



## From The President



Thank you for re-electing me as the President at the AGM, and I will try to do a good job in 2014. Also, thanks to Dale Starr for continuing as Secretary – he has done a great job, to Anne Kerr for taking on the Treasurer’s job (pity that someone who has not been on the committee before didn’t volunteer!!), to Dennis Murray for coming on board to be President in

2015 (again I would have liked to see new blood since Dennis was President before me), and to George Pastuch, Glenn Kutchen, David Rose, Bill Elliot and Graham Reed for staying on as committee members. Jan Beare and Christine Deguet have taken on tea and library duties. Barry Victor and Ron Allen are now our 2 delegates to Wood-group. We will all get on famously.

Ron Young’s excellent demonstration of modelling ships and other things (sounds a bit like the old rhyme “of shoes and ships and sealing wax, of cabbages and kings”) gave us all an insight into Ron’s consuming hobby and all the quirky solutions to making scale models. I did look longingly at his little lathe and milling machine, but I couldn’t justify having one. From the discussion afterwards around the table, many of you were fascinated. Thanks also to David Rose for bringing in his model of the Endeavour.

Show and Tell was a bit thin on the ground: Robert Narcisi’s wooden Sunbeam Mixmaster complete with beaters and 2 mixing bowls nearly stole the show, but Ron Allen’s boxes with lids inlaid with slices of Casuarina seeds embedded in resin were beautiful, and earned him the Halo.

George Pastuch provided a financial summary of the Port Adelaide exhibition since Graham Reed could not attend. Overall, about 80 pieces were sold. The exhibition was a real success, with a large number of the public impressed with the quality of the goods, and quite a few prospective members showing real interest in joining our club. Congratulations to the exhibition committee and everyone who helped set up and dismantle the exhibition, as well as manning the gallery and providing demonstrations.

### Committee

President	Tim Smeaton
Secretary / Correspondence	Dale Starr
Treasurer	Anne Kerr
Assistant Treasurer	Glenn Kutchen
Member	Bill Elliot
Member	David Rose
Member	Graham Reed
Member	George Pastuch
Member	Ron Allen
Member	Dennis Murray

### Your Northern Turners

- *Seeking Excellence*
- *Encouraging Individualism*
- *Fostering Creativity*
- *Teaching Skills*
- *Providing Support*

Decisions made by the committee included the following:-

Bill Elliot (nominated by Ron Allen, seconded by rest of committee) is to be nominated for the Don Freeman award for excellence in woodwork. Bill has consistently produced elegant and whimsical pieces for Northern Turner's exhibitions, competitions and Show and Tell.

The Christmas break-up will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December at GGHS and will centre on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Northern Turners. We plan to invite some former members and local dignitaries to the display of Northern Turners' pieces – details elsewhere in Turnout.

Morning tea is on at the One & All on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 – provide your own transport – details below.

I brought up the idea of developing a website for widening the market for Northern Turner's excellent wooden pieces. Clearly, the club cannot be involved in a business, but there may be someone who would be interested in setting up an on-line gallery to promote our work.

We will continue with the 3 Saturdays each month next year, starting in January. As far as possible, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday will be for projects and exhibition pieces, exchange of ideas etc. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday should be demonstrating basic techniques, aimed at new recruits or those who wish to refresh some skills. The 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday is the general meeting, with demonstrations and some competitions to provide both some fun and use of the club's lathes.

We agreed to ask Mick Adley to purchase an engraver so that all the club's equipment can be engraved both for security and to help to keep track of small items which may accidentally finish up in members' toolboxes.

The Moonlight Markets at Thorndon Park are on again, though the first one will be over by the time you read this, and craft items are required – leave with Graham Reed or Bill Elliot.

Any errors in the above are mine alone! I think that is all for now, keep those lathes a-spinning!

Cheers

*Tim Smeaton*

### **From the Editor**

Welcome to the penultimate newsletter for 2013 (penultimate = the one before the last one). I will be changing the format slightly next year, nothing too dramatic just little tweaks. Keeps the old grey matter churning over. Now as the editor of the newsletter and not a member of the committee I can say what I want, within reason. We have now had our AGM. Once again we were asked to step up and be counted. Our treasurer stepped down, after once again stepping up when needed, and now Anne Kerr has taken on the role. We needed some new blood but I reckoned before the meeting, being the cynic that I am, that it would be the same old same old, no new volunteers just the usual few. I was going to wait until I retired but once again find myself as Vice—President. Of our eighty plus members we must have an abundance of talent. None of the positions on the committee are onerous. Think about it. You don't have to wait until the next AGM. Let the committee know you are available. Another thing. I have been surfing the Net checking out other clubs newsletters and activities. The one major overarching subject has been, competition.

We seem to be falling down in this department. Everyone likes a competition, don't they? Maybe not? Why not? Don't think your good enough? Reckon the same people will always win? Too lazy?

OK if you are really keen, put your hand up to be 'Competition Organiser'. Next, is anyone interested in taking up some amateur journalism? Its quite simple, all you need to do is write some stuff once a month and fill up the gaps. The title is quite prestigious "Editor, Turnout".



How about it? Eh?

OK that's it finished.

Just think, 80+ members, amazing.

*Dennis Murray, Ed*



## CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP

**Time:** ~ 11.30am

**Date:** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**Place:** Golden Grove High School

**Food:** Sausages provided by the club; salads and cakes etc. to share from members

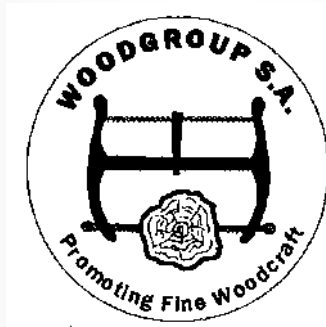
**Bring:** chairs and small table (if available), cutlery, cups and glasses, plates, your favourite tippie (i.e., all you need for eating and drinking!) and items for display

**Format:** Lunch under the verandah from about 12 noon

**1.30pm:** A celebration of 20 years of Northern Turners with a speech or two, and the opportunity for partners to see the display and admire what our members produce in their sheds

Come along and have a good time.





## Invitation to listen to a Guest Speaker

All Woodgroup members are invited to attend an informal meeting to listen to John Pfitzner talk about making Violins. John has a wealth of knowledge about using wood through his experience in running Pfitzner Furniture and has a passion about using Australian woods.

John's talk will be followed by Supper and then Show and Tell. We request that you limit items for the Show and Tell segment to 3. If there is a large amount of items we may have to limit your explanation to one item only.

The Executive committee hope that you can join us for this meeting. It is a free event for all Woodgroup members.

Time. **7 pm for a 7.30 start. Friday November 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Venue. Malvern Uniting Church, corner of Marlborough St., and Cambridge Tce, Malvern. It is probably easier to enter off Unley Road



# INVITATION

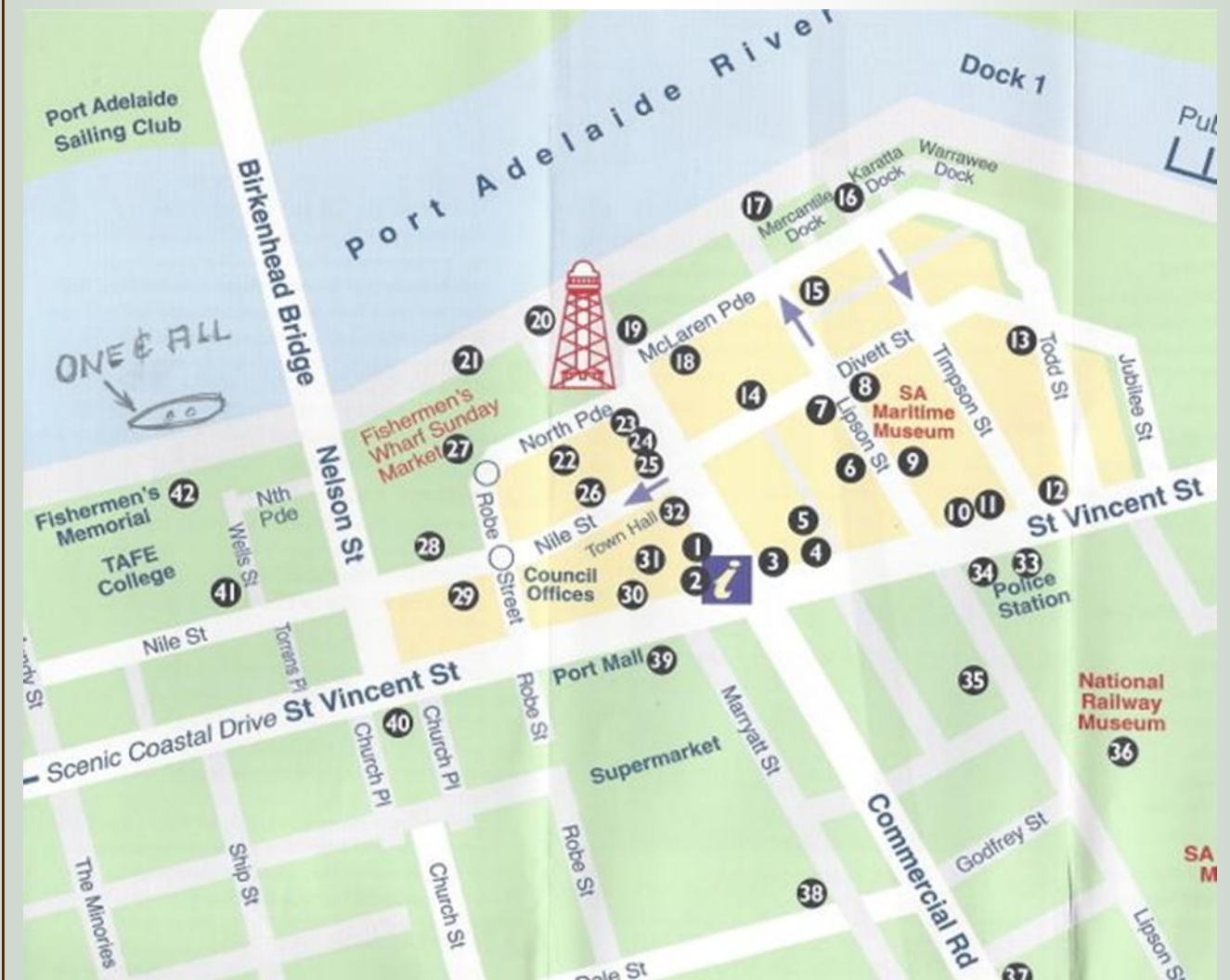
Members of Northern Turners are cordially invited to a Morning Tea on board the STV "One and All" hosted by the Friends of the One and All Sailing Ship Inc,

Location: North Parade in Port Adelaide as shown in the map below.

Time: 10:30 til 11:30am, Saturday 9 November 2013.

Alan Burgess

Chairman, FOASS.



**2nd Saturday  
12th October**



The theme was 'whatever you like',  
and they did .....  
Lots of action.



The second Saturday will continue  
in 2014.....come along and join  
the fun.



# NORTHERN TURNERS PROGRAMME

AT ALL MEETINGS, MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO GET ON WITH THEIR OWN ONGOING PROJECTS OR TRY OUT THINGS FROM THE DEMO – USE THE LATHES!

	<u>ACTIVITY/ DEMONSTRATION</u>	<u>Who</u>	<u>Material needed.</u> You are encouraged to bring your own.
NOV 9	MORNING TEA ONBOARD “One and All”		MEMBERS ONLY SORRY NO PARTNERS PLEASE.
NOV 16	Finials Christmas Decorations Christmas Trees	Ron Allen, George Pastuch	Varied Timbers and sizes, bring what you have Textas Decorative finishes Glitter
NOV 23	Christmas Decorations	Multiple	Varied Timbers and sizes, bring what you have Textas Decorative finishes Glitter

Hello !!!!!

This is where next years program will go.

Yep next year.

Not a bad idea to start thinking about it now.

I know the committee will appreciate your input.

Bombard them with ideas.

How about a project which spreads over 2-3 weeks?

How about a picnic set?

Cup, Plate, Bowl, Cheese Platter, Wine Bottle Holder?

Have you read this?

Have you been thinking?

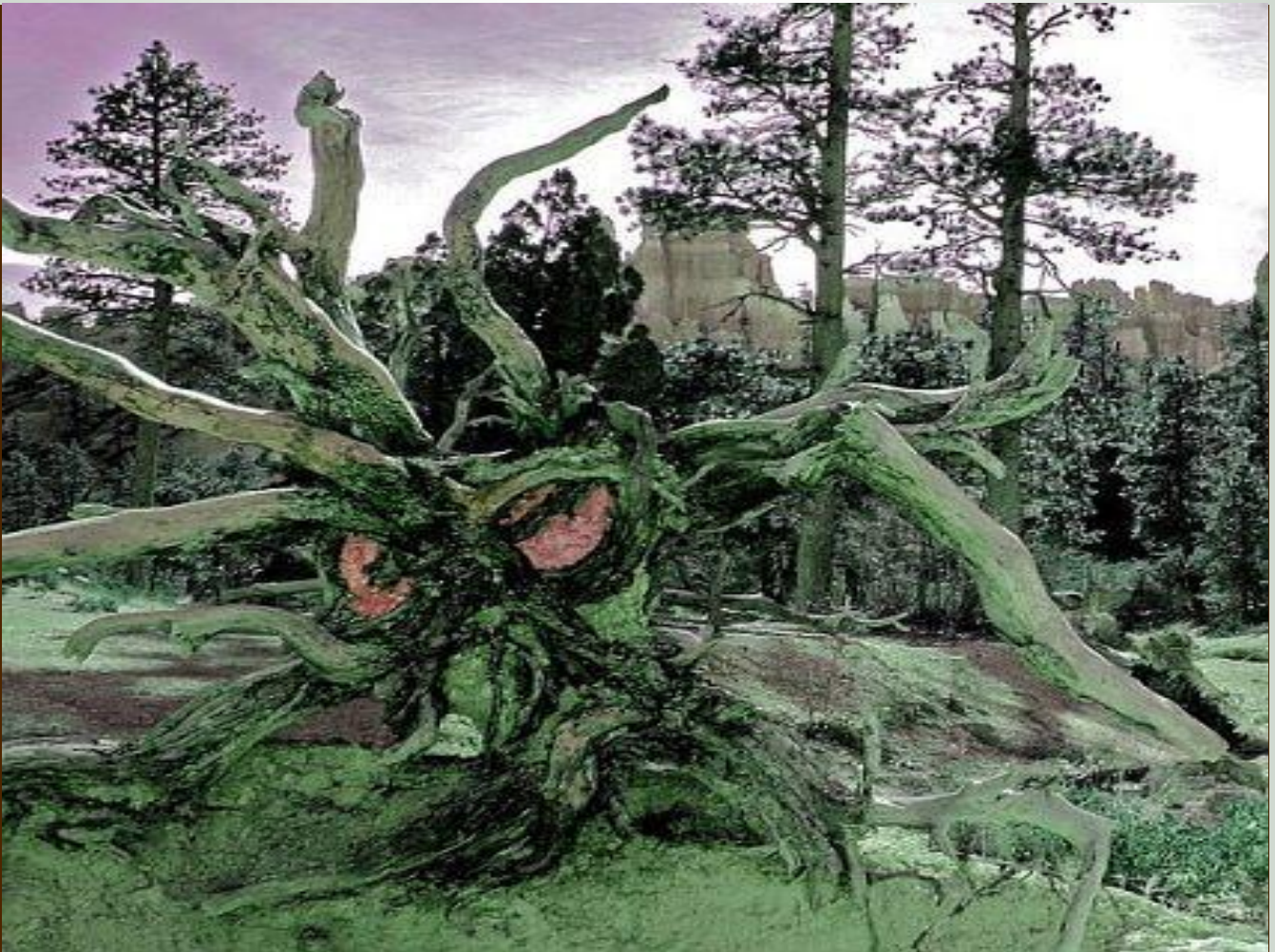
Have you told anyone?

NUP, DIDN'T THINK SO. :(



## SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDER

<b>DECEMBER 6</b>	MOONLIGHT MARKET
<b>DECEMBER 10—31/1/14</b>	BURNSIDE EXHIBITION
<b>DECEMBER</b>	CHRISTMAS BREAKUP
<b>MAY 3—4 2014</b>	JIMMY CLEWES: WORKSHOP
<b>FEBRUARY 2015</b>	LIAM O'NEILL: WORKSHOP



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