



Turning Chatter

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Toy Day 30th May 2019

It was an unusually cold morning which perhaps explains the limited number of members who were able to turn up for a toy-making day on Thursday 30th May 2019. Or perhaps it was 'wheel-a-phobia' – the fear of having to spend hours fiddling with small wheels to fit them to the large box of toy cars.



Despite the limited number of participants, the crew available worked hard to glue on more than 100 wheels, completed a



snaggle of skipping ropes, made a start on yet more skipping rope handles and turned cars, as well as getting a coat of paint on another 30 plus items. In all it was a very productive day.



At the end of the session, about another 40 items had been completed, bring the total number of toys now finished to about 84 with many more partly completed

Many thanks to those members who were able to join in and move the program along.

Another toy making day is planned for Thursday 4th July – come along if you can.

For further information contact Tom Fox on 0427 417 060

Woodturning Lessons

are held on the second and fourth Saturday of each month and are open to everyone. These cost \$18 per lesson which goes to the Club. If you'd like some lessons please talk to Allan Game on 4739 1028 or Jan Pennell on 0417 400 268.

Ernie Newman also has vacancies in Tuesday lessons. No experience is needed. The classes run from 9 till 1 on Tuesdays at 87 St Johns Rd Blaxland. The cost is \$15 per day which goes to the Blue Mountains Woodturners.

This course covers all aspects of woodturning.

Ernie has taught woodturning in 9 countries as well as teaching the TAFE trade woodturning course. Contact:

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Presidents Report – July 2019



The 'Timber, Tools and Artisans Show' was on at Rosehill Gardens from 6th to 9th June. Craig Hubbard and I attended on the opening day. A number of new exhibitors were displaying tools, timbers and products and demonstrating machinery there. If you missed it then you can still catch it in Melbourne between the 23rd to 25th August, Canberra between the 1st and 3rd November or next year in Brisbane in March. Here is their website: <https://www.timberandworkingwithwoodshow.com.au/>



Last month we had Simon Begg visiting and demonstrating to us. He taught us how to power carve a variety of surface decorations onto wood using a range of cutting



and engraving bits. All who were there were amazed at how quickly and accurately Simon did this and we learned a lot from him. Thanks Simon. Visit Simon's website for more information about his other Woodturning skills. <https://www.simonbeggswoodturning.com/>

This month we are having a 'Members Hobbies Day' at the club instead of the normal demonstration. Please bring samples of any of your hobbies or interests along so that you can share these with the group by either describing or demonstrating what you do. As a result of discussions, at both our Futures Committee and our Club Committee, we have decided to start a regular monthly Thursday night meeting at the Woodcraft Centre to attract people who work or who can't attend on Saturday mornings due to Sports and other children's commitments. We will have an Opening Night on Thursday 22nd August where we will display our best woodturning and have a woodturning demonstration between 7pm and 9.30pm. When the time gets closer, please invite or bring along anyone that you think would be interested. Our next Futures Committee meeting will be after the BBQ lunch at our 6th July Meeting. All are welcome to stay behind for the free BBQ lunch and for this meeting to discuss our future directions. We have a 6" 'Paul Call' Bench Saw for sale for \$80 to the first person to contact Des Lane. The Nova Chuck that was for sale has been bought.

Coming Events:

- Toy Making Day (Thu 4th July)
- July Meeting (Sat 6th July)
- Members Hobbies Day, followed by BBQ and our futures Committee meeting.**
- August Meeting (Sat 3rd August)
- Mike Boyle will be teaching us about 'Design'**
- Opening Night for our 1st Night Meeting (Thur 22nd Aug)
- Penrith Anglican College Fete (Sept)
- Sept Meeting (Sat 7th Sept)
- Ernie's Class of 2019 will be presenting.**
- Oct Meeting (Sat 5th Oct)
- Ernie Newman will be presenting.**
- Glenbrook Spring Festival (Nov)

Don't forget my challenge to you, to bring something that you have turned, to 'Show and Tell' as we always learn a lot from each other.

Keep turning,
Andy



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From the Editors Desk

Many thanks to Andy for putting out the last issue of Turning Chatter while we were on holiday in Japan. It was a fantastic trip, with beautiful food, a lot of history, did I mention the food? we also meet some wonderful people.

While there we managed to find a couple of very nice Kokeshi dating from the 1940's to the 1960's, couldn't bring any more back as we travel with carry on bags only.

Cheers Glenn



Up and Coming Demonstrations

Members Hobbies	6th July 2019
Mike Boyle on Design Perfection	3rd August 2019
Ernie's Class of 2019 to Present	7th September 2019
Ernie to Present	5th October 2019



UP COMING EVENTS

Penrith Anglican College Fete
 Glenbrook Spring Festival
 Glenbrook Rotary Day
 Springwood Foundation Day
 Leura Harvest Festival

September 2019
 9th November 2019
 26th January 2020
 April 2020
 May 2020



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Club Calendar

Day	Date	Event	Time
Thursday	04/07/19	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
Saturday	06/07/19	Meeting	10.00am Onwards
Thursday	11/07/19	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
Saturday	13/07/19	Woodturning Lessons	10.00am - 12.00
Thursday	18/07/19	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
Thursday	25/07/19	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
Saturday	27/07/19	Woodturning Lessons	10.00am - 12.00