

Splinters

*The newsletter of
Christchurch Woodturners Association Inc.*



Covid – Keeping Safe

If you are experiencing any symptoms that may be COVID or any other infectious illness, please do not come to the meetings. Look after yourself, get tested, get the appropriate treatment etc.. and please let us know if your illness may have a potential impact on the health of other members.

February 22nd meeting

The demonstration

Demonstration for this meeting is still to be finalised.

Show table 2023. A new year and a new show table competition.

Please bring along one of your recently finished items. The competition is one aspect of the show table but another is to promote discussion and inspire others. Remember, a maximum of two entries per member.

Summer BBQ, Sunday 26 February at the workshop from 4pm

A chance to get together and perhaps show off our workshop facilities to those who have never been there. The BBQ is open to all, a family event, bring spouses/partners, kids, grandkids. The shed will be open from 4pm with eating from 5.30pm.

Please register by email for catering purposes, no later than 23 February stating how many adults and children.

We will be supplying tea, coffee and juice, BYO for other liquid refreshments.

We have some chairs but bring your own chairs or rugs if you want a guaranteed seat.

Email secretary.chchwoodturners@gmail.com. Donation/charge \$5 per adult or \$10 per family.

Natural Edge workshop – 25 February 9am

The following session will start at 9am at the workshop in Auburn Reserve.

If you wish to attend, please email:

Noel noelgraham5@gmail.com or

Peter membership.chchwoodturners@gmail.com

5 days prior to the workshop to reserve your space and give ample time for the preparation of timber etc...

Check your emails for any late cancellations.

COLLABORATION WEEKEND, JANUARY 27-29, 2023 at the workshop – Report



A fun weekend of craft, teamwork, and learning at our workshop in Auburn Reserve. We each collaborated as a member of a small team to design and create an art piece inspired by the brief. [Link for brief](#)

In brief, teams were to create a display piece inspired by one or more of “Summer”, “7”, “S”, but don’t just develop and present it in a conventional way. In keeping with the event theme, they were to add a twist or point of difference and be prepared to tell the story of the idea and piece.

You can see from the photo above and from our Google drive [Collaboration 2023](#), there was plenty of variety and skills evident. As the projects evolved, it was interesting to see how turned items were adapted to fit the brief and how other skills contributed and were an essential part of the final product.





From the internet -

1. Custom Longworth Chucks For Bracelets And Bangles <https://youtu.be/XP-X3sSSTDs> by Alan Stratton.
2. This Burl Spoke To Me – Don't Cut Me With A Tenon <https://youtu.be/o-8agYxH2Yc> also Alan Stratton.

Direct sale of turned wood items – David Williams-Jones



Further to the last meetings heads up, \$394 worth of items were sold at the West Melton market. For those where we agreed a minimum price for an item, the actual prices achieved were 31% higher.

Actual sales were hindered by the blustery winds (making it difficult to display some items, particularly those supplied by Gavin and some of Mark's smaller seamstress items), the threat of rain and the timing of the market over a long weekend. Conversely, numbers were helped by some of my friends showing support in a practical way!

I am happy to try again and plan to go to the next market in early March. Too early to assess exactly what does and does not sell but Ray Morgan, there was quite a bit of interest in your monster pepper grinders so if you are wondering what to turn over the next month...

How will it work:

Any CWA member looking to clear a few items that they have turned would bring these for collection at the regular Wednesday Club night meeting. For each item offered, a description and minimum acceptable price would be agreed. Contacts would be swapped and a 'receipt' issued. After the sale, results would be communicated to all members involved with cash / unsold items returned at the following Club meeting (or via bank transfer beforehand).

David Williams-Jones would manage, finance and communicate the entire process. Members involvement would be simply one of supply of items if they wish and receipt of cash/ returned stock.

What now:

It is planned that a small trial takes place at the February market to gauge interest. The first sale of items submitted by members will take place on March 5th with items being collected at the Club night on February 22nd. Look forward to seeing you and your surplus items then.

David Williams-Jones, 022 046 1793, davidwilliamsjones@ymail.com

NZ Woodturning Events By *Peter Clemett*

Demonstrations and Events are significant features of woodturning life in NZ and are generally accessible to all members of woodturning clubs and guilds.

There are Clubs around the country which regularly host weekend (multi-day) events during the year. Others are single day only. Usually, they are open to participants from anywhere and invitations to register are emailed to other Clubs to distribute or posted on the NAW website (see *Upcoming Events* at <https://naw.org.nz/>). The idea of most of these is that you go along with your tools and lathe (or arrange to borrow a lathe off the host) and have a fun weekend turning and interacting with the other participants.

Each event has a slightly different approach to how it is run, so it pays to do your homework if you are after a specific type of experience. Some are organised around a guest demonstrator who presents a series of projects for you to follow. Others may set individual or team challenges or be focussed on teaching new skills. Alternatively, you can do your own thing all weekend and just enjoy the company if that's what you prefer.

My opinion is that these events represent great value for the learning of new techniques and project ideas to put into practice. Skill level (or lack of) is no barrier to taking part. There is always someone there who will lend advice and a guiding hand to help you develop your own ideas and skills. You also get to meet fellow turners from other parts of the country and to extend your network of like-minded folk.

First up this year is the Waiora Turn Inn, and to help you understand how this event operates, see the following notes.

Waiora Turn Inn, 31/Mar – 2/Apr

Type:	No fixed programme. Participants typically engage in one or more of turning, scroll sawing, carving, pyrography.
Format:	Residential weekend – Friday afternoon to Sunday afternoon
When:	Annual, during April
Host Club:	Otago Woodturners Guild
Venue:	Waiora Scout Camp – Silverstream Valley Road, Whare Flat, Taieri Plains, Dunedin
Cost:	(2023) \$200, which includes all meals and accommodation Lesser cost options for day visitors or exclusive of meals
Registrations:	Advertised on the NAW website and through our Club. Email the contact person at otagowood@gmail.com for registration forms.
Equipment:	Bring your own lathe, if possible. Scroll saws are welcome. The club has a limited number of lathes that can be used, please ensure you note what you require on the registration form.
Other:	W R Owen Turning Supplies shop set up all weekend. Show Table and Raffle.

Host Club Advice:

You are welcome to join us for the whole weekend or a part of it, part costs are on the registration form.

Onsite accommodation is in cabins (bunk style beds). If staying overnight please bring own bedding (sleeping bag, pillow case) and towels etc. Mattress and pillow supplied.

Carpark space is available for parking campervans, but no power points.

Feel free to bring your own drinks for the evenings.

We have wonderful cooks in Glenda and Graham Carrol who also cater for other woodturning club events. You will not go hungry.

We have a relaxed style for the weekend, you can do as much turning/scroll work as you wish, there are no organised demonstrations.

Please be aware, and come prepared, that the surrounding forest/weather conditions can lead to sandflies and wasps. If there has been a lot of rain, there will be mud on the walking track/road.

Other Notes for Attendees:

See the Review in [Splinters, May 2018](#).

The workroom, main hall (for dining, social, Bill's shop etc.), and accommodation huts are all separate buildings, apart from each other – a 50m walk and stair-climb from workroom to hall, and 200m walk and a gentle climb to the sleeping huts. There is drive-up access to each if required, but many folk just walk between. You will need a good parka and footwear though if it's raining, and a torch will be useful after dark.

There are basic bathroom and shower facilities adjacent to the accommodation huts, but better and more modern facilities attached to the main hall.

Hands-On Wednesday 1 March 7pm at the workshop

A chance to get help with any knotty problems and a follow up to the February club meeting demonstration.

Pyrography session Wednesday 8 March 7pm at the workshop

Introduction to Pyrography is on for the second Wednesday at the workshop provided there are enough registering to attend? If you are going to attend, email:

Dee deedinky2@hotmail.com or Peter membership.chchwoodturners@gmail.com by 3 March.



Club meeting on Wednesday 25 January – report

Despite appearances, Noel was not dishing out spiritual guidance but some practical advice on various options for the application of colour.

Options covered included; the use of water and spirit based dyes, ebonising of wood, liming wax, burning and various clear and other finishes.

A practical demonstration was given on the application of stains with suggestions as to how to avoid bleeding of the stain into the surrounding wood and avoid splatter by having the cloth up against the work before starting the lathe.



Noel then went on to demonstrate a marbling technique where the object is rotated as it is dipped into water, the surface of which has been sprayed with different coloured paints. See examples below.



At the January Meeting – Results from the show table

1st Mike Ginty Goblet

2nd = Mark Teeboon

3rd = Mike Ginty Lime Burl Bowl

Silver Pine Pen

Dee Morgan Wood and Black Pen

Dee Morgan Foot Steps Pen



Also seen on the show table were:-

Mark Teeboon – Pen

Keith McFadden – Lidded box

Chris Leighs – Large bowl and salad set

Nette Edlin – Lidded bowl

Dee Morgan – Pen

Gavin Chalk – Hexagonal bowl



Special topic workshop sessions

The following session will start at 9am at the workshop in Auburn Reserve. If you wish to attend please email Noel or Peter one week prior to the class to reserve your space and give ample time for the preparation of timber etc... Check your emails for any late cancellations.

- **25 February** Natural Edge workshop

Upcoming Event Calendar

- **22 February** **Christchurch Woodturners meeting** 7pm venue Harvard Community Centre.
- **26 February** **Barbeque** Open to all. A family event, bring spouses/partners, kids, grandkids. Eating from 5.30pm. Must register by email secretary.chchwoodturners@gmail.com. Donation \$5 per adult or \$10 per family
- **18 March** **HeShe open day**. The workshop will be open for public to view. Ticketed event.
- **31 March – 2 April** **Otago Woodturners Guild Inc – Waioira Turn Inn**. Whare Flat, Dunedin. Please contact Leah Jelgersma (Secretary/Treasurer) ph 03 453 1174 or otagowood@gmail.com for a registration form. Closing date 15 March 2023.

Club Information

Club Membership	Details and registration, visit https://www.woodturning.nz/membership/
Woodturning Course	For information, visit https://www.woodturning.nz/courses/
Past Newsletters	Can be downloaded from https://www.woodturning.nz/newsletters/
Other Clubs' Newsletters	Can be viewed online, here

Regular Meeting Schedule

Club Meetings	4 th Wednesday of the month. 7pm at the Harvard Community Hall
Open Workshop	Thursdays 1-4pm, 7-9pm at the Workshop, Auburn Reserve
Hands-On	1 st Wednesday of the month. 7pm at the Workshop, Auburn Reserve
Pyrography	2 nd Wednesday of the month. 7pm at the Workshop, Auburn Reserve

Christchurch Woodturners Association Contact Details

Patron: Soren Berger

Life Members: Noel Graham

Committee

President:	Ray Hall	03 388 7277	president.chchwoodturners@gmail.com
Treasurer:	Bill Parsons	03 351 5647	treasurer.chchwoodturners@gmail.com
Secretary:	Mark Teeboon	022 098 2203	secretary.chchwoodturners@gmail.com
Newsletter:	Ray Hall	03 388 7277	
WebMaster:	Ray Hall	03 388 7277	webmaster.chchwoodturners@gmail.com
NAW Course:	Noel Graham	027 240 8112	
Membership:	Peter Clemett	03 342 5242	membership.chchwoodturners@gmail.com
	Dee Morgan	03 359 4386	
	Evan Gow	021 033 8065	
	Ray Morgan	03 366 9795	
	Keith McFadden	03 352 0333	
	Joe Hayes	03 385 3910	
	Mike Ginty	022 164 3322	
	Nigel Elson	021 186 2768	

Our Club is affiliated to the National Association of Woodworkers NZ Inc. (NAW).

The National Certificate of Woodturning course is administered by NAW.

Visit <https://naw.org.nz/> for more information.

