



Our Members have been working industrially on their pieces for the Australian Woodturning Exhibition for months, and those who presented their entries can be very proud of themselves for the calibre of their work and for supporting this Auspicious event. **Congratulations to all place getters!** Thank you to those who went and helped out over the weekend. The Demonstration at Bunnings Warehouse was well supported, promoting our Guild. A good number of Raffle tickets were sold supporting the exhibition as well.

May Demonstration:

To make a clock and keep it ticking in time takes precision and engineering skills.

Gavin Betts from Knox and District Woodworkers gave us an excellent insight of how each cog and wheel worked in relation to the function of his time pieces. Not only did they work perfectly and chime on time they made a stunning display. Somehow I think members will stick to turning wood. At least if we make a mistake we can call it a design change.

We now have a display at the **Nunawading Library**. Those who would like to display their pieces give them to Jim Pagonis or Alan Thompson at the June Meeting . We are expecting the cabinet to be available until the middle of July.

The John Atkinson 'Toys for Country hope' and the ' Best Toy competition' is now on the agenda, so take a deep breath, clean up the workshop, and get ready to start creating and making those duck geese, soldiers etc.

Remember we are making them for the kids!

David Pincus has kindly offered to collate and produce a 'History' of our club. This does not mean that we supply him with umpteen copies of past newsletters to wade through. It would be most helpful if members could write articles for David of the past..

Each year a member of our guild is nominated for the '**Brian Christian Award**' which is presented by the committee at the AGM. A nomination form will be provided for your vote. Please put some thought into this and fill out the form, your contribution is valued by us and your fellow members.

Our thoughts are with those not well at the moment. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Ted Anderson, one of our long standing and very talented woodturners is going to express his thoughts on 'Design and Finishing'

In my absence Ray Smith will host the Next Meeting 26th June
Exhibition exhibitors please bring your items if they were not sold.

SHOW and TELL



Jim Pagonis fooled everyone with his plate of wooden tarts. They looked so real some members picked one up to eat !

Graham Mills, a short time turner, showed his "Lest We Forget" memorial.

Graham Besley was pleased with his second effort at a lidded box.

Val Dalsanto had two fine red gum lidded boxes with inserts in the lids as well as two bowls- one with a diagonal insert and a string holder.

Geoff Easton showed two lidded red gum containers.

Ray Smith brought a three legged lidded container made from cypress and a 'Cindy Drozda' jewel box made from sasafress.

BRIAN CHRISTIAN AWARD

At the Annual meeting a member will be presented with the Brain Christian Award. This is in memory of Brian Christian who did much to promote the achievement of improvement in wood turning.

The award will go to a member who has shown improvement in turning and has been a contributor to the Guild.

Nominations can be made to the secretary for the committee to make the final decision of the awardee.

DEMONSTRATOR Gavin BETTS



The several clocks Gavan Betts has made from metal, mostly brass, keep very accurate time. He explained that maths involved in making the correct number of teeth needed in the various cogs and the history in the development of accurate time pieces. He has developed a device for cutting the gear teeth. Most of the work in the frames of the clocks involves filing intricate shapes from pieces of brass plate. When second hands and chiming are included the number of gears necessary is increased.

[Members who attended The Australian Woodturning Exhibition will have seen a clock made using wooden gears and parts.](#)

The guild will be sponsoring a demonstration by KEN WRAIGHT on 31st July from 9am – 4pm .

THE COST FOR MEMBERS WILL BE \$15

At the June meeting be prepared to indicate if you will attend.

The following has been sent to several other Guilds.

DEMONSTRATION

Koonung Woodturners Guild

By

KEN WRAIGHT

31st July 2010 9am - 4pm

Venue Koonung Cottage

109 Koonung Road Blackburn North 3130

\$20 per person

Cost includes morning and afternoon refreshments

And a BBQ Lunch

LIBRARY DISPLAY

The Whitehorse City Library In Nunawading has granted The Guild the use of a display cabinet for two months. President Di and Alan Thompson have set out the first display. It is planned to change this from time to time. If you have any pieces you would like to be included please contact Jim Pagonis.



DUCKS and TOYS

In memory of the Past John Atkinson the Guild will continue the practice of supporting the "Country Hope" embraced by John. Members are asked to again make ducks, dolls or toys which can be painted by sick children suffering from cancer. A competition will be held later to find the best collection.

BUNNINGS DEMONSTRATION



At the recent Bunnings demonstration there was a great deal of interest not only in watching the turners but also in people asking about the Guild. Thank you to Val and the removalists as well as the demonstrators.

In September there will be a demonstration at Schwerkolts Cottage and in October the Whitehorse Springfest.

THE AUSTRALIAN WOODTURNING EXHIBITION



John McBrinn 1st Open Clock
3rd Hollow Vessel



2nd Open Lidded Container
3rd Spindle Turned Item



Intermediate Val Dalsanto 2nd Clock
David Scott 3rd Spindle Turned Item



The Koonung Woodturners Guild meets at 9.00am on the fourth Saturday of each month at 109 Koonung Road Blackburn North 3130.



First Place Open Identical Pair
John McBrinn
Australian Woodturning Exhibition 2010

If unable to deliver please return to Ray Smith 17 Cumberland Court Forest Hill 3131