

## VALE

### **JIM STITFALL member 1877**

I first got to know Jim in about 2004, when we were both new chums on the Committee of Management. At that time Richard Leggo was President and in the throes of re-writing the Constitution which entailed much information to be read prior to meetings. Richard was most put out because Jim was not on Email and therefore, he had to send all the papers through on snail mail.

Jim and I always got on well together and had similar ideas, so when asked to organise “The



Exhibition of Excellence” in 2006 we took on the project with enthusiasm. This exhibition was held in the Perth Town Hall and ran for a week. We had many beautiful pieces of turning on display and it was the best exhibition WAWA had ever held. Jim was very active in arranging for the stands to be upgraded and painted prior to use and collecting and labelling the various items. He was also at the venue every day, often till late at night.

Later Jim was elected as President of WAWA and became a popular President, a position he held for two years, during which time he oversaw the updating of the Handbook, parts of which had become obsolete as the association had grown in size. Jim served the Association well for seven years as a committee member. He could always be found at the conclusion of a weekend workshop helping pack the trailers.

Jim was a member of the Swan Group where he also helped arrange an exhibition of their works to be displayed at Midland.

On a personal note, I found Jim to be a very good friend. Always willing to help, always cheerful and someone I shall forever miss.