



# Turning Chatter

Newsletter of the Blue Mountains Woodturners Inc.

*Mission Statement: "Promote woodturning as a creative skill for all"*

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## June Meeting

The next meeting is on Saturday the 3rd of June.

John Krook will be demonstrating his spiral stemmed platter and stand that he had at show and tell fairly recently. It generated a lot of interest then and it will be very interesting to see how it is done. John is a long standing member of the Blue Mountains Woodturners Club as well having intricate knowledge of Ornamental Turning. He has also been published in the Association of American Woodturners magazine as well as a number of Australian publications. John also co-ordinates our Club's Show and Tell activities. I am sure there will be something for all levels of turners. So come along and enjoy the demo.

A reminder to those who want cheaper tickets for the Working with Wood Show (23rd to 25th June at Sydney Showground at Sydney Olympic Park 10am to 4pm each day), that they will need to get their money in to Andy Georgiou at our next meeting or they will miss out. Tickets \$12.



## Committee Meetings

Held the Thursday prior to the monthly meeting.

## Open Days

The Club House is open every Thursday from 10am. Come along and chat, turn or work on your own project.

**Next Toy Making Day** is on Thursday 1st June 2017.

## Woodturning Lessons

are held on the second and fourth Saturday of each month and are open to everyone. If you'd like some lessons please talk to Allan Game or Jan Pennell. If you already have a place, please ring your teacher by Thursday evening if you can't make it. Jan Pennell on 0417 400 268 or Allan Game on 4739 1028. Teachers are volunteers so please be courteous to them.

*Image top centre Horoeka Releaf 10  
by Robbie Graham*

<http://woodturners-gallery.blogspot.com.au/2012/07/woodturner-artist-robbie-graham.html>

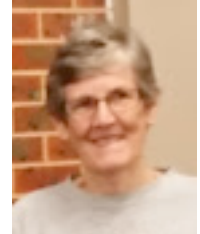




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## The President's Monthly Report

**Springwood Foundation Day.** That was on Saturday 29 April and we had a really good day. A good rollup good weather and good sales. A big thanks to all who turned up.



**Leura Festival.** This was the following weekend, Sunday 7 May. A cool start but then another pleasant day as it warmed up. Sales went well and our new income earner was a winner –the \$5 raffle. This made \$165 for the club. A great result and a very big thank you to those who contributed items. From the responses that we saw from those who unwrapped their prize they were very happy with them. Great guys. Well done.

**We need more items for next time.** Please think of starting to turn out a few items now and then rather than leaving it to the last minute. Once done they can be brought into the club and left in the Raffle Box, or you can hold on to them until called for.

**Workshop.** Allan Game has kindly offered to run a workshop on 17 June from 9 am for 2 or 3 hours. He will be covering care and use of hand planes. If you would like to attend please contact Allan either at the club or on 4739 1028. There will be a maximum number of people to attend so it will be first in gets a slot.

**June Demo.** John Krook will be demonstrating his spiral stemmed platter and stand that he had at show and tell fairly recently. It generated a lot of interest then and will be very interesting to see how it is done.

**Working With Wood Show Tickets.** Andy Georgiou has kindly offered to coordinate the purchase of reduced price thickets to the WWWSHOW. \$12 each. A great way to go not only because they are that bit cheaper but it saves you lining up to get one on the day at full price. BUT, to get the lower price there has to be a minimum purchase of 10 tickets. If you want to take advantage of this see Andy at the next meeting to put you name down AND give him your money.

Be safe, be happy, be careful.

Jan



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## Testing the Grey Matter, by Ernie Newman

- 1/ Give two ways of reducing vibration when turning slender work such as a drumstick.
- 2/ What is the name of the stone used to hone gouges?
- 3/ Which of the following are hardwoods: balsa, Australian red cedar, cypress pine, mulga?
- 4/ To achieve a 30 degree grinding angle on a tool how long should the bevel be?
  - (A) twice as long as the thickness of the tool
  - (B) three times as long
  - (C) four times as long
- 5/ What is the name of the Morse tapered hole in the headstock?

## Club Calendar

Date	Event	Time
25/05/17	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
	Committee Meeting	10.00-11.00am
27/06/17	Woodturning Lessons	9.00-12.00
1/06/17	Toy Day	9.00am Onwards
3/06/17	General Meeting	10.00am Onwards
8/06/17	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
10/06/17	Woodturning Lessons	9.00-12.00
15/06/17	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
22/06/17	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
	Committee Meeting	10.00-11.00am
24/06/17	Woodturning Lessons	9.00-12.00
29/06/17	Open Day	9.00am Onwards
1/07/17	General Meeting	10.00am Onwards



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## Shutter Speed, by Glenn Barker

On my digital camera the 'S' on the Mode select dial stands for Shutter Priority. In other words I can fix the shutter speed of the camera, the camera automatically selects the Aperture to suit the lighting provided that the aperture range isn't exceeded.

Example 1: is shot on 1/1000th second shutter speed with an aperture of f5.6, the lenses widest aperture setting is f5.6. This shutter speed allows the most amount of light into the camera sensor. In other words, the lens is 'Wide Open'

With a fast enough shutter speed you can get incredible freeze frame photographs, think of the movie 'The Matrix' when they dodged bullets- if I had used a fast enough shutter speed in Example 1 the goblet would have looked as if it was stationary.

1: See the chips fly. 1/1000th @ f5.6 ISO 200



Example 2: is shot on 1/60th second shutter speed with an aperture of f22, which is the lenses smallest aperture setting. f22 allows the least amount of light into to camera sensor. In other





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Here are some photos from Foundation Day 2017, by Glenn Barker





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## Committee

**President** - Jan Pennell

**Vice President** - Tony McKale

**Secretary** - Mike Boyle

**Treasurer** - Barry Robinson

**Membership Secretary** - Rachael Murphy

### Committee Members

Andy Georgiou, John Craft, Tony Traynor, Bill Wooldridge

**Public Officer** - Tom Fox

**Publicity Officer** - John Mulquin

**Librarians** - Rosie Meharry, John Mulquin

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**Safety Officer** - Dave Roberts, Jan Pennell

**Welfare Officer** - to be handled by the Committee

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**BMWC Site Manager** - John Mulquin

**Workshop Manager** - David Roberts

**Show & Tell Coordinator** - John Krook

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## Answers to testing the grey matter...

1. Vibration may be reduced when turning a slender piece by:
  - a. reducing lathe speed,
  - b. supporting the work with one hand,
  - c. sharpening the tool,
  - d. taking light cuts,
  - e. using a tool which takes a smaller cut, for example, a small gouge
  - f. using a steady rest.
2. The stone used to hone the flutes of gouges is a slipstone.
3. Balsa, Australian Red Cedar and Mulga are all hardwoods. Hardwoods are not always hard but are broadleaved and porous in structure.
4. twice as long
5. the swallow

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