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Mervyn (Merve) THOMAS

Merve a long standing and well-respected member of the Melville Group, passed away in August from a recurrence of a previous illness.

Merve enjoyed his woodturning for many years and more recently in July 1999 he joined the woodcarver's group at Melville.

Although not in the best of health this new carving experience gave him a great deal of enjoyment and satisfaction which he found more relaxing than the lathe.

It is pleasing to note that the pictorial records of carvings of the group includes some of Merve's work. It was my pleasure to have helped Merve with his carving (and other members of the group) and we will all miss his company at our Friday meets.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Hilary and family.