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Meet Richie McPenguin, an antarctic helicopter pilot who rescues baby penguins from antarctic skuas. Richie is the result of a bit of cross collaboration between the Critter Workshop and the Special Needs Library Workshop.

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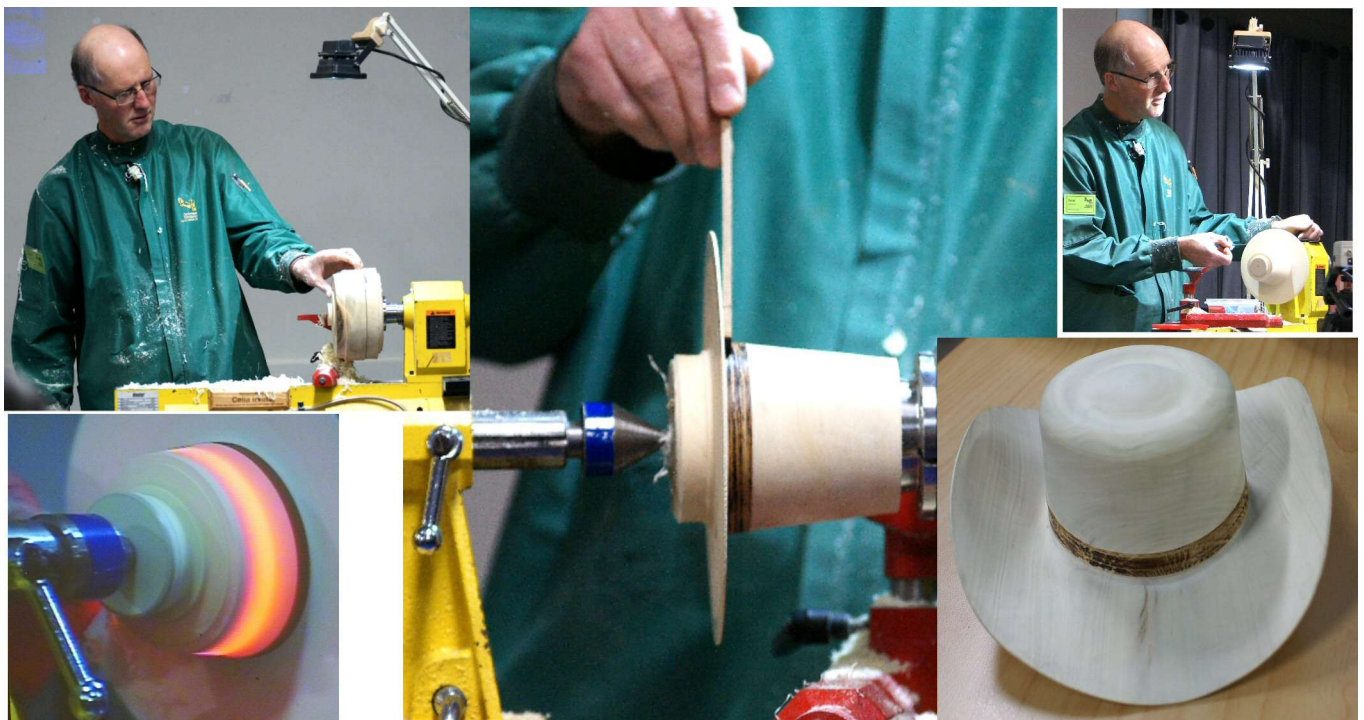
Peter Clemett turning Hats ~ June Demonstration

Peter said that you can find videos on You-tube on turning hats and showed us two hats he had made. Peter had a Holly blank set up and showed us how to save a doughnut of wood instead of turning it all away. This involved taking a parting cut into the face and then another parting cut on the circumference to intersect this cut, thus producing an offcut doughnut shaped, thus leaving a rough hat shape. The hat was then shaped, leaving a 50mm spigot on the end for future use. The rim was also turned down both sides about half of the diameter of the rim to about 1.5 mm thickness. The base of the hat was turned slightly bigger to be a hat band.

The hat was then set up in a chuck, being held by the spigot on the top of the hat and centered using the small face plate to ensure that the rim was spinning true. A light was set up to shine through the rim and the remainder of the rim was turned down both sides to approx 1.5 mm thick using the light as a thickness guide. At this stage, a piece of dark wood, shaped to a thin wedge was rubbed against the head band area to darken the band area.

The tail stock was removed and the hat was hollowed out, again using the light shining through the wood as a thickness guide and checking with a caliper type guide. The hat was removed and a special set up was mounted on the chuck, basically a jam chuck piece of wood with about a 30 mm hole which held a small I.e.d. torch. With the hat fitted onto the jam chuck and centered with the tail stock, the end or top of the hat can be turned down, using the light in the jam chuck as a guide. Peter finished this off, producing a neat little hat.

Peter showed us a wooden jig that he had made that held the hat and allowed for a series of rubber bands to be spread over the rim to shape the rim up or down as required, best done when the wood is really wet. A well prepared and executed demo by Peter Rick (scribe)





1st John Scott



**2nd=
Keith Hake**



2nd= Alan Prentice



**3rd=
Rick Bolch**



3rd= Peter Clemett

June Competition Table



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Serviette Holders at "Hands On" 21st June

We collected some serviette sized rocks from the "Waimak" river bed, cleaned them up and drilled a 3mm hole in the top of the rocks ~ 6mm deep. We did this at low speed on the drill press using a masonry bit and squadding water on the bit to keep it cool and remove the stone particles. We purchased a multi-strand wire rope with a plastic sheath. It was just on the 3mm diameter. We got this from Bunnings @ \$20 for 10 metres. We used CA super glue to attach the stones to the sheath on the wire rope. A 54mm forstner bit was used to make a chuck hole in the square timber supplied. The underside was turned first to create the legs then the top was turned as for a square platter. There were some stones left over so we created some kits for members to take away at the June Club Meeting



Critter Workshop

On the 23rd of June we held a workshop focused on the turning of "Critters". Peter Clemett led this workshop and produced plans for penguins and kiwis, flying birds and a pencil holder hedgehog. These plans are available on our Web Site and on our Facebook Group. We hope to have a variety of workshops on the fourth Saturday of every month (except December). If there is a topic you would like covered can you discuss this with one of our committee members or email Noel or Joe directly.



Special Needs Library

Ten of us got together on Saturday 30th June and started work on some items for the Special Needs Library. We worked on three different size push along ducks with floppy feet, a train with different coloured circles, rectangles, triangles and squares on it's carriages and a helicopter complete with a penguin pilot sitting in the cockpit and an impressive rotor turned on 5 different axis. We still have some painting and construction left on the ducks, some painting and lots of construction on the train and the helicopter is virtually finished. A couple of members also bought along quoit games (sometimes spelled koits, kwoits or kwait) so we also have four wooden quoit poles (sometimes called a hob, mott or pin) with rope quoits for the library. We will have the items on display at the next club night (Wed 25th July) and will give them to the Library after that.





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WOODTURNING NEW ZEALAND INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

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There will be trade stalls selling all the woodturning tools you need, an instant gallery, competitions, raffles, evening entertainment, and endless tea and coffee.

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Presidents Report to the AGM

Last year, we went mob handed to the Waitaki Spin Around at Oamaru and won again the trophy for most club members . Christmas time saw us having to abandon Cobham school facilities and shift operations to the Auburn reserve hall for the courses, thanks to the Council letting us use the hall on a temporary basis until they make up their minds. Many thanks to Noel, being the driving force in getting the hall up and running for the learning courses. Our recent " Pen " day at the hall certainly proved the worth of having our own facilities.

The recent 'Fun day ' down at Oamaru was a mixed bag, managing two teams , we did win the Tina Turner trophy, but our show table was a bit of a disaster although Noel won the prize for best piece on display. I helped with the judging, but then had to dash off and do some team turning.. Adriaan Slooten from Timaru came up a did a demonstration for us on Serviette holders for our May meeting. Our 'Critters day ' at the workshop organised and well prepared by Peter Clemett was attended by ten members, with Peter doing several demos of birds and hedgehog. The use of the Auburn hall as a workshop and the Harvard Lounge for meetings seems to work alright at present. Our membership seems to reasonably stable and our monthly meetings seem to churn along, and I would like to see more members doing demonstrations of some sort for us. We also had the sudden and sad loss of Ceila Irvine, an extremely hard member of the committee for many years, Ceila and Bruce's work in the background kept the club moving for many years. Many thanks to all of the committee for their hard work behind the scenes over the year, and of course thanks to our members who come along to the meeting and events. Due to work commitments, our vice president, Evan, will not be taking over from me, so I will stand again as President unless someone more worthy steps forward as I will be away for the A.G.M. Bearing in mind that I totally forgot that I had an Inter Club trophy sitting on the top shelf!! Rick Bolch

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