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JANUARY MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT.



Welcome to 2024 the January edition of By Hand and Eye and Happy New Year to everyone.

Firstly, I want to congratulate Bill Black for being awarded Life Membership of Menai Region. Bill was one of the first people that I met at my first Guild meeting. It became obvious that Bill was very knowledgeable about the Guild Constitution and procedures. He continues to guide those of us with less knowledge about the way to do things. He is a valued member of the Guild Committee. Well done Bill!

Secondly, I want to congratulate Bill Dinning of Southern Highlands on receiving his Life Membership of the club. I have not met Bill, but I am sure the award is well deserved.

There are a couple of things I need to address at this stage of the year.

Firstly, The Royal Easter Show is on. We are demonstrating from 22 March to 27 March inclusive from 7:30AM to 4:30PM. We need 6 turners per day, (only 3 will be turning at any one time). The others are free to go and see the show. You get free entry to the show and there will be parking for 3 cars per day, (car pooling advised).

If you can help please let David King know your name, contact number and the day you would like to demonstrate BY 6 FEBRUARY 2024. This is so security can be advised you will be coming in on the day.

You do not need to be a gun turner to demonstrate at the show. Quick simple things are the order of the day. They are give aways for the kids. So, things like finger tops, tooth pick holders small Christmas Trees, mini baseball bats etc.

Next the ongoing saga of the Carbatec discount for members. You must have your CURRENT membership card, you need to quote account number 337123. I would also recommend taking a copy of the advertisement from By Hand and Eye with you. You should also note that not all items will attract the discount. I am assured by the Carbatec Marketing Team that appropriate training has now been carried out for Sydney staff members. I sincerely hope that this helps, and keep letting your reps know if the problem continues. I will continue to fight for your discount.

Until next time, have a happy and safe festive season and to quote a previous Guild President "Keep the Lathes turning", and have fun.

Philip McLeod

(PHILIP MCLEOD)
PRESIDENT

WELFARE

It is with great sadness that I have to let you all know that our Secretary / Treasurer, (Ian Cocks), lost his wife in January. She had been battling an infection for several weeks, but finally lost her battle. May she Rest in Peace, and I know you join with me in expressing our most sincere condolences to Ian and his family.

GUILD CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024.

Guild meetings take place at the Girl Guide Hall, 157 Waldron Street, Chester Hill. 2162.

The Guild meets on the last Monday of every second month i.e. January, March, May, July, September and November.

Meetings start at 1830, (6:30PM) and finish at 2100, (9PM) at the latest.

All members of the Guild are welcome to attend, but only 1 elected representative can vote at these meetings. This is to ensure that no one region can "out vote" the smaller regions. Everyone has an equal say in how the Guild is run.

The following dates are significant for the Guild:

2024

Macarthur Region will be 31 Years young first meeting held 1993

January 26 Australia Day

January 29 GUILD MEETING

17 January Royal Easter Show Entries Close

8 – 9 March Deliver Item/s to the Show

19 March Arts and Crafts Preview

March 15 Menai Region is 30 Years young

22 March – 2 April ROYAL EASTER SHOW

March 25 GUILD MEETING

April 7 Daylight Saving Ends – Clocks back 1 hour.

April 12 Eastern Region is 18 Years young (meetings were held before this date. This is date of Incorporation).

April 16 Southern Highlands is 30 Years young

29 March - 1 April EASTER

5 – 6 April Collect item/s from the Show.

April 25 ANZAC DAY

May 27 GUILD MEETING

Date TBA TIMBER, TOOLS and ARTISANS SHOW – Venue TBA

10 June Kings Birthday

June 30 GUILD MEMBERSHIPS DUE

July 4 Guild is 41 Years young founding meeting at George Hatfield's home.

July 29 GUILD MEETING

August 4 Bankstown is 34 Years young

August 19 first formal Guild Meeting Sydney Tech College Ultimo.

September 17 Northern Beaches, (then Peninsula Region) is 31 Years young

September 30 **AGM and GUILD MEETING**

October 6 Daylight Saving Starts – Clocks forward 1 hour.

October 7 Labour Day

November 25 GUILD MEETING

BH&E Closure Dates for Article Submission:

2024		2025	
19 JANUARY	19 JULY	17 JANUARY	18 JULY
15 MARCH	20 SEPTEMBER	21 MARCH	19 SEPTEMBER
17 MAY	15 NOVEMBER	16 MAY	14 NOVEMBER

The last 3 missing editions are: Anything from **September 1983, 3/84 (May/June), 6/84 (November/December)**.

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FALLS PREVENTION - Home Safety

Is your home a hazard?

One in three people 65 years and over living in the community will have at least one fall during the next 12 months.

More than half of these falls happen in and around the home.

A safe home and surroundings can help you to maintain an independent lifestyle and reduce your risk of falling.

Check your surroundings and take steps to make them safer.

- Floors: Secure rugs (or remove them). Have non-slip floors. Remove clutter.
- Cords and cables: Remove cords and cables from walkways.
- Lighting: Ensure adequate lighting in all rooms, steps and stairs. Use night lights in-side and sensor lights outside.
- Stairs and Steps: Mark edges of steps clearly, use slip-resistant strips. Install handrails the full length of the stairs/steps.
- Bathroom: Install grab rails, use a non-slip mat, be careful on wet floors.
- Kitchen: Mop up spills straight away. Don't climb on chairs to reach high cupboards.
- Garden areas: Make sure that paths are even and free of moss. Keep paths free of garden tools.

For further help:

• Home safety checklist - on home hazards and suggestions to manage them, is available in the Staying Active and on Your Feet booklet. Ask your health professional for a copy or see www.activeandhealthy.nsw.gov.au.

• Ask an occupational therapist for suggestions on how to adapt your home environment.

For further information:

Email: falls@cec.health.nsw.gov.au

Web: www.cec.health.nsw.gov.au

Disclaimer: This article is not intended, nor should it be read, as medical advice. It is merely information to be used in recognising and responding to some symptoms and if in any doubt, medical advice and attention should be sought.

TODAY'S PIECE OF PHILOSOPHY.

STORY ONE.

Many years ago, Al Capone virtually owned Chicago. Capone wasn't famous for anything heroic. He was notorious for enmeshing the windy city in everything from bootlegged booze and prostitution to murder. Capone had a lawyer nicknamed "Easy Eddie." He was Capone's lawyer for a good reason. Eddie was very good! In fact, Eddie's skill at legal maneuvering kept Big Al out of jail for a long time. To show his appreciation, Capone paid him very well. Not only was the money big, but Eddie got special dividends, as well. For instance, he and his family occupied a fenced-in mansion with live-in help and all of the conveniences of the day. The estate was so large that it filled an entire Chicago City block. Eddie lived the high life of the Chicago mob and gave little consideration to the atrocity that went on around him. He did have one soft spot, however. He had a son that he loved dearly. Eddie saw to it that his young son had clothes, cars, and a good education. Nothing was withheld. Price was no object. And, despite his involvement with organized crime, Eddie even tried to teach him right from wrong. Eddie wanted his son to be a better man than he was.

Yet, with all his wealth and influence, there were two things he couldn't give his son; he couldn't pass on a good name or a good example. One day, Easy Eddie reached a difficult decision. Easy Eddie wanted to rectify the wrongs he had done. He decided he would go to the authorities and tell the truth about Al "Scarface" Capone, clean up his tarnished name, and offer his son some semblance of integrity. To do this, he would have to testify against The Mob, and he knew that the cost would be great. So, he testified. Within the year, Easy Eddie's life ended in a blaze of gunfire on a lonely Chicago Street. But in his eyes, he had given his son the greatest gift he had to offer, at the greatest price he could ever pay.

Police removed from his pockets a rosary, a crucifix, a religious medallion, and a poem clipped from a magazine. **The poem read: "The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at late or early hour. Now is the only time you own. Live, love, toil with a will. Place no faith in time. For the clock may soon be still."**

STORY TWO.

World War II produced many heroes. One such man was Lieutenant Commander Butch O'Hare. He was a fighter pilot assigned to the aircraft carrier Lexington in the South Pacific.

One day his entire squadron was sent on a mission. After he was airborne, he looked at his fuel gauge and realized that someone had forgotten to top off his fuel tank. He would not have enough fuel to complete his mission and get back to his ship. His flight leader told him to return to the carrier. Reluctantly, he dropped out of formation and headed back to the fleet. As he was returning to the mother ship, he saw something that turned his blood cold; a squadron of Japanese aircraft was speeding its way toward the American fleet. The American fighters were gone on a sortie, and the fleet was totally defenseless. He couldn't reach his squadron and bring them back in time to save the fleet. Nor could he warn the fleet of the approaching danger. There was only one thing to do. He must somehow divert them from the fleet. Laying aside all thoughts of personal safety, he dove into the formation of Japanese planes. Wing-mounted 50 calibers blazed as he charged in, attacking one surprised enemy plane and then another. Butch wove in and out of the now broken formation and fired at as many planes as possible until all his ammunition was finally spent. Undaunted, he continued the assault. He dove at the planes, trying to clip a wing or tail in hopes of damaging as many enemy planes as possible, rendering them unfit to fly.

Finally, the exasperated Japanese squadron took off in another direction. Deeply relieved, Butch O'Hare and his tattered fighter limped back to the carrier. Upon arrival, he reported in and related the event surrounding his return. The film from the gun-camera mounted on his plane told the tale. It showed the extent of Butch's daring attempt to protect his fleet. He had, in fact, destroyed five enemy aircraft. This took place on February 20, 1942, and for that action Butch became the Navy's first Ace of W.W.II, and the first Naval Aviator to win the Medal of Honor. A year later Butch was killed in aerial combat at the age of 29. His hometown would not allow the memory of this WW II

hero to fade, and today, O'Hare Airport in Chicago is named in tribute to the courage of this great man. So, the next time you find yourself at O'Hare International, give some thought to visiting Butch's memorial displaying his statue and his Medal of Honor. It's located between Terminals 1 and 2.

So, what do these two stories have to do with each other?

Butch O'Hare was "Easy Eddie's" son.

HUMOR FROM THE SHAVINGS.

SOME REFLECTIONS ON LIFE.

The main function of the little toe on your foot is to make sure that all the furniture in the house is in place.

You don't look anything like that long haired skinny kid I married 25 years ago. I need a DNA sample to make sure it is still you.

I'm so old that all my friends in heaven will think that I didn't make it.

Paranoia has reached absurd stages... I sneezed in front of my laptop and the anti-virus started to scan on its own.

I'm so old I can remember going through a whole day without taking a picture of anything.

You can't truly refer to yourself as an adult until you catch yourself getting really angry when the supermarket changes the layout.

I am old enough to remember when paper bags were being blamed for the destruction of trees - and plastic bags were the solution.

Not sure if I washed the spider down the shower drain hole or if it took one look at me naked and then willingly leapt to its death.

I felt uncomfortable driving into the cemetery. The GPS blurted out "you have reached your final destination".

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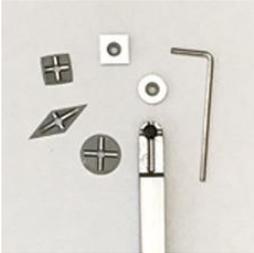


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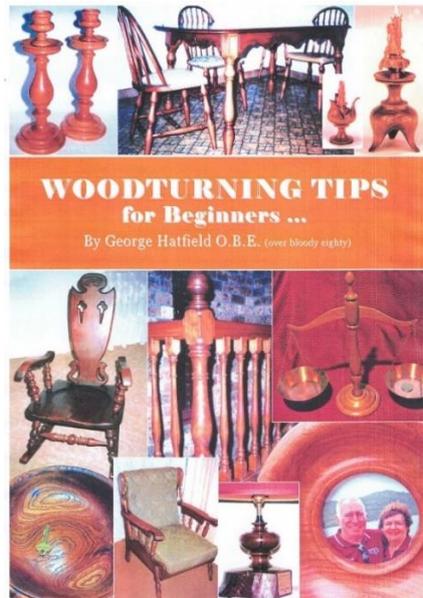
Guild Baseball Cap



Lapel Badge

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This book is by George Hatfield, (Membership Number 2 and a Life Member of the Guild). George wants to “Leave something on the shelf”, so he put this together. It is aimed at beginners. It is 47 pages and will sell through your Guild Representative for \$7, (very good value). Contact Philip McLeod (02) 4049 4299 or your Guild Representative if you want one. **ONLY 10 COPIES LEFT!**

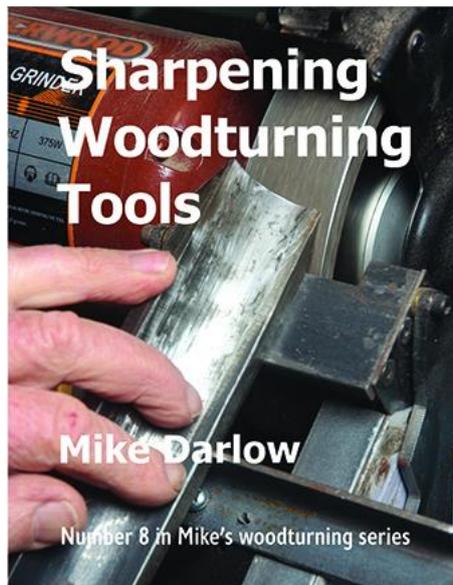
NEW BOOK BY MIKE DARLOW – SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS MEMBER.

My new sharpening book is now available.

Sharpening Woodturning Tools (SWT) is the seventh book in Mike Darlow's colour woodturning series. It is now available in Australasia, North America and Europe only via Amazon's print-on-demand facility.

SWT explains why and shows how you can sharpen economically, quickly, with repeatable accuracy, and less often.

It achieves this by first explaining the principles (fundamental truths) of woodturning and sharpening which should determine how tools are sharpened. In doing so *SWT* shows that much of the huge volume of sharpening advice produced since 1956 has not been soundly based on these principles. *SWT* then discusses materials and equipment, and lastly how to optimally sharpen the different tool types.



Book details

SWT has 115 pages, size 8.5" x 11" (216 mm x 279 mm), plus a 5-page index. The book contains 242 illustrations, and has a soft cover.

SWT has five chapters:

Chapter 1, 4 pages.

- defines some basic terms
- shows how the sharpening advice provided since 1881 has varied

Chapter 2, 35 pages.

- details the principles of turning and of sharpening
- shows that since 1956 unnecessarily large sharpening angles have been promoted despite the introduction of HSS turning tools in the 1970s

Chapter 3, 29 pages.

- discusses tool steels, abrasives, grinders, honing, buffing, jigs and templates

Chapter 4, 46 pages.

- describes how to sharpen the different tool types
- shows how you can make your own grinding templates for platform and pivoting jigs
- challenges the conventional techniques for turning bowls

Chapter 5, 1 page.

- concludes that turning and sharpening have in some ways regressed because of the lack of objective criticism
- hopes that *SWT*'s content will lead to a sound consensus on the optimum sharpening techniques.

Reviewing

I'd be grateful if you would consider reviewing *SWT* for the Amazon website, for woodturning and woodworking journals and magazines, and, if you're a member of a woodturning club, for its newsletter.

Publication and buying

The introduction of YouTube has adversely affected the viability of conventionally publishing how-to books. Mike has therefore published *SWT* using Amazon's print-on-demand facilities.

To order:

- go to Amazon.com.au
- at the top of the Amazon home page, click on the down arrow to the right of "All". Tick "Books" in the drop-down menu which appears. Write "mike darlow" in the blank space. Click on the orange magnifying glass to the right
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If you believe that others would benefit from reading *SWT*, I'd be grateful if you would tell them about *SWT* or forward this email to them.

Mike's email address is mike@mikedarlow.com His website address is <https://mikedarlow.com>

WOODTURNING QUIZ

(Answers will be published near the last page).

Acknowledgements

It would be impossible to name all the people who have helped with the quiz over the years, but I thank George Hatfield, Mike Darlow, Terry Martin, Mark Sfirri, Jean-Francois Escoulen, Stephen Hogbin, Simon Priem, Lindsay Skinner, Frank Bollins, Keith Smith, Dick Turner, Bernie Carveth, Col Herbert, Des Lane, Allan Game, Karen Blewden, David Laird, John Ewart, Bernie Axford, Dale Hageman, Richard Raffan, Vic Wood, Bonnie Klein, Robin Wood, Stuart King, Dale Nish, Steve Riley, Phil McNabb, Tony Garbellini and my father, Ernie Newman. Apologies to those I have missed. Ernie Newman.

Now to the Quiz:

- 1/ In what region of Australia are the timbers Jarrah, Karri, Marri and Wandoo found?
- 2/ A lathe normally has three "...stocks" attached to the bed. What are they?
- 3/ Why must a faceplate be fully wound onto the nose of the lathe before it is switched on?
- 4/ Turnings with square sections, such as some table legs, should be accurately centred on the lathe. How can this be done with precision?
- 5/ Did vee belts start to replace flat belts in the 1830s, 1880s or 1930s?

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AROUND THE REGIONS

FROM THE GUILD.

The Guild meeting was held on Monday 27th November.

Business arising from Minutes: The new wording for the change to the Guild Constitution Life Membership was approved. The new Public Officer needs to inform Fair Trading of the change.

Your Guild currently has \$10,886.55 available to it.

There are 205 members as of 27 November 2023. We have not yet returned to pre Covid numbers.

Members have had a problem getting the discount from Carbatec. The Guild will contact Carbatec and clarify the situation. It is suggested you take a copy of the advertising in By Hand and Eye if you are planning a purchase as well as your Guild Membership card.

The Guild will be demonstrating for 6 DAYS at the Easter Show next year. We will have a larger area than previously. We will also have more cabinet space. **PLEASE LOOK IN YOUR STORAGE AREAS AT HOME, FIND A PIECE THAT YOU THINK IS PRETTY GOOD AND ENTER IT INTO THE SHOW.** We need to fill the space.

The Timber Tools and Artisans Show is looking like going ahead in June, if they can organise the exhibitors. If it goes ahead it will probably be at Homebush.

The new wording for the Guild Constitution has been agreed to by the representatives of the Regions/Clubs. Once Fair Trading have been notified of the change copies will be distributed to all the Regions/Clubs.

Region / Club Membership Secretaries please note that until further notice new memberships, or members renewing paperwork should go to Ken Morgan (swgmembershipsec@gmail.com) , cc'd Ian Cocks (ian.ocks@gmail.com).

Members and regions / clubs are reminded that if you are meeting out of normal times, or at different places or doing activities PLEASE let the Secretary know. A large part of your membership is for insurance, but it ONLY WORKS if the secretary knows about what is happening. An email or phone call is all that is required.

FROM THE EDITOR – When taking photographs for inclusion in the BH&E please try to put the item on a white, or light coloured background with as much natural light as possible. This will make it come out better in the newsletter. Thank you.

Please remember:

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MENAI REGION.

Guild Report 27 November 2023:

Bill Black was made a Life Member for ongoing work for the club over many years. Training of Men's Shed members has resulted in 3 new members for the group. Their next social day will be 3 March 2024. There will be a meeting in the next week to confirm closing and opening dates over Christmas and New Year.

They have held their AGM and the usual people were elected to the usual positions.

Show and Tell November 2023: This month's theme " No Show and Tell ".

Show and Tell January 2024: Theme “No Show and Tell”.

NORTHERN BEACHES.

Guild Report 27 November 2023:

They will hold their Christmas Party on Sunday 3 December. They had a demonstration by George Hatfield to inaugurate the lathe that he got built while teaching at TAFE. In his demonstration he used a bead tool with the comment “It does just as good a job as a Skew”.

They will close from 16 December to 1st week in February.

Show and Tell November 2023:

No Show and Tell

BANKSTOWN REGION.

Guild Report 27 November 2023:

Ken Morgan was made a Life Member for ongoing work for the club over many years. Bankstown held their AGM and all the usual people were elected into their positions.

Bankstown will close from 16 December to 20 January.

Show and Tell December 2023:



Ted Batty – 170mm Olive Bowl



Ted Batty – Olive Box with screw lid removed



Ted Batty – Mushroom in Camellia



Ted Batty – Mushroom in NZ Christmas Tree

MACARTHUR REGION.

Guild Report 27 November 2023:

No Report

Show and Tell November 2023:

No Show and Tell

EASTERN REGION.

Guild Report 27 November 2023:

Meeting Held 5 November

Among the Trees – Market Day – Mario will investigate the costs and requirements for a stall.

Kooloora requested the group supply a short piece to be included in their annual report – Melvyn Dickson will provide the report.

George Xylas informed the group that we have \$1798.15 in the bank, and approximately \$200 in Petty Cash.

General Business:

Phil McLeod still owed \$272.50 – I would like to be reimbursed.

Mario Dato still owed \$400 – would like to be reimbursed.

Possible purchase of Bruce Leadbeater lathe – approval was given to purchase the lathe and Bandsaw. Mario will organise this. The plan is to sell the Record Lathe complete with tools and chucks. Mario, Phil and Antonio will provide the money to purchase the Bruce Leadbeater lathe. Once the Record Lathe and old bandsaw are sold they will receive a proportionate reimbursement.

Date of Christmas Party will be Sunday 3 December.

The shed will close from 23 December 2023 to 19 January 2024 inclusive.

Phil McLeod told the group that as he only comes down once a month and inevitably someone else has opened the shed there is no need for him to hold keys. Therefore, he handed his keys to Mario Dato, the club President.

Next Meeting: December 3 at 10.00 am General Meeting followed by a BBQ and Christmas Party.

Show and Tell December 2023:



Phil McLeod one of two Scissor Clamps. Swamp Mahogany metal Parts from Carbatec.



Bill Papalexioiu – Lamp stand, Silky Oak. Shellawax finish.



Peter Glaser – Lamp Stands Spotted Gum, Estapol finish. Not finished yet.



George Xylas Bowls, Pens, And a Christmas Tree. Various timbers.



Nina Kyte Cheese Splade, Pen, Mario Bowls, Pens and Mice. Candle Holders – Oregon.



Norm Hoskins – Guest File Handles Turned on \$50 Lathe.



Felix M – Guest - Yidaki Didgeridoo to us. Timber from NT Rainbow Serpent decoration. Not Yet finished.

Show and Tell January 2024:

No Show and Tell this month.

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS REGION.

Guild Report from December 2023 Newsletter:

Michael and Kate Adamietz welcomed members to their fabulous farm for the Woodies Christmas Party on Saturday 25th November. Their gorgeous Scottish cattle were interested observers as members rolled up.

Catering was by the irrepressible Gerald & Luise di Corpo and Syd Dunford with assistance from ‘Santa’s helpers’ aka Woodies and their near and dear.

One of the many highlights of the luncheon was the awarding of Life Membership to Bill Dinning.

Another highlight was the Mike Darlow quiz - 18 questions on woodturning and 13 on general knowledge. All members struggled for a pass mark on the quiz with Gerald di Corpo the winner with a score of 8 out of a lot (Editor - best not to get into the specifics of the total number of questions. Suffice it to say everyone may have to ‘show cause’ for their abysmally low correct score. Alternatively, Mike may have to insert some easier questions next year!)

December Show and Tell: Theme “Christmas Party”



Bill Dinning – Receiving Life Membership



Mike Darlow – Quiz Master



Highland Cattle



Christmas Spread



New Member - Stephen Heywood

Stephen with his bowl. John Halpin looks on and is obviously impressed.

GUILD AFILIATES CALENDER OF EVENTS

BANKSTOWN REGION

Bankstown Region has their shed open on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month from 0800 to approximately 1430.

They meet at the Girl Guide Hall, 157 Waldron Street, Chester Hill. 2162.

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS REGION

Tuesday	Friday	Saturday (By Arrangement)
9 am – 12.30 pm	9 am – 12.30 pm	

Moss Vale Showground, 16 Illawarra Highway, Moss Vale NSW. 2577.

Monthly meeting 4th Saturday of month 11.00am -4.30pm

Committee (meets monthly at time as advised)

The AGM was held on 28th September. The following positions were filled as indicated.

President: Martin Nadas 4862 2268

Vice Pres: Steve Walker

Secretary: Michael Adamietz 0456 856 080

Treasurer: Gerald di Corpo

SYDNEY NORTHERN BEACHES WOODTURNERS

**The Sydney Northern Beaches Woodturners are located at the
Girl Guide Hall, Forrester Avenue, Forrester, 2087. (near the Scout Hall).**

"The woodturning workshop is open Tuesdays & Fridays from 0930.

Saturdays from 0830 for sessions that include learning, guidance and toy making.

**A special teaching session may be held on Wednesday evenings dependent on the
number of attendees"**

Meetings and Demonstrations are held on the third Sunday of each Month.

Starting at 9AM.

Secretary: Jenny Talbot 02 9451 6140

MENAI REGION WOODTURNERS.

Men's Shed at Barden Ridge, (100metres down on right from Golf Driving Range) 5:30PM to 8:30PM
2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month

EASTERN REGION CALENDAR DATES.

Shed Openings are at 169 Bilga Crescent, Malabar.

Our Shed is open Saturday from 1000 to 1500, and Thursday from 1000 to 1400, can be extended if necessary.

The group meets on the first Sunday of the month for an administrative meeting, BBQ lunch and "Show and Tell".

MACARTHUR REGION WOODTURNERS

The Macarthur Region Woodturners meet on the last Sunday of each month.

From 9:30AM to 2:30PM.

At the Robert Townson High School, Shuttleworth Avenue, (enter off Spitfire Drive), Raby. 2566.

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QUIZ ANSWERS

1/ South West Western Australia. Jarrah (*Eucalyptus marginata*) represents two thirds of the sawn timber production of W.A. and is used for heavy construction, housing and fine furniture.

2/ Headstock, toolstock and tailstock.

3/ To insure that the faceplate doesn't jam onto the headstock. The problem can be countered by inserting a spacer such as a synthetic washer between the faceplate and the headstock or by fully winding on the faceplate at all times.

4/ After the timber is centered as accurately as possible the lathe is switched on and the corners of a waste part of the square section are nicked with the long point of a skew chisel. The lathe is stopped and the timber tapped towards the centre using the depth of the nicks as a guide. The tailstock is tightened and the process repeated until the timber is centered.

5/ 1930s.

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