
FROM
All of us
To all
of you
Merry
Christmas

SAFETY MATTERS

A REMINDER ABOUT WORKSHOP SAFETY

We must all keep in mind the importance of WORKSHOP SAFETY. Please THINK and ACT responsibly at all times. It is up to all of us to fulfill our commitment by wearing at all times;

- Dust masks
- Protective glasses
- Suitable clothing
- Footwear
- Ear protection

It does not hurt to discuss safety with other members if they are not doing the right thing.

ARTICLES FOR NEWSLETTER

Could I please ask those members who attend our demonstrations, maxi-days etc; if you could take some photographs and a brief description of the event so these can be published in the newsletter I am sure all members would be interested in reading about the events of the day. Thank you…..Editor.

CUT OFF DATE FOR ARTICLES

Please note the cut off date for articles to be included in the Newsletter is the last day of the month. All members are welcome to submit articles for inclusion.

Please send them to the editor;

Email address: editorwesturn@outlook.com

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT DECEMBER 2021

After being delayed for five months the Club was finally able to hold its AGM and what a turnout, which was very much appreciated by all who were involved in its organisation. The atmosphere on the day was one of comradery and togetherness, all joined in the pursuit of ensuring this club will continue to be the strong community minded club that its founders intended it to be.

As the Club's new President, I have many to thank for the successful day that it was and I pledge that I and the new committee, that has been entrusted by you with its management, will continue to ensue that this Club will continue as the number one woodturning club of NSW. Bob Young, who retired as President at the AGM, has served the Club well for the many years that he has held office and whether you have agreed or disagreed with his management style, the Club grew and prospered under his leadership and I know that that growth will continue well into the future with the new committee. As I have been the Treasurer for the past three and a half years I have been in a unique position to evaluate, not only the Club's finances, but also the day to day management of the Club, its aims and purposes for its existence and its ongoing role in the community.

I, and the Club's new committee, are committed to continuing those aims and the Club's growth so that the work that has been done in the past, to ensue that our Club is number one, will continue and as far as we are concerned the Club will remain the number one woodturning club in NSW. I believe, you the members, have chosen a well rounded and experienced team who will continue the work that has been done before and we as a team have no intention of changing what has been done before. A bit of tweaking, here and there, is always necessary, as times change and we will continue to review, as and when necessary, the various aspects of the Club's day to day running. The demanding times that have seen the Club closed for 3 months of this year are hopefully behind us and we can look forward to the New Year confident that we will come out of this pandemic stronger and wiser and continue to provide a meeting place for everyone's benefit.

Many thanks are extended to Manny Farrugia, Ray Smith, Eddie Catford and John Connaughton for their assistance on the Saturday before the AGM to give the Club a bit of a clean and get it prepared for the big day. Thanks fellas, your help was much appreciated. Also, many thanks to Jill Catford, Jenny Coombes and Katie Moore, who volunteered their time to see that we were all well fed and well watered, also to Paul for his BBQ skills and a big thank you to all that contributed to the success on the day.

Western Sydney Woodturners Inc is your Club, let us continue in strength and unity to keep it that way. There will always be those with differing opinions and disapproving of change or something different being introduced but we will continue to listen and act appropriately where necessary, to your positive feedback and support. The Club is there for everybody to enjoy their hobby in a safe and friendly environment.

Until next issue…. I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year …. Les Coombes (President)

Club Committee

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Eddie Catford and Les Coombes

Stores, Equipment & Maintenance: Manny Farrugia, Dave Matthews, Graham Dawes (JP), Bob Young and Ron Devine.

Welfare Officer: Alan Eipper

If you have any suggestions or information concerning the club please contact any of the above committee members.



Club Hours

Mon-Thurs: 8:30am – 4pm….$5

Friday Nights: 5pm – 9pm….$3

Saturday Turning:

Ladies Day – 2nd Saturday…$5

Contact: Anna Dawes –

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3rd Saturday of Month

8.30am – 4.00pm….$5

Contact: Les Coombes –

0404 001 562

Maxi Day – 3rd Sunday

11:00am—2:00pm….$6

(Lunch included)

PLEASE NOTE:

Maxi Days are cancelled at the present time due to Covid



Club Meetings

Second Tuesday of the month 7pm

Shop items

Ozzie Grit

Friction Polish

Sanding Sealer

Sandpaper

Club Shirts

Dust Jackets

Club Badges

Pen Kits

Pen Blanks – Acrylics

Lazy Susan Bearings

Cheese Knives

Salt Mills

Pepper Mills

Many more items also available



A very big thank you to Michelle Rowland MP, the Member for Greenway, for her continued support which includes the printing of this newsletter.

The AGM for 2021 is now done and dusted and the new committee has been chosen for 2021 / 2022. I was expecting a reasonably quiet day but that wasn't to be. With over 40 appetites to be satisfied before the AGM the ladies who looked after the distribution of lunch were kept very busy. All in all it was a very pleasing result to welcome as many of you to the Club and be able to join with you to celebrate not only the success of the Club but to a man who has diligently steered the Club through fine and foul weather for the past 9 years and not forgetting that behind the man is a wife who stood side by side with him through the thick and the thin of that time. Lynette Young, it was a great pleasure on my part to be able to present to you a bouquet of flowers in appreciation of your commitment and dedication also.





I remarked to Bob that it will be doubtful if any one will be able to beat his score of 9 years in the top job as the average age of members is around 70, I know I won't be able to better it and nor will I be trying to. Good one Bob!!! I also had the pleasure to present to Bob, on behalf of the members, a plaque with the positions he has held and the length of service given printed on it. It was brought to my attention that Bob has been a member for 16 years and has held office for fifteen of those years which means he has served the Club as a committee member for 94% of his membership. Again, congratulations on a job well done.



Hopefully, within a few weeks we will be out of the woods as far as pandemics are concerned and we will be able to resume a reasonable existence once more without all the restrictions that made living difficult and uncertain.



I would like to acknowledge David Searles contribution to the Club as he is retiring as our Secretary. This is one job that takes up a lot of time and energy and David served diligently while he occupied this position. Well done David, thanks for all the effort you put into the task.



Another I want to thank is Steve Attard who stepped down as Vice President this year and will be leaving Sydney with his family and moving to sunny Queensland in several weeks time. We all wish them the best of luck and our thoughts and well wishes go with them.









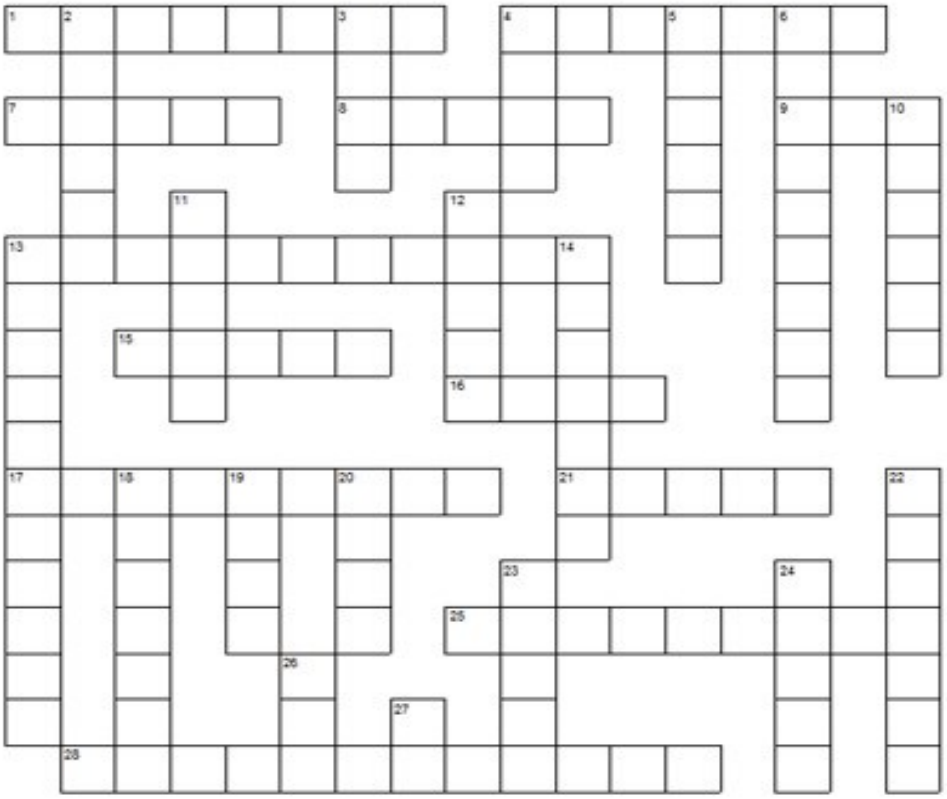





Merry Christmas

Christmas Words Crossword





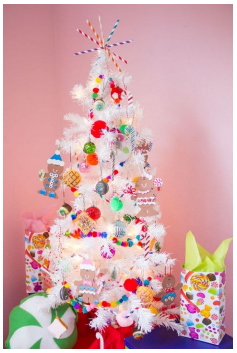
Across

1. HUNG BY FIREPLACE WITH CARE
4. COUNTRY WHERE ELVES WORK
7. A TREE TOP WITH WINGS
8. MAKER OF SANTA'S TOYS
9. CHRISTMAS COLOR - can also be very hot for those that want it that way
13. RING WHEN REINDEER MOVE
15. PLACE TO PURCHASE GIFTS
16. WHITE PRECIPITATION
17. OCCURS ON H_20 DECEMBER 25
21. COLOR OF CHRISTMAS that can also be used for a tree color.
25. RED AND WHITE CHRISTMAS CANDY
28. WHEN THE MICE WERE SLEEPING

Down

2. SHINY ICICLE ON XMAS TREE
3. ALPHABET MINUS 1 LETTER (FRENCH)
4. PACKAGES PUT UNDER IT
5. BRIGHTEST TREE ORNAMENTS
6. SANTA'S HOME
10. SANTA'S STRONGEST REINDEER
11. WHAT YOU GIVE AT CHRISTMAS
12. SANTA'S LAST NAME
13. $C_6H_80_6$
14. MISER WHO GOT CHRISTMAS SPIRIT
18. RED NOSED DEER
19. BRIGHT SHINING SPOT IN SKY 1ST XMAS like in "Hollywood"
20. LEAVE FOR SANTA TO DRINK and no it is not beer, even though some might think it is OK
22. 3 BRILLIANT MEN BRINGING GIFTS
23. GLASS SPHERICAL TREE ORNAMENTS
24. CHRISTMAS SONGS
26. SANTAS WIFE
27. CHRISTMAS MORNING what I usually see very late in the work day.









STEVE ATTARD



THIS MONTH'S MEMBER UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT...



I have been a member of Western Sydney Woodturners since 2013 as I work fulltime I attend the club on Friday nights and when I have a day off work if possible. I'm a plumber by trade working across some large projects around Sydney. I began my working life in 2003 where I was a cabinet maker. I finished my trade and went into retail for seven years when an opportunity to get back into a trade arose and I jumped at the opportunity and have been in the plumbing industry since then.

WHY I JOINED THE CLUB ...

A good friend of mine, Eric Priem, saw some of my early pieces of turning and other woodwork and recommended I attend the club to see what it was about. His father, Simon Priem, was a member for many years and after admiring his work for many years I couldn't resist going along one Friday evening.

BEING A MEMBER OF WESTERN SYDNEY WOODWORKERS ...

Being a member for 8 years the club has brought me a lot of enjoyment as well as a place to develop my skills in the art of turning as well as passing on the knowledge I have learnt onto other fellow members. Over the last couple of years I have been incorporating resin into my turning and being able to be creative with a number of pieces and develop my own type of style. Resin has opened up a different perspective on timber that most would consider firewood.

DO I OWN A LATHE ...

I'm the proud owner of three lathes and I'm still trying to work out how to use all the three at once but they all get used and all serve a purpose. I have a Woodfast mini lathe on which I turn pens and handles. My Vicmarc Vl200 is my lathe for larger and longer pieces and for very large pieces I have an old clunker that I purchased from the club.

























Many dogs, like some humans, do not like open stairs. All Guide Dogs have to be able to negotiate open stairs, so if a dog has a problem with open stairs it lengthens and increases the cost of training. Those dogs that fail the stairs cannot continue on to become Guide Dogs.

Experience has shown that if puppies have these stairs to play on at the very start of their life they grow up without any fear of open stairs. This means both the cost of training and failure rate is reduced.

The photos were sent to me, together with a book on the history of Guide Dogs NSW/ACT as a thank you. There was also a hint that a couple more would be appreciated.

If you are interested in making some of these steps the Club will provide the necessary and you can do the rest. See Alan Eipper or myself at the club.





The most I can do for my friend
is simply to be his friend.
I have no wealth to bestow on him.
if he knows that I am happy in loving him,
he will want no other reward.

Henry David Thoreau (1817—1862)

Members Welfare Report

The welfare of members and their families is important to our club. Please let me know if you or someone you know is unwell, or worse still, no longer with us.

Let me know at my email address: aeipper@bigpond.net.au

or

Text me on 0418640326

Nothing to report this month

No cards sent

If anyone has been missed, be assured that the good wishes and

sympathies of our club are with you and your family.

Stay Safe ... Alan Eipper….Welfare Officer



HEALTH AND WELFARE ADVICE

I know you shouldn't believe everything you read. (A wise man once told me this) but there are some interesting aspects to this consultation that are, maybe, worth considering.

Q: Doctor, I've heard that cardiovascular exercise can prolong life. Is this true?

A: Heart only good for so many beats, and that's it... Don't waste time on exercise. Everything wears out eventually. Speeding up heart not make you live longer; it's like saying you extend life of a car by driving faster. Want to live longer? - Take nap.

Q: Should I reduce my alcohol intake?

A: Oh no. Wine made from fruit. Fruit very good. Brandy distilled wine, that means they take water out of fruity bit so you get even more of goodness that way. Beer also made of grain. Grain good too. - Bottoms up!

Q: What are some of the advantages of participating in a regular exercise program?

A: Can't think of one, sorry. My philosophy: No pain...very good!

Q: Aren't fried foods bad for you?

A: YOU NOT LISTENING! Food fried in vegetable oil. How getting more vegetable be bad?

Q: Is chocolate bad for me?

A: You crazy?!? HEL-LO-O-O!! Cocoa bean! Another vegetable! It best feel-good food around.

Q: Is swimming good for your figure?

A: If swimming good for figure, explain whale to me.

Q: Is getting in shape important for my lifestyle?

A: Hey! 'Round' is also a shape!

Well... I hope this has cleared up any misconceptions you may have had about food and diets.

Finally, the Doctor summed up: Look mister, Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in an attractive and well-preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways - Beer in one hand - chocolate in the other - body thoroughly used up, totally worn out and screaming "WOO-HOO, what a ride my life was"!!!!!

Eat whatever you like because you will still DIE, don't allow motivational speakers deceive you.

1. The inventor of the treadmill died at the age of 54.
2. The inventor of gymnastics died at the age of 57.
3. The world bodybuilding champion died at the age of 41.
4. The best footballer in the world Maradona died at the age of 60.

BUT ...

5. The KFC inventor died at 94.
6. Inventor of Nutella brand died at the age of 88.
7. Imagine, cigarette maker Winston died at the age of 102.
8. The inventor of opium died at the age of 116 in an earthquake.
9. Hennessey Cognac inventor died at 98.

How did these doctors come to the conclusion that exercise prolongs life?

The rabbit is always jumping up and down but it lives for only 2 years and the turtle that doesn't exercise at all, lives 400 years.

So, take some rest, Chill, stay cool, eat, drink and enjoy your life !!!

Quote of the Month: Wrinkles mean you laughed a lot, a big belly means you ate and drank a lot, grey hair means you cared a lot and scars mean you lived a lot.

Author: The Doctors receptionist

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Library Update

Please note DVD's have been moved from the cupboard outside the store into the library.

VHS videos have been scrapped due to their poor condition. Thanks to Anna and Graham for their help.

Please ensure any magazines which belong to the club are returned.

Thanks….Rod Brown



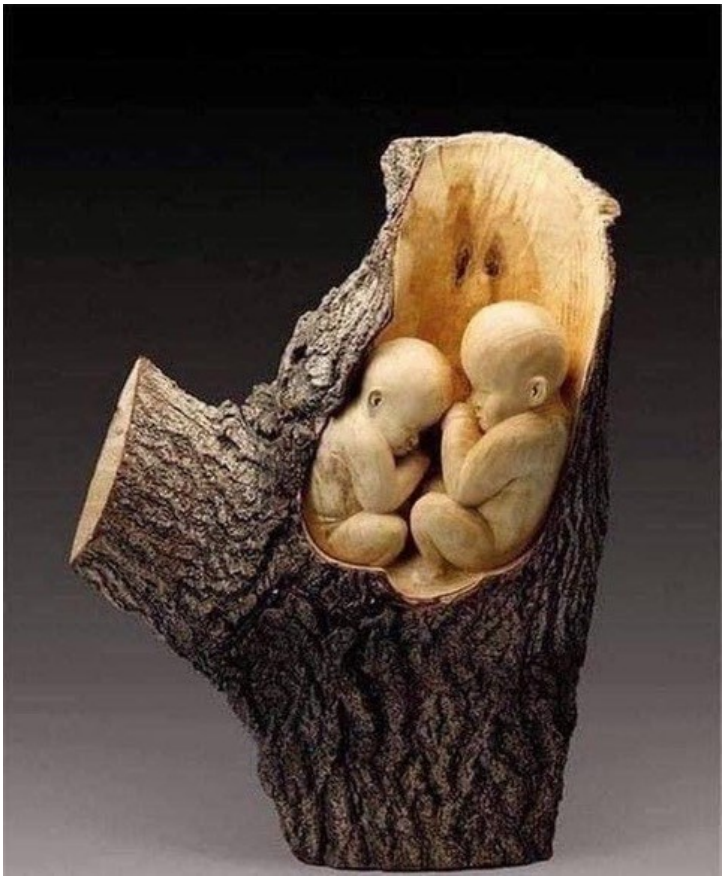




Member Birthdays December			
Member #	Short Name	Surname	Member since
3830	Joshua	Perera	Feb-19
2515	Scott	Landall	Nov-07
3658	Stormy	Fairweather	Feb-15

AN IMPORTANT NOTE TO ALL

The plastic bins that are provided for sawdust **are not to be used for general rubbish**. Quite often items are found in these bins that should have been placed in the garbage bins that are also provided. Please do the right thing and don't be a lazy slob who chooses to make work for others. The sawdust is taken away to be used on gardens and if it has general rubbish mixed in with it we will lose this method of disposal and all members will be required to take the sawdust they generate with them when they leave the premises to dispose of as they wish.



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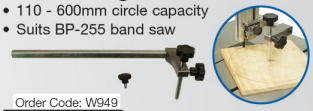
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Item 10 **Right and Wrong Safety Equipment Use** **December 21**

IF YOU HAVE THESE ITEMS IN YOUR TOOL BOX IT IS **RIGHT** TO USE THEM.

NOTE

THE ITEMS INDICATED ARE THE MINIUM STANDARD AND EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO UPGRADE TO SUPERIOR AND BETTER QUALITY.



IF YOU HAVE THESE ITEMS IN YOUR TOOL BOX IT IS **WRONG** NOT TO USE THEM.

NOTE

They are of **NO** value to you in the tool box.
Safety is paramount and there is no substitute or reason for disregarding the importance of using the proper equipment.
Remember **SAFETY** should always be your 1st priority.

Eddie C

Note: As in all professions there are many and varied opinions and ways of doing things. This is true of woodturning. These articles are a result of my reading various publications.