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## Highlights of February Meeting

Our monthly meeting started with a sunny day and member numbers grew to 28 by lunch time . All our lathes were busy and so was the tea pot and biscuit tin .

Official proceedings commenced at 12.30 pm and John Powell called for a minute of silence to honor the New Zealand casualties of their devastating earthquake . Ian Pye presented the financial report in the absence of our Treasurer Les , we are O K .

The Bunnings sausage sizzle was reasonable for a Friday . John went through a list of future activities , among them that we will apply for another grant from council to purchase more equipment .

Mike Darlow changed his usual 10 min . presentation into a Q and A segment , however he caught all by surprise and no questions were asked !

John mentioned that a bus will be organised for travel to the W W W Show in July . Bill Shean reminded

us that all items for show or sale need to be correctly marked and itemised on your summary sheet . Mike Darlow proceeded to turn a spin top and gave a talk on the correct use of tools .



John Powell invited every one to man the lathes . A short while later spin tops were



spinning and creating havoc over tables , floors .etc .

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### What's Happening

- 26 March 13-Steps to Making a Bowl, Bill Shean
- 23 April Lathe Safety, Ron South
- 30 April Black and Coloured Sheep Assoc, Robertson
- 28 May Freddie S, Make a Wall Hanging in 2 or more woods
- 17-19 June Sydney Working With Wood Show, bus on Sunday
- 25 June Richard Raffan
- 23 July Hands-On, Team Bowl Making
- 27 August Pyrography—Kerry Bunker,  
Texturing/Carving—Harris/Shean
- 24 September AGM and  
Jack Butler, goblets

**Show & Tell - February Meeting** Project for February was a Birdhouse



**Fred Robjert:** Birdhouse- jarrah, qld maple



**Bill Bailey:** Birdhouse - ash, paperbark, maple, pine



**Max Donato:** Birdhouses- apricot, cedar, apple, ng rose-wood,



**Max Donato:** Birdhouses



**Ian Pye:** Lamp-banksia nut



**Ian Pye:** Lamp, banksia nut



**John Crisp:** Birdhouse - Rosewood, huon, metal & Goudian Finch



**Graeme Webb:** Vase, iron bark



**Bob Miller:**  
Left-Birdhouse, palings  
Right-Birdhouse, Sydney blue gum, magnolia, cypress, kauri



**John Harris:**  
Birdhouse, Aust cedar



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## President's Report

Despite some very wet weather the Moss Vale Show was quite successful for us with over \$1100 taken in sales. Each shower drove an influx of visitors to the shelter of our shed which helped us considerably.

I want to compliment Freddie Robjent, our tireless worker, on a job well done. Our turners were John Harris, Freddie, Fred S. Jim Powell, Ian Pye, Roger Wilson and Peter Gerlach. Peter also ferried the equipment to and from the show. Thank you to all these people and others who helped. Also to Chrissie and Judy who kept up the supply of refreshments for the workers.



We had some successful entrants in the show too. Alex Walker did very well with a first prize for a truck and a second prize also for a truck. Congratulations Alex!!

Congratulations also to Freddie R on his second prize for an oval wine table, and to Graeme Dickman on his second prize for a bowl and third prize for a pen. Well done!!

Our next outside event is the Black and Coloured Sheep Association's Wool Festival on 30<sup>th</sup> April in the Robertson Hall.

Keep the chips flying,  
John.

## Treasurer's Report

Bunnings offered us a Friday BBQ on 11 February but our net result was only \$156.90 after transferring a lot of leftover food and drinks which we retained for use at the workshop. We decided that we would decline any future offers of Friday BBQs.

February was otherwise a routine sort of month and we finished with a balance of

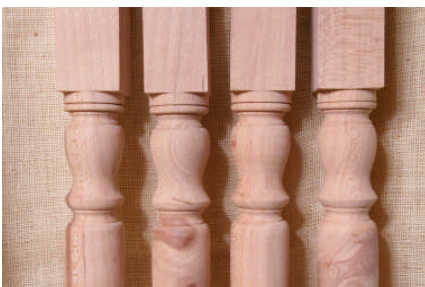
\$3,872.52 and the Equipment Fund only \$52.07 in the red. We are looking forward to some good sales at the Moss Vale Show 18 to 20 March.

Les Dunn has returned from making his contribution to running the Avalon Air Show so will be back in the Treasurer's role next time.

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**Fred S:** Bowl, black wattle-Platter, Myrtle-Cheese platter, Myrtle-Cheese knives, Myrtle



**Ian Pye:** Table legs, silky oak

## Show & Tell - February Meeting.. ....cont



**Bob Miller:** Birdhouse-karri, ash, iron bark



**Roger Wilson:** Birdhouses-pine, jackaranda, pine & Camphor, walnut, camphor



**Bill Bailer:** Hammer



**John Powell:** Birdhouses



**John Harris:** Burl bowl, Blackbutt & Pear, banksia nut

## February Highlights ....cont

Afternoon tea was called at two pm . After all cakes had disappeared the raffle was drawn and won by Mrs Darlow and won by Desmond Kennard (first prize) and Doug Greenhalgh (second). Show and tell was once again very aptly performed by Ron South . There were a lot of bird houses of varying styles hanging on all kinds of supports including the obligatory



one on a metal stand .  
( presented by you know who ! ) John thanked the kitchen staff and then closed the meeting .



# Membership Renewals & Equipment Fund

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## SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS WOODIES GROUP INCORPORATED

(Affiliated with the Sydney Woodturners Guild Inc)

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DUE BY 30 JUNE for membership from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

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Partner's Name (optional).....

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Equipment Fund Levy: **\$25**

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Send this form and payment to:

Membership Secretary, Southern Highlands Woodies Group Inc,

PO Box 336, Mittagong, 2575 :

or pay Treasurer at next meeting (bring this completed form)



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### Presidents Challenge

**2011**

**January:** Any face plate turning

**February:** Birdhouse

**March:** Bowl incorporating pottery

**April:** Lidded bowl

**May:** Candle stick

**June:** Anything using 2-3 woods

**July:** Box

**August:** 2-piece tool handle

**September:** Textured, Carved or

Burnt

**October:** Goblet

**Nov:** Christmas ornament

These are the projects for the theme of Show & Tell for each of the 2011 meetings. This should also produce a range of items in the Excellence Award.

Note that the order may change as demonstrators are finalised.

## John Page & Excellence Awards

### John Page Awards Nominations

Nominations for **January** Show and Tell were:

**John Crisp** 2 nominations

**Fred Robjent** 2 nominations

**Keith Buchanan** 1 nomination

**Roger Wilson** 1 Nomination

### Excellence Award

Nominations for **January** Show and Tell were:

**Roger Wilson:** Japanese Incense B owl, cedar

**Roger Wilson:** Bowl, Camphor laurel

**Bill Shean:** Rectangular pyrographed bowl, Hoop pine

**Bill Shean:** Wall Hanging, Coolibar burl

## Moss Vale Show

Friday saw so many members there was little room for anyone else. A successful demonstration to the public of our skills, organisation and wares.



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