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Meet your club members - Terry Steep, #3477

Terry has been a member of our club since November 2023 and is producing some beautiful work. The King of the Perfect Finish, he is busy trying to beat Don at turning the greatest number of Lolly Bowls this year.

Terry is a valued member of the Committee and always brings something along to show and tell.

He met Les Beaglehole whilst out walking, and after hearing all about woodturning, decided he wouldn't mind giving it a go. He turns on a Wednesday and is usually there with a smile and a joke for us (not always a PC joke!) Never having done any woodturning, he was a complete novice when he started.

Many years ago, Terry was a Fitter and Turner but spent most of his career in underground mining. Later in his career he became a Trainer, and this is evident in the way he is always happy to help others who need a hand.

The best thing about the club, according to Terry, is the social aspect. He loves being around like-minded people, and seeing and producing his own works of art. Below is a photo of his favourite piece so far, a Winged bowl. It was challenging for him, as he made it when he was a very new member, and still learning. The most memorable thing he learnt whilst turning it, was to keep his knuckles out of the way. He lost a fair bit of bark!

Terry won the Most Improved Beginner prize for 2024. He has also entered some of the WAWA competitions, coming 1st in Novice with his Goblet at the Busselton WeWs.

If you see Terry around, say G'day!

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