

Bayside Woodturners & Woodcrafters Newsletter

March 2010

The outcome of AGM on 27 February was as follows:

President	Bob Webb
Secretary	Dave Adams
Vice President	Adrian Shield
Treasurer	Bill Sedgwick
Ass Treasurer	Ian Want
Committee members	
Milton Ludlow	Derek Stringfellow
John Elms	Beryl Diamond
Adrian Wilkinson	Charlie Bate
David Linz	Bryan Fairbrother

Weekly/Monthly Club Program

Unless notified to the contrary because of other events, the club program for the year will continue as follows:

Monday 7pm	Pyrography Group
Tuesday 7pm	Carving Group
Wednesday 9am	Show & Tell
Last Wednesday	Competition
Wednesday 1pm	Turning classes
Thursday 9am	Machinery group
First Saturday	Woodturning
Second Saturday	Machinery Group
Third Saturday	To be advised
Fourth Saturday	Committee Meeting

A shortened committee meeting was held on Saturday 6 March to consider:

1. A motion to establish a woodturning competition, the details of which have been included in this newsletter, which was passed.
2. The continued production of the newsletter. Bruce Patch, after about three years of effort at producing an excellent newsletter has

decided to pass it onto somebody else. We are searching for a new editor and in the meantime I will provide enough information via this temporary and abridge newsletter to keep members informed of our activities.

3. The need to create a list of demonstrators drawn from within the club. Our objective is that the monthly Saturday demonstration will include the demonstration of the competition item for the following month. If you have never done a wood turning demonstration this will be an opportunity for you to think about becoming one and adding your name to the list.

Jim Thallon's Outboard Turning Demonstration.

On Saturday morning Jim Thallon provided a comprehensive and detailed explanation of the art of outboard woodturning. It was, as you would expect, an excellent demonstration which included information for all levels of Woodturners from beginners to those who are more experienced. We all learned a great deal from the morning, so thank you Jim.

WOODTURNING COMPETITION

A woodturning competition will commence on Wednesday 28 April 2010. The first competition item will be a lidded box. Bob Webb will demonstrate a couple of ways of making lidded boxes on Saturday 3 April. This will give those who may not have tried their hand at a very enjoyable wood turning exercise to go home and have a go at producing an item for the competition.

If you are a bit self-conscious about your work you need not be concerned because once your item has been handed in to the competition organiser it will be identified by a number from that point on.

How the competition will work.

That are three levels of competitor:

- Beginner**
- Intermediate**
- Advanced.**

It is recommended that all members enter at the first level, graduating over time from level to level. However, as the competition matures club members who have had significant competition experience elsewhere, but who opt not to participate initially, or others who have recently joined the club with competition experience, will be eligible to compete at either the intermediate or advanced level.

A member, who wins a competition at any given level three times, will automatically be moved into the next level of competition. Until such time as there are at least four members in the competition level, a competition sub committee will seek to create a just formulae for point allocations so that members are not discouraged from competing at higher levels until genuine competition is practical.

The objective is that the competition item for the month will be demonstrated at our Saturday demonstration the month prior to the competition and to this end a list of voluntary demonstrators will be created.

Some members are not able to make the Wednesday meetings for a variety of reasons and members who fall into that category will be invited to make personal arrangements to have their competition item submitted on their behalf by another member. It will be their responsibility to have their competition item collected and returned to them at the close of the meeting.

A crest will be struck, to a design yet to be determined and input from members on both the design and production of this will be

Judging

Each member attending the Wednesday meeting will be provided with a voting slip which will stipulate first, second and third place.

They will be then invited to examine the competition items and cast their votes in the voting box provided. A series of judging points that may assist members in this process will be made available.

Accumulated points

A record will be kept for each successful competitor as follows:

<i>Beginner level:</i>	First place	3 points
	Second place	2 points
	Third place	1 point
<i>Intermediate level:</i>	First place	3 points
	Second place	2 points
	Third place	1 point
<i>Advanced level:</i>	First place	3 points
	Second place	2 points
	Third place	1 point

Where a member graduates from one competition level to the next during the year, their accumulated points will travel with them.

Awards

The winner, second place and third place at each Wednesday competition will be awarded a certificate.

At our end of year barbeque awards will be made for the highest, second highest and third highest numbers of accumulated points for the competition during the year.

A “best thing turned” competition will be held at our end of year barbeque. All members who have competed during the year will be eligible enter one of the items they submitted for any of the competitions during the year. Three prizes will be awarded one for first, one for second and one for third place. Judging will be carried out by popular choice with all those who participate in the day invited to submit their voting slips.

sought. This design will be incorporated into a trophy. Six trophies will be awarded each year

Accumulated Points - First second and third place.

Best Thing Turned - First second and third place.

Competition items for 2010

Date	Item	Demonstrator
28 April -	Lidded Box	Bob Webb
26 May -	Small bowl (Approx 200mm diameter)	
30 June -	Goblet	
28 July -	Bud vase	
25 August-	Platter 300mm or less	
29 September-	Bird feeder	
27 October -	Clock	
24 November -	Any item combines face plate/spindle turning.	

Newsletter Editor

Until such time as we are able to acquire a more skilled newsletter editor than I am, I will be producing a simple newsletter like this which will simply be aimed at keeping members informed of club activities month to month.

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