



JUNE-JULY 2018

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S SHED

The Mudgeeraba show is now behind us, thank you to the members who participated in producing our exhibition which is always popular with the show patrons.

The Gold Coast show will now be held on the 31st of August to the 2nd of September as usual I shall be looking for members to help with the setting up. The event shall be held on the foreshore of the Southport Broadwater. Our exhibit shall be situated opposite Nerang Street on the eastern side of the Gold Coast Highway in the carpark south of the Aquatic Centre. We shall be sharing an area with the arts and crafts under a marquee. We shall not be having our usual competition this time, owing to the short notice given to us by the Show authorities.

The response to my requests from the members for the format of the Show indicated that we shall have demonstrations, sales and exhibits of items made by our members. There shall be no judging or ribbons this time. John Meikle suggested that we might be able to run a contest within the Club. I shall discuss this further with John. The Gold Coast show committee with the Gold Coast council are relying on our Club to give their full support.

Those members who use the Club tools and equipment will have noticed that we have replaced all the spindle gouges and the belt sander.

On a sad note we lost one of our valued members George Mavridis who recently passed away after a battle with pancreatic cancer. He shall be sadly missed, George was a quiet achiever whose contribution assisted with the general organisation of our club. Our thoughts are with George's family.

Happy turning,

NOEL CRAIG - PRESIDENT

MEMBERS PROFILE



I'm **Ron Ryan**, I currently live in Bonogin, Qld. My wife's name is Shirley, we have been married 54 years, and have two children and 5 grandchildren. Initially I was from Heathcote, NSW and went to the Marist Bros High School at Kogarah in NSW. I served a five years apprenticeship as an electrical fitter mechanic with the PMG and later did six years in electrical engineering at St George TAFE.

In my last position before retiring I was the Technology and Services Manager at The Centre for Product Development at the Gold Coast Airport, where we assisted developers and inventors to further develop their product ready to patent.

I joined the Gold Coast Wood Turners about 15 years ago, in the early stages serving in the committee under the Presidential rule of Clive Woodgate, I was also publicity officer for a couple of years. In that time I have really learnt a lot, not only from the guidance of the tutors, but just watching and asking questions from the guys working on their various projects.

I tend to favour turning items that present more of a challenge than a bowl. I



developed the first double ended salt and pepper grinder, searched Dr Google and have never found another one like it. I had the manufacture of it published in several magazines from Australia, New Zealand & USA.

One challenge was to make a soccer ball, accuracy is essential as half a degree out when cutting the hexagons and polygons and the segments won't go together. How to make this was published in the Australian Woodworker.



Another challenge is to make a simple ball bearing, just being 1mm out with either the balls or the inner or outer rings will be disastrous.

I have developed a gadget for cutting threads inside and out, also a ball cutting tool which does the complete ball, even parts it off, you don't have to use a wood chisel at all.

Unfortunately, over the past couple of years I have had heart problems and haven't been able to attend to my regular sessions as much as I would like to. About eighteen months ago I was also diagnosed with Parkinson's disease but I still consider myself fortunate as there are a lot of people worse off.

I hope very soon to be back to my regular Thursday morning sessions, a terrific group of turners where there is never a dull moment.

THE COFFEE CLUB *show and tell - APRIL*

Welcome to the Coffee Club Show and Tell for the month of April. Once again, we have a wide selection of items from our members who contributed to our Show and Tell.

This month Clive, Paul and Norm, have submitted woodturning items for display in the Club magazine.

We start with Clive's contribution of a novelty item, an Echidna from a pine cone.



Norm has been busy putting a Turnfest demonstration into practice. Below are two pens, one of which is resin and coloured rice. The rice is dyed with food colouring and allowed to dry before setting in the resin.



This is a box turned by Norm.



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A number of miniature items displayed next to the Box by Norm.



Paul made a hollow vessel from Red Cedar, with external carving and then highlighted it with a timber stain.



That is about all for our April Show and Tell. Several Club members have made positive comments regarding Show and Tell sessions each week. Comments have been along the lines that they are learning a lot about woodturning, how our items are made and all the different finishes being used.

THE COFFEE CLUB *show and tell - MAY*

Welcome to the Coffee Club Show and Tell for May. We have a small variation of items for display this month. I think we are just getting over the Commonwealth Games.

Turned contributions this month are from Robert and John. Also included are a few photos of Club members happily working on the lathes in the turning shed. They appear to be enjoying what they joined the Cub to do, create a work of art.



The above items are bobbins for an electric spinning wheel. One of the spinners purchased the spinning unit and requested the extra bobbins to be made. I have fitted a nylon section each end as a better wear surface on the metal shaft, the original ones have a brass section for the wear surface.

Below, are tapestry bobbins which can be seen lying down in the front of the photo along with two Scottish drop spindles which are standing up.

Tapestry bobbins are used for weaving tapestry mats as well as pictures etc. The thread is wound on the narrow neck of the bobbin. The bobbin is then woven through the warp threads from side to side, after each pass, the weaver beats the thread down into place with the sharp end of the bobbin. Several of these are used with different colour threads to allow the weaver to create the pattern or picture for the tapestry.

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The Scottish spindle was designed so the shepherd, while tending a herd of sheep could spin wool. The spun thread is wound onto the spindle, which in time would create a ball of wool to be used for a garment. These spindles are required to weight between .5-1.7ozs to enable them to produce the fine thread required.



John turned a Theo Haralampou car which was demonstrated at the Wood Show. A small Owl is added to the scene . Both items are highlighted with pyrography.

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Robert has turned a set of identical goblets with two captive rings on each goblet.

The timber used we think, was possibly Dead Finish. Captive rings were very well finished and as we know Robert puts in an enormous amount of effort into the finish.



Here we have another piece by Robert in Beefwood.

This box has an emerald green resin lip as a feature added to the lid, and as usual a good finish on the box.



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Melisa is working on a Natural edge vessel, while below we have Robbo (the master) observing Robert, one of our new members.

Robbo is assisting Robert on the correct way to go about achieving his task.

Robbo, is keeping close observation on the proceedings



Robbo is assisting and explaining the correct way to use the bowl gouge.



We all really appreciate Robbo staying over for a few extra days. The assistance and experience he offers to all members at our Coffee Club is very much appreciated and is invaluable to us.

Well that is about all I have to display and report on for the month of May from the **Coffee Shop** on Tuesday morning's. Cheers.

JOHN MEIKLE.

POTTERS AND SCULPTURES MARKET DAY REPORT

By John R. Meikle

When you do a market an early start to a long day is necessary.

After unloading the vehicle, the site needs to be set up, tent erected, lathe and sales tables positioned all in readiness for the day ahead.

Soon enough the customers start arriving and you start your woodturning demo. The hardest part is what to turn so as to attract the attention of the customers to watch your demonstration and peruse your stall. Egg cups, eggs, mushrooms, small vases, spinning tops and goblets all come to mind. Once the people can see what you can make they come forward with their requests.

This year the Potters Market on the day was slow, a steady flow of people, but with very few buyers.



There were lots of positive comments about the aroma of the camphor laurel which drifted throughout the market place.

Just as the day was ending the rain arrived which created a mad scurry by all stall holders to pack up. All in all, it was a nice pleasant non-stressful day put on by the host.

QUOTE:

LIGHT TRAVELS FASTER THAN SOUND. THIS IS WHY SOME PEOPLE APPEAR BRIGHT UNTIL THEY SPEAK.

STEVEN WRIGHT.

MUDGEERABA STREET PARTY - 20 MAY 2018



Thanks heaps to brother members Rob Fysh and Geoff Everill for being instrumental in organising the Cub's demonstration on the day. Jack W. managed to forget to take a heap of stuff but apparently the items weren't needed as we got by anyway. Thanks also to Wim Steenbeek and Cruze (I forgot to take my face shield home) Podesta for providing the turning demonstration. Unfortunately we only had one seller and that was Susan Jackson who thankfully turned up with some items to sell and display.



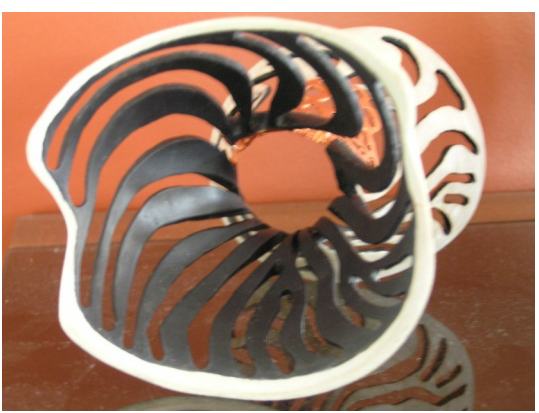
There was an exceptionally good crowd and for the whole four hours of our demonstration we had crowds two and three deep watching the turning. The other activities and the fantastic weather made the event a really good family day out. The parade was really good and lots of fun.

Geoff Everill proved a difficult one to keep tabs on, he kept wandering off on me. Feeling somewhat responsible for Geoff's well being (I'd promised his wife Gaye I'd look after him) I had to keep going searching for him. The first time I located him he was walking off with some blokes bullocks. The second time was a tad more embarrassing, he was at the kids pony rides just in the process of mounting. I had to drag him away most unceremoniously.

Jack Williams

A FEW MORE OF SWANNIE'S BEAUTIFUL WORKS.

Camphor laurel with bleached sections, and acrylics, carved dremeled.



Blackwood with burnt black top and bottom edge.



FOR SALE

Currently I am taking orders for this **Speed Mandrel** for a 7mm Pen making Mandrel with accessories cost includes shipping for the set about \$95.00 or less to be paid in advance.

If you are interested, please contact Jack Marshlian
ASAP 0412 208 028

- #2MT pen mandrel with mandrel saver live center
- Includes 4 bushings for standard slim line pens, accepts standard 7mm bushings for other profiles
- Super easy set up - tightening the tailstock locks the mandrel!
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NEW MEMBERS

Edwina Murfet.

Beau Zachary Kingston.

Salina Currie.

Lisa Congram

Brent Gaelic

Christopher Milner

Christopher Stewart

**A VERY WARM WELCOME TO
YOU ALL!**

BIRTHDAY LIST

JUNE;

- 5th Michael Percy
- 5th Melissa Carter
- 5th Jacob Saly
- 6th Glenn Crothers
- 7th Matthew Lawton
- 8th Christopher Craig
- 11th Max Lun
- 14th Andre Streefkerk
- 14th Allan Warnock
- 17th Vince Wright
- 18th Joshua Manning
- 20th Peter Janssen
- 21st Marieta Atkinson
- 22nd Eric Clark
- 26th Matthew Williamson

JULY;

- 2nd Tyson Dolan
- 3rd Richard Lehne
- 3rd Hazell Bassett
- 5th Norm Rainnie
- 9th John Bassett
- 23rd Amanda Craig
- 28th Greg Bremen



SICK LIST:

Geoff Everill recovering after a leg operation.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Club Calendar

JULY 2018

- 12th Committee Meeting
- 21st Club General Meeting
- 24th BBQ Paul Hampshire

AUGUST 2018

- 4th BBQ Paul Hampshire
- 4th Demo & Sales Day at the Advancetown Hotel?
- 9th Committee Meeting
- 18th – 26th Seniors Week
- 19th Seniors Week Open Day – Demo & Sales
- 19th Demo Woodchoppers – Warren Paull
- 20th BBQ Paul Hampshire
- 26th Address M'ba NHW – Jack Williams
- 31st GOLD COAST SHOW – Noel Craig

SEPTEMBER 2018

- 1st – 2nd GOLD COAST SHOW – Noel Craig
- 13th Committee Meeting
- 14th Paul Hampshire
- 15th Club General Meeting
- 24th BBQ Paul Hampshire
- 24th – 26th School Student Course – Noel Craig

OCTOBER 2018

- 11th Committee Meeting
- 21st Demo Woodchoppers – Warren Paull
- 28th Demo Canungra Heritage Festival – Clive Woodgate/Noel Craig

NOVEMBER 2018

- 2nd – 4th Seaforth Pine Turnout (Mackay Qld) – Peter Poulton
- 8th Committee Meeting
- 17th Club General Meeting

DECEMBER 2018

- 10th – 15th Club Shut Down Week
- 16th Club Xmas Lunch - TBC

JANUARY 2019

- 10th Committee Meeting
- 14th Club Re-Opens for 2019
- 19th Club General Meeting

FEBRUARY 2019

- 14th Committee Meeting
- 16th **CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**



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