



The Woodworm

Newsletter of Manning-
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Woodworkers Inc.

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Some important dates for your calendar

Social Night at Club West 6th June

Bunnings 17th June (Saturday) Volunteers Please advise.

Slabbing at Joe's 3rd June, this is an opportunity to be signed off on the slabber!!! Names please to Horrie.

*Bunnings BBQ dates for the **second half** of the year are: Sunday 20th August, Sunday 15th October, Saturday 25th November, Friday 22nd December

General Club Roster

June Robyn and Roger

Gallery Roster

June 13th Geoff and Margaret

June 20th Wolfgang and Nick

June 27th Chris and Doug

Show and Tell will now be presented on the last Saturday of the month.

Please make sure you read the minutes of the meeting when you get them.

The AGM will be on 11th July at 6pm, as the club membership fees are due 30th June, only financial members are eligible to vote.

Anyone wishing to stand for election must submit signed form to executive two weeks prior to meeting.

The reason for this S&T is two-fold. Firstly it is about designs of, in this case, various bowls and the second reason is more technical.

Designs:

Two bowls of White Cedar from previous S&T are of similar design with sharp and acute angles but the timbers are cut cross-grain and end-grain which showed different grain patterns. Some minor differences are the angles of the edges of the bowls.

The latter were made of blanks that were left-overs from the Jacaranda timber that was used for the construction of the table frame for the trouser press as was commissioned from an outside request. The first Jacaranda bowl was designed with much softer lines curving up from the bottom ending up in a hollow form while the second bowl was an attempt to turn it off-centre. Unfortunately that one was not finished and the condition of the cracked and rough end-grain of the bowl will probably not allow it to be finished soon.

Technical:

This is a sequence of equipment, tools and consumables required to make a bowl from a blank of timber. It shows how to start with a round blank, how to find the centre where to drill a hole which allows the blank to be attached to the screw-chuck as displayed. There are a number of gouges and chisels that are used to do the turning, a collection of sanding papers from 120-600 grit, as well as two finishing products. If all goes well, the proud turner should then write his or her name and the type of timber on the spigot. (hint: I find the *Staedtler, permanent lumocolor* very suitable for oil or wax finished woodwork).

What this Show&Tell means for members is that:

- Many timbers can be used for turning
- If you do not have suitable timbers come to the club, we have plenty
- If you do not have some or any of the tools or equipment, come to the Club, we have it ALL available
- If you have never done any turning come to the Club and observe a few times and ask us when you are ready to have a try. We have six lathes!
- There is a treasure of experience and information from members and the well-stocked Library at your disposal.
- TURNING and other WOODCRAFTS are fun!

Submitted by.....

Nick Dykshoorn

The Sydney WOODSHOW IS ON AT Homebush 23rd – 25th June

Anyone interested in the club taking a bus please tell Horrie and if there are enough numbers it will be arranged.

Kim will be doing a member of the month each month which will feature in the Woodworm and on the web page <http://mglwoodworkers.weebly.com/>



Jim Allen

Jim's love for timber started way back as he watched his grandfather collect the logs and fashion them into coffins, he was the local undertaker

Jim followed his father into the building trade and became a carpenter/joiner by trade and then moved into larger construction work.

When he left the industry he took over the garage and now uses the "space" to fashion wooden toys, decorative pieces and the odd piece of furniture.

Jim particularly likes to work with green timber, making a shape and then watching the item twist and warp as the timber dries out. He is also rather particular about the finish he uses on the articles.

The BBQ lunch at the club was very enjoyable and well attended, we intend to do this monthly. The date will be announced when sorted out. The BBQ itself has been cleaned and the area where we sit it has also been cleaned.

New tools have been purchased and hung behind the workbench, as a shadow board has been made please return when finished.



A Rosewood Crematory Box by Horrie.



Horrie's latest masterpiece.