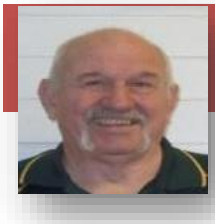
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT SEPTEMBER 2018

Well it is that time again for a President's report.

As most of you know Bob Young has not been well and he has had a stint in hospital, it is hoped that he is doing as he is told and well on the road to recovery by the time that you read this report.

As you will have noticed the club has had some tools for sale recently that have been donated to the club by various people. I am sure that all who were fortunate enough to have been able to purchase some of these tools are satisfied with their purchases.

Bob has been in touch with Mt Druitt Hospital and some of their wish list items have already been purchased and a formal hand over will take place once Bob has recovered and is well enough to attend again.

Now that the weather is starting to warm up there are more invitations being received at the club to attend various demonstrations and outside functions so the new trailer is getting a work out and the setup of the trailer is gradually being refined so that it is becoming more user friendly. Development of the set up will continue and constructive input is listened to.

With these demonstrations increasing it would be good to see some new members attend some of these as they are a good day and often result in good sales of not only charity bowls bit also of the member's products, so it is an opportunity for you to have your hobby help to subsidize itself.

How many hobbies are you aware of that can lay claim to this.

Finally, please remember that if you are using any club equipment and you are unlucky enough to have the equipment fail or break on you, then please remember to tell the convener so that the equipment can have remedial action taken. How frustrating is it to go to use something only to find that it has been broken and no one has bothered to report it.

Also, please remember to return club equipment to the store once you have finished using it, someone else may be waiting for it. Hopefully Bob Will be back on deck soon and he will be able to do next month's report.

Till then happy turning Paul De Belle

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If you have any suggestions or information concerning the club please

Shop items

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Many more items also available

Shop Trading Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9am – 10:30am

12:45 – 1:30pm

Friday nights: 7pm – 7:30pm

See Les Coombes or Bob Young for more details



Thanks to Michelle Rowland MP, The member for Greenway, for her continued support which includes the printing of this newsletter

Club Trading Hours

Mon-Thurs: 8:30am – 4pm $5

Friday Nights: 5pm – 9pm $3

Third Saturday of the month:

9am – 3pm $5

Contact: Les Coombs –

0404 001 562

Ladies Day – Second Saturday of the month: $5

Contact: Anna Dawes – 9638 6995

tandawes@optusnet.com.au

Maxi Day – Third Sunday of the month:

From 10:00am

(Lunch included) $6

This month 21/10/2018 AT 11AM is Power carving/Embellishment using Proxon, Dremel and Ozito

Club Meetings

Second Tuesday of the month –

FOR SALE

Members don't forget we have a lot of Cherry, Sapele, Walnut, European Oak and Alder bench tops for sale at the club!

FREE CORIAN

White - 12mm and 20mm thick

Black - 12mm thick

Gray - 12mm thick

Pens wanted for the Australian Troops overseas

We are supporting our troops overseas if you have any spare pens you would like to donate please give them to the Convener on the day.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to all our members this month. We hope you have a great day with many more to come.

Name	Member since
Alex Szabo	Dec - 14
Barbara Clarke	Mar - 15
Ben Smith	Feb - 10
Bob Williams	Mar - 11
Eddie Catford	Oct - 07
Gary Hansell	Dec - 06
John Miles	Jun - 13
Kerry Boyce	Feb - 15
Kim Reeves	Jan - 17
Murray Irwin	Feb - 18
Rob Stewart	Jan – 10
Robyn Mahoney	May - 03
Rohan McArdell	Jul - 03
Ryan Newell	Mar - 15
Steven Attard	Mar - 14
Tom Byrne	June - 17

New Member

Welcome to all our new members this month. We hope your stay is both long and rewarding.

Coming Events

October fest Cnr Caroline Chisholm Drive &Wilmot Avenue Winston Hills. Sales and Demonstration 14/10/2018
Set Up 7-8.30am.Starting 9am to 4pm.

November

Shelley Public School Blacktown
5pm to 9pm Sales and Demonstration
Friday 30th November 2018

Any members interested in going to these eventsplease put your name on the clipboards at the club

Club Charity
Mount Druitt Hospital Children's Ward

We very much appreciate all the work members have done to make and sell Charity bowls; so far this year we have collected $8,614 towards our Charity
With the Stitches and Craft shows soon we need lots more Charity bowls please

Welfare

It's always nice to get a card from the members of the club when you are sick at home or in hospital.

If you are aware of any members or their families who are sick or in hospital please tell the welfare officer Rob Stewart or any members of the Committee.

MENTORING REPORT

Our Student Mentoring program starts again in Term 3 if you would like to be a mentor, please see Barbara.

All mentors need to have a working with Children approval. If you have done yours please check it is still valid or to apply visit

https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-working-children-check

Librarian Report

Our Library has some 176 books, 155 DVD's and 199 magazines which are all available to members.

Please ensure that you include your membership number and name when booking things out of the Library.

B S REPORT OCTOBER 2018

Unbelievable, another month has gone by and what has happened? Well, plenty actually.
Of course it all had to start with a BBQ for Lions at the drags (done that joke before). As I am the acting Catering Officer, I ordered the quantities of food listed by the actual Catering Officer who is away on a 3 months holiday in WA. By one o'clock we had sold out of everything except a bit of bacon. The organisers said it was one of their biggest meets. As we were about 20 kms out of town, it was hard to get extras. The day after the drags, Chris and I had arranged to meet a friend in Canberra to see Floriade. Took the van and stayed at Avina c'van park which is a highly commercial place. Floriade was nothing compared to the previous visit about 10 years ago. It was very disappointing and very small. (pic 1&2)





The following day we went to this tulip farm, privately owned and absolutely superb, peaceful with quiet music playing. (pic 3,4 &5)




Of course, everyone who goes to Canberra has a look around the place, we went to Cockington Green which hasn't changed much and nor has Black Mountain with Telstra Tower.



All of us met up back at home with another friend joining us. That weekend we had a big BBQ for Spring fest, which is a large festival for the town. To keep the visitors happy, one was interested in gold detecting and of course we had to finish the day with a sausage sizzle, just to make a change.
How was your month?
Ken.





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Drought Appeal

Two motions tabled and passed at the August meeting were:

1. ***The club make a donation of $500.00 to the drought appeal and that this be a one off situation and not to be the normal in the future.***

2 ***For a period of two months members will be given the opportunity To make a personal donation to the drought appeal.***

These donations are to be added to the club donation and distributed via an organisation that is:
(a), To be determined, and

(b) That does not subtract administration expenses etc.

Members wishing to make a donation should place it in the locked box on the Front Desk. The box will be cleared by the Treasurer with the donations being secured in the shop safe. All donations will remain anonymous.

Secretary
16 August 2018.

Meet a member



With so many members and the different days members attend, it's often difficult to meet everyone in the club. This is the fourth in a series of interviews that Westurn is doing with members.

Branka Hedges member since March 2011

Wes What things do you make
Branka I've made Pens, Bowls, Candle Holders & Clocks I also play around with Casting Resin and have incorporated it into Pens Clocks and small bowls.

Wes When did you learn to turn and why
Branka I learnt to turn at our Club. I've always loved Wood and wanted to create something special.

Wes What do you like about the club.
Branka Our club members are very experienced and talented People and are willing to share their knowledge and experiences about Woodturning/Woodworking.

Wes Where were you born
Branka I was born in Croatia (Former Yugoslavia) in 1960. We emigrated to Australia in 1969 as my parents wanted a better life for us. The move to Australia was the best decision my parents ever made. I wouldn't live anywhere else in the world.

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Wes Are you still working.
Branka I worked in the Printing Industry for approx.. 25 years. I was an account manager for Magazines such as Good Weekend, NRMA Open Road & many others. and then a Print Advisor for Westpac Bank//Bankers Trust.
I've been working for my brother for just over 10 years. I help manage his business. It's fantastic working with family.

Wes Do you sell the things you make
Branka Over the years I've sold lots of Pens. Bowls are always gifted.

Wes Do you have a lathe at home
Branka Yes I do but I don't spend much time on it.

Wes Do you go to the club Demonstration days.
Branka Because I still work full time and look after my elderly Mum my time is limited.
I've only been to two Demonstration Days which I enjoyed immensely.
I would love to go to more Demonstration days in the future.

Wes How many days a week do you come to the club
Branka I come along on Friday nights only. It's a great way to unwind with some wonderful people.

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Stitches and Craft Show Canberra August 2018






Bob Young President August 2018

LINWOOD HOUSE September 2018.

I arrived around 7:50am, Don arrived around 10 minutes later, Roan arrived not long after that. We got the trailer unloaded and all set up by 9am. It was a lovely sunny day, a good day was had by all. We made a bit for charity, we made some tops for the kids and we each sold some items too. .




Dave Matthews

Maxi Day Demonstration Day Sunday 16th September



Demo 1
Anna Dawes
Bowl centre Saver



Demo 2
Robyn Mahoney
Miniature turning

Anna did the first demonstration from 11am to midday showing the use of the club's two bowl saves.







This is great equipment and if you have a large billet of timber it's possible to get over five bowls from the one piece.
https://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/p/99/2478/Bowlmaker-Inc-Mike-Mahoney-on-the
http://www.andycolewoodturning.com

Robyn joined the members for the second demo 1 pm to 2 pm to show her miniatures turning. To turn miniatures you need a miniature set of tools and to hold these fine items Robyn uses a Jacobs chuck in the head stock with some hot melt glue for added support.















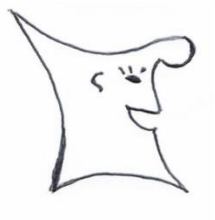








Robyn also demonstrated her puzzle if you can guess the word correctly it comes apart.



One of my reporters, Sam Sawdust, has expressed concerns about the welfare of some members of the club. I was somewhat shocked to hear this comment so I questioned him at length. I likewise shared his concern when he explained what he had discovered.

Sam has done extensive research and discovered that a number of members have fallen victim to Transient Disability Syndrome (TSS). His research shows that individuals who suffer TSS will be impact by this insidious disease for varying periods of time with the symptoms occurring randomly or at regular intervals. When TDS manifests itself in an individual that individual is unable to perform the simplest tasks and/or has temporary loss of the ability to communicate.

The evidence supporting Sam's conclusions is as follows:

1. Members who are able to turn or perform their normal woodworking activities but when they go to the bathroom or toilet they lose the ability to;

- *Replace used toilet rolls*
- *Replace used paper towel rolls*
- *Advise the convenor of the need for replacements*
- *Wash their hands and leave the basin in a clean condition.*

2. Members who are able to find the kitchen and use the facilities of the kitchen but are unable to;

- *Put the lid on the biscuit container*
- *Return milk to the fridge*
- *Clean spillages in the microwaves*
- *Wash and put away utensils and mugs etc.*
- *Clean up what they spill.*

3. Members who are able to turn or perform their normal woodworking activities but are unable to;

- *Clean sanding discs*
- *Clean up after using bandsaws and drill presses*
- *Advise the convenor that equipment is defective*
- *Advise the convenor that items are missing from lathe tool boxes*
- *Advise the convenor when they have broken/damaged tools or equipment*
- *Sign the Attendance Book, and pay their money*
- *Read notices and comply with club rules*
- *Advise the convenor when they are leaving the club premises.*

4. Members who are unable to remember;

- *They need to purchase their lunch until the convenor calls time for the club clean-up.*
- *They belong to a club that does not have any paid staff.*

Sam further advised that there is no medical cure however all is not lost as his research shows that those who are prepared to admit that they suffer with TSS can self-medicate with regular doses of GOYA (Get off Your Acre) which if taken regularly ensures a speedy recovery and makes life easier for their fellow members.

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Maxi Day 21st October 2018

Simon Begg will be present a two hour demonstration of power carving/Embellishment using Proxon, Dremel and Ozito machines. Set out below are some examples of his work to give an idea as to what is involved.









Steve Attard's demonstration on Resin Rims

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on both these days

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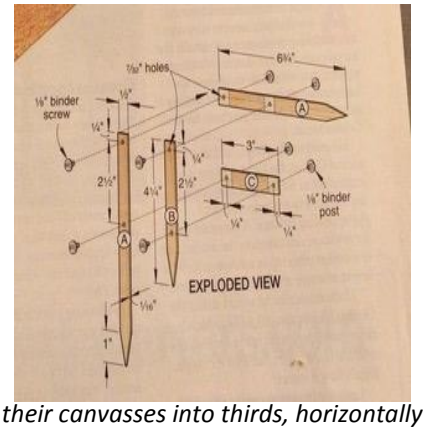
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The Golden Mean — Item 51

It is also sometimes referred to as the Rule of Thirds.
It was discovered by the ancient Greeks and it followed from observing nature.



If you look closely at the first joint of your finger you will find that this is roughly one third the length of your finger, your finger is about one third the length of your hand, your hand is one third the length of your arm.The width of your skull is one third of the width of your shoulder.The height of your skull is one third of your torso, etc... Etc.
You get the idea; this works out to be 1 to 1.618. (Roughly1:2)

The Golden Rule means that this ratio is a naturally occurring Aesthetic ratio and because it is naturally occurring, we find it pleasing to the eye.If you study classical paintings you will observe that the old masters have divided their canvasses into thirds, horizontally and also vertically and placed their subjects into these sections, and not in the middle of the canvas. The Horizon occupy the bottom third of the frame and the sky the top two thirds of the frame or vice versa.The Windmill is one third to the left or right and not in the middle.

So how does this relate to wood turning? You can turn any kind of turning, bowl, a little box or ornament and you don't have to follow the Golden Mean, it may or may not look right, but if you follow the golden mean it will always be aesthetically correct. If you start with these guidelines in mind you will find that your turnings will look nice right away.

Before you start a project make a diagram of the project and place any cove, bead or feature one third up or down on the object

With the golden mean principle in mind:-

A finial could be one twice the height of the vessel or vice versa.
The vessel could be twice the height of the finial. A knob on a vessel could be one third the width on the vessel and it will look in proportion and pleasing.

If you keep this in mind when you start any project, you find that the object will turn out to be pleasing to the eye without even trying.

My research led me to Fibonacci
Fibonacci was an Italian mathematician who came up with the numerical sequence to form the spiral form. (You can Google his name for more info.)

I have downloaded of diagram of a calliper bearing his name. This calliper has got three points and these are spaced in proportion to the golden mean, that is point A to B is one and B to C is 1.618.These proportions remains constant as the calliper is extended. This will assist to determine the proper ratio.

It is quite easy to make one and you will find it a great help.
Hope you got something out of this..... *L. Mifsud*

***Note**. As in all professions there are many and varied opinions and ways of doing things. This is true of wood turning. These articles are the results of my reading article publications.*

Eddie Catford.