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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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Hi everybody, hope you are very busy in your sheds producing some excellent wood turned articles.

At our last meeting in February, we had a "Hands On Day". This was a progressive turning which was time limited. Four teams of 3 members were randomly selected, each comprising an experienced, an intermediate, and a new or less experienced turner. Over morning tea each team selected a piece of timber and worked out a strategy including the order of turning and what item they will make.

All teams were given time to prepare the timber and put it on the lathe. The bell went and the first team members started furiously working. After 10 minutes 2nd team member took over and so on every 10 minutes. After two rotations plus an extra 10 minutes the bell went to finish. So, in 70 minutes 4 items were produced, some more finished than others. We then had a brief discussion of each piece and how the day went. Hopefully you all had a bit of fun and I feel that the newer members learnt a lot from the day seeing other more experienced turners in action. Well done everyone.

On the 10th Feb 6 members attended Forest Hill Woodturners for a Demo in Scroll sawing by Bruce from Carbatec. He demonstrated several Techniques and had a large selection of his work which he talked about. It was a great day and I am sure we all learnt a bit more about scroll sawing. This was followed by a BBQ lunch. Thanks to Forest Hill for the invite.

As most of you are aware we received monies from the sale of Max Lehmann's equipment plus a generous donation from the Lehmann Family for a new lathe for the shed. A lathe has now been purchased and assembled. Thanks to the Sub Committee of Graham, Rick, Bruce and Ian who investigated the range of lathes and recommended the purchase of a Record Power Coronet lathe. This lathe will be an asset in the workshop and allow us to turn a bigger range of pieces due to the options included in the purchase. We are still in the process of obtaining some additional accessories and there will be some training on the use of the lathe.

We now have a lathe for sale. If any member wishes to purchase or knows someone who is interested please let a committee member know.

This month we have a Demo by Graham and myself on Inside out turning. Please come along as this will be the Presidents Challenge due by our May Meeting. Further details to come.

Remember, it's Fun To Turn.

Gary.

NOTICES

Next Saturday's Meeting

Our next meeting Saturday 23rd March will be an

INSIDE OUT TURNING DEMONSTRATION

Demonstration by Graham Besley and Gary Jenny on inside out turning.

Please come along as this will be the basis of the next President's Challenge due by our May Meeting.

More details of the President's Challenge will be given the day

ACCESS TO THE WEB SITE

Could you all please note that for access to our website you just <u>need the password and no</u> 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 Turning group has recommenced - from 12.30 (or there about) til 3.00.

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

The Thursday Turning group has recommenced - from 12.30 (or there about) til 3.00.

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



We have just posted around 84 pens to Bruce Sanders who organises the Pens for the Troops program.
The pens will be forwarded onto the Army will be distribute to service people on or before ANZAC Day.
A big thank you to all those who took the time to to produce a great range of pens in so many styles, timber variety and finish.

Also thank you to Richard Braun for his personal contribution

The gift of a unique wooden pen sends a message of appreciation and support to service members.





Dressed Timber For Sale

This timber is available from Dandenong

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

Trition Saw bench series 3

Triton Super Jaws \$175.

Contact Rick 0411 553 677 or eric.hillier1@hmail.com



The committee is pleased to announce that we have purchased, with the generous donation from Max Lehmann and his family, a new heavy duty lathe

New For The Serious Turner One Meter Bowl Capacity

The Record Power Coronet Regent is the largest lathe in the of Coronet lathes from Record Power and is ideal for the woodturner who regularly needs the power, stability and capacities necessary for very large scale work. It is supported by large and heavy integral cast iron legs to give ample protection from vibration while



turning out of balance timbers. The overall heavy-duty construction of the machine, along with the finely engineered and machined components make this lathe a pleasure to use. The Regent offers the benefits of electronic variable speed, a rotating and sliding headstock, reverse function and solid cast iron build throughout.

Specifications

Maximum bowl diameter 1000 mm (39") Maximum between centres 610 mm (24") Maximum swing over bed 460 mm (18") Spindle speeds 250 - 3800 rpm Motor input P1 2 kW Thread M33 x 3.5 Taper 2 Morse taper Weight 145 kg

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/

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 - FEBRUARY 2024

There was a much better showing at "Show and Tell" this month



Roger Annells had 2 bowls, one from Jarrah and the other from Red Gum with a lid from Black Heart Sassafras with a spiral finial

Alan Thompson brought along an extremely well made Jewellery Box. Made from an old Red Gum fence post and finished with danish oil



A sculptural piece from Graham Besley
Double axis turned and hand shaped solid forms from
Spotted Gun finished with Danish Oil over sanding
sealer.





David Tonkin's 50 year old bowl, timber unknown.

The bowl was originally turned green and dried using a "gas gun". A lovely bowl that has developed its own "roundness", it has been well used.





A Camphor Laurel bowl by Gary Jenny finished with danish oil.





Another sculptural piece from Graham Besley a "pile of lidded containers" from Pine and Cypress Pine

Bruce Black's Liquid Amber shallow bowl with a danish oil finish





Val Dalsanto showed 3 items-A Walnut vase with a EEE finish A Walnut bowl and finally a Pine Pepper Grinder without the mechanism

PROGRESSIVE TURNING



The object of the exercises to have 3 people working together to produce an item with each person contributing



The committee selected people to form groups of 3.

Each group were:

- Able to select a timber blank from which to turn a piece
- Able to decide what they will turn
- Able to arrange who turns first, second, third etc
- Turners will have a set time before they hand over to the next person in their group.

There will be 2 rotations





The members generally had a good time working together and collaborating to make some nice pieces. None of the pieces were completed on the day.

We have not seen any of the finished articles



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The Koonung Woodturner's Guild meets at 9.00am on the fourth Saturday of each month at 109 Koonung Road Blackburn North 3130



John and Judy wheeler - its great to have some of our older members still contributing

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