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## ***PRESIDENT'S REPORT***

Presidents Report May 2024

Hi everybody. I trust you are all keeping busy in your workshops and enjoying the great Autumn weather.

Sadly, last month Judy Wheeler passed away suddenly. I am sure that she will be remembered fondly by you. It was a pleasant surprise to see John at the April Meeting. I spoke to his daughter and she told me that John wants to attend our meetings and she is happy to bring him along. In the Show and Tell Session we had a couple of items that Graham Besley had brought in. They were part of a group of unfinished items that John had kindly donated to the club. Judy had asked if we could finish a couple of items for them. Graham had great pleasure in seeing John at the meeting and happily presented the finished items back to him. A wonderful moment.

At our last meeting we had a visit from Cliff Walsh who gave a Demonstration on Turning the Cube. This is an interesting method, being on the diagonal, and requires a great deal of care as there is a lot of air turning involved. Cliff turned a bowl and started on a lidded box. He also provided a lot of information about tool selection and showed different ways of using tools particularly the scraper hollowing a bowl in a shearing motion. I am sure that all members took home something from this Demonstration and I thank Cliff for his efforts.

Again, Show and Tell was a success with some nice items presented. I would really like to see some more items each month even if they are older ones. It would be great to see some objects that you may have produced in the past. I am sure newer members would like to see them.

I know you are all busily turning your Presidents Challenge – Inside Out Turning. This is due by the May Meeting and I am looking forward to seeing many items on the day.

On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June I will be having a stall advertising the Guild and displaying turned items for sale. I have made several items that are Gardening related to sell and am happy to take any items that you would like to sell. This year is a bit of an experiment to see how it goes but I am hopeful this may continue in the future.

Remember it's Fun To Turn

**NOTICES**  
**Next Saturday's Meeting**

Our next meeting Saturday 25th May will be

**TURNING A BARLEYCORN TWIST  
DEMONSTRATION**

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Demonstration by Jim Pagonis on turning a Barleycorn Twist.  
Please come along watch an extremely talented wood



## Gardners Day Out

Gary will be operating a stall at this event promoting the Guild.

Selling some items ( mainly garden related).

Saturday 15th June at Deakin University - Burwood Campus.

9.30am to 4.00pm.

Lots of plants and garden items for sale.

## Show and Tell

Come to the meetings and bring along some items for Show and Tell.

If you haven't got a new item you have been working on, bring an older item.

It would be good to see these also.

Even items that haven't quite worked out, members are happy to offer advice and help out.

## FOREST HILL WOODTURNERS DEMONSTRATION

**WOODTURNING  
DEMONSTRATION  
SATURDAY  
20<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024  
9:30 AM to (approx) 3:30 PM**

**BY**



**PAUL BARTON**

Forest Hill Woodturners are pleased to invite you to a demonstration at our Blackburn South clubrooms by well respected turner

**Paul Barton.**

Paul will be demonstrating his

- Japanese inspired box,
- A thin walled bowl and
- Split hollow form (if time permits)

Day includes a door prize, morning and afternoon tea and a sausage sizzle lunch. Also a raffle of Wood Turning related prizes.

FOREST HILL  
WOODTURNERS

32 Richmond St  
Blackburn South



**\$30 FHWT Members**

**\$35 Non Members**

Payment by direct debit, use your name as reference.

Payment in advance please

A/C # 380044

BSB #033061

Payment may be made on the day with cash or card.

**Bookings essential**

**SMS Steve on 0403 007 882 OR**

**Email [stevehood10@gmail.com](mailto:stevehood10@gmail.com)**

**Booking close 1<sup>st</sup> July OR when all seats are taken.**



## ACCESS TO THE WEB SITE

Could you all please note that for access to our website you just need the password and no longer need to create a user ID.



## Monday Night Discussion Group

Monday night discussion group has recommenced and has been fairly well attended, but as always, there is still room for more members. Monday night discussion group is aimed at helping new and experienced turners solve problems, improve techniques and finishing objects to obtain very high level of finish.

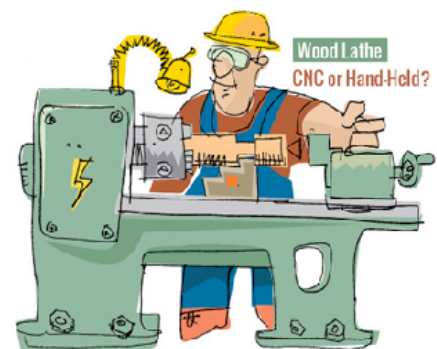
## Wednesday Group

The Wednesday group is a group of more experienced turners who work independently but often share tips and advice. If you feel confident there are still some vacant lathes every week.

## Thursday Group

If you know of anyone interested in learning wood turning please encourage them to come to our Thursday session of some expert tuition.

All is going well, new "WhatsApp" group is working successfully, and the mentors can turn up knowing they have a group to assist.



## Dressed Timber For Sale

This timber is available from Dandenong area. Dressed Spotted Gum 90x90 currently in 3.7 metre lengths but happy to cut into 1.2 lengths. \$50 per metre.

Cypress dressed 135x135 decent lengths \$20 metre also 180x180 not sure on price.

Also

DeWalt drop saw on stand model 1370 \$500

Triton Saw bench series 3

Triton Super Jaws \$175.

Contact Rick 0411 553 677 or [eric.hillier1@hmail.com](mailto:eric.hillier1@hmail.com)



# UPCOMING EVENTS 2024



## Standing invitation

Members of CWC clubs have a standing invitation from Mike Davies to watch Record Power's free live international woodturning demonstrations. Further information from <https://recordpowertv.com/>

## 2024 Events - What does your club have planned?

I'm pleased that clubs have started to organise their events now that we seem to have reached our "new" normal. Please let me know if your club is planning an event during 2024 (or beyond) - or you know of other activities that would be of interest to fellow Woodies - we're happy to include it on the listing (but please give plenty of notice). Lots of members travel and are interested to know about event that might be on when they are in that area.

- The Australian Wood Review's annual **Maker of the Year competition** now includes a special \$1500 cash award for the best display of woodturning. The winning entry of this award will be selected across all categories. The winning entry may be created by means of other woodworking techniques and may be made in collaboration with others. There are 12 awards with a prize pool of more than \$18,000, including \$11,000 cash. **Early bird entry is on until April 23, 2024.** For information and to enter, go to [www.woodreview.com.au/moty](http://www.woodreview.com.au/moty)
- The **Maleny Wood Expo**, is to be held **4 - 6 May 2024**. [Further details from their website](#)
- The 28th **Tilba Woodwork Show** will be held in the Central Tilba Community Halls on **8 - 9 June 2024**. As well as the fine display of timber items, there will be several demonstrations of wood turning and the CNC router will once again be producing name plates for the young (and not so young). The show raffle has several quality woodwork related items as prizes. In the small hall is the woodwork exhibition of high quality pieces for show and sale.
- The **Cooroora Woodworkers Club** Annual Woodcraft Show is being held on **11 & 12 October 2024** at the Cooroy Memorial Hall, Maple Street, Cooroy, Qld. There will be demonstrations of carving, turning, scroll sawing, pyrography and more will be continuously held during the show as well as competition exhibits and a raffle. Available for purchase will be a variety of beautifully finished timber pieces including milled timber. For further information, email [show@cooroorawoodworkersclub.com](mailto:show@cooroorawoodworkersclub.com) or contact Donna Horn on 0409 069 904
- The **Goulburn Valley Woodworkers Annual Wood Show** will be held on **26 - 27 October 2024** at the Multipurpose Pavilion, Shepparton Showgrounds, Archer Street, Shepparton. Along with our usual demonstrations and exhibitions, this year we will also be hosting the bi-annual National Scrollsaw Network Competition and Exhibition. Further information from their website at [www.gvwoodworkers.com.au](http://www.gvwoodworkers.com.au). Enquiries to [gvwoodworkers.show@gmail.com](mailto:gvwoodworkers.show@gmail.com)

## Snippets from Australian Wood Review

Article - [Intarsia woodworking](#)

Article - [Searching for Simplicity](#)

Project - [Making a dowel hinged box](#)

Project - [A table project](#)

Video - [Puzzle Boxes](#)

Project - [Folding phone stand](#)

Timber Sale - [Melbourne Guild of Fine Woodworking Timber sale - 20 April](#)

Article - [Widening natural edged slabs](#)

# SHOW AND TELL - MARCH 2024

BY ALAN THOMPSON



Blackwood deep hollowed bowl and finial by Frank Larsen. The finial is finished with Back Japan and the bowl is finished with Danish Oil



Graham Besley showed this carved piece of Wild Cherry



John Wheeler and Graham Besley  
John had some unfinished items and as can no longer turn he donated them to the guild. Graham finished 2 of the bowls one Kauri the other She Oak, and presented them to John.



Roger Annells pen from Red Gum with Huon Pine and Milliput detailing



Red Gum Bowl and Camphor Laurel finial finished with Danish Oil by Bruce Black



Roger Annells showed a see-thru lidded box with a drop Liquid Amber with Milliput stripe, finished with Danish Oil and also a Pomander from Red Gum and Liquid Amber also finished with Danish Oil



Val Dalsanto is still busy with this lidded box finished with Shellawax."

Val also showed us 3 small bowls from Walnut and Blackwood also finished with Shellawax.





# DEMONSTRATION - 3 CORNER BOWL

BY CLIFF WALSH

Cliff gave us an extremely good demonstration on turning a 3 corner bowl. Not only did we get to see a well finished object, he also provided a lot of information about tool selection and showed different ways of using tools particularly the scraper hollowing a bowl in a shearing motion. I am sure that all members took home something from the day.

Thank you Cliff for your very expert demonstration.

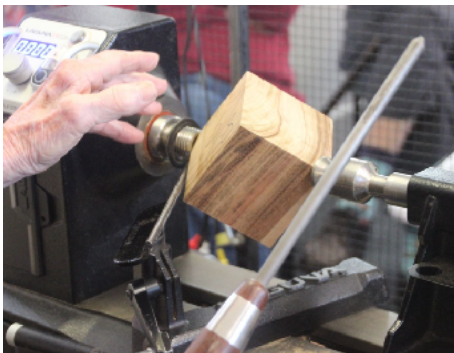


Cliff started with a 100mm x 100mm cube of timber. Mounting the cube on the lathe is very important.

There are 2 ways to hold this between centres.

- The first is by using a standard drive centre and tail centre to do this mark about 3/4" up on each side from one corner join these up and cut off this piece. This will now give you a flat area which will take your drive centre and tail centre.
- Cliff preferred to hold them is using the two cone centres. This a much easier way to hold it and more forgiving when you have a catch.

After mounting the cube you should check to see if the 3 corners are you are keeping are in line and the same distance from the rest when you spin the lathe.



Form a spigot at the drive end of the cube  
Take enough off from the base of the bowl to make a spigot for the chuck and below the spigot remove enough so that it will go in the jaws properly. Be careful not to touch the 3 corners at the other end.  
Stop regularly to see what is happening with the spigot

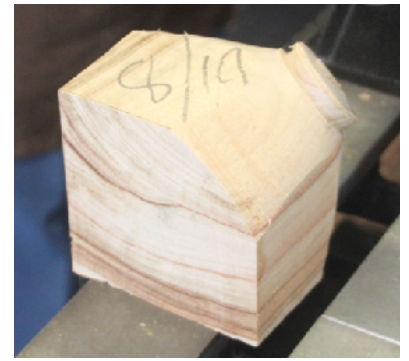


**\*Tip**

When using the Parting Tool always rub the bevel, it is a cutting tool, the edge will last longer



Move your piece on the the chuck, again ensuring the cube you should check to see if the 3 corners are you are keeping are in line and the same distance from the rest when you spin the lathe.



Start to shape the outside, the cuts should be from the corners towards the spigot. Some wood may start to chip if this happens make sure you have sharp tools and you take light cuts. Stop regularly to check your work.



Commence hollowing the bowl. Maintain the tailstock in position and work from the outside in towards the centre. Be careful of the "flying corners" and keep the rest close to your work. Stop regularly to check your work.

Use a round nose scraper to finish off the inside

Once you have finished hollowing then finish shaping the outside of the bowl to the desired shape Using light cuts carefully remove the "Stump" from the inside



Commence sanding both the inside and outside being careful of the "flying Corners"

Use your desired finish for both the inside and outside







Make a jam chuck to fit the curve in the bowl and along with the tail stock commence to remove the spigot. Level off the bottom of the bowl with a concave base. Sand the base and apply your desired finish.



## ***SOME EXAMPLES FROM OTHER TURNERS***



## ***2023/2024 COMMITTEE***

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The Koonung Woodturner's Guild meets at 9.00am  
on the fourth Saturday of each month at  
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Cliff Walsh, thank you for an excellent presentation on Turning a 3 Corner Bowl

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