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Christchurch Woodturners Association wins the Oamaru Founders Trophy



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Upcoming Events

Dec 1st Christmas Function... Tuesday 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 1!!!

> The HARVARD Community Lounge Corsair Drive Wigram Games and competitions. Turning demonstrations with a Christmas theme.

Bring your family and friends and a plate with finger food.

Jan 23rd **Introduction to Woodturning Course (FREE)**

> Two Day Course on January 23rd and February 27th at Cobham Intermediate Wood Technology Room

Gates open at 8:30am. Setup Room from 8:30 to 9am.

Course from 9am to 4pm. Morning and afternoon tea provided.

Bring your own lunch. 4pm to 4:30pm pack out equipment and clean room. There is NO Charge for this introductory course. If you decide that you

would like to undertake further courses the normal charge is \$30 per day.

Feb 2nd Club Meeting Tuesday at 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm !!!

The HARVARD Community Lounge Corsair Drive Wigram

Demonstrator yet to be announced

Feb 18th Hands On at Cobham Thursday 7pm

> Unusual Tools. A chance to have an experiment with some of the less common tools like the three point tool, the Sorby bead maker, the Rolly Munro 6mm cup hollowing tool, the captive ring tool and any other unusual tools that members bring along.

May 21st South Island Fun Day at Ashburton

More details in the February ~ March Newsletter

Pyrography Group

There will be the initial meetings of the "Pyrography Group" on the 2nd or 4th Tuesday or Thursday of February and March. Meetings will be at Cobham Intermediate in the Wood Technology Workshop. These initial meetings will determine if there is sufficient interest for the group to continue. If there is sufficient interest the group will set a date for each month. See page 10 for more details.

October demonstration Keith Hake ~ Index Marking/Drilling Tool

Keith showed us a device for accurately marking and or drilling indexed positions on work held in a chuck on a lathe that has indexing. This indexing is often integral to the lathe but if your lathe does not have indexing this can be added using a wooden wheel on the drive spindle and a locking device. The device sits in the banjo where the tool rest would normally sit. It has a hole the size of the pencil, marker or drill bit you are using at the exact height of the centre of the drive spindle. The work is rotated to each index point required for the design and the position can be marked or drilled exactly on centre using this device.

Keith also showed us some composite resin bowl blanks he has been working on. He uses scraps of wood, old pencils and the like, arranges them in the bottom of a plastic bowl, starts to fill the bowl with resin the adds extra pieces as the bowl gradually fills up. When the resin has hardened he adds a faceplate and then turns the wood/resin composite as if it was a normal wood bowl blank.

The photos show a bowl that has had its rim drilled and doweled with a darker wood at 12 index points





October Competition Table

Oamaru ~ Spin Around Waitaki



Rex accepts the Founders Trophy on behalf of the club. This was our first win since the trophy was instituted 12 years ago.

The trophy is judged on the best single piece, with only one piece entered per club. Our winning piece was a large platter by Ray Morgan. See Front page

Peter Clemett accepts the trophy for the club with the best turnout.





Club member Stuart Camp won the Shirley Thomas memorial trophy with this piece.

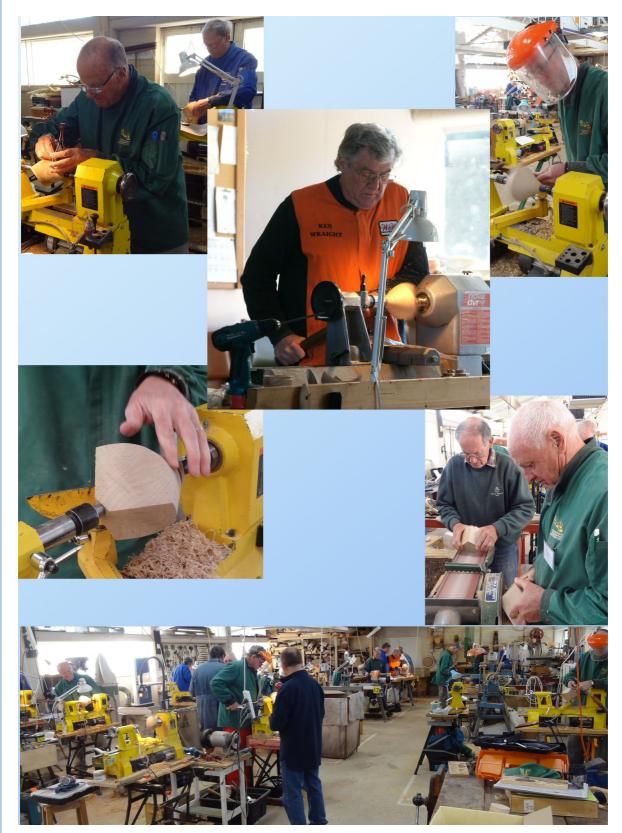
Photos by Pat Jordan



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MAKING WOODEN FLOWERS by SOREN BERGER

Soren showed us some flowers he had made from pine wood and spindleberry. He set up in the chuck a wet pine cylinder about 50mm diameter and 200mm long. Then cut a groove about 60mm from the tailstock end. Then using the heel of a skew chisel, at the tailstock end, he made a sliver like cut of about half a millimetre deep with the heel pushing the cut up and curling along in front of the chisel. Several cuts were done as the diameter decreased forming layers of petals. The previously cut groove was modified to suit the base of the flower and then the stem was turned down to about 6mm. Finishing off the stem with fine cuts with the skew chisel.

Soren then set up a piece of very fresh spindleberry wood and turned it down to a cylinder about30mm dia. And 200mm. Long. At the tailstock end, a step was cut about 16mm long down to about 16mm diameter. Again sliver like cuts about half a millimeter deep and a bit longer in length were taken. The base of the flower was turned down and the stem was again turned down to about 6mm. Soren then talked about how the Lathe had help to develop our world with almost everything circular probably required at some stage, a Lathe for the turning process.

Another piece of wood was set up and turned similar to the previous two. Soren suggested that you could experiment with microwaving the flowers to get the petals to curl more. He also used a roughing gouge in an cutting action similar to a skew to cut the stems. The finished flowers were dipped in a jar of paint to complete them. A timely demo with Christmas coming soon...

Rick (Scribe)





November Competition Table

Woodturning and Carving Tool sets

6 Piece Lathe chisel set \$59.00 12 Piece Carving chisel set Contact: Matthew Archibald ~ Matt@mkarch.co.nz ~ 04 568 5319



Fuller Pro ~ Bowl Gouge, Spindle Gouge, Roughing Gouge, Oval Skew, Round Nose Scraper and Diamond Parting Tool Fuller Pro ~ 6 Gouges, 2 V's, 2 skews, 1 straight and a Vainer



\$39.00

Pyrography Evenings

We are going have two initial Pyrography evenings. This is to determine if there is sufficient demand to setup a Pyrography group within the Association. These will be held at Cobham on a Tuesday or Thursday night 7pm to 8:30pm in the 2nd or 4th week of February and March 2016. If you are interested please email Joe Hayes at joe.hayes@trutrack.com and also let me know if you have a day or week preference. If there is sufficient demand this will become an ongoing session. The idea is for the group to work together on our own projects and share techniques and tips (nibs). There are spare pyrography sets at Cobham so you can come along and get started even if you don't have any of your own tools yet. If there is sufficient demand, future evenings will include a demonstrator but the main thrust is for members to do their own work and we can all learn off each other.

Union Graduate Tailstock required

Dave Rohde ~ Kapiti Woodturners Guild

I have just bought a Union Graduate lathe that I plan to restore and convert to variable speed. It is missing a tailstock. If anyone knows where I can purchase one please contact me at: Telephone: (06) 364-8162 E-mail: drohde428@gmail.com
Address: 114 Greenwood Boulevard Otaki 5512

Thank you

Club 20th Anniversary Gallery

This is a preliminary heads-up about one event we expect to include in the 20th anniversary celebrations next year. The anniversary sub-committee is keen to have a substantial display of work by present and former members. This early notice is intended to give you time to select the best of your existing pieces or to create new pieces for the display. There will be more detailed information provided early next year.



















It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of **Oscar Pawson** who died last week. Our thoughts are with his family and friends.

The **Jim Dunford Trophy Competition** will be judged at our December Christmas meeting. The competition this year is to make a "Beads of Courage" lidded box. Beads of Courage are given to children who are undergoing extensive medical procedures. They get one bead for each procedure. We will be making boxes for the children to keep their beads.

Here are the guidelines:

- In order to sufficiently hold beads, turned boxes need to be no smaller than 130mm in inside diameter and 100mm deep. Larger is okay.
- If possible, engrave or burn "Beads of Courage" on the lid.
- Make sure lids are easily removable.
- Finials or knobs should be easy for a small child to grasp and not too elaborate or pointed.
- Sign your name on the bottom.

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