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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Hi All

Greetings from Ireland.

Yes, I am on my travels again, this time to the UK and Ireland. As well as a short holiday in the northwest of Ireland, I am visiting family and friends in both the UK and Ireland. Ireland is the country of birth of my mother so there are several family members I have not seen for decades. Whilst in Ireland, my wife and I are going to fit in a few days on the west coast for photography. As usual, with such trips there are too many people expecting a visit and wanting us to stay with them.



Before travelling to England I entered 'wood turners' and 'Kent' into a search engine and came up with a list of turners and clubs near where I was staying. To cut a long story short, I arranged a couple of days with a 'master turner', Ed Oliver, here in Kent and was able to turn two large platters... (pictures below). This was quite an experience as this turner earned his living from turning as well as a small outlet and online sales of turning equipment. He had a well equipped workshop including a lathe capable of turning platters and bowls measured in feet not inches. If you





google 'ed oliver' you will get his website.

Whilst in Ireland we visited Sligo town. Through the Lonely Planet Guide I found Michael Quirke, a carver who still uses the same saw he used as a butcher in the same shop.

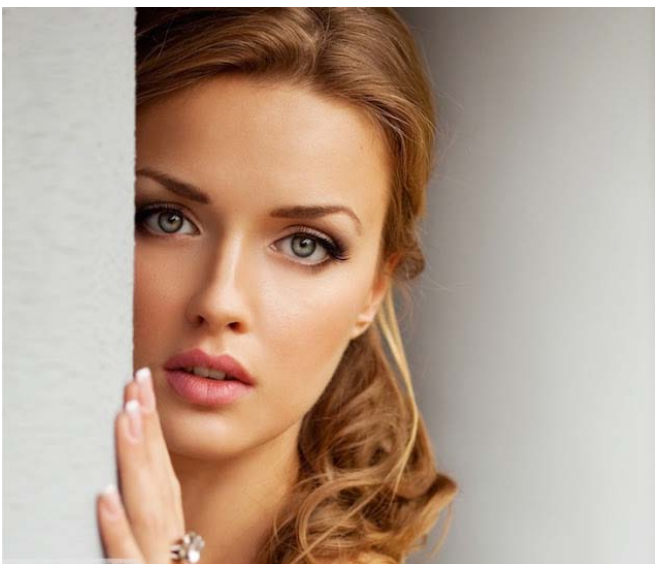
On the way from Sligo to Donegal I found another professional turner and had a long chat.

Well a shorter report this month but I am scheduled to be back in Australia in time for the next club meeting, just!

Happy turning.

Peter

I just started a new exercise program. I know it's been a while but when you do squats are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing an aluminium can stuffed with celery?



Jim was a single guy living at home with his father and working in the family business. His father had terminal cancer and Jim knew he would soon inherit a fortune and needed to start estate planning.

He wanted two things:

- ✚ To learn how to invest his inheritance.
- ✚ To find a wife to share his fortune.

One evening at an investment meeting, he spotted the most beautiful woman he had ever seen. Her natural beauty took his breath away. "I may look like just an ordinary man," he said to her, "but my father will die soon and I'll inherit 20 million dollars."

Impressed, the woman took his business card. Two weeks later, she became his stepmother.

Women Are So Much Better At Estate Planning Than Men!

- ✚ At what age is it appropriate to tell my dog that he's adopted?
- ✚ Entered what I ate today into my new fitness app and it just sent an ambulance to my house.
- ✚ People used to laugh at me when I would say "I want to be a comedian", well nobody's laughing now.

Minutes of the General Meeting

held on Saturday 1st June 2019

The meeting was opened at 11.55pm by John Butlin

Minutes taken by Dom Pirlo

Apologies: Reg and Lois Watt; Alan Smith; Bob Norris; Dave Farrell; Peter Holgate; Steve Farr; Peter Clouston; Carol Jennings.

Guests: Nil



Thumbnail Sketch: Brian Duncan gave a very interesting talk about his life and his many varied and interesting experiences.

A summary will be printed in the Hobby Turner. Members who present a Thumbnail Sketch of their lives are asked to provide a typed copy for the Hobby Turner.

Show and Tell: Conducted by Barry Carson

Name:	Item:	Woods used:
Dom Pirlo.	Carved free form burl.	Grey gum burNL.
Dom Pirlo	Bowl (unfinished)	Red gum burl.
Jan Palmowski	Bowl.	Pyro, carved and coloured Jacaranda bowl.
Jan Palmowski	Tea light.	Decorated with pyro and gilding wax.

President's Challenge was won by Jan Palmowski with his spectacular bowl.

Attendance: Attendance was down but exact numbers were not recorded. (Approx. 25)

Welfare: Reg Watt is making steady progress and through great determination, and help from Lois, is getting around much better.

Minutes: Moved Peter Kun, seconded Bill Allen, that the minutes of the CCWT November meeting be accepted. Passed.

Business Arising:

Garry Buckman: Garry is finalizing quotes and design for the banner to promote the Craft Extravaganza. Promotional flyers will also be printed and made available to members for distribution and promotion of the event. Overall organization of the event is going well, however more demonstrators and exhibitors are needed.

Members are encouraged to actively promote the event.

Ron Gibbs: Central Coast Outreach is conducting an art exhibition at the Entrance Community Centre commencing on the 15th June. It is supported by the Elderslee Foundation and our members are encouraged to support this event.

Ross Christie: Inquired about the Timber, Tools and Artisans show commencing next week.



**Nothing is made in Australia anymore.
I just bought a TV that said "built in Antenna"... and I don't even know where that is!**

He suggested that a microphone be used during meetings as it was difficult to hear some of the speakers. Because of the noise level, especially from the expressway, it was suggested that future meetings not be held in the workshop but in our normal venue.

John (Rooster) Lea: Will have the paperwork for our Christmas luncheon bookings (which will be held the week after our Craft Extravaganza) next week and he will need a \$10 deposit.

Kerry Robertson: Discussed care and correct usage of Superglue.

He informed members that acetone is available in the workshop to use for accidental spillages.

Coming Events:

These are listed on the noticeboard in the clubhouse and will be printed in the Hobby Turner.

Guilio Marcolongo will be demonstrating on the 15th June. Hands-on for 10 lucky members on 16th June.



Correspondence:

Inwards:

✚ E-mail to President Peter from Margaret Robertson. She raised three points which were addressed by the board.

✚ Several general e-mail inquiries to Brian Wilson and Alan Smith which were dealt with.

Outwards:

✚ Replies to e-mails

✚ Letter to Rhiannon by Garry Buckman re: the banner and other promotional material for the Craft Extravaganza.

Business Arising from Correspondence: Nil.

Lucky Door Prize: Won by Kerry Robertson.



Financial Report:

Garry presented and tabled the reports for May 2019. These are available to members from Garry.

New Members:

Owen Munroe, Chris Hardy and Paul Rankin.
Welcome to the club guys!

Other Reports:

Workshop:

Kerry Robertson: The Club has obtained a large amount of timber (some quite rare) and equipment. This was made available to the Club at very reasonable prices and the \$1000 paid will be recouped from on-selling the wood and equipment. The items still for sale will be listed in the Hobby Turner.

Carvers:

Kevin West: Demonstrated carving at the front of the workshop today. There was good interest from members and the general public. There are some new carvers producing varied and interesting items.

Scrollers:

Clarry Rogers: Membership and participation at the Club is steady.

Toys:

Bob Bamforth continues to regularly produce a variety of wonderful toys. More toys from other members are needed. Members are also needed to clean up some donated toys. Contact Rooster if you can help.

The raffle for the interesting pieces of wood was won by Jim Christie.

Library:

- ✚ There are lots of books available to borrow. Some great ideas and inspiration are available.
- ✚ Please return books and magazines when you have finished with them or renew them after two months.

Merchandise:

A set of books by Richard Raffan – Turning Guides – was donated by Mary Rathborne.

- ✚ There are lots of items for sale in our shop. See Laurie for details.
- ✚ Let Laurie know if there are items that you would like stocked in the club store.
- ✚ Let Dom know if there is a particular woodworking book you would like him to obtain for the Club library.

Lolly Bowls:

Keep turning them out as more are needed.

Next Meeting:

General meeting will be on Saturday 6th July
Board meeting: Friday 5th July

The meeting closed at 2.00pm.

Reminder of Kevin West's Design and Create a Masterpiece Challenge.

To be completed for the October meeting.

Members are encouraged to participate and design and create an item involving one or more of the following skills: Turning, Lidded Box, Captive Ring, Beads and Coves, Finials, Intarsia, Surface Finishes, Offset Turning Segments, Carving, Pyrography, Clear and Coloured Resin Finishes, Painting, Embossing – and anything else you may wish to include in your creation. Kevin is generously offering \$400 in prize money for this Creative Challenge.

Monthly Meeting Reminder.

All members are encouraged to attend the Club's Monthly Meetings. They are a great opportunity to share ideas and clarify any issues. Your participation helps to make your Club better at meeting member needs.



Life is all about perspective.

The sinking of the Titanic was a miracle to the lobsters in the ship's kitchen.

Note from the Treasurer:

Annual Membership Fees are now due!!!

If you did not have the option of attending our April monthly meeting you may not have heard that the board has decided to leave all fee's as they were in 2019.

So I would like to remind you all of the methods you can use to pay your dues. There are two that have been in use for the past many years, a third that was introduced last year is the pay by transfer and this year we have another new method.

The first method is, Find me at the workshop and pay me directly by cash or a cheque made out to Central Coast Woodturners. I am usually at the workshop on Fridays and the Saturday of the monthly meeting... sorry, but some of us still need to earn a living. I will write a receipt for you then and there.

The second, put your cash or cheque into a sealed envelope, print your name clearly on the outside and hand it to one of the shop keepers or any board member. I will collect these, write receipt's and put those receipts on the spike outside of the shop for you to collect next time you're in the workshop,

The third transfer your dues (\$40) directly into our bank account and ask for a copy of the transaction to be sent directly to my E-mail account.

I will write a receipt once I confirm the transaction has been successful and put it on the spike outside the shop and per option 2.

The e-mail and account details you will need for this are:-

Account name: Central Coast Woodturner Ltd
BSB 032564
Account Number 135409

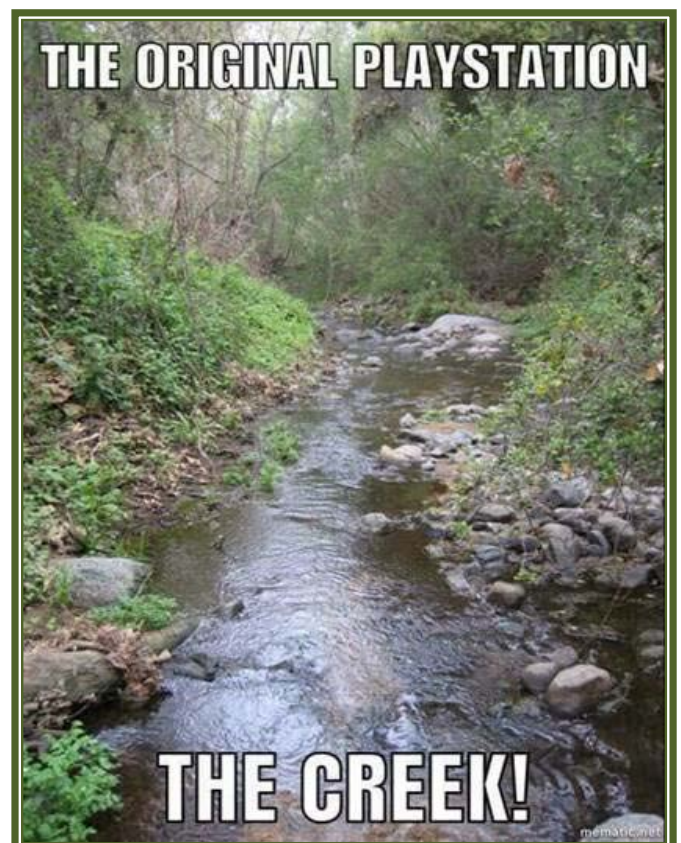
Don't forget to send copy the receipt to:

Corina.buckman@bigpond.com

AND now the new method for this year:

The fourth, as most will be aware we have this year introduced EFT-POS into the workshop and now you can also pay your dues using this method, if you want to do this please see me or one the store guys and pay.

Make sure you get an EFTPOS receipt for your records and ensure that whoever takes your payment writes your name on our copy so I can update my records.



Sales Events 2019

Enquires – Frank Barton 0429006918
3rd to 6th July 2019 Imperial Centre Gosford
11th August 2019 Country Music Festival
21st to 24th Aug 2019 Deep Water Plaza Woy Woy
14th to 15th Sept 2019 Wyong Orchid Festival
23rd to 26th Oct 2019 Imperial Centre Gosford
4th to 10th Nov 2019 Lake Haven Shopping Centre
5th to 8th Dec 2019 Tuggerah Super Centre

The things we do:

Over the years many of us have been approached to do foreign orders for poor unfortunate folk who don't have access to a lathe.

Some of the things that I've made include: a new drawer front with a recessed handle, extension poles for diving lights on an underwater camera, a crank handle for an old stationary engine, a white cedar cap for the top of a large fancy umbrella, an 800mm high 'Goblet of Fire' copied from the one in Harry Potter, a finial to match those on a heritage listed house, a lidded box to contain the ashes of a beloved pet and a variety of knobs and handles to fit anything from a bedside cupboard to industrial machinery. These all resulted in donations to the Toy Fund.

We get all kinds of strange requests coming in and our members are usually keen to help out and have a go at something new.

I got the following message from Skeeta the other day about a foreign order that came into the workshop.

G'day Al.

A bloke called into the workshop today, 29th June, just before closing time.

He asked about turning a wheel for his antique compressor. It would only just fit in Ron's lathe.

At 150rpm it tore the drive out of the boss but it was able to be refitted and completed to specification.

Thanks to Rooster for staying. A donation was made to the toy fund. It took approximately 1 hour.
Skeeta



A very rough start... but a good finish!



Thumbnail Sketch: Bill Allen



I was born on a farm near Victoria Falls the same year as the Sydney Harbour Bridge was opened. Family went “home” to England by boat in 1939 to see the Grand Parents. The war started and they could not return. My father joined up and went to France. He was evacuated from Dunkirk then finished up in North Africa and Italy.

After the war the family returned to South Africa and I remained in England to complete my schooling. After high school I joined my family in Africa but was not happy. I managed to get a boat passage to Australia for 50 pounds.

When I arrived in Australia I got a job with GRAZCOS – shearing contractors. My first job was at DUNGALERAR STATION out of Walgett. That was in June and I was with the same gang for the rest of the

year.

I travelled with Dudley Knipe, one of the shearers, in his Model A Ford. I saw a lot of NSW at a slow pace - and loved it.

After a few years I progressed into Head Office for four years and then went to Bourke as Western District’s manager to arrange the shearings. That is when the true country style really sunk in. It is a wonderful part of the state. The people are different and very hospitable. One client, “Babe”, aged 60+ - when I called, I would have to go straight to the fridge and get a couple of bottles of beer and we would have a drink. On another occasion I was desperate for a cook and my man was working for the opposition. I phoned his wife and told her the money I was offering. She said, “Eric will be at the Engonia pub until 8.00pm”. I bought a pick handle and went to the pub. He was there and I had no trouble. We travelled all night and were in Hungerford by 4.00am. We got the stove going. Cut up chops and had breakfast ready for the 25 men in the mess by 6.30am. I sent a shearer out to a shed past White Cliffs. When the owner tried to put the sheep in the shed on the Sunday night, they wouldn’t go in, so he went to see why. There was my shearer, hanging from the rafters, stone dead!

There are always interesting things and people to meet out west. We should all get out there and see the real Australia and not just this coastal strip – which can be seen anywhere in the world!

Sea is sea everywhere!



The Harvest Festival was a great success again this year and we must thank the hardy members who organised and attended the event. The weather was fine but cold and those attending had to rug up for the day. The festival was very well attended and sales were good. Our work is always well received by the community and many folks travel a long way to visit our stalls.



Well done guys!



HOLY E-MAIL:

One day God was looking down at Earth and saw all of the rascally behaviour that was going on. So he called one of his angels and sent the angel to Earth for a time. When he returned, he told God, 'Yes, it is bad on Earth; 95% are misbehaving and only 5% are not.

God thought for a moment and said, 'Maybe I had better send down a second angel to get another opinion.'

So God called another angel and sent him to Earth for a time.

When the angel returned he went to God and said, 'Yes, it's true. The Earth is in decline; 95% are misbehaving, but 5% are being good.'

God was not pleased. So He decided to e-mail the 5% that were good, because he wanted to encourage them, and give them a little something to help them keep going.

Do you know what the e-mail said?.....

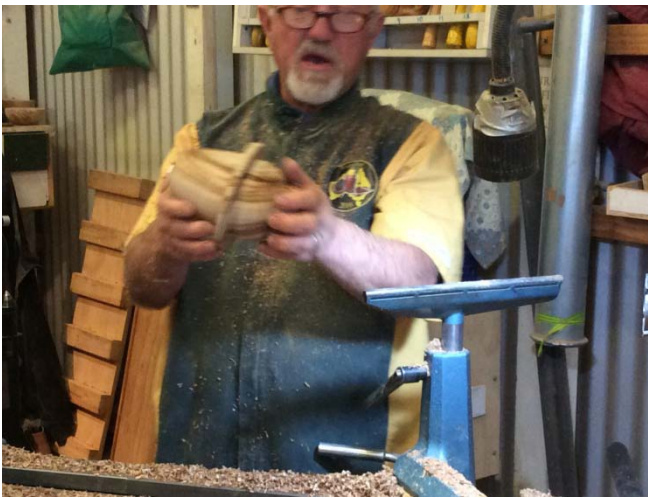
No!!!. Okay, I was just wondering, because I didn't get one either.

Guilio came; he saw and he conquered... again:



We were lucky enough to have Guilio Marcolongo visit again this month and, as usual, he captivated his audience with his skills, humour and dedication to his craft. He did a full day demonstration on Saturday where he taught lots of new skills and tricks that produced some incredible results. Sunday was a hands-on day where 10 turners were lucky enough to have his undivided attention for the day. They also produced some brilliant pieces. Guilio then turned up again to our Monday workshop, where he spent time with many of our beginners and students. One newbie made his very first bowl ever under Guilio's tutelage. We all need to thank Ronnie Gibbs and band of merry men and women who make these days the success that they always are. It was also great to see so many of our Maitland friends visiting again.





Penguin making day:

Our carvers recently had a day that was totally devoted to making these cute little guys. Penguins are social birds that live in large community groups and it was good so many excellent works produced on the day. Well done folks!



Year 12 HSC Projects:



What's on	When	Contact
Monthly Meeting	First Saturday each month. Old Dairy Co-op Wyong.	Skeeta
Woodturning	Mondays 8 – 4; Fridays 8 – 12 and Saturdays 8 - 12.	Skeeta, Ron Gibbs
Scrolling	Every Saturday of the month 8 – 12.	Clarry Rogers, Ron Dunn
Carving	Mondays 8 – 4.	Kevin West, Bev Clark
Pyrography	Not available at present.	

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**Note: The Club's Workshop is located in the Old Dairy Co-op premises at 141 Alison Rd, Alison (about two kilometres west of Wyong).

The 'SHOP' is open from 8am – 12noon Mon, Fri and Sat for those wishing to replenish supplies.

All of the above times are subject to change on long weekends and holidays.
Check with organizers for details.



EDITOR'S NOTE:

Hi Folks,

Well, winter is definitely here to stay for a while. The days are still nice but it has turned very cold at night. When the wind is up it feels like its blowing straight up from the Southern Ocean and Antarctica.

Even though it's chilly we shouldn't complain though. Most of us are very lucky to have a home to go to that protects us from the elements, and enough food and winter clothing to keep us warm and well fed.

Please be mindful of all of those in need at this time of year. Check on your neighbours, family and friends to see if any of them are doing it tough and help out wherever you can. Also support groups, like CC Outreach, who are always there for those having a difficult time.

Although it's nice to stay inside when it's cold and miserable I've been feeling a bit housebound of late. I realised though that it could be much, much worse. I mean, I could still be teaching in a room with no heater or air-con to a group of 30 cold, wet teenagers who definitely don't want to be there any more than I do.

It's time to rug up and head out to the workshop to make a "masterpiece" for this weekend's Show and Tell.

Take care and stay safe guys... Alan.

Alan Smith (Smithy) 229 Hakone Rd, Woongarah. 2259.
Ph: 0243 921 864, Mobile: 0414 186 963,
E-mail: smiff@bigpond.net.au

Come Visit My Shed:

These members have volunteered their services but please do them the courtesy of phoning up first to arrange a mutually beneficial time to meet.

Laurie Luthje	4390 3105	Eric Charles	4390 8460	Ron Gibbs	4388 2675
Kerry Robertson	4334 1565	Bill Allen	4328 3331	Barry Peick	4372 2069
Eric Lysaght	4339 3445	Bob Bamforth	4340 5262	Alan Smith	4392 1864
Allan Cedar Smith	4355 1022				



**Always try to be
the rainbow in
someone else's
cloud.**