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Newsletter

September 2008

Editors Report

The two major competition events for the year have finished so now is the time to get ready for the monthly competitions. As noted in last newsletter the challenge for September is for a **face plate item no bigger than 10 cm.**

Don't forget that the item must have been made within the month between competitions.

This months demonstration will be by Theo Haralampou and of course followed by the BBQ. I hope to see a great

crowd there, that is if our new grandchild doesn't yet makes an appearance and I have to fly to Melbourne.

For those newer members, Judging is done at the monthly meeting by those members attending and they can use any criteria they wish. This is not the Gold Coast Show folks, just a bit of fun. The scores will not be revealed until the competition is completed on Ken Ellis Day. The monthly winner will be announced on the day and in the next newsletter and he or she will have the pleasure of deciding on the next challenge.

Club Dinner by Mike McGee

Our next Club Dinner will be held at the Currumbin RSL on Tuesday 21st October. 6.00pm for 6.30pm will give us a bit of a chance for a chat before

we sit down. Significant Others are welcome, of course. Please let me know if you are coming by Tuesday 14th by calling me on 5590 7822

Greenslopes Demonstration by Mike McGee

You will have read in last month's newsletter about the demonstration by the American wood turner Ray Lanham at the Queensland Woodturning Society's Club at Greenslopes on the 25th of October.

Ten of us are going and they require payment of \$25.00 by the 7th of October.

Rob McKee, their Secretary, said that they have space for a couple more of us so get in quickly and give Rob a call on **07 3823 4944.**

If you are not sure if you are on the list, give me a call on 5590 7822.

The demonstration starts at 9.00am and lunch will be provided

After that closing date, he will re-open the books and will take further bookings provided they pay at the time. Unfortunately, those who have booked and not paid will miss out.

Payment can be made by sending a cheque for \$25.00 to

**The Secretary
Queensland Woodturning Society
19 Pine St
Greenslopes
Qld 4120**

Deadlines

Deadline for articles for the next newsletter is noon **Monday 8 September 2008.** Please either send articles via email to themcgees@aanet.com.au or leave in the club office addressed to the Editor, for collection.

Please Note: No articles will be accepted after the above date.

Coming Events

September

Sat 20

General Meeting
Demonstration by Theo Haralampou and BBQ

October

Sat 18

General Meeting
Demonstration and BBQ

Sat 25

Greenslopes Demonstration by Ray Lanham from the USA

November

Saturday 15

General Meeting
Demonstration and BBQ

December

Saturday 6

Christmas Party

Hands On

Monday

6.30pm—9.00 pm
(beginners)

Tuesday

8.00am—3.00 pm

Wednesday

6.30pm—9.00pm

Thursday

8.00am—12.30pm

Saturday

First of each month
1-5 p.m.

Meetings

1st Thursday of the month

7.00pm

(Committee)

3rd Saturday of the month

8.30am (General)

Gold Coast Show by Clive Woodgate

Yes, another year has gone and the show has finished. We were very lucky this year through Keith Smiths hard work talking to the Gold Coast Show Committee we were able to get extra room for our display. For the first time we were able to display some of our past winners work. Those previous winners that displayed their work were:

Bill Pennel with his secret draw table with morrie and much talked about spinning wheel;

Keith Smith with his very intricate ornamental turning;

Ron Quickenden's very famous mushroom display (we will never forget that, will we Bill),

Kevin Petersen's cedar wave bowl; Vince Wright and his farm wagon; and

Graham Braund with his novelty Victor Mowers.

The Club had the TV playing tapes on woodturning over the three days of the show which proved to be popular. People had been walking around the show all day and were glad to sit down and have a rest. This meant that they got very involved in what was going on at our display and became interested in what the club did.

I'm sure the club will come out winners, hopefully encouraging more people to join and also spreading the word about the club.

Our display won 3rd prize in the show entries. With a bit more effort and more ideas for next year we could do better so let's hear your comments at our next general meeting.

I would like to thank all members who helped to set up the show although we could have had some more help packing up. Thank you to our demonstrators Richard Lehne, Peter Poulton, David Hallett and a special thanks to Kevin Petersen for coming down from Brisbane.

Kevin said that this could be his last year at the shows as the driving and staying down here over the weekend is getting to much for him. No wonder! He never stops working and at 89 years old he is a credit to the club, a rol model for any member. I have not got enough praise for Kevin and knowing him we have not seen the last of him.

Some members expressed the view that we had only one lathe working at the show. This was partly due to not enough floor space and most of all, members not putting their name down to say what days and time they would be available.

The biggest thanks go to all members who put in entries for the show. It was a very good although it could have been better if some more of our members put in entries.

To our winners, well done. There were some good entries. Congratulations to Des Kurz for taking out Best In Show. I noticed that some of our members improved on their entries in the Mudgeeraba Show from the comments of the Judges in their reports. This is great, we want more of this. To our entries who did not get a ribbon or card, one of the biggest rewards you get is showing people what you can do if you try—well done.

Thanks to the judges from the Bay-side Club for their support and comments on the entries in the show. Some of the results were reverse of the Mudgeeraba Show. It just shows that judges have different ideas which is good in some cases (just my personal comment).

On behalf of Vince Wright, Graham Braund and myself, as stewards, we would like to thank all those who helped with the show. It went well.

Mighty thanks should go to Vince and Graham for all the work they are putting into the Club lately.

Gold Coast Show Results

Novice Combination

1. T. Dewley
2. J. Riches

Novice Face Plate

1. T. Dewley
2. T. Dewley

Novice Spindle

1. T. Dewley
2. B. Dobbs

Improvers Face Plate

1. N. Rababi
2. N. Rababi

Open Face Plate

1. N. Rose
2. J. Meikle

Open Spindle

1. J. Meikle
2. C. Woodgate

Open Combination

1. D. Kurz
2. B. Penell

Best in Show

D. Kurz

Kurt III

Kirt III one of our former members and past Secretary has passed

away. Some of the older members would remember him with his large

bowls and jardinières. Our thoughts go to his family.



Most of the winners of the Gold Coast Show.
 If your winning creation is not here please take a photo of it for publication in the next newsletter.

Out and About, by Clive Woodgate

On Monday 8 September, Graham Braund, Vince Wright and myself went to Woodland Lodge Aged Care Centre in Labrador to demonstrate woodturning.

We were met with a nice cup of tea and cakes after which we demon-

strated by making, out of camphor laurel, a bud vase with a ring on the neck. The audience loved the smell of the shavings from the spinning tops and pen. The pen was given to one of the older people at 93.

Graham was at his best with a joke or

two to keep everyone happy.

To my surprise, I saw one of our ex members at the Lodge—Bill Veivers. Bill moved to the Lodge about two weeks ago and was very happy to see us. Don't forget our ex or older members. They love to talk about the club.

Congratulations Chris Devereaux

Chris Devereux has just returned from the Northern Hemisphere.

In Chris' words, "his time away wasn't entirely wasted" as he managed to publish a 'Trilogy' of children's books and is offering them for sale to club members at 25% discount.

The stories have been classed as 'Traditional and Moral' in style, suit-

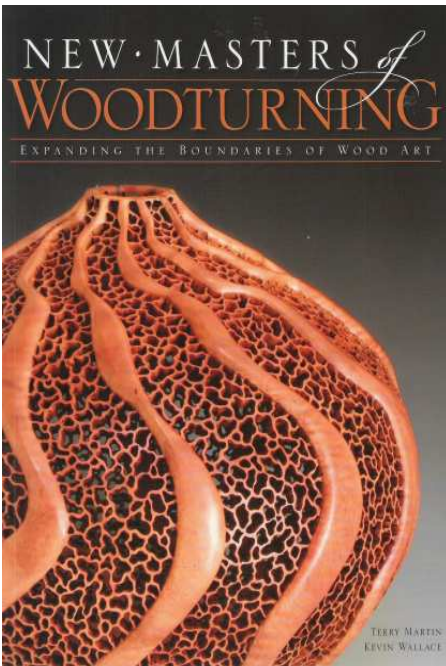
able for children from 6 years upwards, even younger if grandad helps with the reading. He has received comments from mums and dads who have said, "Thanks Chris for transporting me back to my childhood."

I'm sure we have members who would like to be transported back to childhood and some who would like their grand-

children –great-grandchildren even– to know what it was like to be a child in the days gone by, even though the stories are about animals!!!?

If you would like to know more about or purchase one or all of Chris' books log on to www.cmdbooks.com.au and mention "Woodturners" to receive a discount.–order early for Christmas.

Exciting New Book in the Library



Ian and Gwenda Morris have donated a signed copy of Terry Martin's new

book to our library. The book, 'New Masters of Woodturning' includes 31 wood artists from around the globe. Many thanks to Ian and Gwenda for this generous gesture.

To ensure controlled lending of this book it will be lent out for only 1 week at a time. Any one wishing to borrow this book should contact Peter Poulton at the club or on 55203921.

Those members who have attended Turnfest over the last few years will know Terry and his work. Terry's previous book, "Wood Dreaming" is available on the internet and further details of that book can be found at www.woodart.com.au/a_dreaming01.htm

Terry Martin grew up in Melbourne and Swan Hill on the Murray River. At the age of twenty, he left Australia to live and travel in many countries. A cornucopia of careers included sailing around

the Pacific, mining exploration in Papua New Guinea, touring the USA with the Australian Ballet, a spell as stage manager of the Royal Ballet Company at London's Covent Garden and ski patrolling in Austria.

Terry returned to Australia thirteen years later, and a chance experience introduced him to the world of woodturning. As soon as he was able to do so, he devoted himself full time to the profession. His work is now exhibited and sold in Australia and around the world. Terry lives with his family in a tree-covered suburb of Brisbane, where he continues to practise and write about the art of woodturning.

:From the internet

A Terry Martin quote from Turnfest a couple of years ago when he was doing a critique of a piece of turning submitted: "This piece looks like it was passed slowly through a live dog". He certainly has a way with words.

Kerrie's Allen's Plum Pudding



Kerrie is now taking orders for her wonderful plum puddings, they are approximately 1.7/1.8 kgs. The cost of the ingredients have had a substantial price rise, therefore this years cost is \$30.00.

You can order with Linton Allen or call 07 55907473.

October Competition

Space is rather tight so right to the crunch.

The theme for the October Meeting is "SOMETHING WITH CORNERS"

Put your thinking caps on to see what you can come up with.

New Member

The following membership application(s) were accepted at the July Committee Meeting:

Nick Beck
David White

We welcome new members and hope your association will be enjoyable and rewarding .

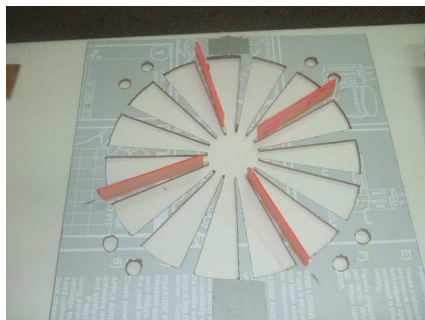
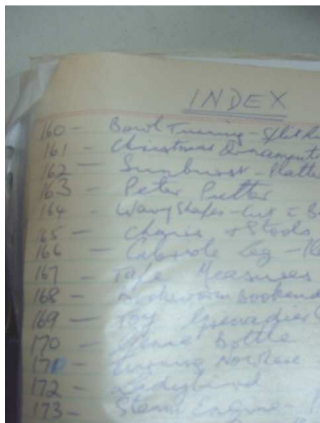
August Demonstration by Linton Allen

After the last General Meeting Anne Williamson brought some interesting jigs that belonged to Bruce MacDougall.

Bruce had the knack of working out what jig he needed and then making it himself, the two tables were filled with all sorts of different jigs, our

task was to work out what they were used for, and as you can see from the photo's Bruce certainly had an amazing imagination. Some of the jigs were worked out but there are a few that he has taken the secret with him.

Bruce had also catalogued all his plans and had them in four folders, it is absolutely amazing to read through these folders, Anne Williamson has these and if you would like to see them feel free to contact her.



Minutes from the August General Meeting

Meeting Opened at 8:37am

Apologies: Jackie McGee and Des Kurz.

Secretary Report: Minutes for Meeting 19th July presented, Anne Williamson moved be accepted and second by Peter Poulton.

Mail In: Gold Coast City Council, Rod Jeffery, Redcliffe Club, Queensland Govt. and Gold Coast City Council

Emails: Ingleside State School, Louw Trichardt, Robert McKee and Tony Sultana.

Newsletters: Toowoomba Wood, Turning Talk, West Auckland, Redwood Redcliffe, Hobbie Turner, Blackall Range and Bribie Shavings.

Harry Anstey moved the mail be accepted and second by Brian Rodgers, carried.

Business Arising: Donations to "The Honor Box" for Bruce MacDougall timber sales a poor effort.

Roster for the Gold Coast Show is to be filled out with times members are

available.

The new Bandsaw blade is blunt already.

Treasurers Report read. Clive Woodgate asked how we are going financially this year compared to previous years. Also what are the present day costs of running the club on a week to week basis, are all the fees covering this expense.

Treasurers Report be moved to be accepted subject to the information being available to Clive Woodgate question being answered next month, seconded Linton Allen, carried.

General Business:

The Bunnings Bar-B-Q was well supported by the members who helped produce a good outcome.

We need new stories and jokes for the newsletter.

Club cleaner is doing a good job.

Thank you to Vince for his mighty effort in attending too much needed work in the clubhouse grounds.

Bert Lloyd is in Allamanda Hospital and not very well at the moment.

Mullumbimby Slab Factory has requested "For Sale" items to display on their premises.

Let Mike McGee know if you wish to go to the Ray Lanham demonstration on Saturday 25th October, at the Brisbane Guild in Greenslopes.

A booking for 60 has been made at Treetops Tavern for the Christmas party on 6th December 2008.

Time to organize another dinner night down the southern end of the coast for guests, members and wives.

Gold Coast Show Society has allocated us an extra 2metres with an area to setup something different. The position is at the old spot inside the door. If we have two lathes one will have a roster to show special turnings on the public.

Could we set aside a section for several pieces of Bruce MacDougall turning work?

Forum Night at Greenslopes

Forum Night, Wednesday 17 September 2008 at Woodturners Society of Queensland Inc at Greenslopes.

Rob McKee has organised for a chap to visit our forum night who has brought into Australia a large quantity of blackwood from the Solomon Islands. As well as bringing in some

samples of the timber he will have some made available for sale at very reasonable prices (i.e. for blackwood prices) so this is an opportunity to club together with a friend or friends to buy a piece to use for your finials etc.

Rob thinks that it would be much the same as New Guinea Blackwood, black

like Ebony but with streaks of pinky brown making it more attractive than the South African Ebony.

This is probably a one off chance of purchasing some at about 10-20% of the retail price.

Contact the Club for further information.

For Sale

Beginners Woodlathe with tools

\$65.00 Phone Clive on 5578 3378 for further information.

Club Shirts—To place an order give size and \$10 deposit to Club Secretary.

THE WOODIES SHOP

Have you found that you need woodturning consumables on club day? Did you know that the club has a shop where you can stock up on popular

items. The Store Manager is Bill Egan and all Tutors have a key to the Store Room.

For sale are the following items:

- Power sanding pads of various sizes (Ray Henley specials)
- Sanding sealer
- End sealer
- Croda (60%)
- EEE polish

- Special friction polish from the Peninsula club
- 50mm cloth-backed Sandpaper (Klingspore brand) in the following grits:
120, 180, 240, 320, 400 and 600.

NOTE: All members are free to advertise in this space but the Editor needs to be notified each month if you wish to re-advertise.

Position Holders—2007/2008

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Tuesday	Bill Egan	5500 4765
Thursday	Graham Braund	5537 3462
Wednesday	Ray Mahoney	5535 2489

Phone in clubhouse—for emergencies only:

5530 2300

Links to other Woodturning Websites

This month we will list a few of the websites featuring Australian Woodturners and galleries. This is not an exhaustive list but just a few to get you interested.

Vic Wood

<http://www.ubeaut.com.au/vicwood.html>

Peter Lowe

<http://members.iinet.net.au/~peterlow/wood.html>

Keith & Jill Gwynne

<http://www.gwynne.auzy.net/>

Maiolo Winery Woodturning Gallery

<http://www.maiolowines.com.au/page5.html>

Bruce Bell Profile

<http://www.tymba.com/profile.htm>

Brendan Stemp

<http://www.brendanstemp.com.au/>

Tilba Woodturning Gallery

<http://www.tilba.com.au/tilbawoodturning.htm>

Lyndon Davies

<http://www.woodwizardcreations.com.au/>

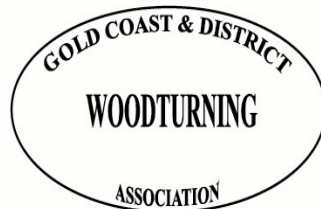
Bungendore woodworks

<http://www.bungendorewoodworks.com.au/>

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member joining during the year.



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