The Woodturners Association of Western Australia (Inc)

Eneabba Award 2026

Eneabba Accolade - Barbara Jennings



Life Membership, the Merit Award, and the Certificate of Merit are awarded by groups, assessed by their peers, and usually for a member's service and support of that group or the Association. The award of the Eneabba Accolade is made entirely at the discretion of the Association President. Precedent so far indicates that the Accolade will only be made once, if at all, in any President's term of office.

It is my great pleasure to present the Eneabba Accolade for 2026 to Barbara Jennings. No citation is required for the Accolade. However, reflecting on her contribution during my time as president, I can say without fear of contradiction that she has exemplified how a member can help the Association to achieve its objectives, which are to:

To promote, foster and practise the art and craft of woodturning;

Conduct meetings and workshops for members and to promote and encourage discussion on the art and craft of woodturning;

To participate in the holding of exhibitions, lectures, workshops and classes in furtherance of the objects of the association.

Barbara has provided unwavering support, advice, and help both as the WAWA Immediate Past President and as a long-time competitions' coordinator. She was a driving force behind last year's updates made to WAWA's documentation. She continues to support the Committee of Management as a member and office holder. She provides "Tech Support" on the occasions when technology lets the competitions programme down, has stood in at short notice when judges have had to pull out of competitions, and her broad technical knowledge has been sought when decisions are made regarding technology upgrades and purchases.

Since joining the Busselton Group in 2007, she has become one of the finest woodturners in Western Australia, and an innovative, sought-after demonstrator. She is an excellent judge of high-quality work and equally excellent as a trainer of judges. Few, if any, can match her contribution to the running of her group and the Association.

I have no hesitation in commending Barbara to the members of Association and confirming her as the recipient of the Eneabba Accolade for 2026. Presented By George Murphy.