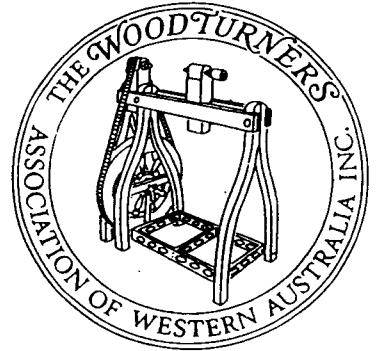


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ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC.



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W.A.W.A. GROUPS MEETING TIMES, DATES AND VENUES.

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| AVON VALLEY. | 4th Thursday, Bob Adams Place, 8 Pioneer Place, Toodyay. Check with Bob for time. |
| BUNBURY. | 1st and 3rd Wednesday. 7pm. Cross Electrics. |
| BUSSELTON. | 2nd and 4th Wednesday. 7pm. Venue - High School. |
| CENTRAL/SOUTHERN. | 2nd and 4th Wednesday. Brookton District High School. |
| COLLIE. | Sundays 9.15am to 4pm. Various home workshops. |
| KENWICK. | 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. 7.30pm Liddlelow Homestead, Cooper Avenue, Kenwick. |
| MANDURAH. | Every 2nd Tuesday 3pm Mandurah High School, Gibla Street, Mandurah and every 2nd Wednesday on alternate weeks 7.30pm Coodanup Senior High School. Check with Convenor for locations during school holidays. |
| MELVILLE. | 4th Thursday. 7.45pm Palmyra Recreation Centre, Cnr Murray Rd and Canning Hwy, Melville. |
| MIDVALE. | 2nd Tuesday. 7pm The Woodworking Centre 36 Farrall Road, Midvale. |
| MUNDARING. | Every Friday. 7.30pm. Old Parkerville Primary School, Cnr Dura Road and Riley Road, Parkerville. |
| NORTH OF RIVER. | 4th Tuesday. 7pm Woodstock 13 Cressall Road, Balcatta. |
| WANDI. | 1st and 3rd Thursday. 7pm. Wandí Community Hall, Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandí. |

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS.

As many members know, we have two main types of events that occur regularly at which we meet, namely Weekend Workshops and Group Meetings. Whilst the "Workshops" occur monthly, the Groups meet each month from once to four times. Some Groups have activities additional to these formal meetings, such as social "coffee" mornings, daytime "hands-on" instructional meetings and home workshop visits. These latter enable members to see each other in their home environment and to meet their families. All these meetings give true meaning to the word "Association" in our title and show a liveliness of mind and spirit of which we can be proud.

WAWA also performs a function in our community generally, giving demonstrations and displays at shopping centres, craft and woodworking shows, school holiday programmes and senior citizen centres. Recently WAWA was able to respond to requests for help from the Disability Services Commission, the Department of Justice and the Make - A - Wish Foundation.

What is all this leading to, you may well ask? Well I was puzzling over those dear members we don't see amongst us. Of our 700 or so paid-up members, 500 are on "the books" of Groups with 50% to 60% attendance. Of the 100-150 members who attend Weekend Workshops, most are regulars who clearly enjoy themselves and most are Group members.

My rough arithmetic tells me that some 300 plus don't attend either Groups or Weekend Workshops. That represents a lot of potential enjoyment lost to those missing from our activities. On behalf of all of the Association, I warmly invite you to come over and meet us. You won't regret it.

Happy Turning, Gerald.

FROM THE EDITOR

This edition marks the last under my editorship after 5 years and 30 editions. I would like to welcome **Richard Leggo** who has agreed to take over the position of WAWA Newsletter Editor. I have tried to make the Newsletter relevant and interesting, but it has been like getting blood from a stone to get contributions from members, particularly technical items. I trust that **ALL** members may now turn over a new leaf and help Richard, the incoming editor, to produce an improved publication.

Thank you to those who have expressed thanks to us for our efforts over the last five years and I hope WAWA and its Newsletter shall continue to prosper.

Robin Halbert.

NEW ADDRESS FOR NEWSLETTER ITEMS:

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Country Trips on Jim's Coach

Why not book your trip on the Coach to Toodyay for the August meeting. Give Jim a ring now on (08) 9409 9124.

ASSOCIATION WEEKEND CALENDAR

- Date: **16-17th August, 1997.**
Venue: TOODYAY HALL, Toodyay.
Competition: HOLLOW FORM, Vessel or Vase.
Open: 300mm H, 150mm Dia.
Inter/Begin: 250mm H, 100 mm Dia.
Host Group: Toodyay.
- Date: **20-21st September, 1997. A.G.M.**
Venue: Kalamunda Agricultural Hall Kalamunda.
Competition: GOBLETS max size 75mm Dia x 120 mm tall
Open: 4 matched goblets. Inter: matched pair. Beginners: One goblet.
Host Group: Your Committee.
- Date: **18-19th October, 1997.**
Venue: W B EVA Pavilion, BROOKTON
Competition: TABLE LAMP - Inside out or Offset Turned
Maximum 400mm H.
Host Group: Central Southern.
- Date: **15-16th November, 1997.**
Venue: WANDI COMMUNITY HALL, Wandi.
Competition: WALKING STICK turned from a SINGLE piece of timber.
Host Group: Wandi.

DEMONSTRATIONS, EXHIBITIONS, SALES.

- August 8th - 10th.** WA WOOD SHOW. Claremont Showgrounds.
- September 1st - 6th.** SOUTHLANDS SHOPPING CENTRE. Burrendah Boulevard, Willetton.
- October 13th - 18th.** PHOENIX SHOPPING CENTRE. Spearwood.

For further information, please contact:
JOHN LILLYWHITE Phone: (08) 9339 2359
NEIL PIPER Phone/Fax: (08) 9398 2387
KEVIN McCracken Phone: (08) 9310 1057.
Kevin has taken over the drawing up of rosters. Please give him at least two weeks notice of your intended participation.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Please take notice that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Woodturners Association of Western Australia (Inc.) will take place at the Kalamunda Agricultural Hall, Canning Road, Kalamunda on Saturday, 20th SEPTEMBER, 1997, at 3.30pm.

George Herring, Secretary.

WANTED WOODTURNING MAGAZINES.

FRANK EVANS, member No. 1312, would like to obtain Woodturning Magazines Numbered 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10 and 11 to complete his set.

Frank can be contacted at :

Home: 41 Branchfield Way, Falcon (08) 9534 2914 or
Work: Bedroom Company, 63 Pinjarra Road, Mandurah (08) 9586 1773.

**WAWA WORKSHOP WEEKEND AT TOODYAY
16th - 17th AUGUST 1997
MEMORIAL HALL, TOODYAY**

AVON VALLEY Group welcome all members, partners, friends and visitors to the Toodyay workshop.

MC: Bob Adams
HOSTS: To be advised.
SAFETY ADVISER: Kevin McCracken.

COMPETITION ITEM: HOLLOW FORM. Vessel or vase.
OPEN: 300mm H, 150mm Dia. OTHERS 250mmH, 100mm dia.

TRADE SUPPLIER: THE WOODWORKING CENTRE.

PROGRAMME: SATURDAY 16th AUGUST

8.00 am Set up venue (any assistance welcome).
9.00 Hands on and fellowship, includes grinding assistance.
10.00 MORNING TEA Please bring a contribution.
10.30 Jim Bell, Heat Treatment of Steel.

Alternative: Quilting display.

11.15 Laurie Green, Home made bowl saver. If you have a blank up to 250mm dia, turn the outside with a foot to suit a Vicmark 140 chuck and Laurie will remove the centre.

12.00 Competition entries close. Voting commences.
LUNCH - Sausage sizzle.

1.00 pm John Shinnick, Spindle turning.

Alternative: Bus trip to local points of interest.

2.00 Ivor Bridges, Multi centre turning.
3.00 AFTERNOON TEA
3.30 Margaret Young, Decorating with Resin.
4.15 Jim McDonnell, Inside Out Turning.
5.30 Re-organise venue for meal and entertainment.

EVENING MEAL. Roast meat and salad. Cost \$8-10 per head.
Please bring a salad to share.

ENTERTAINMENT: Toodyay Dramatic Society.

GALLERY. There will be a gallery similar to last year, so please bring along anything you wish to display. Also, the shopping centre committee is running a stall for sales to casual visitors.

PROGRAMME SUNDAY 17th AUGUST

9.00 am Glyn Harrington, Pool cues.
10.00 MORNING TEA
10.30 Turning Comparisons. Several turners will simultaneously produce the same item to compare methods. Followed by hands on if time permits.
12.00 noon LUNCH - BYO, or buy at shops nearby.
1.00 pm Show and Tell, Competition results etc. Clean up Venue, load trailers. All hands please.

ACCOMMODATION.

Freemasons Hotel.	Phone: (08) 9574 2201
Victoria Hotel.	Phone: (08) 9574 2206
Avon Banks Caravan Park.	Phone: (08) 9574 2612
Broadgrounds Caravan Park.	Phone: (08) 9574 2534
or contact Toodyay Tourise Bureau	Phone: (08) 9574 2435

**WAWA WORKSHOP MEETING AT KALAMUNDA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
20th - 21st SEPTEMBER 1997**

Kalamunda Agricultural Hall, Canning Road, Kalamunda.

The EXECUTIVE and the WEEKEND WORKSHOP Sub Committee welcomes all members, partners, friends and visitors to the Annual General Meeting and their workshop weekend.

CONVENORS: Ivor Bridges and John Lathwell.
MC: Les Small.
HOSTS: Convenors and Past Convenors.
HOSTESSES: Lady Woodturners.
SAFETY ADVISER: Kevin McCracken.
SHOW AND TELL: Jim Clarke.
GUESS THE WOOD: Bob Malacari. (Prize, Piece of Sandalwood)

COMPETITION ITEM: GOBLETS. Maximum Size 75mm dia. 120mm Height. **OPEN:** 4 matched Goblets. **INTERMEDIATE:** 2 matched Goblets. **BEGINNERS:** 1 Goblet.
TRADE SUPPLIER: CROSS ELECTRICS.

EVENING MEAL: People staying for evening meal, please bring a casserole. Soup will be provided.

COMEDY THEATRE: Kalamunda Amateur Dramatic Society. Excerpt from current play they are performing, plus a musical selection of the 40's and 50's music.

PROGRAMME: SATURDAY 20th SEPTEMBER.

8.00am Chuck Wagon Arrives, Set up lathes and sound system. (All assistance welcome.)

9.00 Pat Trown - Woodturning, A womans approach.
10.00 MORNING TEA, please bring a contribution.
10.30 Bob Webb. Walking Stick (November Competition Item).

Alternative: Kevin Griffiths. Talk on WA Fungi.

11.00 Bob Webb plus four other demonstrations.
12.00 Competition entries close, voting commences.
LUNCH - SAUSAGE SIZZLE Lesmurdie Scout Group.

1.00pm Jack de Vos - Hollowing Vase.
2.00 Jack de Vos, plus four other demonstrations.
3.00 AFTERNOON TEA.
3.30 **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.**
4.30 Turning of a Goblet by five different turners if time allows.

6.00 CASSEROLE DINNER, plus soup.
7.00 COMEDY THEATRE - Kalamunda Amateur Dramatic Society until 8.30pm.

PROGRAMME: Sunday 21st SEPTEMBER

8.00am Socialising.
9.00 Alan France - Finishing.
10.00 MORNING TEA.
10.30 Jim Clarke - Hollowing made easy.
11.00 Jim Clarke, plus four other demonstrations.
Competition Voting Closes.
12.00 LUNCH. Bring your own.
1.00pm Gerald Young - Involute Turning.
2.00 Competition Results, President's Forum. Show and Tell, Guess The Wood Results.
3.00 ALL HANDS PLEASE to clean up and load wagons and trailers.

LADIES DISPLAY OF TURNING. Would ladies who wish to display their work, please bring items along on the Saturday. Any further information, please contact - Elaine BOYD, phone: (08) 9361 1461 or Margaret YOUNG (08) 9045 4382.

NOTICE. A Convenors meeting is to be held on Saturday at 12 noon over lunch at the Kalamunda Hall.

For directions to Kalamunda Agricultural Hall, see Map Reference in WAWA Newsletter June/July 1997 Issue 69.

**SUPPOSE EVERYBODY CARED ENOUGH,
EVERYBODY SHARED ENOUGH,
WOULDN'T EVERYBODY HAVE ENOUGH ?**

Frank Buchman.

COMPETITION MAY - MANDURAH.

Natural Edged Bowl in Burl or Timber.

This months competition item proved to be very popular and this was reflected in the number of entries, 27 in all with the Beginners being the most popular. The usual high standard of entries was again displayed with pieces which included banana bowls, a variety of rolled edged and under-cut bowls and open bowls. One piece in particular utilised a grasstree and it's roots as the natural edge. Again some of the work of the lower classes indicated that the turners should consider moving up a class. Congratulations to all the competitors. The critique was conducted by Neil Piper and Kevin McCrackan.

RESULTS

Beginners.	1st	Andy Stirling - York Gum	(63)
	2nd	Alan Smith - Mulga	(68)
	3rd	Jeff Tills - Olive	(62)
Intermediate.	1st	Reg Watson - Cyprus	(45)
	2nd	Peter Dessent - Jarrah	(42)
	3rd	Jan Jurewicz - Salmon Gum	(43)
Open.	1st	Alan France - Blackbutt Burl	(21)
	2nd	Gordon Ward - Dundas Blackbutt	(26)
	3rd	Viv Paust - york Gum	(24)
Ladies Choice:		Gordon Ward	

COMPETITION JUNE - LEEDERVILLE.

Clock - Freestanding or Mantle.

Entries in this months competition were down on previous competitions, however, this did not detract from the usual very high standard featuring a wide variety of design and concepts and the use of mediums other than wood.

I can only re-iterate again, the benefits attained from participation in competition for the individual and the Association. These include the development of skills and concepts, greater use and understanding of design and a broadening of the woodturning base in WA. Therefore, I encourage as many people as possible to have a go and enter the up coming competitions, regardless of how you view your work.

RESULTS.

Beginners.	1st	Frank Warren - Jarrah	(60)
	2nd	Alan Smith - Mulga and Cyprus	(63)
	3rd	Lock Christie - Pine	(64)
Intermediate.	1st	Frank Leder - Jarrah/Sheoak	(42)
	2nd	Peter Dessent - Olive	(40)
	3rd	Bob Webb - Jarrah/Various Woods	(44)
Open.	1st	Alan France - Jarrah/Sheoak	(20)
	2nd	Bob Nichols - Jarrah/Citrus	(21)
	3rd	Reg Watson - American Oak	(22)

Ladies Choice: Frank Leder.

Thanks to Jack de Vos and Val Periera for their written critique.
Competition Organiser - Peter Dessent.

CONGRATULATIONS.

Four WAWA members entered the National Woodturning Exhibition held in Melbourne recently and they were all successful with their entries, gaining the following places:

Jack de Vos. PLATTER - First Prize.

SMALL BOWL - Second Prize.

HOLLOW FORM - Second Prize.

Gordon Ward. PAIR OF GOBLETS - Second Prize.

Brian Launer. BEST EUCALYPT.

Gerald Young. ARTISTIC SCULPTURE- First Prize.

Well done and congratulations Jack, Gordon, Brian and Gerald.

VALE MARGARET PENNY.

Margaret was born in England in 1918, the daughter of an Australian mother and a Scottish father. At the age of 3, her family moved to South Africa where she grew up and was educated. She obtained a degree from the Witwatersrand University in Pretoria and taught English, Science and Mathematics. Margaret met her husband Sandy on a mountain climbing trip. They were married in 1952 in Pretoria and lived for a time in Johannesburg. The family moved to Tasmania (1960) before eventually settling in Perth with their 3 surviving children: Jean (Germany), Stuart and Moira (Denmark WA).

While attached to the WA Education Department, Margaret taught at a number of Metropolitan High Schools, including Kalamunda, Melville, Applecross, John Curtin, eventually becoming a librarian/teacher at Kent Street High School.

Apart from being a voracious reader on many topics, her interests included pottery, weaving and woodturning. Margaret used her libranan expertise to assist the Kings Park Board in cataloguing of their records and publications. She did similar work for Western Mining Corporation.

Margaret was an active member of the Melville group of the Woodturners' Association, attending classes and taking instruction from several Melville members. Although her work never reached exhibition or gallery standard she was a keen enthusiastic woodturner. We are saddened by her sudden demise, but remember her as a respected member and a gracious lady in every sense of that word.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The COLLIE GROUP is involved with the Children's Cancer Foundation and are making and donating turned items to this cause. These items will be displayed in the Local MLA's window, with a poster showing where they came from and the cause to which they are being donated. The turned articles will be auctioned, or sold, at the York Race Day with all donations/proceeds going to the Children's Cancer Foundation. There will also be extensive advertising for this event.

City Groups are being asked to become involved in this worthwhile project. The money raised will be used in cancer research and for the Make - A - Wish Foundation, which tries to ensure that the cherished wishes of children under 18 years, who have a life threatening illness, are granted.

Apart from helping children with cancer, this would be very good advertising for our Association.

*For more information, contact: John Wallace, Collie Phone (08)9734 1209, Cheryl Russell, Phone (08) 9337 7631, or Roz Worthington of the Make - A - Wish Foundation, Phone (08) 9322 1990 (office hours).
John Wallace.*

The aim of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Australia is to ensure that the child's very own wish is granted and to create magic and joy to take them out of a difficult and painful existence if only for a short while. To make dreams come true for these special children and create precious memories for their families. Our wish children and their families are our primary focus.

TENTH BIRTHDAY OF MIDVALE GROUP.

MIDVALE Group celebrated its tenth anniversary at their meeting on 8th July. After an excellent demonstration of goblet turning by Gordon Ward, the Convenor spoke briefly of the history of the group before unveiling the new honour board showing the names of all convenors from the group's inception. Commemorative coffee mugs were commissioned for members to purchase as a memento, and a pair of these was presented to Colin Kleinig as a token of gratitude for his continued support for the group. A magnificent iced cake showing the Association logo complete with chisels and shavings was then cut and the 48 members present partook of supper in a party atmosphere to round off the evening.

NOTICES OF MOTION

To be put forward at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of
THE WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC
to be held at the KALAMUNDA AGRICULTURAL HALL, Canning Road, KALAMUNDA
on Saturday, 20th September, 1997 at 3.30pm

MOTION 1.

CLAUSE 6 of the Constitution sets out the Categories of Membership of the Association. CLAUSE 6(b) provides for Junior Members. CLAUSE 6 also defines a Junior Member as meaning a person who is interested in the practice, promotion and fostering of the art of woodturning and is under the age of 18 years.

WHEREAS the Personal Accident Insurance Policy of the Association stipulates only persons over the age of 12 years and under the age of 86 years, the Committee of Management are of the view that children under the age of 14 years should not be members of the Association. The Committee of Management believe that acceptance of members under the age of 14 years, without immediate parental supervision places an unreasonable duty of care on unrelated members of the Association to give due consideration as to:

- the nature and type of equipment being used;
- inherent risks associated with incorrect usage; and
- potential denial of responsibility in the event of a claim from parents and guardians

should an unsupervised child sustain an injury.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Clause 6 be amended to read:

"Junior Member" means a person having the characteristics of an Ordinary Member and is over the age of 14 years.

Proposed by: Les SMALL.

MOTION 2.

WHEREAS many of the spouses and partners of deceased Members of the Association have expressed a wish to continue an involvement in the affairs of the Association so as to retain the friendships built up over a number of years, it is proposed that a new category of Membership be created.

It is proposed that this category be termed: 'HONORARY ASSOCIATE' MEMBER.

Such membership to be offered to all spouses or partners of deceased members. The creation of this category will require alteration to CLAUSE 7 of the Constitution which provides that:

"Any application for membership of the Association shall be accompanied by such sum, if any, as may be decided at the Annual General Meeting each year, to be a nomination fee".

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT CLAUSE 6 of the Constitution be amended by adding category (e) Honorary Associate Member AND THAT this category be defined as:

"Honorary Associate Member" means the spouse or partner of a now deceased Member of the Association who accepts an offer from the Association to take up such membership after the completion of the appropriate application form".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT CLAUSE 7 of the Constitution be amended by deleting sub-clause 7(2) and including the following new Clause 7(2):

7(2) **"Notwithstanding the provisions of Sub Clause (1) neither Associate Members or Honorary Associate Members shall be required to pay any Nomination Fee or Subscription Fee."**

Proposed by: Les SMALL.

MOTION 3.

In accordance with CLAUSE 33(h) of the Constitution, the following matter be discussed as SPECIAL BUSINESS:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Committee of Management undertake a review of the Constitution with the view to formalise the existence of the current Groups and recognise the central role the Groups have in the future of the Association. The review is to ensure that each Group has one representative on the Committee of Management AND THAT the proposed changes will be presented to the 1998 Annual General Meeting for consideration.

Proposed by: Bob WEBB Member No 1339.

MOTION 4.

Whereas CLAUSE 38 of the Constitution provides that voting for election of Officers shall be by secret ballot at all General Meetings of the Association, the strict interpretation is that the Annual General Meeting must have commenced before the ballot can proceed. To do this would mean that the normal procedure of the meeting would be severely interrupted while members line up to receive their ballot paper, exercise their vote and then have the Returning Officer conduct the count.

It is proposed that the Constitution be amended so as to provide a more orderly process and allow the ballot to be conducted during the day of the Annual General Meeting.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT after the word ballot on the fifth line of CLAUSE 38 of the Constitution, insert the sentence:

"Ballots are to open at 10.00am on the day and at the venue of the Annual General Meeting but will not close before the meeting has commenced."

Proposed by: Richard LEGGO.

MOTION 5.

WHEREAS there have been changes in recent years to the Association's Incorporations Act 1987 which has resulted in CLAUSE 48 of the Association being in conflict with the Act. CLAUSE 48 of our Constitution provides:

"The Constitution of the Association may be altered, added to or repealed at any General Meeting of the Association by resolution passed by not less than **two-thirds** of the members of the Association present at that meeting."

The Association's Incorporations Act 1987 now provides that a majority of **three-fourths** of the members of an Association is required to amend the Constitution of an Association.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT CLAUSE 48 of the Constitution of the Association be amended by deleting the words "two-thirds" and inserting the words "three-fourths".

Proposed by: Les SMALL.

**NOTICE TO MEMBERS.
ADMITTANCE FEES - WEEKEND WORKSHOPS.**

The progressive statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the financial year discloses that the receipts from weekend workshops during this year to date are approximately \$400 less than the expenditure shown for that part of our programme. (It is part of the deficit of \$2621 of receipts for the year as compared to income).

The expenditure shown as weekend workshops is only the direct expenses, and does not include the postage, telephone and items of that nature. It has not been considered necessary to segregate these expenses in the past, and weekend workshops have generally balanced out over the year. For various reasons, including the higher cost of hiring venues, we are running at a loss this year.

Another expense to be considered is the likely expense if the Association proceeds with the idea to video screen demonstrations. Mandurah spent \$180 on cabling and fees, and if expense of that nature is likely to be incurred each meeting, that alone would generate an increase of \$2 per member.

While it may be argued that the Association has adequate financial resources, it would be irresponsible and negligent of our "duty of care" as committee members to erode our "capital" for operational expenses.

It has been recommended, and the Management Committee has agreed, that admission fees for members attending weekend workshops be increased to \$5.00 commencing at the workshop to be held in July, 1997.

Management Committee.

JOINING THE INTERNET.

The Committee of Management is considering establishing a presence on the INTERNET. Committee members have had a presentation on what it actually is and will shortly receive a proposal on what it would cost.

George Herring, the Secretary, has been instructed to prepare a presentation so that all members can make comment before a final decision is made. It would be appreciated if all members who have their own INTERNET site, or access to one, would contact George to assist him in this preparation. George can be contacted on:

Home Telephone: (08) 9497 4719

Office Telephone: (08) 9495 4147

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

**Take time to work, it's the price of success
Take time to think, it's the source of power
Take time to play, it's the secret of youth
Take time to read, it's the foundation of wisdom
Take time to be friendly, it's the road to happiness
Take time to dream, it's like hitching your wagon to a star
Take time to look around, it's too short a day to be selfish
Take time to laugh, it's the music of the soul.**

Anon.

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**PROFILE OF A TURNER
VIV PAUST**

Viv Paust, like many of our turners, has had a wide and varied experience, both academically and practically. His father was a school teacher, serving in many country towns. Viv finished his primary schooling in south Perth.

Secondary schooling was firstly at Kent Street and then at Perth Modern School. While academic subjects presented no terrors to Viv, he always preferred the more practical subjects such as technical drawing and woodwork. From Modern School, he went direct to Teachers Training College at Claremont without first having had to be a monitor. He also had to convince the Education Department that he could be trained as a Manual Arts teacher without first being a tradesman.

To enlarge his manual skills, Viv undertook a wide variety of activities such as boat building, fibre glass and ceramic work. During this period he supplemented his income by spearfishing and selling his catch to fish shops. Upon graduation, he requested an appointment near the coast as he was a member of the State Spearfishing team. The Department complied, by sending him to Norseman. Not all was lost there however, as this is where he met Verna who became his very supportive wife. During his time in Norseman, he was required to commute by train to Esperance in order to open a Manual Arts Centre there.

From there he served in Mt Helena for two years then to Applecross for five years during which period he studied for an Art Teaching degree in Fine Arts. Just to keep properly busy during this time, he built a house and helped Verna raise their family. Promotion saw the family in Collie and then back to Perth and lecturing at Nedlands Teachers College in Audio Visual. This job suited his combined talents of practical work plus his art training.

Always one to contribute to the community he became heavily involved with Lions. Viv was awarded a scholarship to study in the United States but by this time he had become very disenchanted with education policy and did not take up the scholarship.

As a complete change in life style they bought a caravan park in Jurien which they ran very successfully for five years. Following another venture Viv returned to teaching firstly at Applecross then Moora and finally at Wanneroo. Having previously built themselves homes in Bayswater and Karrinyup, plus one for his father in law in Norseman, Viv undertook to build two houses in Jurien.

It was while in Moora that Viv picked up his wood turning and on his return to Perth discovered WAWA. The first demonstration he saw was conducted by Ivor Bridges and at first he thought Ivor was doing everything back to front. He soon discovered that there was much to learn about tools and how they best worked and he has been more than happy to give whatever he can to furthering the objects of WAWA and its members. Those who have benefitted from his demonstrations can attest to his skill as a teacher and a communicator.

Since his retirement, Viv has undertaken two voluntary assignments which have given him great satisfaction. One was teaching some children on a sheep station out from Meekatharra and the second was in East Timor for the Silesian Religious Community in Dili. Viv set up a combined teaching and production line workshop for young men aged 18-25 years. All were East Timorese orphans or school drop-outs. The success of the venture can be measured by the degree of hope expressed by the people involved including writing a song about it. This venture has led to further projects, one being in agriculture and another in sewing.

Viv is now in the process of building another home, this time at Bindoon, mostly using recycled timber bought at auction or from demolition sites. We all wish him well and we know he shall continue to encourage the craft of woodturning and to indulge in the fellowship of his WAWA membership.

FOR SALE

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Please note: The postal address for George Herring, our Secretary, has changed to:

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JAMMING IT IN - OR CHUCKING IT OUT.

Some time ago I taught a tyro woodturner how to use jam chucks. He subsequently became obsessed with turning very attractive bowls with very thin walls, even following Richard Raffan's idea of running odd ones through the band saw to see that the wall thicknesses were constant. Shopping around the clubs for ideas on how to get bowls off jam chucks without damaging them, he came up with a number of techniques.

One was to chisel a groove radially in from the perimeter past the groove which held the work so that the bowl could be levered out. Another was to take the jam chuck off the lathe and bounce it on a bench or the floor so that the shock would release the work. Doesn't work on chipboard chucks! Another technique he tried, which proved disastrous to his thin walls, was to poke a dowel through the spindle (assuming a hollow spindle) and gently push the work off the chuck or poke a hole in the bottom!

He rang me up before Christmas with his latest "Magnus Opus" firmly jammed in a hunk of chip board, and its shape lent no purchase to pull it out. HELP!! Since he had the excellent good sense to buy a "Tough" lathe like mine, it took no time to turn up a plug which would fit the outboard end of his spindle, then drill it to take a tyre valve. Then with a 3/8" auger, a brace and a tyre pump, I hied me to the cavern wherein he wrought his miracles. Ran the auger through the spindle and the hole on the face and drilled a hole in the chipboard face plate, bunged the plug in the outboard and attached the pump. I then pumped gently until the work jumped neatly out of the jam chuck. This method enables the work to be retrieved without lever marks and without bouncing it off the floor and getting damaged.

Alan Logan.

Reproduced thanks to the Peninsular Woodturner, May 97.

DISC SANDER

A disc sander can be a most useful tool to use in both woodturning and general wood work. A morning's work is all that is needed to produce an effective lathe mounted disc sander.

The disc can simply be a piece of, say, 1" pine mounted on a face plate and turned to a diameter of 6 or 8 inches, and faced true across the diameter. The size will depend on your preference and the size and power of your lathe. If you have a spare face plate the disc can remain screwed to that face plate, however, if you will need the face plate for other work it would be wise to bolt the disc to the face plate with bolts countersunk and glued to the face of the disc. Put witness marks on both the disc and the face plate so that it can be taken off and later returned to the same holes.

Wood is only a reasonable surface for attaching abrasive paper as the surface cement is sometimes difficult to remove when replacing the paper. A better surface can be obtained by fixing an aluminium disc to the surface of the wooden disc, or better still, using a melamine faced material - as used in kitchen cupboards. This is very easy to keep clean when attaching new sheets of paper.

A simple table can be made by fixing a piece of MDF at right angles to the disc and a little below centre height. This can be done by making a wooden stand to hold the table above and to the lathe bed. It is useful to have a table so arranged that it will move along the bed. Obviously it is not possible to describe exactly how this can be done, as each make of lathe is different.

However, it can, in most cases, be quite simple. Another method is to have a spigot that will fit into the tool rest support with a flange on top that will hold the table. This may be made from plumbing fittings if they fit your lathe, if not, a friendly engineer may be able to make one for you.

If you really want to get flash, you may like to hinge another table onto the existing one so that you will be able to sand at compound angles. Obviously there must be some kind of support to hold the new table at the required angle.

To fix the abrasive paper to the disc, I have found that Bear Brand disc cement is very good, however, you might like to try self adhesive abrasives or even the Velcro system. Double sided or carpet tape can also be used.

John Atkinson.

Reproduced thanks to Forest Hill Woodturners Newsletter July 1997.

DUYFKEN - REPLICA DUTCH SHIP

Location - Cliff Street, Fremantle (Maritime Museum)

WOODTURNERS URGENTLY WANTED

Saturdays and Sundays 10am to 4pm or part thereof.

Two people are required at a time on a rotating roster. You may take your woodturned items for sale. We are also hoping to turn Belling pins for sale in the gift shop. This is an interesting and worthy project for the Woodturners and the Community.

For more information, please contact:

John Lillywhite (08) 9339 2359

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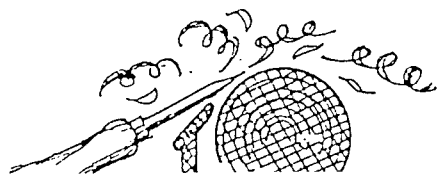
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WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA - COMPETITION ARTICLES FOR 1997.

16-17th AUGUST and 20-21st SEPTEMBER. See page 3 this issue.

- 18-19th October. TABLE LAMP - Inside out or Offset Turned. Maximum: 400mm H.
15-16th November. WALKING STICK. Must be turned from a single unsplit piece of timber. Handle free choice.
20th December. Best Thing Turned Competition Results and Biggest "STUFF UP" Of The Year.
17th January, 1998. PAIR OF SALT AND PEPPER GRINDERS, or A CRUET SET.



SHAVINGS FROM THE COMMITTEE

ASSOCIATION INSURANCE.

Management Committee negotiations with the Association Insurers has resulted in the age limits now being in the bracket of 12 years to 86 years. However, cover in the age group 80 to 86 years does not provide any weekly injury benefits and any claim is limited to a maximum of \$25,000.

ACTIV FOUNDATION.

Gerald Young, Milton Rundle and Gordon Ward recently accepted an invitation to journey to Manjimup to meet with the local ACTIV Group administration who have experienced funding cuts and were seeking assistance in methods of continuing their style of operation for a small number of disadvantaged persons who attend their workshop. They produce a range of wooden items which are sold at a number of outlets.

Several ideas were put forward and it is hoped that members may contribute suggestions on a range of small easily produced items which will expand their limited range of goods produced for sale and hopefully overcome the potential funding difficulties. This project is worthy of support and your ideas would be greatly appreciated and they will be passed on to the Group.

MURDOCH REMAND CENTRE.

The Association has received a request from Murdoch Remand Centre seeking volunteers, to train remandees awaiting trial, to develop skills in woodturning. The workshop is reported to be well equipped. Volunteers would only be required once a week. If you would be prepared to help, please advise one of the Committee members and have your name placed on the register.

BUNBURY GROUP - DEMONSTRATORS COURSE.

Bunbury Group recently conducted a Demonstrators Course based on the proposed Demonstrators Assessment Scheme to expand our list of potential Demonstrators. This initial course was well attended and plans are progressing to conduct a second course at Kenwick early in August. Please contact Gordon Ward if you wish to attend and develop / hone your demonstrator skills.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

At a recent meeting, it was decided to invite Associate Members to complete a Membership Application Form with the intention of compiling a register of Associate Members to formally determine Membership status for insurance purposes in the event of a claim.

Whilst the Constitution does not require Associate members to complete a form, it is felt that such action is in the individual's interest and will support the Attendance Register for any occurrence involved. This action will continue to be voluntary, but members who elect NOT to register will possibly be faced with the situation of proving their membership status should a claim be made.

NOTE: Date changed for December Function at Miss Mauds.

SOCIAL FUNCTION DATE FOR YOUR DIARY.

Date: Now the 13th DECEMBER, 1997.
Venue: MISS MAUD'S FUNCTION CENTRE,
33 South Terrace, FREMANTLE.
Cost: \$18.50 per head for a Christmas buffet lunch.
Drinks: A separate Cash Bar will operate.
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Contact: Cheryl Russell Phone (08) 9337 7631

STORING LIQUIDS AFFECTED BY AIR.

How many of us have been able to use all of the Danish Oil in the container, or the polyurethane in the tin? You coat your creation, and then seal the container. Next time you want to use the contents, you find that it is unusable! The manufacturers don't want to know, and privately I suppose they end up selling more of their product this way.

I suggest the use of wine cask bladders for liquid storage. First the fun part - EMPTY THE CASK! Then prise off the cap containing the valve - it comes off quite easily. Wash out the bladder and express as much water as you can. Rinsing with methylated spirits will help eliminate the residue.

Now fill your bladder (wine cask that is) with your Danish Oil or polyurethane, or whatever and squeeze the bladder until the opening is brimming. Now snap the cap back into place. Operate the valve whilst it is in the uppermost position and gently lower it until some of the contents become visible - close the valve.

The contents will now remain usable indefinitely. As you empty subsequent wine casks keep some of the valve caps in case you need replacements.

When using the stored contents, dispense a quantity into an open container and keep adding more as required, taking care to keep air out of the bladder. In the case of Danish Oil, which must be shaken before use, knead the bladder to mix the contents - remember mixing Danish Oil is important.

Store the bladders in the wine cask containers, but turn the container inside out and re-glue. Be sure to clearly label the contents.

Cliff Walsh.

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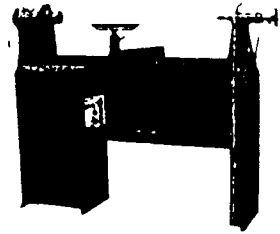
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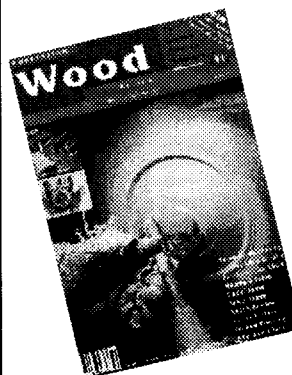
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