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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2018

Welcome to Talking Turning for September 2018

AGM.

Elected committee: President Richard Jardine

- Vice PresidentTom Beswick Secretary Graham Besley
- SecretaryGraham BesTreasurerNeale ReesEditorRick Hillier2 general membersRoger Anne

Rick Hillier Roger Annells Charles Mercer

Stepping down

Di Bermingham



Brian Christian Award.

Congratulations to Cliff Walsh who was awarded the Brian Christian Award for 2018. The aim of this award is to recognise a member for his or her marked improvement in woodturning since becoming a member while at the same time having contributed significantly to the Guild.

Gadget day.

Offerings for the gadget day were down this year. Only 3 members brought anything to show.

Passing of Arthur Sankey.

With regrets Arthur passed away from cancer on the morning of Sunday 26th August, the day after the August meeting. Arthur had been a long time member and had been president of the guild where he introduced the Thursday afternoon turning group. During his illness he always wanted to attend meetings again as the guild had become a big part of his life. Many in the guild will miss his quiet encouragement and generosity. Our condolences go to his wife Naine and their family.

Several members of the guild attended the memorial service and Ray Smith gave an address about Arthur's involvement in the Guild.

Successful demonstration to Boyzone.

About 20 boys and their fathers turned up to view Rick demonstrate turning and Richard talk briefly about the history of turning, the uses of turned items and different timbers that could

be used. Richard had prepared tops with the guild's website on them to give out to the boys. Schwerkolts cottage.

Sunday 16th was a delightful day weather-wise, much better than forecast, although there was a bit of a breeze in the shade of the veranda where we normally set up. Thank you to all the members who turned up to demonstrate, man the sales table and talk to the many people making enquiries about the guild.

The numbers attending the heritage day seemed a bit lower than usual, although there was a lot of interest shown in the woodturning and the blacksmithing next door.

A special thanks to Val, who picked up the gear, attended the whole day then returned it at the end of the day, and to Geoff who helped Val load and unload but due to other commitments could not attend the day. Thanks also to Alan, John Osborne 2, Di and Graham who were there for a large part of the day, if not all day. Di was able to catch up with a few people who will be able to provide demonstrations at the open day.

It was also great to see Roger come along and demonstrate for a while. I had great pride in telling some of the people watching that Roger was one of our newer members and had not been turning for very long. Well done Roger for being prepared to have a go.A number of items were sold and there was and a separate table had other turned items on display.

At Schwerkolt's Cottage there were lots of young families with the fathers (and in some cases mothers as well) making inquiries about learning woodturning. Unfortunately I could only offer Thursday afternoon to learn woodturning which is not very satisfactory if the people are working full time or are attending school. It may be time to revisit looking at holding lessons or opening the workshop of an evening or on Saturdays. Venues like Schwerkolt's Cottage and the Springfest in October provide a great opportunity to advertise the Guild but I feel the opportunity is not fully utilized if we can only spark an interest but not then nurture it into joining our Guild because of the times we meet.

Demonstration at Carbatec.

Carbatec asked me to demonstrate using a lathe in their store on the weekend of the Working With Wood show. Carbatec chose not to go to the show in Williamstown but rather have their own show in their own store. They seemed very happy with the result. I was able to speak to many people & encouraged them to join a club or guild. There was some interest shown in Koonung and we may pick up some new members.

DUTA.

After demonstrating at Carbatec I managed to get to Philip Island for the Down Under Turn Around. The numbers attending were down this year with many attendees ageing and not able to come due to health.

Babs Donaldson who collects the toys you have made for Country Hope will not be coming next year due to her husband's health. Babs was so thankful for the toys and passed on her thanks to the makers. The new contact to give toys to is Larry Sloan from Wagga club. Who will be at DUTA next year.

Once again I would encourage you to attend a woodturning weekend. The ideas and knowledge gained from such a weekend is Invaluable. Pop's Shed.

Don't forget that this month we will be meeting at Pop's Shed. The meeting will start there at 9.30 am and you go directly there if you live in the east. For those that don't we will meet in the car park at Koonung at 8.45 to arrange a car pool. Springfest.

The guild will once again be demonstrating at the Whitehorse Springfest. Please fill in your preferred time to demonstrate on a lathe or man the sales table on the form to be handed around at Pop's Shed this Saturday. As well as help in demonstrating we also need turned items for sale and display.

Until the next meeting, keep turning.

Richard Jardine President

AUGUST SHOW & TELL led by Alan Thompson





Cliff Walsh and Max Lehmann turned these items from Blackwood, Hairy Oak and Celery Top Pine. Cliff's work is finished with Acrylic and EEE Max's with Shellawax.







It was good to see David Scott at the meeting and he brought along these two segmented containers. They were made from Red Pine, Sequoia, Cypress and a dark timber finished with Wipe on Poly





Graham Besley brought along his finished work from his July demonstration. On the right is his pierced whale bowl and on the following page his Red Mahogany platter with pyrography, his carved bowl which was finished with Jo Sonja burnished copper and the air brushed platter.







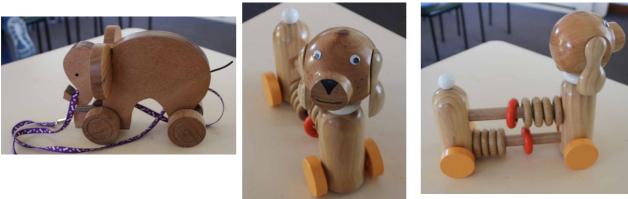






Graham also turned a birdhouse from Huon Pine and Blackwood with a Red Gum stand which was finished with Japan Black the bird was turned from Purpleheart. The Owl was turned from Pine and the eyes were dyed.





Charles Mercer made the elephant from plywood and John Osborne 2, Graham Besley and Rick Hillier made the roll along dog from Pine for the Child Care Centre next door following their donation to the Guild





John Osborne 2 turned the Camphour Laurel bowl and following Graham's demo last month tried his hand at pyrography on Himalayan Cedar platter





Above left is a Mountain Tee Trea bowl turned by Richard Jardine who also turned the screw top container above from Huon Pine and Red Gum.

On the left is a Jacaranda pen turned by Tom Beswick



Rick Hillier turned this identical pair from Blackwood. The hollow form is Tiger myrtle.







Rick also turned the item on the left from Coachwood and Blackwood, the natural edge bowl is eucalypt burl and Red Gum both item finished with Danish oil.







Roger Annells turned this domed platter from Red gum and picked up the dome from a Op shop. It is for his son in England.







Val Dal Santo made this bowl from Camphour Laurel and the platter on the left from Jarrah and finished with Glow.

JIGS



Although not many items were on show for jigs here they are.

On the left John Wheeler showed these home made tools with carbide tips, if interested see John for details.

Richard showed a collar for a tool rest, which allows you to set the height of the rest



for constant height. The jaws below have been fitted with timber which allows you to turn to your desired size easily for rechecking of your work. The items below are a connection for a





vacuum cleaner and a jig to allow docking when using the bandsaw.

Alan Thompson also showed us how to use plastic pipe for rechucking, and the use of Gift cards for templates. (sorry no pics of this)





TOYS FOR COUNTRY HOPE







Congratulations to Alan Thompson who once again took out the John Atkinson award for the best toy with his racing cars on the right.















SCHWERKOLT COTTAGE



















UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER MEETING

September Meeting September 22nd.

Will be held at Pop's Shed. The meeting will start there at 9.30 am and you go directly there if you live in the east. For those that don't we will meet in the car park at Koonung at 8.45 to arrange a car pool.

October Meeting

Saturday 27th. October Rick Hillier will be demonstrating

Whitehorse Festival Sunday October 21st.

A sheet will be passed around at the September meeting for you indicate your availability to help at this Guild event.

PRESIDENTS CHALLENGE

This years President Challenge is Jewelry and entries are due at the October meeting.

NOTICES

Annual Subs are due

Don't forget your subs are due. \$50 to Geoff in our treasurer's absence. Or you can pay by direct debit using the details below

| Account Name | Koonung Woodturners Guild INC | | | |
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| BSB | 633 000 | | | |
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Woodies Weekend Watch list

| Date | Event | Location | Contact Name | Email |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$ | Bowna | Bowna | Harry | wagga.turnabout@gmail.com |
| March | Turnabout (formerly Wagga | NSW | Dennis | dennispastoral@bigpond.com |
| | Wagga Turnabout | | | |
| $28^{th} - 29^{th}$ | Grampians U | | Jeff Willey | willey76@tpg.com.au |
| April | Turn | | _ | |
| $20^{\text{th}} - 22^{\text{nd}}$ | Forest Edge | Neerim | Mary | lakeviewmary@gmail.com |
| July | Experience | East | Reynolds | |
| $7^{\text{th}} - 9^{\text{th}}$ | Down Under | Phillip | Bruce | bctalbot@bigpond.com |
| September | Turnaround | Island | Talbot | |
| 9 th – 11 th | Roundtooit | Jindabyne | Richard | Kerry Truelove |
| November | | NSW | Nutt | 02 6457 8214 |
| | | | 0404 020 | |
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