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NORTHERN WOODTURNERS CLUB INC. NEWSLETTER

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Our next meeting will be held on Saturday 21st of October at 9:00am

The project of the month is a Christmas Decoration and anything else you wish to show the other members.

Items of interest are welcome for the newsletter.

The Story of another hobby you enjoy.

Items for sale.

Photo and article about a project you have made. Your Own Story.

SATURDAY THE 21ST OF OCTOBER WE WILL HAVE A SPEAKER FROM THE FIRE BRIGADE SENIORS FIRE SAFETY TALK
ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS RELATED TO KEEPING SAFE.

The speaker will address the group for about an hour. It will be helpful advice on safety in the house, garage etc. It would be good to see a reasonable attendance.

Acting President's Report.

Spring has sprung, flowers are out and new life begins. I'll need to get into my shed before it gets too hot.

Membership is still significantly down on last year and currently stands at 24. I welcome two new members, Rob Porter (a former member) and Eric Yuan. Please make them welcome. Rob attends on a Wednesday morning and Eric at the evening sessions. It is up to all our members to promote our club in whatever way we can. If you are a Facebook user, please "like" and "share" our new public Facebook Page, Northern Woodturners. Ian (currently floating around Italy) and myself are madly photographing things made at each session and posting them on our new page to promote what we do.

We have some members with some serious health issues (John and Joe) who are progressing slowly, but on the improve, in their recovery so best wishes for them. Also, best wishes to our former President Alan and his family who are dealing with some serious family health issues.

At our last meeting I pointed out that I was only interim President until we find someone to take on this role. I did not intend doing this beyond the end of September 2023. Whilst it is an important Official role for the club it not an onerous one compared to the roles of Secretary and Treasurer. An email was recently sent to all members providing a bit of a duty statement for that role so please have a look at that and seriously consider taking on this role to help the other office bearers out, ie Gordon (Secretary) and myself (Treasurer). A Vice president position is vacant as well but we need to consider whether that needs to be filled. If no-one volunteers this may put the club in a difficult position.

I am just about to send a box of pens off to Bruce Sanders, co-ordinator of the Pens for the Troops project. I have a total of 50 pens of which John Wheeler has contributed 28. Well done, John! If anyone would like to get involved in this project, please contact me. Pen turners from all around Australia make pens for us to gift to our soldiers stationed overseas – a bit of a thank you for their service.

Peter Lucas

Projects



Gordon Watt has made these containers. One is American Oak and the other is King Billy Pine. The finish is Aussie Oil.



Vic Cerra has made this candle stick holder from Pine and Walnut. The finish is a varnish spray.







Peter Lucas has made these fountain pens. The first is Burdekin Plum, the second is a Red Mallee Burl Hybrid and the third is Macassar Ebony.



Peter Fisher has made this lidded box in American Oak. The lid has been stained.



Peter has also made this lidded box from Golden Ash



Cath Clifford has made this bowl with a resin rim.

October 28-29 Goulburn Valley Woodworkers 31st Woodshow
Shepparton Showgrounds High St 3630

November 4-5 Whittlesea Show

Eltham and Districts Woodworkers Exhibition
November 10-11 Eltham Community Centre

Session 7imes

Our weekly hands-on session times are: Tuesday, 7:00 pm -10:00 pm Wednesday, 8:00 am – Noon Thursday, 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Monthly Meeting on the third Saturday of the Month, 9:00 am. Except December.

We appreciate the opportunity from Bunnings to raise funds at their stores.

They support us so please support them.

