fremantle Road Board where he stayed for five years.

In 1951 the urge to farm returned and he bought a dairy farm in Nannup. In 1955 he started to augment his farming by doing some truck-driving for the Forestry Dept. and three years later, sold the farm to the Dept. and started driving full time with them until, being appointed Overseer, which position he held in the last fifteen years, he retired in 1981.

Doug joined WAWA in 1993 about a year after buying his first lathe and teaching himself how to use it. He became a firm friend of our late and esteemed John Shinnick and benefited from the generous advice John gave him and it is appropriate that Doug twice won the John Shinnick award for turning. He is a perfectionist and has an artistic flair for turning the unusual item. One of his most recent was a full-scale working model of a spinning-wheel.

LIBRARY MATTERS



Commencing 2006 the following eight new books will be made available to members through the library, these books have been purchased using WAWA library funds.

Classic Woodturning Projects -	Bonnie Klein
Wood for Woodturners-	Mark Baker
Segmented Turning-	Ron Hampton
Woodbenders Handbook-	Zachary Taylor
Penturners Workbooh-	Barry Gross
Woodcarving made easy-	Cynthia Rodgers
Turning Green Wood-	Michael Odormell
Ornamental Turning-	TD Walshaw

Other books will be purchased from the Library Kitty as funds accumulate from the sale of surplus magazines – **thanks to those who have donated their unwanted mags.**

Phil Berrill Librarian

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Apology- a number of Members have attempted to use the 'Direct Deposit', unfortunately the BSB number as indicated in the last Newsletter was wrong, should read as below. The Junior Membership should also read - \$22.50 (half the Ordinary Membership)

A gentle reminder to all those who have not yet renewed membership, to do so.

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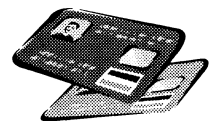
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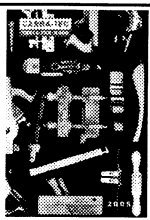
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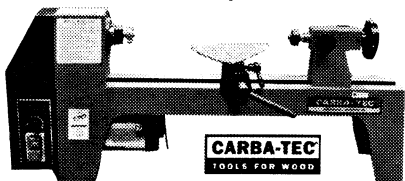
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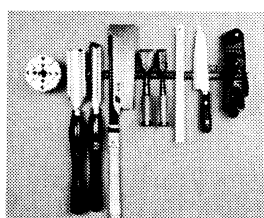
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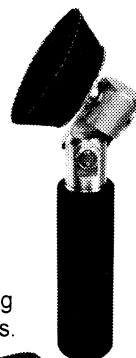


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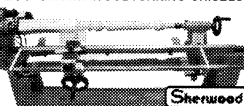
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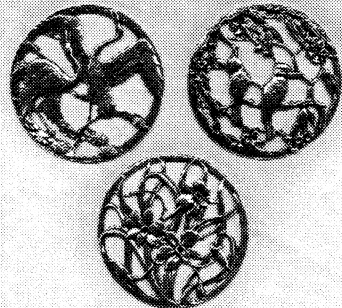
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