

# Turning Chatter



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## **Newsletter of the Blue Mountains Woodturners Inc.**

Mission Statement: "Promote woodturning as a creating skill for all ages"

Edition 251 September 2021

#### Letter to the Editor - Turning Chatter

Sir,

After reading your correspondent's article on the merits of Doodling, I was suitably enthused (Edition 249 of July 2021). I thought I would try the Doodling concept as recommended. However, in these straitened times, it seemed prudent to confine the Doodling to the cerebral arena rather than waste paper (and graphite) in traditional 'hard copy' doodling.\*

Alas, the results (see pictures) were somewhat disappointing. Maybe I have fallen into 'common garden type doodling'? Maybe I should have gone for 'hard copy' doodling? What started with some crepe myrtle pruning morphed into a twisted mobile phone tower. But at least it made me dust off the bowl gouge and give it a go – or four.

Yours etc

Tom

\*PS – Does essential goods, within the meaning of the Public Health Orders, extend to the purchase of writing pads? Or are they an anachronistic luxury?

PPS – No cheap shots about a twisted mind!





### **Presidents Report - September 2021**



The restrictions caused by covid-19 are still having their effect on the activities of the club and as such the committee has by a majority suggested that we hold a basic AGM electronically. It is hoped to do a survey to vote for a new committee similar to our last survey.

I will be standing down as president this year. John Mulquin has nominated to stand for president.

John Turner and Jan Pennell are willing to continue as secretary and treasurer. Clive Lyle is standing down as workshop manager both Clive and I willing to serve on the committee. If any member wishes to nominate for any position on the committee please contact a committee member.

The date of the AGM will be advised in September by email.

The timing of our return to normal is still unknown.

Hopefully when we get to 80% vaccinated the state will start to open up however we are governed by the Blue Mountains Council so we don't know what conditions they will impose on us to use the club premises going forward.

Jan sent out a email re: increasing the club fees to \$35 please respond to her email.

When the club starts up again we will all have to pitch in to get the club back to a vibrant place to attend. We will need to support each other after such a hard time since 2019 which has had it's effects on each and every one of us in some way.

It has been my pleasure to represent this club for the past two years as president thank you for the opportunity.

#### Regards Bill



#### The Beast

To the right is a piece I call "Get In Touch With Your Inner Lamb".

Below is "Open Pets 100 Metre Photo Finish"





Cheers Ernie







Not had much time for turning unfortunately, too much home schooling! What little I've done has mostly been practical: Jazzing up a wall hook and making a holder for the ukulele.

Charlie

## Marketplace

#### **Bandsaw for sale** Elektra Beckum BAS 500

High-quality German wood bandsaw
4 speeds - can cut metal too
2 brand new spare wood cutting blades and one brand new metal cutting blade
New tyres on the wheels
Tilt table and fence
440mm wide x 300mm high capacity

1.1kw single phase motor
Dust extraction outlet and duct
Spare parts
\$1300

I plan to sell soon - let me know if you are interested 0416 961 063 - ernienewman@hotmail.com



## Committee

President - Bill Wooldridge Vice President - John Mulquin

Secretary - John Turner Treasurer - Jan Pennell

Membership Secretary - Vacant

Publicity Officer - John Mulquin

**Committee Members** 

Clive Lyle, Phillip Brien, Barry Robinson

**Public Officer** - Tom Fox

Librarians - John Mulquin, Jan Pennell

Workshop Manager - Clive Lyle, Alan Game

Editor Turning Chatter - Glenn Barker

Webmaster - Andy Georgiou

Facebook Coordinator - Vacant

Safety Officer - Jan Pennell

Welfare Officer- role to be attended by the

Committee

First Aid Officers - Tony Trainer, Jan Pennell

Entry Admission Officer - Des Tuck (when

available)

Club Sales Officer - Barry Robinson

Catering Officer - Barry Robinson

BMWC Site Manager - John Mulquin

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## **Woodturning Lessons**

Allan Game on 4739 1028

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Covid-19 restrictions Please contact Ernie and Alan for available times and dates of Lessons

Please supply any Turning Chatter content by midnight Friday 1 week before the 1st Saturday of the next month

#### Club Calendar Time Day **Date Event** Open day - \$2 9.30am Onwards **Thursday** 02/09/21 Open day - \$2 **Thursday** 10am Onwards 09/09/21 Open day - \$2 **Thursday** 16/09/21 9.30am Onwards **Thursday** 23/09/21 Open day - \$2 9.30am Onwards **Thursday** 30/09/21 Open day - \$2 9.30am Onwards

NOTE: All club days and meetings cancelled during Covid-19 lockdown restrictions in Sydney's Greater West

The next toy making day will be held, I don't think Gladys can even answer that one