NEWSLETTER of the Christchurch Woodturners Assn. for Feb-March 2011

Coming meetings

**February:** Noel Graham will be the demonstrator and will focus on safety with the array of power tools used by woodturners. It could be the most important meeting you ever attend!

**March:** Les Brindley will demonstrate the turning of metals and plastics on a wood lathe

Show table

The topics for the next three meetings will be:

**February:** What I did in the holidays. OK, I know that those who are retired no longer get holidays. The competition is for the best piece of turning or other woodcraft created since the start of December 2010.

**March:** A lidded box

**April:** A piece tuned on a wood lathe that is partly or entirely turned from material other than wood.

We usually meet in the # 1 lecture Theatre of the former College of Education, now part of the University of Canterbury, Dovedale Avenue, Upper Riccarton on the **FIRST** Thursday in the month at 7pm.

There is also a “Hands On” meeting in the Technology Room at Cobham Intermediate, Ilam Road, on the **THIRD** Thursday of the month at 7pm. The next Hands On meeting is on Thursday 17th of February, 2011. Bring along your problem pieces for help or guidance.
President’s Piece

Hello to all members and friends,

Another year has started and our first meeting for the year is very close. Your committee has met and established the demonstrator list for the next six months, some local and some from outside the district for which we are waiting confirmation.

Both Pat and I are looking for exhibits for the founder’s trophy at Timaru this year and the committee have suggested we have a second table at our monthly meeting night for members to display their “piece of the month”. Not a piece to be judge on the show table. Members please bring your pieces along and display what you have been doing by way of woodwork, whether it is turning or some other discipline.

Also those members who wish to turn a wig stand for the Cancer Society please do so and bring it along to our February meeting and it will be included with those judged for the Jim Dunford Memorial and presented to the Cancer Society.

Ian Conway is standing in as Treasurer for Mike Foster while Mike is absent due to his work in India for the next two to three months.

Our association will again be demonstrating at the Avice Hill Market on Sunday 13 Feb and the Riccarton House Garden Gala the following Thursday, 17 Feb. These two occasions are an excellent opportunity for our association to showcase itself to the community at large.

That is all for now see you all at our February meeting.

Ray Morgan
President

AVAILABLE PROJECT COMPONENTS
Standard - Twist - Ball Point Pen Kits
Pepper Mill mechanisms.
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Meeting Report, 4 December, 2010

The December meeting was in the usual form of a social evening in the St Methodist Hall on Yaldhurst Road. There was an excellent turnout of over 60 members and partners. The evening included games, socialising and the usual excellent supper.

Jim Dunford Trophy. The show table competition was to be a wig stand, with the winner being awarded the Jim Dunford trophy. There was an impressive array of over twenty entries of very high standard. The winner and inaugural holder of the Jim Dunford trophy was Mike Wing. Congratulations Mike. The trophy was completed by Bruce Irvine from a piece of wood from Jim’s workshop. The choice of a candle holder was appropriate as Jim had turned candle sticks and other items for many churches over the years.
The Jim Dunford trophy was presented to Mike Wing by the president, Ray Morgan.

There was another table for the display of people’s best piece of the year, with some excellent pieces on view.

Segmented hollow form by Jack Jordan. Soren Berger and Pauline Morgan admire the display.

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For Sale

If you are interested in any of the following items please contact Noel Graham.

Morgan 14” bandsaw Model MJ343B. Cutting capacity of 335mm x 160mm. 1 HP single phase motor and two speeds. Ripping fence and mitre guide.

Morgan Wood lathe Model MC 1100 (on own stand). 750 watt (one HP) motor Swivel head. Variable Speed range: 500 – 2000 rpm. 1100 mm between centres 350mm swing over bead. Includes G3 Chuck with 50mm jaws.

G3 chuck with Cole jaws
Dust extractor with 2 HP motor
Face shield
Carbatec powered respirator
Crown bowl gouge 13mm
Various turning chisels
Ryobi bench grinder with white stones
Ryobi combination saw bench
Ozito 1800 watt electric chainsaw
Cobra circular saw
Cobra drill Projecta 120 Arc Welder with electronic control. Includes welding mask and tools.
Coming events

Avice Hill Arts and Craft Festival
Sunday 13th February 2011, 11am – 3pm
Avice Hill Reserve, Memorial Avenue

Garden Gala 2011
In the grounds of Riccarton House
Thursday 17th February
11am – 2pm

Waiong Turn Inn, organised by the Otago Woodturners Guild, 1-3 April, 2011

Inter-club Fun Day will again be held in Timaru. The likely date is 21 or 28 May. More
details when we get them, but in the meantime think about what is your proudest creation that
we can include on the club’s table in the competition. We have been regularly left in the wake
of other much smaller clubs, so we need to be thinking about it well in advance for next year
if we are to improve our standing. See the appeal for help in the President’s column.

Spin-Around Waitaki  Will again be held at the usual time at the end of October/ beginning
of November.

Symposium 2011  This has been cancelled and instead there will be a demonstrator touring
the country.

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