

# TURNOUT

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## President's View November 2016

Another great month for Northern Turners with the very successful 'Richard Raffan Workshop' hosted at Torrens Valley Christian School. A very successful workshop thanks to Tim Skilton & Greg Jackson's organisation. These Workshops are simply too good to miss as there are very few opportunities to access a professional educational program, with 12 hours of delivery, fully catered, with access to speak directly to the presenter, at the prices offered to the Northern Turners.

There is a changing nature to our program of delivery this coming year, where week 2, convened by Bill Elliot will have a learner's focus & program with 6 spots reserved for beginners, supported by Anne Kerr & Jake Jacobs. Other lathes will still be available for general use. George Pastuch & Ron Allen are moving towards a project focus for week 3, and week 4 will offer demonstrations & competitions. If you wish to volunteer for demonstrations or know of an appropriate speaker for any event please contact any committee member.

Beginning 2017 we are aligning our opening times more closely to the advertised times of our meetings. The setup was occurring up to 1 1/2 hours before the 10:00am start. As from the first January(14<sup>th</sup>) meeting & for all subsequent 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat meetings, the store room will be opened at **9:30 am**, 1/2 hour before our meeting commences and on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at **9:00 am** to accommodate the monthly NT committee meeting.

The extra storage area for Northern Turners has been weatherproofed and we are awaiting school approval before utilising this area. To support this initiative, 3 extra stands with castors have been ordered, ensuring all lathes are individually mounted (no more lifting off shelves), as well as another vacuum cleaner, to improve clean-up efficiency, and a second Urn to cope with our high demand meetings. This will impact on parking in the laneway & bitumen apron on the northern side of the workshop, to allow us access for movement of equipment & may require flagging of defined pathways to ensure safe egress.



Christmas  
Break up

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Thanks to all those that made it to our Xmas breakup, I appreciate there were many that had a conflict with other events, and forwarded their apologies. It was a great time, some very interesting, large & unusual Show & Tell exhibits and the Halo was awarded to Bill Elliot for his delicate lidded boxes. Thanks to the organisers, cooks & members for making this a memorable occasion.



I would like to acknowledge Dale Starr who was awarded the Don Freeman Trophy by WoodgroupSA for excellence in woodworking. Congratulations Dale on your achievement and contributions. George Pastuch has been awarded Life Membership of WoodgroupSA in recognition of his contribution to the organisation. Thanks to both George Pastuch & Ron Allen for their continued passionate & hard working representation of Northern Turners, as part of WoodgroupSA

The Woodgroup SA Exhibition is underway and again, is very well represented by Northern Turners with very high quality exhibits and supervision. Please make an effort to get to Burnside Town Hall and view the **Wood Exposed** exhibition, open Monday to Friday 10:00am to 5:00pm.

I would like to thank all members for their support and contributions this year to produce another remarkable year for Northern Turners. I wish all members a safe and happy festive season, and look forward to seeing you in the New Year when our program commences again on January 14<sup>th</sup>

Regards  
Lindsay Winen  
President

Hello fellow woodturners. I was fortunate enough to see my 70th birthday in recently, and I asked my family for no fanfare. Just let it come and go without too much fuss. But did they listen to me... well sort of. They kept it low key but still managed to knock my socks off.

I arrived at my daughter's place and walked in on an Elvis themed shindig. The grandkids and family were all dressed up in their Elvis suits, as did some of the relatives. Others had adorned themselves with elvis paraphernalia. A great night which was topped off with the Birthday cake.....The "King" was standing behind a lathe with hands on the head and tail stock, with a selection of turned items in front of him on a cake plinth covered with wood colour icing... there's even a knot in the front left bottom corner of the icing. The tools are exquisite and the whole cake was detailed to perfection. What a wonderful surprise. Luckily we had another cake on hand to cut, so I took this one home and put it on the shelf just to perv on it for a few days before cutting it up.

Thought you might enjoy the photo. The cake decorator went to a great deal of trouble, but what a wonderful job she did!!!!!!!

Brian Purcell



Snow falling at Modbury North for Christmas!!!

No, just your editor working with a resin rim on a bowl



AGENDA 3RD SATURDAY 21ST JANUARY 2017

The first project for 2017 will be turning a sphere clock.

You will need to purchase a clock ( from Timberbits, Carbatec etc)

The timber needs to be finished 30 to 40mm wider in diameter than the diameter of the clock. In the example photo, the clock is 32mm dia and the timber sphere is 65mm dia. You will be turning between centres and also with small jaws in a scroll chuck.

The timber should be approx 20 mm longer than the original diameter. For the example shown, the timber dimensions are 75mm x 75mm x 90mm long.



There will also be a discussion about the year's projects, so think about projects you would like to see demonstrated and bring along your ideas.