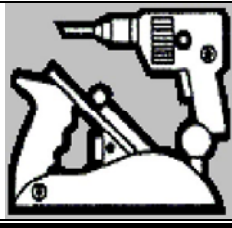


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#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

##### Club events and happenings

The club took part in the 'Fair of Excellence' which was organized by the Waverley Auxiliary of the Royal Children's Hospital at St John's Uniting Church, Virginia Street, Mt Waverley on Thursday, 31 August 2006. A large number of items was received from club members for sale, but unfortunately the occasion was rather an exhibition of craft works rather than a market. Although our table was manned for the entire day only seven articles were sold; the marquetry group, whose table was next to ours fared no better. All those whose work was sold have given the club the share of the takings (\$66) due to them.

Carba-Tec has informed us that they do not offer a discount to members unless an order of \$500 or more is placed in the club's name and on official letterhead.

Max Bray has discovered that rare earth magnets can be purchased at a shop on the corner of Springvale and Dandenong Rds. Members will remember the magnets of this type which were shown to us at the August meeting by Mike Peele.

The club was saddened to hear of the death of Kevin Baldson. Kevin was a club member of long standing, although he had been prevented by ill health in recent years from visiting the club often. Our sympathy goes to his widow and family.

The speaker for the October club night will be your unfortunate president, who has been unable to find anyone else. He will speak on the construction of mechanical clocks and will illustrate his talk with his own work.

##### September club meeting

Our guest speaker was John Baker, who gave an excellent talk on model ship construction. He displayed several examples of his work, and of these the most impressive was the H.M.S. Victory, a replica of which Nelson himself would have been proud.

##### Use of the Makita router

Members are having trouble removing router bits from the Makita router in the Triton bench. The bit is held with an inner tapered chuck which grips when the chuck nut is tightened. To remove a bit, first loosen the chuck nut with the spanner provided; the nut will now be loose but the bit will still be held firm. Next, turn the nut further by hand until it binds again. Finally, again use the spanner on the nut - this action pulls the inner chuck up a little and releases the router bit. **Under no circumstances use pliers to pull out the inner tapered chuck. This will damage the chuck.**

#### **COMMITTEE MEETING 20 SEPTEMBER**

The committee discussed the following:

The display which the club will be mounting at the Mt Waverley library in December.

The toy collection now in the tea room - another attempt will be made to contact Jenny Ruffy.

The accumulation of logs in the backyard - the problem will be attacked with a chain saw.

#### **JUST TURNING MEETING NOTES**

As reported by Helene Longton and Peter Stacey

Monday, 21 August (13 members present)

Phil Dunstan made three rosewood coasters with tile inserts.

John Baker turned a red gum ball (the size of a softball) and stand. John also brought along a finely turned perfume bottle holder with stopper. Finish was triple E and Shellawax.

Bob Lorensene brought along his signature toadstools - timber was fig, callistemon, pink ivory, pencil cedar, Australian ebony and a golden ash bowl.

Ian Heffernan brought along a "whirligig" made of turpentine, sassafras and toothpicks. He used a small ball

bearing to assist the rotation feature. Finish was with triple E and Shellawax.

Manfred Linke made a low bowl /platter from Tasmanian oak.

Bob Morrison brought along a band-sawn box made from blackwood many years ago. The timber grain markings had the appearance of a sunrise.

Ron Jones brought along a banksia nut Christmas bell decoration and three pens, one of ebony, another laminated and the third made from 'stabilized' burl timber.

Max Bray brought along a small-lidded container, big enough to hold toothpicks or similar objects.

Bill David brought along a banksia nut container for an oil-burning candle.

Peter Stacey brought along a cord hanger, made from eight mushroom shaped knobs on a pine mount.

Helene Longton brought along her miniature of a lady at the races, with a large hat and music sheet, "I feel Pretty".

#### Monday, 11 September (11 members present)

Alex Morey, in a departure from his usual work, presented an interesting children's play tea-set made from green timber, believed to be some type of wattle. Alex said it was a pleasure to work with wet wood, and a project that was only going to be a cup or two, finished up becoming a full tea-set. Finish was polyurethane.

Phil Dunstan's contribution, was a red gum table lamp which will have a lead-light lampshade. The finish was Organoil.

Manfred Linke presented a small bowl turned from mango. It was finished with linseed oil and Triple EEE. It is good to see another turner prepared to try linseed oil as a timber finish.

Bob Morrison showed us a matched pair of lidded containers turned from goncalo alves. They were turned some time ago for a competition and had won second place. Bob also showed us a goblet he turned from golden elm, which was finished with Triple EEE and Glow.

Ron Jones continues to impress with the quality of work he has produced. Ron presented an attractive lidded container, which was finished with several coats of Danish Oil and Shellawax.

Praveen Nathaniel brought along several bottle stoppers he has made from unknown timber believed to be a fruitwood, possibly native cherry. The finish was Danish Oil.

Helene Longton presented two bowls turned from camphor laurel (finished with Triple EEE and Shellawax), two matched candlesticks turned from camphor laurel and tallowwood (still to be finished), a screwdriver handle turned from cotoneaster and finally three cork bottle stoppers turned from Vic ash.

Geoff Allen decided to give himself a challenge by turning a bowl from a large banksia nut. According to Geoff's description of how the work proceed, it appears it was more of a challenge than he expected. Still, the results have been well worth the effort and he has given us something to aim for.

#### Monday, 4. September (nine members present)

Alex Morey brought along a vase from banksia nut; Alex had a most unusual idea for this nut. He filled the natural openings of the nut, with different colours of Selleys timber filler. The colourings were added to the filler before it was put into the opening - a vase of many colours!

Bob Morrison brought along a large pine spinning top turned from three blocks glued together. When tested, it spun for some time.

Bob Lorensene made an interesting Christmas tree from his banksia nut with bells made from escallonia, streamers made from camphor laurel and a star at the top the tree from a slice of banksia nut. Bob also made some mushrooms from cypress pine, rubber tree, privet, abelia, and diosma. Bob's mushrooms now number 108 – all of different species of timber.

Praveen Nathaniel brought along his ash bowl now completed, and a 10" high salt and pepper grinders. Praveen also showed a myrtle part-turned dish, which had gone somewhat thin.

John Baker turned a lovely small, squat, lidded container of ebony. John had also turned a mallee root burl into a bowl with natural edge. John commented on how hard this timber was.

Geoff Allen brought along a banksia nut – one of his first efforts at turning. He assures us he will turn another nut in the future.

Alex Morey suggested an identical pair (of anything) for the next turning project.

#### Monday, 18 September (nine members present) (items marked \* are pictured in the colour supplement)

Manfred Linke showed us a bowl\* turned from Tasmanian oak and finished with linseed oil, EEE – Ultra Shine.

Bob Morrison's contribution to the evening was two large bowls.\* One was from chestnut and the other from Chinese elm; both were still to have their polishing and finish coats.

Bob Lorensene presented his first attempt at a 'matched pair'. These were two small 'weed pots' turned from Irish strawberry and another small weed pot turned from camphor laurel. Fellow turners were starting to be disappointed when there was no sign of a mushroom, but he presented a small one turned from peppercorn. ☺

Peter Kerr showed us two small bowls,\* one from coastal banksia and the other from myrtle. Peter also presented a rosewood box.\* The finish on the pieces included sanding sealer, EEE and finally Shellawax. The results showed it was worth the effort.

John Baker presented a natural edge bowl\* turned from a red gum burl; it was 'work in progress' and still needed the underneath to be finished. It was obviously a job that presented some challenges, but he was meeting and overcoming them with great success. John also showed us a pen he turned from olive.

Phil Dunstan turned a small bowl (?) from blue spruce. After some discussion and 'tongue in cheek' we suggested that it could serve as a Plover egg cup. However, it would also serve well as a toothpick holder. It was finished with EEE and Shellawax.

#### Phillip Island Down Under Turn-Around, 8-10 September

This turning weekend (10th Anniversary) was attended by 130 people with between 60 to 70 lathes. One couple, Fred and Wilma Holder from Seattle, was in Australia for a month, and demonstrated at various venues along the east coast. Three members came from Wagga Wagga's club and three from NZ, including Terry Scott. Over \$2000 was raised with a silent auction and a raffle and this money will go to the Wonthaggi hospital.

#### Latrobe Valley Woodturning & Woodworking Club invitation to Knox and Warragul and Phillip Island Clubs, 12 September

This meeting was held at Heritage Park, Moe and proved a great success. Heritage Park is a showcase of the early days – stores, businesses, school, church, doctors surgery and home, theatre, a one-bed goal, Cobb and Co Inn, National Bank, fire station, solicitor, garage, newsagent, photographic museum and many early model cars, hearses and buggies. What else could you want?

Open "Clubs" Day will be held at Heritage Park, Moe on Saturday, 18 November, from 9am to 4pm. A barbecue will conclude the event. Club members are invited to come, and entry will be to wearers of club badges. As with the Phillip Island Turn-Around and the Wagga Wagga Turn-About, turners are invited to bring their lathes and turn as well as sell their wares. Trestles will be provided to set up. Information about this day is on leaflets near the attendance book.

#### Story of the month

Ron Barassi recently reported a conversation he had with Gary Cowton: "I told him, 'Son, what is it with you? Is it ignorance or apathy?' He replied, 'Barass, I don't know and I don't care.'"

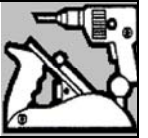
**Discounts available from the following:** These companies offer discounts to members of the Waverley Woodworkers.

**Note:** Discounts are only available on presentation of your current membership card.

<b>Australian Wood Panels</b> , 40-42 Winterton Rd., Clayton.	9543 5033
<b>Baileys Toolbank</b> . Unit 4 Rowen Crt. Box Hill.	9897 1911
<b>Blackwoods</b> , 31 Fowler Rd., Dandenong (ask for Cyril)	9518 2222
<b>The Delta Group</b> Shed 2, 577 Plummer St. Port Melbourne	1300 887 558
<b>Flatman's Timber &amp; Hardware</b> . High Street Road. Syndal.	9802 9211
<b>A. Lewis &amp; Co</b> . 302 Jasper Rd., Ormond.	9578 6218
<b>Malvern Paint &amp; Timber Finishes</b> . 1933 Malvern Rd., Malvern East	9885 2883
<b>Magnetic Abrasives</b> . 286 Neerim Rd., Carnegie.	9571 6811
<b>Mathews Timbers</b> . 125 Rooks Rd., Vermont.	9874 1666
<b>Moorabbin Timber</b> . 230 Wickham Rd., Moorabbin.	9553 0155
<b>Sachy's Industries</b> , 43 Browning Drive, Glen Waverley.	9803 2370
<b>Shiver me Timbers</b> , 217 Kororoit Creek Rd. Williamstown.	9397 5993
<b>Woodworking Warehouse</b> . 11 Citrus St. Braeside.	9587 3999

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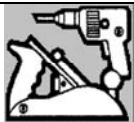
## Workshop Opening Times

### General woodwork

### Special interest groups

Monday (only on public holidays)	9 am –12 noon	Monday: <b>Assisted woodwork</b>	9 am –12 noon (except public holidays)
Tuesday	9 am –4 pm		
Wednesday	9 am –12 noon	Monday: <b>Carving</b>	1:30 pm to 4:30 pm
Thursday	Closed		
Friday	9 am –12 noon	Monday: <b>Wood Turning</b>	7:30 pm – 9 pm
Saturday	9 am –12 noon Dec. to February 9 am –4 pm March to November		
Sunday	Closed	<b>Club Night: Second Weds. of the month</b>	7:30 pm – 9 pm

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WELCOME TO THE COLOUR SUPPLEMENT!

Unfortunately, only a small selection of members' work can be shown.



Bob Morrison (two bowls)



Peter Kerr (box and bowl)



John Baker (bowl)



Manfred Linke (bowl)