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Our meeting on Saturday 17th of April at 9:00 am.

The monthly Project will be any Artistic Woodturning of your imagination.

Show and Tell, anything you would like to show

Separate from your Show and Tell items.

After Morning tea, we will ask the members to bring along their earliest piece and a recent piece to show the other members, and gadgets and devices you have made over the years for woodturning.

President's Report - March 2021

Welcome to our March newsletter. Many thanks to the twenty two members for their attendance at our meeting last Saturday.

Our resident pen expert with resin, Peter Lucas, showed us all how it is done. It is certainly a challenge.

Show & Tell provided again another great array of pieces. Lionel Hart also revealed how to make a piece of equipment to assist in creating pieces for segmented turning. This will be a great help for those who are keen to take up this fascinating style.

The \$200 voucher from Pop's Shed is an amazing gift. We hope you can buy as many tickets as you can afford.

To the members who cleaned the toilets, your work is really appreciated!

Now with weather cooling down we can spend more time in our workshops.

I had a mini stroke on 5th March but fortunately, following blood thinning injections, I was able to return home after a couple of days but I'm not allowed to turn for six weeks! That really is tough!

Stay Happy. Stay Safe John Wheeler

Pens for the Troops

All things considered we collected about 1009 pens (58 from our club) for distribution to our troops stationed overseas on ANZAC 2021. We are still receiving many thank you letters from those troops who have received these pens from our distribution last Remembrance Day 2020 (eg below), they are very humbled and appreciative of our gestures. Thank-you to all those who made pens for this cause or have supported the cause in other ways.



This project is an ongoing thing and the next lot of pens will be shipped out for distribution just before Remembrance Day 2021. The target will be 1000. If there are any turners interested in making pens for this cause please contact me.

I am selling Pens for the Troops packs for \$2.50 which include 1 x slimline kit, 1 x blank, 1 x PFTT card, 1 x velvet sleeve and 1 x cellophane presentation bag, see photo. This is great value - probably around \$6 worth retail. I am subsidising these kits is by selling fundraising pens and getting sponsors (both difficult in in the current environment). Donations to this cause are also gladly received as well.

Letter of Thanks:

G'day Peter,

My name is Sam and I am a Corporal in the Royal Australian Air Force. I have been deployed on Middle East Operations recently and was given a pen you made as a welcome gift and I just wanted to say thanks. I am 27 years old and have been an Avionics Technician in the RAAF for just over 10 years. It means a lot to get gifts like these and to know that the Australian people appreciate what we do.

Cheers, Sam

Peter Lucas 0457 683 429 Pens for the Troops project administrator.

Our Projects



Peter Lucas has made a Piano Men Set of fountain pens. He has used oak and ebony and finished with CA glue.



Adam Grinberg has made these resin jars using Pine Cones as the feature.



Vic Cerra has made this lidded box from unknown timber.



Kerrie Ferrari has made this lidded box.



Mario Fenech has made this bowl from unknown timber. The unexpected removal of bark has resulted in an interesting shape.



Lionel Hart has made this lidded box from unknown wood and finished it with nitrocellulose lacquer.



Gordon Watt has made these lidded boxes. The one in the front is Zebrano. He has applied some texturing and finished it with Danish Oil. The box on the right is Sheoak and Desert Ash. A Dremel has been used to apply texture and the surface has been charred. On the left is a Desert Ash box with an Ebony finial.





Peter Fisher been very busy making boxes. The small cylinder shape is made from Hibiscus and the rest are from Ash. Stains have been used on some of the boxes.



Joe Van Koeverden Has made these items. The lidded box/hollow form on the left is Blackwood and the smaller lidded box next to it is Red Gum with a hand painted tile in the lid. In the middle is a hollow form vase made from Birch and on the right is a lidded box/hollow form made from Ash.





Lionel Hart has been preparing to try segmented work. He made the jig on the left to simplify cutting the segments but due to covid he couldn't get out to buy the knobs. To solve this dilemma, he made the jigs on the right to cut the knobs.

Scroll Saw for Sale.

A Hegner Multicut 1 variable speed scroll saw. This saw was purchased in 2016 and has only been used on average one day a month for club activities and demonstrations. It has been regularly maintained.

Additional attachments are included, eg a quick release clamp for internal cuts and a hold down. The new cost for the scroll saw and extras is approximately \$1800.

Also included is a table/stand, a light and blades.

The asking price is \$1200. Please contact Beryl Watling on 0421 086 361 if you are interested.



A view of the complete setup - saw, table and light.



The quick release clamp is the is silver coloured knob and the hold down is the dark grey arm near the blade.





A side view of the scroll saw.

Session 7imes

Our weekly hands on session times are: Tuesday, 7:00 pm -10:00 pm Wednesday, 8:00 am – Noon Thursday, 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Monthly Meeting on the third Saturday of the Month, 9:00 am. Except December

We appreciate the opportunity from Bunnings to raise funds at their stores.

They support us so please support them.

