



# January Gathering

Another great rollup of 30 members after the holiday break. Its great to see so many enthusiastic woodturners. Thanks to Terry and Janet Duffy for doing the cooking and Les Dunn for the clearing up.

Roger and others have been busy uncluttering the tool area with modified shelves giving more accessibility to the tools and woodturning equipment.

All going well we will have our new chairs, purchased with the Veolia grant.



Could all members check the duty roster for the Saturday cooking and washup. If you are listed and can't make it then please arrange a replacement. The sharing of the load will allow all members to participate to a higher degree and so lesson the load on the few.

### Demonstrators

**John Crisp** - Rolling Pin construction techniques

John showed us his version of rolling pin and a method of making moveable handles without a central spindle. Like a true toolmaker he also showed us the aides he made to facilitate the construction. Johns expertise in metal work certainly made the job easier.

Thanks for a very informative and easy to understand demonstration.



## PRESIDENTS REPORT

It was good to see so many members at the meeting after our Christmas break.

Bill Shean has left hospital and is convalescing at home. He is still having tests and awaiting the results.

The dates for Moss Vale Show are 16, 17 and 18 March. We will need stock for the stand for both display and sale. We also need helpers to set up on Thursday 15, and to man the stand over the three days of the show. Fred Robjent is the co-ordinator this year, so please see him and put your name on the roster lists at the back of the hall.

The Sydney Timber and Working With Wood Show dates have been changed yet again. They are now 27, 28 and 29 July, 2012. The venue has been moved to Homebush. As this is our meeting week-end we will have our meeting as usual on the Saturday, and the bus will go to the show on Sunday if enough people want to go.

Peter Herbert has kindly sent us Imperial and Metric Conversion Tables for woodturners. A few copies are available.

The new First Aid Kit is now installed near the kitchen door in the hall. The chairs are on order. These items are being purchased with the grant money we received from Veolia Trust.

Sturt School for Wood is holding a Tools and Techniques Weekend on 18 and 19 February. Admission and parking is free and you have the opportunity to try and buy a variety of brands of tools. There will also be demonstrations by the teachers from Sturt. 10.00am to 4.00pm, at Sturt Craft Centre, Cnr Range Rd and Waverley Pde, Mittagong.

Keep those chips flying,  
John.

### AWARD RESULTS FOR SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2011

#### EXCELLENCE AWARD

Peter Herbert (bowl with shell insert)

Bob Miller (stool)

Mike Darlow (salt and pepper shakers)

Graeme Webb (tapered vessel in Redwood)

#### JOHN PAGE PRESIDENTS CHALLENGE: CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Terry Duffy, John Wisby, 1 vote each

Bill Bailey 2 votes

Ken Sullivan 3 votes

Roger Wilson 5 votes

### NEXT MEETING KITCHEN ROSTER

COOKING P.Gerlach, B.Grant

CLEANUP D.Greenhalgh, A.Haeusler.

If your unable to do it, please find a replacement

## TREASURERS REPORT

Our balance for 31 January was \$4,571.89 after paying out \$966 from the Mulwarree Trust Grant for stackable chairs and the first aid kit. Receipts for January were \$507 and payments were \$1,382.72 (including the above payment from the grant funds)

The membership fee and levy will remain at \$50 per member for 2012. Payments may be made from now and hopefully well before the end of June.

The full report is on the notice board for those who wish to examine it further.

Ian Pye  
Treasurer



John Wisby and Bob Miller. I wonder why they are looking so guilty??



The Christmas Party at Mittagong RSL was attended by about 40 members, spouses and guests. As usual the RSL did a great job of feeding the hungry hordes. I'm sure all members had a great time. It was great to see our members from Cootamundra, Tea Gardens and Spence make the effort to travel so far. Thanks to John Powell for doing the organizing

### ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

The club has been **missing a 1 1/4 inch round nose scraper** for about 4 months. While we don't think anyone would steal a tool from the club, there is every chance that the tool has been inadvertently put in someone's toolbox when cleaning up after a day's turning.

The missing tool has a long handle with red paint on the extremity. Even if you don't think you have this tool could you all please look in your toolboxes for this scraper?

## Show and Tell

A **maximum of 1 per member**, may be submitted for the presidents award section and any number for the Excellence Award section of Show and Tell

### Presidents Challenge Tasks 2012

Feb: Clock  
 Mar: Pen  
 Apr: Inside Out turning  
 May: Candle Stick - made to measure  
 June: Gavel  
 July: Vase  
 Aug: Salt and Pepper shaker/grinder  
 Sep: Decorated Turning - carved, burnt, textured  
 Oct: Bowl or platter of 2 timbers  
 Nov: Your Choice

Note: These are the theme subjects for the Presidents Challenge Award in the Show and Tell segment of each meeting. Note that the order may change as demonstrators are finalised.

### Useful Websites

Clock

<http://aroundthewoods.com/clock1.shtml>

[http://www.teknatool.com/projects/NOVA%20Toolbox\\_Project%20DeskTop%20Clock.pdf](http://www.teknatool.com/projects/NOVA%20Toolbox_Project%20DeskTop%20Clock.pdf)

<http://bobhamswwing.com/Articles/Clocks/Segmented%20Clocks.htm>

<http://www.turningtools.co.uk/projects/clocks/clocknotes.html>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LI9w2VQhDkg>

<http://www.squidoo.com/HowToMakeAWoodenGearClock>

### Calendar

#### February 25th, 2012

Max Donato - Designing and making small boats

#### March 24th, 2012

Terry Duffy - Inside out turning

#### April 28th, 2012

Darrell Smith

#### May 26th, 2012

Ron South and Mick Hurley - Safety Day

#### June 23rd, 2012

Andrew Gittoes - Turning Green Timber and how to remove chuck marks etc.

#### July - November

Still to be confirmed

### Club Clobber

Polo Shirt \$35.00

Jacket \$55.00

Drill Shirt \$55.00

Baseball Cap \$18.00

This price includes the embroidered logo and a name.

**See Mick Hurley**



John Harris  
Rolling Pin & Stand  
Huon Pine & Rosewood



Peter Jackson  
2 Rolling Pins  
Radiata Pine

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Rosewood &  
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Bowl  
Blackwood



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Keith McCutcheon  
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John Harris  
Vase  
Photinia



John Harris  
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John Harris  
Lidded Box  
Red Cedar



Graeme Webb  
Rolling Pin  
Oregon



John Harris  
Painted Vases  
Photinia



Bill Bailey  
Rolling Pin, Pine



Bill Dinning  
Victorian Sewing Box  
Recycled Red Cedar



Ron South  
Rolling Pin  
Radiata Pine & ??

LIBRARY

**TURNED BOWL DESIGN - RICHARD RAFFAN 1987**

**LIBRARY CATALOGUE BOOK 70**

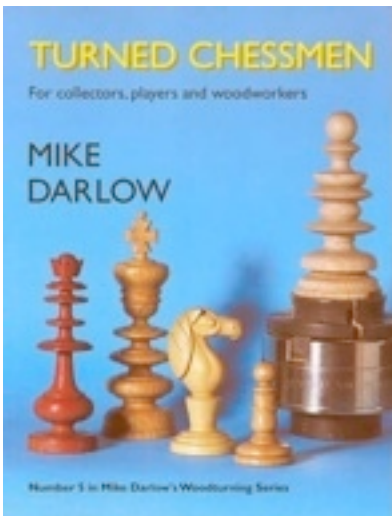
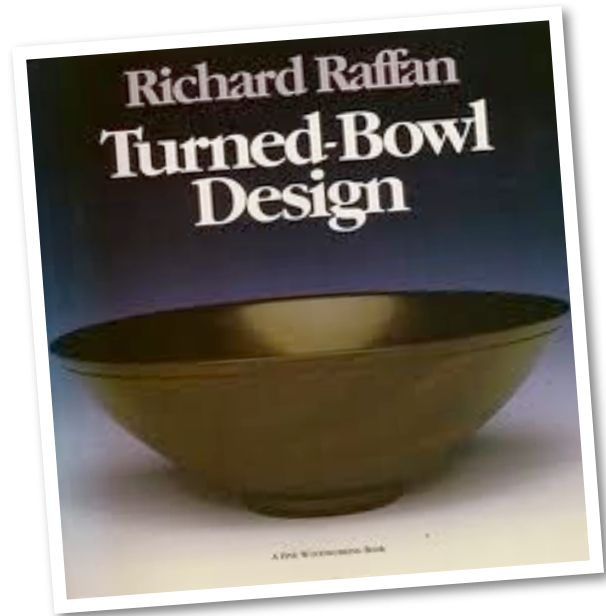
Our newest addition to the library, this book goes through the process of bowl design. It covers all topics in producing a bowl, from selecting the wood, through drying and then turning.

The emphasis though, is on design form, developing profiles, green turning and finally surface decoration.

As the author states, "Everyone loves a spectacular bowl turned from beautifully coloured, richly figured wood. But the sad fact is that colour and figure always fade." "These characteristics will never outlast the shape."

The book also provides us with some basic principals to follow, as well as quite a number of template shapes that can be used.

I found it to be an easy read with some great practical ideas that I can put into practice.



As usual Mike has produced a book that is thorough, easily understood and provides great practical guidance if you wish to turn a chess set.

The book is easy to read and is a great resource.

Well worth the read.

The book starts with a history of chess and goes through many designs. He even produces some scale drawings that you can use to make templates for turning.

**Club Shirts, Jumpers, Jackets**

See Mick Hurley. You can have logo made which you sew onto your own shirt, or he can organize a shirt or jacket or jumper. Pay when ordering.



LIBRARY

Books, DVDs, Magazines. Great resources for advanced and beginner alike.

A small fee for a months reading or viewing. See any Committee member if you wish to borrow.



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**Web Site**

Sydneywoodturners.com.au

Go to the Southern Highlands link to find all Woodchips publications

**Meetings**

4th Saturday monthly 10am to 4:30pm

**Turning at the Club House**

Every Tuesday and Friday 8:30am to 12:30pm and Saturday 12:30pm to 5:00pm Except 4th Saturday

**Executive** (meets 4th Friday monthly)

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**CLUB MOBILE PHONE**

***We have bought a Nokia pre paid phone so that emergency calls can be made and incoming calls can be received. It provides a number for members, relatives, etc. to ring when Charlton Hall is being used. If you need to ring SHW the number is***

***0406 951 145***

## Just for Laughs

An old Italian gentleman lived alone. He wanted to plant his annual tomato garden, but it was very difficult work, as the ground was hard. His only son, Vincent, who used to help him, was in prison. The old man wrote a letter to his son and described his predicament:

*Dear Vincent,  
I am feeling pretty sad because it looks like I won't be able to plant my tomato garden this year. I'm just getting too old to be digging up a garden plot. I know if you were here my troubles would be over. I know you would be happy to dig the plot for me, like in the old days.  
Love,  
Papa*

A few days later he received a letter from his son.

***Dear Papa,  
Don't dig up that garden. That's where the bodies are buried.  
Love,  
Vinnie***

At 4 a.m. the next morning, the police arrived and dug up the entire area without finding any bodies. They apologized to the old man and left.

That same day the old man received another letter from his son.

***Dear Papa,  
Go ahead and plant the tomatoes now.  
That's the best I could do under the circumstances.  
Love you,  
Vinnie***

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Little Tony was 9 years old and was staying with his grandmother for a few days. He'd been playing outside with the other kids for a while when he came into the house and asked her, 'Grandma, what's that called when two people sleep in the same room and one is on top of the other?'

She was a little taken aback, but she decided to tell him the truth. 'It's called sexual intercourse, darling.'

Little Tony said, 'Oh, OK,' and went back outside to play with the other kids.

A few minutes later he came back in and said angrily, 'Grandma, it isn't called sexual intercourse. It's called Bunk Beds. And Jimmy 's mum wants to talk to you.'