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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, here we are in 2024 and I would like to wish everybody and your families all the best in the new year.

Our final meeting last year was our Christmas Luncheon which was very well attended by 35 members and wives, and enjoyed by all.

I provided an overview of the projects and demonstrations that we undertook in 2023. This highlighted that we had a very busy year and that we have a strong involvement in the community with Schwerkolt Cottage and Whitehorse Festival demos and the refurbishment of the totems at Koonung Cottage. Rick conducted a show and tell with some beautifully made items provided by the members.



We had many toys made by members for Country Hope. The quality and large assortment of toys was amazing.

While the members set up the hall for the luncheon Kaye Jenvey presented an interesting talk on Begonias for the wives.

A highlight of the day was a Life Membership Award to Graeme Besley. Since Graeme joined our club in 2008 he has committed to the running of the club through the many positions he has held on Committee including President. He gets involved on many of the projects and his knowledge and experience is extremely helpful. He is always available to offer advice and encouragement to any turner. His contribution to the club has been very invaluable and he thoroughly deserves this award.

Several members supplied items for display at Nunawading Library. The display looks great and if you have not visited yet it is there until 23rd January.

The Committee is now working to provide some interesting presentations and demos for our Saturday meetings. At the January meeting we have Tony Gibson, an optometrist, talking about how the eye functions and eye safety in the workshop.

Remember it's Fun To Turn.

Gary.

NOTICES

Life Membership

Congratulations to Graham Bealey on being awarded life membership to the Koonung Woodturning Guild for his tireless work, over many years, on ensuring the the club maintains its reputation for excellence.

Graham along with his wife Robyn receiving his award from Gary Jenvy



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 not recommenced at this stage, we will let all members know when it restarts.

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 Turning group has not recommenced at this stage, we will let all members know when it restarts.

The Wednesday group is a group of more experienced turners who work independently but often share tips and advice.

Thursday Group

The Thursday Turning group has not recommenced at this stage, we will let all members know when it restarts.

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 turning up knowing they have a group to assist.



Pens for the Troops

Pens for the troops are to be returned no later than the February Meeting.

We ordered 50 sets of slimline pens which were all snapped up quickly by our members, we are looking forward to seeing an amazing array of well turned slimline pens.

We will forward the pens onto the Army so they can distribute them to service people on or before ANZAC Day

Nunawading Library Display

If you haven't yet done so we suggest you take a trip to Nunawading Library and view the display of some of the guilds work.

Our display at Nunawading Library has been extended into January as they did not have any other groups interested over that period.

If you have loaned some items to be displayed, they will now be returned at the January Meeting



Nunawading Library display



UPCOMING EVENTS 2024

January Meeting:

Our guest speaker this month will be Tony Gibson an Optometrist from Eye Care Plus Mitcham.

Tony will be talking about how the eye works and how we see things, eye care and common injuries and treatment.

This will be a very interesting presentation and well worth attending.



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/>

Snippets from Australian Wood Review

Project - [A mid century modern table](#)

Article - [Indian Swing seats](#)

Project - [A bandsaw box](#)

Article - [Making Metal Planes](#)

Article - [How to "spalt" your own wood](#)

Article - [How to restore a handplane](#)

Article - [Self Locking joinery](#)

Video - [Optical Illusion marquetry box](#)

Article - [Making a Japanese traditional plane](#)

Project - [Making a Peddle Chair](#)

Project - [Making a carver's bench](#)

Project - [Making Lego people](#)

Video - [Straw Marquetry](#)

SHOW AND TELL - DECEMBER 2023

“Show and Tell” - please bring along something you have made in the past and/or something recently finished or unfinished



There were a number of items for show and tell including some shallow bowls, platters, carriage clock and lidded boxes.

There was also an item made from “Grass Tree”.

We have been gifted, by Jim Pagonis, 3 pieces of Grass Tree which we intend to sell initially to the members. We have put a price of \$95.00, \$65.00 and \$55.00 on the pieces. If you are interested in purchasing one, some or all these pieces please contact Neale Rees.

This is your last chance as they will soon be advertised on Gum Tree



COUNTRY HOPE TOYS



Country Hope provides family centred support programs to country children diagnosed with cancer or other life threatening illnesses.

Country Hope is dedicated to developing support programs and services, in response to the needs of country families.

We recognise that childhood cancer and other chronic life threatening illnesses place incredible stress on the family. For this reason we are dedicated to developing support programs and services that address the needs of the entire family.



Our members have, again, done a marvellous job producing toys to be donated to Country Hope. There was an amazing array of trucks, cars, animals people and toys





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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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**Congratulations to Maureen and Ann
the winners of our Christmas Party Raffle**

If unable to deliver please return to Roger Annells 8 Windsor Street Kew Vic 3101