

The Southern Highlands Woodies Group Excellence Award for 2008-2009

Presentation and Opening of the Display ... Bill Shean

For the second time, SHWG conducted an 'Excellence Award' throughout 2008-2009.

At each of the meetings from July 2008 to May 2009, the Committee selects the pieces displayed in Show and Tell that they believe are a cut above the norm. In the June meeting, all those pieces were returned for display.

Each member in attendance had an opportunity to select three pieces that they considered their favourites. The piece with the most votes is awarded the Excellence Award for the year.

The pieces, plus others that members submit, were then placed in the display cabinet of the Moss Vale Council in the Chambers at Moss Vale. They were displayed for a month.

The Wingecarribee mayor, Duncan Gair presented the Excellence Award at a function held in the Moss Vale Council Chambers and then opened the 'Treasures in Timber' Display.

This year's winner was Ron South for his firetruck. Which was voted upon by a huge majority of members. Ron made mention in a little speech he made of how pleased he was that we had voted in a 'non wood-turning' piece to truly reflect our name 'Woodies'.

Following are some photos of the presentation,

the display and the members and spouses present at the opening.

We also managed to get some good press for the award and the display.

Also following is a list of all pieces nominated and a photograph of each piece.



Excellence Award Nominees 2008-2009

June

1. Peter Brett: Pyrographed bowl, Celery Top Pine



2. Ken Sullivan: Wool winder, timber unknown



July

3. Bill Shean: Lidded bowl, Huon Pine and NSW Rosewood



September:

4. Bob Miller: Multi-timbered platter



5. Max Donato: Lidded Musical Boxes,



October:

6. Fred Schaffarczyk: Bowl of fruit,



7. Bill Shean: Square platter, Huon Pine



8. Max Donato: Routered platter



9. Ian Pye: Lamp, Huon Pine



November

10. Graeme Webb: Concave sided bowl, Aust Cedar



11. John Harris: Lidded finial bowl, Red Gum



12. John Crisp/Bill Shean: Collaborative bowl, Camphor Laurel



13. Fred Schffarczyk: Bowl, Mellaleuca



January

14. John Harris: Winged bowl with up/down corners, Aust Cedar



15. Fred Schffarczyk: Sounding bowl, Camphor Laurel



16. Bill Shean: Square platter, Mahogany



17. Graeme Webb: Platter, Blackwoodrisp: Picture frame,



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18. John Crisp: Picture frame, timber unknown



26. Ian Pye: Lidded bowl, Huon Pine & Aust Cedar



February

19. Graeme Webb: Leather wrapped gavel and striker, timber unknown



April

27. John Harris: 'Sea Grass', Aust Cedar, hand carved.



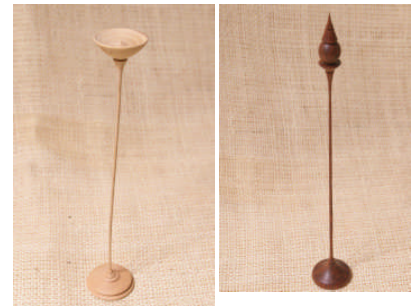
20. Bill Shean: Gavel and striker, Pink Gidgee



21. Max Donato: Gavel and striker, Blackwood and brass



28 & 29. Ken Sullivan: Trembleurs



22. John Crisp: Gavel and striker, Blackwood



30. Graeme Webb: Hollow form, Metrocarpa



March

23. Ron South: Firetruck, Pine and Maple



MAY

31. Max Donato: Japanese Dhow, Huon Pine



24. Max Donato: Vase, Maple and paint



32. Joe Kinsella: Hollow form, Grass Tree Root



25. Bill Shean: Pyrographed square bowl, Casuarina



33. Graeme Webb: Bowl, Huon Pine

