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## Presidents Message

### Changes to Office Bearers & Appointments

The Management Committee has decided to review annually all appointments it makes. These include: Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Membership Secretary, Librarian, Video Librarian, Competition Organiser, Shopping Centre Coördinator and Safety Advisor.

Where the incumbent is willing to continue in office and there are no other volunteers offering, the appointment will be confirmed. In the case of two or more applicants for the job, the appointment will be made after consideration, amongst other things, of the time the existing member has held the appointment.

This policy brings the tenure of appointments by the Management Committee more in line with the conditions applying to elected positions.

This special issue of our Newsletter is being made at this time to bring to all members an up-to-date directory of all office holders for 1997/98.

In particular, it is to bring to the notice of all who have not yet paid their 1997/98 dues, the change of Membership Secretary from Cheryl Russell to Jim McDonnell. Welcome Jim. Cheryl decided to relinquish the position prior to the Committee of Management making an appointment.

Those attending Christmas at Miss Maud's should send their booking to Jim.

All of you, I know, would wish to join me in warmly thanking Cheryl for the excellent job that she has done over the past seven years. She has been one of the longest serving appointees in our Association and is to be commended on the prompt and efficient service that she has given new and existing members. Her drive and enthusiasm for her work will long be remembered. Thank you Cheryl, from all of us.

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## Welcome to New Office Bearers

We also extend a welcome to our new Management Committee members; Keith Seaman, Steve Makin and Brian Fowlie and to our returning Vice President, Les Small. We welcome also Richard Leggo as our Newsletter Editor after serving ten years as Returning Officer, Viv Paust as our new Competition Organiser, Max Hayles as Returning Officer and our new Convenors and their teams. May they all have a successful and fruitful year.

Gerald

### CONVENORS MEETING REPORT - 20 SEPTEMBER 1997

Our one hour lunchtime meeting at Kalamunda Weekend proved productive - amongst the subjects discussed were:

- \* Convenor Annual Elections and Group Meeting costs.

It was found that many Groups have various costs and a charge of \$2 per member is normal.

Overhead costs such as rent, tea and biscuits, purchase of mugs, urn and chairs etc; any surplus funds accumulated enables some Groups to purchase the odd expensive tool (normally beyond the reach of some individual members) which can be loaned or hire (for a nominal fee) to Group members on a weekly basis.

Some such items already purchased by some Groups are - thread-cutting machine, bowl miser and a deep hollowing tool.

It was noted that a newly (or otherwise) elected Convenor would be wise to encourage one or two understudy Convenors to take the Group when he goes on holidays, etc and together

with a Secretary and Treasurer to form a Committee to assist with Group operation and Weekend organising. The necessity to follow the WAWA Handbook Guidelines relating to Weekend arranging was emphasised. These guidelines have evolved and been proved over the years.

Happy turning - the Weekend Co-ordinating Committee.

### WAWA ROYAL SHOW PRESENTATION

The Cyril Jones Memorial Trophy with the prize of \$100, was presented by our President, Gerald Young, to the aggregate points winner, Viv Paust - congratulations, Viv!

The presentation was at the "Creative Craft Hall" at the Royal Show at 10.30am on 30 September. Viv is the first to have his name inscribed on the trophy and has the privilege of holding it for one year.

This perpetual trophy made by Alan France and the cash prize has been donated to the "Royal Agricultural Society" by WAWA for the Best Overall Performance in the Turned Wood Section.

### Other Members Gaining First Prizes Were:

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|---------------|---|
| Jim McDonnell | - Any Article of Woodturning<br>- "Jarrah Wall Hanging"               |
| Frank Werren  | - "Jarrah Clock"  |
| Viv Paust     | - Any Article of WA Indigenous Timber<br>"Mulga Bowl"                 |
| Viv Paust     | - Four Goblets on a Tray - Sheoak                                     |
| Viv Paust     | - Any Article Featuring Goldfields Timber<br>"Natural Edge Burl Bowl" |

John Lathwell

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## Turned Timber Exhibitions

Firstly, the winners :

1. Bowl or Platter Jack De Vos  
\$150 voucher from Woodturning Centre
2. Natural Edged Object Bob Nicholls  
\$150 voucher from Woodstock Group
3. Hollow Form Jan Jurewicz  
\$150 voucher from Southside
4. Any Turned Object Peter Lowe  
\$150 cash (from entry fees)
5. People's Choice Ron Goodson  
Prize by Sorby
6. Best Indigenous Timber Brian Launer  
Prize by Sontax
7. Best Goldfields timber Viv Paust  
Prize by Goldfields Specialty Timber Industry Grp

Congratulations to the winners and to all contestants who made the event worth winning.

A special thanks to Nancy Launer, Peter Lowe and Marina Atkin for helping to set up the exhibition.

Thanks also to the members of the Promotions & Shopping Centre Group for manning the display and taking care of sales with a very special mention of the three ladies who put in that extra effort - Joan Norman, Eileen Boyd and Kath Basden.

If I failed to mention anyone else, no slight is intended, it's just so many people so willing to help - thank you, one and all.

The Association would also like to thank and acknowledge our generous sponsors and ask you all to support them whenever purchases are made.

Overall, the Competition was a resounding success in spite of a few hiccups - like using last year's calendar in setting the date for submissions. I would like to apologise to a new member, Bob De Wolff, who arrived a day late with his entry. I had to miss phoning one person! Please don't be discouraged - next year will be 'bugaboo proof'. We learn from mistakes, the more we make, the more we learn and do.

Next year, with this year's lessons under the belt, we may go national and make it a big affair but it will mean hard work and assistance, by everybody, so let's reclaim the true meaning of WAWA. I never did like the sound of 'The Whingers and Watchers Association'

DRONGO

## KALAMUNDA - THE LADIES EXHIBITION

The excellent show of turned work by seven of our WAWA lady turners - I hope to see more of their work in our competition and Show and Tell.

Your work is of exceptionally high standard - congratulations to you!

John Lathwell

## Tips from Berwick District Woodworkers Club Newsletter September 1997

### Storing wood to preserve its moisture content

If you are in the middle of a project and have to leave it for a couple of weeks, you may find problems once you return. A change in humidity - a sudden period of humid weather, for example - may cause thick wood to swell or shrink. You can solve the problem by storing the wood in a plastic garbage bag or in vinyl, sealing any loose ends with tape. Wrapping the board will keep the moisture content of the wood consistent, preventing any dimensional changes.

### Painting tip

Before sanding old furniture in preparation for painting, clean it with steel wool and methylated spirit. Paint will glide on beautifully and last much longer.

### Lightening wood with grain filler

To lighten wood without bleaching it, use an oil-based grain filler mixed with some white pigment. First apply a wash coat to the workpiece, then prepare a batch of filler adding enough white japan or other oil-based pigments to obtain the shade you want. You can apply the mixture as you would any grain filler. The process will accentuate the grain of open-pore species like oak, ash, mahogany and elm.

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