

## The Woodturners Association of Western Australia (Inc)

### *Life Membership*

#### **Barrie Leivers – 430**

What I can tell you about Barrie is that his citation would have been primarily for his work with the CCTV system for the Western Australian Woodturners Association.

Barrie set it all up from scratch, initially using his own and borrowed old cameras, he made the stands for the TVs, the cables, the control modules and even tripods, it was nothing like it is today. The original operators' monitors were old monochrome (green) computer monitors. He co-ordinated the gradual improvements to the system as finance became available until we had 4 TVs, 3 cameras and all the associated gear much of which he built at home. He made the setup so that he could switch between cameras. We also had a dedicated trailer for carting it all to workshops. He would set the gear up and operate it all day then pack up and cart it away, believe me packing the trailer was a work of art in itself.

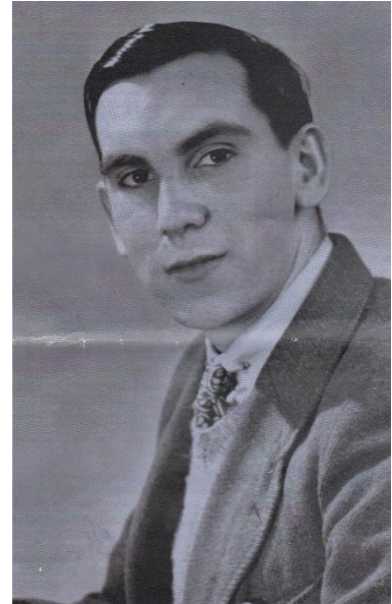
He would have started this in the mid to late nineties and carried on doing it until he died. At the same time, he set up the system for Swan group. *Written by Jim McDonnell*

Barry was instrumental in videoing the Swan demonstrations, going home and editing the video and making copies on disk for members so that they could have a reference. Some of these disks are still held by the Swan Group in their shed.

Jim Clarke tells me that Barrie was a nice, willing, amicable bloke who would try his hands at anything, "a jack of all trades and master of none". *Told by Jim Clarke*

Fond memories are held of Barrie and his time as a member of the Western Australian Woodturners. He was awarded a Merit Award in 2001 and Life Membership in 2009.

*Written by Mary Byers April 2021*



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31/8/1933 – 1/5/2015