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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi all and welcome to the June TT

Congratulations to Jim Pagonis on receiving Life Membership to the Koonung Woodturning Guild. I am sure that at some stage you have been on the receiving end of Jim's generosity be it a piece of timber, equipment, or advice on a project. Jim was on the committee for many years, drawing on his long list of woodturning fraternity friends and acquaintances and often organised all day demonstrators for our monthly meetings. He has always been kind enough to volunteer to supply and operate the BBQ for any of our club functions. He also served on the AWTEX committee for many years, taking on the arduous role of finding and keeping sponsors for the exhibition, and arranging the prizes for the AWTEX winners. Jim is well renowned for his walking sticks of which he has made plenty over the years with wins at AWTEX for some of them.



Jim kindly donated pre-turned walking sticks for the Presidents challenge, which was to make a handle for the stick. Fifteen members took up the challenge and after meticulous judging by Jim the winners were Novice-Chris Constantinou, Intermediate- Frank Larsen, Experienced – John McBrinn. All winners received a \$30 voucher which was kindly donated by Pop's Shed. Please support Pop's Shed.

Unfortunately, I was not able to attend the May meeting due to Covid but from all reports it was a good meeting. Thank you to Graham who ran the "hands on" part of the day. The hollowing exercises provided members with the opportunity to use different tools and improve their skills under tuition. I hope you all left having learnt something.

One of the programs the Cottage runs is for people with dementia, they asked if we could do a show and tell which Graham did last Wednesday.

Thank you to Roger, Gary and Graham for setting up the display at the Nunawading Library, our work will be on display until the end of June, pop down and have a look.

Our meeting this month will be at Pop's Shed starting at 9.00am, they will be demonstrating using epoxy in your woodturning, including casting your own pen blanks and using it with burls. A turning demo of cast epoxy will also be on show. Pop's Shed will also be offering special discounts (different to normal discounts) on timber and other items. Come along and support them as they also support us as mentioned earlier.

Stay Sharp

Rick Hillier.

# NOTICES

## JUNE MEETING - SATURDAY 25TH

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To avoid taking too many cars meet at the carpark opposite the community house by 8.15am cars will leave the carpark at 8.30 am sharp.



## CARBATEC 15% OFF

Paid up members of Koonung Woodturning Guild are eligible for 15% discount at CarbaTec. You will be issued with a card when subs are paid.



## MONDAY NIGHT DISCUSSION GROUP

Although the Monday night Group is well attended we would like to encourage more member to join in, especially our newer members.

The discussions are aimed at helping new and experienced turners in solving problems, improving techniques and finishing objects to obtain very high level of finish

## WEDNESDAY GROUP

Dementia Café- Graham Besley conducted a show and tell and discussion, at the cottage, with men suffering dementia. Will consider a demo at some stage after discussion with coordinator.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## JUNE MEETING 25TH

- VISIT TO POP'S SHED

## JULY MEETING

-DEMO BY G BESLEY - TURNING MEDALLIONS

## SEPTEMBER

-SCHWERKOLT COTTAGE HERITAGE FAMILY DAY ON SUNDAY 11TH

For those interested trees following events are coming up hope you can make to at least one

**Berwick Woodworkers Presents**  
Their Annual Open Weekend  
**Woodworking Display and Expo**

Friday 8 July 2022 5.00pm-8.00pm  
Saturday & Sunday 9-10 July 2022 9.00am-5.00pm

At the clubrooms  
The Old Cheese Factory  
34 Homestead Rd., Berwick

More info:  
on Phone: 049815920  
John McMahon: 0437096640  
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**Ballarat Wood & Craft Show**  
Ballarat Showgrounds  
702 Creswick Road

Sat. 10th 9 to 5pm  
Sun. 11th 10 to 4pm  
September 2022

[ballaratwoodies.org.au](http://ballaratwoodies.org.au)  
contact: r.l.holst@hotmail.com  
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Ballarat Woodworkers Guild

## SHOW AND TELL LED BY DAVID TONKIN



Graham Besley - 3 items a deep hollowed bowl from Huon Pine with perforations around the rim. Next a lidded bowl from Red Gum, then a "reimagined" bowl



Val Dalsanto - has been keeping busy in the workshop with 2 lidded containers, one in pear wood the other with a spiral effect carved into the sides



Cliff had some more segmented bud vases one with a band of pewter and the other 2 with a band of epoxy (green and black)



David Tonkin showed us these 2 pieces. One a Sea Urchin with African Mahogany finials suspended on a weighted base. The other a Blackwood and Huon Pine lidded box.



My apologies to the people who hand crafted the items in the pictures below. I lost the sheet of notes with the details.

Lovely work by all concerned



# PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

This years President's Challenge was to make a handle for a walking stick. The sticks were kindly made and given by Jim Pagonis.

The judging was in 3 sections novice, intermediate and experienced. Jim, as the judge, cast his experienced eye over the entries, he was looking for design, comfort and the transition between the walking stick and the handle.



## EXPERIENCED

Something a carpenter would come up with



## INTERMEDIATE



## NOVICE

Our 3 winners were:

Novice - Chris Constantinou

Intermediate - Frank Larsen

Experienced - John McBrinn

Special Mention to:

Alan Thompson

Rick Hillier

John McBrinn, Jim Pagonis and Frank Larsen

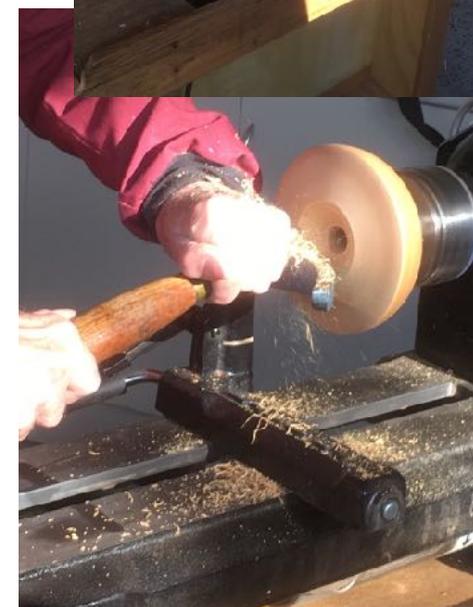


# HANDS ON DAY - HOLLOWING

Everybody seemed to enjoy our last "hand on" day



Laughs were had and new were skills learnt



But then just when you think all is going well

**Life gives you doughnuts**



Thanks to Graham and others for providing the tools and the pre-made blanks for the hollowing