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## Wood&Craft SHOWCASE 2025

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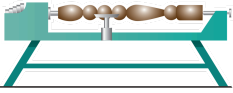
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## Editor's Note

By Joyce Arnold

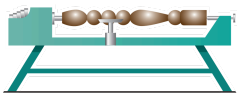
Its May already and so much has happened at WSQ. As the weather turns cooler, it is much easier for everyone to do some amazing wood craft. As you can see from the front page, the Showcase is nearly here, so there is much to be done. Please enjoy this month's reading of Turning Talk. Hopefully you are all entering the competition for the Jan Pennell Award which is part of the Wood Review's Maker of the year competition. The award was won in its first year by Simon Begg in 2024. More information is here

<https://www.woodreview.com.au/news/announcing-the-jan-pennell-award-for-woodturning>



Jan Pennell.

If you have any items for future editions, please contact me  
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## President's Report

by Mike Dunne

### Miss World Australia

WSQ member, Charlotte Fung, is in the running to be named Miss World Australia and has reached the national finals to be held in November. Charlotte is a music teacher, multi-instrumentalist, community volunteer and advocate for children's causes.

Charlotte is currently 1<sup>st</sup> place fundraiser in QLD and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Australia with a goal of raising \$20,000 for children who are sick, living with disabilities or disadvantages. All money raised will be donated to Children's Charity of Queensland and go towards funding equipment such as modified playground equipment, bicycles for children with disabilities, or specialist medical equipment for children with illnesses.

Charlotte is planning a music concert in August and is hoping to have turned a special flute or whistle to premiere at the concert. For those that wish to attend the music concert and support Charlotte, further details will be advised in the coming months. Charlotte's goal in the future is also champion women in woodwork.

Congratulation Charlotte on a well-deserved effort and we wish you well for November.

### Belmont Showcase

Preparation for the Belmont Wood and Craft Showcase are still underway. We are still looking for volunteers to help in the café, parking, on the wrapping table, greeting/raffle ticket sales and floor walkers. Please add your name to the rosters on the board in the auditorium.

Flyers are available for members to distribute to family and friends or for a mailbox drop for those feeling energetic.

### Digital Sign-In/Out Process Demonstration – April 22 Smoko Meeting

At the smoko meeting on Tuesday, April 22, Graham Chen demonstrated the new digital sign-in/sign-out

process. The system, designed to simplify attendance tracking at each workshop, is straightforward and user-friendly. It will be operated via a touch screen laptop.

The Centenary Men's Shed has generously offered to donate the laptop to WSQ for this purpose. The system will be available in the next few weeks.

Until next month.

## Secretary's Report

by Binny Willis, Secretary

Secretary's Jottings Management Committee Meeting  
12 th April 2025

Meeting opened at 7.25am

Present: Mike Dunne, Alwyn Clark, Binny Willis, Jan Chapman, John Donaldson, Barry Wilson, Reg Weber, David Williams, Neil Howard, Bob Kennedy, Katherine Ogg

Apologies: Nil

#### 1. Minutes

The Minutes of the March meeting as presented were accepted as a true and accurate record.

#### 2. Correspondence

The Inwards Correspondence was accepted and the Outwards Correspondence endorsed.

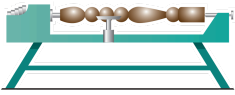
#### 3. Finance

The Finance Report, including the monthly Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet was presented and accepted and the Accounts passed for payment. The Treasurer raised the issue of the need to review the WSQ Insurances to ensure that we are adequately covered and the premiums appropriate. She also made reference to the review of the cost of our Energy bills as requested by AMSA and will report at a later meeting.

#### 4. Membership

The Membership Secretary reported that current membership stands at 231. The Applications for





Membership from Liz du Plessis, Keith Flitcroft and Andrew Chamberlain were ratified.

#### 5. Workplace Health & Safety

The Safety Officer, David Williams, reported on the issue of some tenons shearing off some bowl blanks. A further investigation will be carried out. He also reported on an issue of a saw blade breaking while being used by a member. The Accreditation status of this Member to use a bandsaw will be further researched.

#### 6. Building and Grounds

A Grant submission is being prepared to defray costs with the painting of the outside of the building, as per the requirement of our lease. A resulting Cashflow situation may delay the installation of the Air-conditioning in the Auditorium for a few months.

The electrical check by Guardian revealed an issue with one of the Exit lights. Reg Weber is to look into its replacement.

The Annual termite inspection is due and scheduled for 14 th April.

#### 7. Tools and Equipment

Graham Chen is to be asked to speak at a 'Smoko' meeting to acquaint Members with the proposed changes to the Sign on procedures which will involve the use of digital technology.

Reg Weber will schedule a Maintenance Monday for general lathe and chuck maintenance for early May.

John Carney prepared a report on the Sharpening Station innovation indicating that there was general widespread positive feedback from Members. However, there are still some issues with the

sharpening of bowl gouges resulting in a swept back grind and some multiple bevels. Some further training of Convenors on bowl gouges appears necessary. He also noted that one of the scrapers has now been sharpened with a French curve' instead of the traditional round nose curve.

Barry Wilson reported that a replacement of the standing drill press in the downstairs workshop has become a necessity, and he will obtain a range of quotes.

#### 8. Events & Activities

The proposal for a Toy Group to operate on a Saturday morning was discussed with further canvassing of Member interest to be carried out.

The construction of the silky oak tables for the Children's Hospital is underway and Harold Wiltshire's efforts are to be commended. Some of the milling for the timber for the legs was done on Tuesday by the afternoon Box making group and some of the table top milling was done in Harold's own workshop.

Round 2 of the Introductory Woodturning Course is scheduled to start of Monday 28 th April. The 3

week Pen-making course is progressing well with 3 Members enjoying it. Belmont Planning is progressing with the publicity campaign about to go into full swing with our digital platforms and further support from our 3 local members.

Meeting Closed at 8.55am

## Treasurer's Report

By Jan Chapman

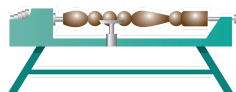
The month of March was a profitable one for the club, with a net income of \$3940. Main earnings were from the Bunnings sausage sizzle on 1 March (\$2295 profit), and brokerage from the sale of a couple of lathes to club members (\$1540). Workshop fees were a bit down, which was to be expected with the closure for a week due to Cyclone Alfred.

Major expenses included the annual Association Liability Insurance premium (\$1075), advertising leaflets for the Belmont Showcase (\$399), and training course expenses (\$680).

Although it will be reported in next month's figures I can share with you that the Bunnings sausage sizzle on 20 April netted \$1312. Although it was a quieter day for us, it was still a great earner for the club. I would like to encourage everyone (especially some of our newer members, or those who haven't yet volunteered) to help out with the sizzles and share the load.

I'd also like to remind members to check out the shop first before buying from the usual retail outlets, and to consider having a chat with Don McMillan before making any significant equipment purchases. As well as offering competitive prices all profits from shop sales flow to the club for the benefit of our members.





## Membership Report

by Allwyn Clark

### **Birthdays for May**

Cathy Garrett  
Philip Oostenbroek  
John Lindsay  
John Macrae  
Mike Dunne  
Mark Benson  
Peter Loth  
Tim Atkinson  
David Groves  
Andrew Daetz  
Therese Richards

Steve Labruniy  
Bhimal Ramsing  
Paul McIlroy  
Charlotte Fung  
Daniel McGilp

Just a reminder to members to let me know of any change of postal address, email address or phone number.

Also, members to update their medical records if necessary to assist medical services if needed.

## Report from John Carney

### **Bunnings BBQ**

Easter Sunday saw us back at Bunning Mt Gravatt for another BBQ. Whilst not financial success of our previous engagements. It was still a worthwhile effort by 12, dare I say regular volunteers that ably assisted the BBQ captain. These 12 members generously contributed 441 and half hours of their time in assisting WSQ to raise funds and promote what we are about. It was an ideal opportunity to also promote the upcoming Belmont Show.

Tiffany, the Activities Organizer at Bunnings Mt Gravatt worked her last shift that day. We wish her well in her future endeavors and offer her WSQ's sincere thanks for the support she has given us. We had the pleasure of meeting Toni Tiffany's replacement and look forward to a continuing relationship with Bunnings

The day itself saw a total income of \$1774 resulting in a net profit to WSQ of \$1300.

### **WSQ Maintenance Day**

Monday 12 th May has been set aside for Lathe and Chuck Maintenance day. AS the workshop is operating that afternoon with a scheduled class, we need to have all the work done by Midday.

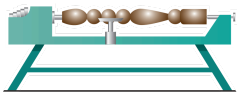
This is an ideal opportunity to come and support your club and maintain the excellent resources that are made available to you. I. is also a chance to learn the many aspects of maintaining your own lathe and chucks. We are always looking for members to come and learn these skills from the excellent knowledge base that currently exists within our group. Don't leave it up to the regulars; they are getting older and more tired and wish to pass on their knowledge and skills. Start time is 8.00 am

## Sad News

by John Carney

from Minnesota

The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complication from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 75. Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs Butterworth, Hungry Jacks, the Californian raisins, Betty Croker, the Hostess Twinkies and Captain Crunch. The gravesite was piled high with many flours.



Aunt Jeminma delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Born and bread in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in showbusiness, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half baked schemes. Despite being a bit flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

He is survived by his wife Play Dough, three children, John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 3.50 for about 20 minutes. If you smiled when reading this, please rise to the occasion and pass it on to someone having a crumbly day and kneading a lift.

## Community Table

by Harold Wiltshire

During the Covid pandemic, people association was not encouraged. At the Children Hospital Queensland, the furniture in the staff room was removed to prevent gatherings. Things have changed, and CHQ has embarked on a project to refurbish the common room for their staff to use again. As part of this project, WSQ was asked to provide a quotation to build two tables, central to their design. Our quotation has been accepted!

This was an exciting opportunity for our members to get involved in planning and building significant furniture items, but also to give back to the hospital staff for the amazing work they do every day for our children.

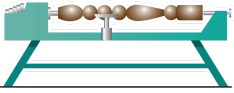
Our proposal was for a modern style table, with round end ends and matching legs (see below).



The proposed wood selection was Southern Silky Oak - endemic to the region and hopefully a reminder of the flowering trees across Brisbane in November.

We quickly discovered that suitable timber was not readily available in Brisbane, but we managed to identify an individual with a portable mill. He had cut up a large silky oak tree that had been hit by lightning. The timber had been sitting in his shed for 5 years so was dried and well seasoned.

The “box group” have adopted the project and have been working on the initial stages of the construction. Firstly, the rough sawn timber was milled to approximate dimensions and the boards allocated to their intended use in the table. The design called for semicircular legs. So the group set up a production line, milling 120 profiled strips



that interlock around the custom forms of the legs. Meanwhile, the boards allocated to the table top have been milled, cut to final dimension ready for the important (stressful) glue-up.

The two tables are 2.4 by 1.0 meters, so space at WSQ is an issue during the construction and more importantly for the final assembly/Finishing phases. We are working to have the tables installed by June. So watch your space!



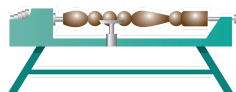
The tree that became the timber for the tables.



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the form for the legs and finally the slats in place to form the leg.

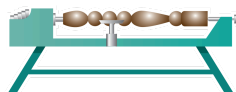




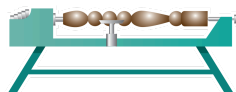
## Convenor's Roster

### Mick Phythian – Convenor

Wk	Date	Day	Time	Session	Convenors	Convenors
1	1/5/25	Thursday Morning	9am - 12pm	Convenors Workshop	all convenors	
	2/5/25	Friday Morning	5 am - 12 pm	Open Workshop	Alwyn Clark	Don Randall
		Friday Arvo	1pm - 4pm	Open Workshop	Brian Creese	
		Friday Morning	8am - 3pm	Toy Group	Barry Wislon	Peter Curchward
	3/5/25	Saturday Morning	9 am-12 pm	Demonstration, all about boxes with Dan Woodward		
2	5/5/2025	Monday arvo	2 pm -5 pm	Training course	Paul Machin-Everill	
		Monday evening	6 pm-9 pm	Training course	Paul Machin-Everill	
	6/5/2023	Tuesday morning	8am - 12pm	Open Workshop	Bob Kennedy	John Donaldson
		Tuesday afternoon	1pm - 4pm	Open Workshop	John Carney	
		Tuesday evening	6pm-9pm	Open Workshop, Pyrography	Mick Phythian	Dan Woodward
		Tuesday morn	8am-12pm	Downstairs Workshop & Toy Group	Barry Wilson	
		Tuesday afternoon	1-4pm	Box Making	Barry Wislon	Reg Weber
		Tuesday morning	8am-12pm	Shop	Don McMillan	
		Tuesday morning	8am - 12pm	Library	Mike Mason	Peter Wyer
		Tuesday	10.30am - 2.30pm	Pyrography Group	Mike Dodson	
	8/5/2025	Thursday morning	9am-12pm	Project Tuition	Rob McKee	
	9/5/2025	Friday	8am-12pm	Open workshop	Alwyn Clark	John Carney
		Friday morning	8am - 12pm	Carving group	Keith Greenland	
	10/5/25	Saturday Morning	8am - 12pm	Open Workshop	Paul Machin-Everill	
3	12/5/25	Monday arvo	2 pm -5 pm	Training course	Mick Phythian	
		Monday evening	6 pm-9 pm	Training course	Mick Phythian	
	13/5/25	Tuesday Morning	8am - 12pm	Open Workshop	John Carney	John Donaldson
		Tuesday Arvo	1pm -4pm	Open Workshop	Keith Greenland	
		Tuesday Evening	6pm - 9pm	Open Workshop	Mick Phythian	Dan Woodward
		Tuesday Morning	8am - 12pm	Downstairs workshop and toy group	Barry Wilson	
		Tuesday Arvo	1pm - 4pm	Downstairs workshop and Box Making	Barry Wilson	Reg Weber
		Tuesday morning	8am-12 pm	Shop	Don McMillan	
		Tuesday Morning	8am - 12pm	Library	Mike Mason	
		Tuesday	10.30am - 2.30pm	Pyrography Group	Mike Dodson	
	15/5/25	Thursday	9am - 12pm	Convenors Workshop	all convenors	
	16/5/25	Friday Morning	5 am - 12 pm	Open Workshop	Alwyn Clark	Keith Greenland
		Friday Arvo	1pm - 4pm	Open Workshop	Paul Machin-Everill	



Wk	Date	Day	Time	Session	Convenors	Convenors
		Friday Morning	8am - 3pm	Toy Group	Barry Wislon	Peter Curchward
	<b>17/5/25</b>	Saturday morning	8am-12 noon	Open Workshop	Brian Creese	
4	<b>19/5/25</b>	Monday arvo	2 pm -5 pm	Training course	Mick Phythian	
		Monday evening	6 pm-9 pm	Training course	Mick Phythian	
	<b>20/5/25</b>	Tuesday morning	8am-12 pm	Open workshop	Rob McKee	Alwyn Clark
		Tuesday Arvo	1pm-4pm	Open workshop	Ron McKee	
		Tuesday evening	6pm - 9pm	Open Workshop	Rob McKee	Brian Creese
		Tuesday Morning	8am - 12pm	Downstairs Workshop & Toy Group	Barry Wilson	
		Tuesday Arvo	1pm-4 pm	Open workshop and Box Making	Barry Wison	Reg Weber
		Tuesday morning	8am-12 pm	Shop	Don McMillan	
		Tuesday Morning	8am-12 pm	Library	Mike Mason	Peter Wyer
		Tuesday	10.30-am- 2.30 pm	Pyrography	Mike Dodson	
	<b>22/5/25</b>	Thursday morning	9am -12 pm	Project Tuition	Rob McKee	
	<b>23/5/25</b>	Friday morning	7 am	Load out Belmont		
	<b>24/5/25</b>	Saturday	9 am- 4 pm	Belmont		
	<b>25/4525</b>	Sunday	9 am- 4 pm	Belmont		
5	<b>26/4/25</b>	Monday pm	2pm-5pm	Training course	Paul Machin-Everhill	
	<b>26/5/25</b>	Monday evening	6pm-9pm	Training Course	Paul Machin-Everhill	
	<b>27/5/25</b>	Tuesday morning	8-am 12pm	Open Workshop	Rob McKee	Alwyn Clark
		Tuesday arvo	1pm-4pm	Open Workshop	Rob McKee	
		Tuesday Evening	6pm-9pm	Open Workshop	Rob McKee	Keith Greenland
		Tuesday morning	8am-12 pm	Downstairs and Toy group	Barry Wilson	
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		Tuesday morning	8am-12pm	Library	Mike Mason	Peter Wyer
		Tuesday morning	10 am-2.30 pm	Pyrography	Mike Dodson	
	<b>29/5/25</b>	Thursday	9am - 12pm	Convenors Workshop	all convenors	
	<b>30/5/25</b>	Friday Morning	5 am - 12 pm	Open Workshop	Alwyn Clark	Don Randall
	<b>31/5/25</b>	Saturday morning	8am-12 noon	Open Workshop	Paul Machin-Everhill	



## Date Claimers

**Demonstrations and Show & Tell Forums All members must sign in and pay the \$5 entry fee. Binny Willis.**

Date	Topic	Description
Saturday 3rd May	<b>Demonstration.</b> <b>All about Boxes</b> <b>- Dan Woodward</b>	The super-talented Dan will give us an insight into his latest passion - making boxes!  Dan will use his woodworking and artistic skills in a demonstration of making wooden hinges for his boxes.  You can be assured of an interesting and informative demo with Dan's latest talents on display.
Saturday 17th May	<b>Show and Tell</b>	This is a great opportunity to bring along your latest project – a turned  item, an example of your box- making or other woodworking project – and talk about it with your fellow Members of WSQ.
Saturday 7th June	<b>Demonstration</b> <b>Pens-My Way</b>	Keith Greenland will present his take on the business of pen making. A man of considerable artistic flair, Keith will demonstrate some laminating and stringing techniques to ensure that your pen blanks are anything but ordinary. A self-taught pen maker, Keith will go through some of the techniques that he has learned along his pen-making journey.
Saturday 21st June	<b>Show and Tell</b>	Bring along your latest project or acquisition– perhaps a pen or a new piece of equipment or a new tool and share with your fellow Members.
Saturday 5 th July	<b>Demonstration</b> <b>Whistling in the Wind - Mick Phythian</b>	Mick will demonstrate the making of a number of different whistles. He will turn 3 or 4 different styles, maybe more if he has extended his repertoire.
Saturday 19th July	<b>Show and Tell</b>	This is a great opportunity to practice some spindle turning. The added bonus is that they make great gifts for young children and they are guaranteed to annoy their parents and the neighbours.  Have you made any pens or whistles? This would be a great time to bring them to Show & Tell and compare them with those of other Members. Perhaps there will be enough whistles to annoy the turners in the workshop.

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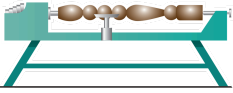
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## Library Display Report

By Joyce Arnold

Thanks to the Southside team, they had to do two days to fit into the library schedule but the display was well received at Sunnybank Hills and will be in Inala for May. The Northside team was sad to hear that the Strathpine library is closed for May as they are taking the roof off for repairs, not something that we had planned for. The collection is currently at Brackenridge.

## Carving Report

By Joyce Arnold

All these public holidays meant that we missed carving most of the month. I would like to share with you the amazing carving artistry of Otake Ryoho

<https://www3.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/en/shows/2105077/>

Otake started working in wood in kindergarten and has won many awards for his realism and craftsmanship. He has made a fully articulated lobster that looks very realistic. He also makes flowers that bloom once they have water added. It is inspirational work and I recommend watching the video.

## For Sale

by Jan Chapman

The club would like to offer some equipment that is surplus to the needs to our membership. Although we believe that they are in working order we offer no guarantee or warranty for each item.

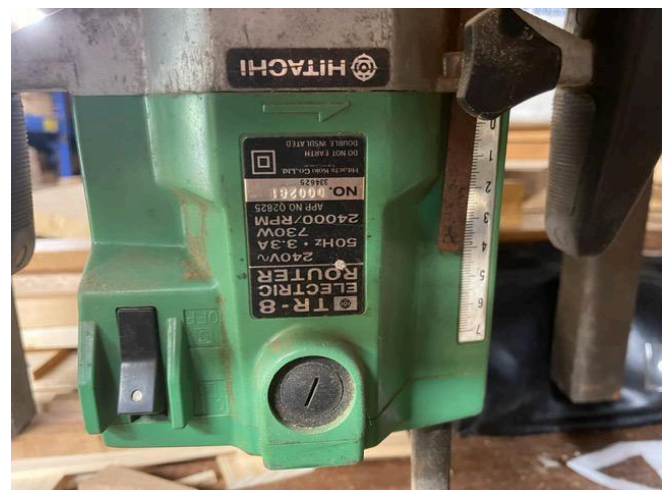
Available for offer is:

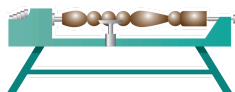
- \* GMF bench grinder (without grinding wheels)
- \* under bench mounted Hitachi router
- \* Bosch cordless drill (requires battery upgrade)

Although we are happy to let the equipment go free of charge, a small donation from a member receiving any of the items would be greatly appreciated.

Expressions of interest should be forwarded to [treasurer@wsqld.org.au](mailto:treasurer@wsqld.org.au) or advised in person to Jan Chapman by Friday 9 May 2025. In the event that we have multiple expressions of interest in any of the items names will be drawn from a hat.

Woodturners Society Queensland Inc.





**Vale Tom Rowston  
by Bob Kennedy**

It was with great sadness that Sue and I read the email advising us all of Tom Rowstons passing last week. Tom was a softly spoken, gentleman and a gentle man. He and Fay, were role models for many, especially the membership at WSQ. Tom joined us in June 1990, and was one of our early members and elder statesmen. As a Carpenter / Manual Arts / TAFE teacher he easily transferred his woodworking knowledge to us all, and for many years led the DVA workshops on a Tuesday afternoon, when Vets from the Keith Payne Unit at Greenslopes would arrive for their 'time out'. As one of the few early Convenors, his supportive nature was always sought and appreciated. Tom's commitment to our Club was recognised, with Life Membership in 2012. Our thoughts and prayers go to Tom's family at this time.



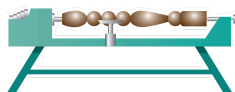
**Tom Rowston**

Joined 1990 the year Pine St became WSQ club rooms. Life member 2012. Carpenter, Manual Arts teacher, Lecturer at Mt Gravatt BCAE by profession. Convenor of the DVA Program at the Kieth Payne Hospital Ward Greenslopes since inception. Always supported the many improvements to the Pine St WSQ club rooms.

**From TurningTalk December 2012  
Tom Rowston – Life Member**

Carpenter by Trade, Manual Arts Teacher and Lecturer at Mt Gravatt B.C.A.E. by profession. A member since 1990, Tom joined the year we moved into our Pine Street Location. Tom is a quiet achiever working behind the scenes to achieve special goals for this Society. Recent works include DVA Cabinet, Second Hand Kitchen installation and Library Shelving. Involved with the DVA Program from the start, he was a tutor for a number of our current members. Taking the reins in charge of the DVA Program from 2007, Tom's roles include Organising Tutors every Tuesday afternoon to supervise Patients from the Keith Payne Ward of Greenslopes Hospital. Liaise with the Nurses and Psychiatric Staff of the Ward to ensure that we do the best for each Patient attending. Tom sources and prepares Timber Blanks, Organises Sandpaper, Finishes and Glues so we have something to work with every Tuesday afternoon. He also organises everyone involved to Turn & Donate pieces for the DVA Raffle run at Greenslopes Hospital in the lead up to Christmas and the funds raised are donated back to WSQ to pay for the





## Turning Talk

Sandpaper Finishes & Glues we use to run this special program.

The DVA Program at WSQ on Tuesday afternoon is the longest running and most respected of all the programs that are run for the Patients of the Keith Payne Ward of the Greenslopes Hospital. At a special presentation in January 2012, Members of WSQ were presented with Certificates of Appreciation for the wonderful work they have done in this area.

Members of WSQ, it is my great pleasure to commend to you, Tom Rowston for his service to WSQ as this year's Life Member.

Rob Mc Kee  
WSQ President

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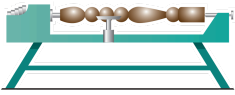
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## Highlights from Facebook group

by Joyce Arnold

The facebook group is a closed group for members only. This is a great way to stay in touch with WSQ.

The Tuesday smoko meetings are reported here.

Tuesday 1st April.

. We welcomed Michael Blankenship and his wife Jackie to Pine St this morning. Michael was a demonstrator at the recent Turnfest. Michael explained his turning techniques given that he is totally blind and had never turned anything before he went blind. Segmenting is his favourite thing to do and he brought along a pepper grinder and a quite exquisite bell to show us. Jackie is his 'apprentice' who advises on the colours for his segmenting work. He has a great sense of humour and thoroughly enjoys speaking about his turning.

. Mallick Ramlackhan also introduced his mentor from Longreach.

. Reminder about Marilyn Kunde's demonstration this Saturday. She will focus on gluing, sanding and finishing.

8/4/25

. We celebrated John Donaldson's 80th birthday with a cream cake and a rousing rendition of Happy Birthday.

. The demonstration/presentation by Marilyn Kunde last Saturday was much appreciated by those who attended. Lots of helpful information and hints.

. The wooden eggs will be taken to the Bunnings Easter Parade on Thursday evening for the attending children to decorate.

. The flyers for Belmont are available for Members to distribute to their friends and neighbours. The Rosters for jobs at Belmont are up on the Noticeboard. Please volunteer for your duty of choice.

. Reminder about the need to clean up carefully after each workshop.

. Harold Wiltshire spoke about the commission to make 2 meeting tables for the Staffroom of the Mater Children's Hospital. Work is starting today on milling the silky oak and the afternoon 'box-making group' will be learning about table making over the next few weeks. It's our chance to give back and thank the Staff for the service they provide our community.

15/4/25

Reminder about the Bunnings Barbecue on Easter Sunday. Currently the roster is full but there are no reserves.

. Reminder that Pine St will be closed over Easter so there won't be a workshop on Friday or Saturday. No Show&Tell for April.

. A Maintenance Monday will be scheduled in the near future on a Monday morning. This is a great opportunity to provide a service to WSQ while learning how to service your own lathe and chucks.

. Organisation is progressing on Belmont. The rosters lists are on the Notice Board. Contact Don McMillan if you require a table. Only a couple left. Members who have a table/s are required to nominate for jobs to help with the running of the event.

. Thank you to all those who made wooden eggs for the Bunnings Easter Event. The painting went very well and was enjoyed by all the children and a few adults who couldn't resist having a go.

Happy Easter to all! Enjoy the precious time with your family and friends.

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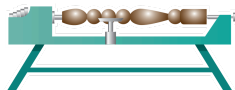
. Members have been notified of the passing of Doreen McGregor, the wife of our Member Rob McGregor. Her funeral service will be on Wednesday 23/05 at Metropolitan Funeral home Newnham Rd Upper Mt Gravatt at 2.30pm.

. Preparations for Belmont are now well underway. Any Members who have not advised Don McMillan about requiring a table should do so immediately. Members are also required to volunteer for the many necessary jobs by putting their name on the roster sheets on the Noticeboard.

. Don McMillan is preparing a Vicmarc order. Any Member requiring something from Vicmarc should contact him immediately.

. Members are reminded that they need to pay better attention to the cleaning up of their shavings and dust at the end of a workshop. Of late it has been very poorly done.

. Graham Chen demonstrated his digital sign on program to the meeting. It will be quite simple to record attendance at any Workshop and will come into effect on a trial basis in the next few weeks. Convenors will receive some training on its operation.



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### Twelve Commandments for Seniors

by Don McMillan

1. Talk to yourself. There are times you need expert advice.
2. In style- are the clothes that still fit.
3. You don't need anger management, you need people to stop pissing you off.
4. Your people skills are just fine. It's your tolerance for idiots that needs work.
5. The biggest lie you tell yourself is, I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it.
6. On time is when you get there.
7. Even duct tape can't fix stupid, but it sure does muffle the sound.
8. It would be wonderful if we could put ourselves in the dryer for 10 minutes, then come out wrinkle free and three sizes smaller.
9. Lately you've noticed people your age are so much older than you.
10. Growing old should have taken longer.
11. Aging has slowed you down, but it hasn't shut you up.
12. You still haven't learned to act your age and hope you never will.



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