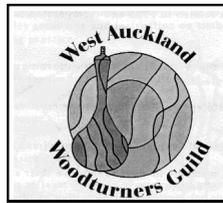


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Club Meetings

1st & 3rd Thursday each Month at
7.15 pm.

Hands on sessions

Mondays (not holidays) 1-3 pm.

Tuesdays (Juniors) 1-3 pm

Saturdays from 1.30 pm.

Web Address

www.wawg.co.nz

A.G.M.

The AGM was held on the 7th June with 21 members present.

The usual business, election of officers and committee etc. was carried out but one worrying thing was reported by the treasurer, several members have not renewed their membership by paying their subscription.

We rarely hear why this is, economics, dissatisfaction with the club, loss of interest in the hobby, shifted house etc. are all possible reasons.

We are always sorry to have our membership shrink, some loss is inevitable and we try to make good by recruiting new members. We have gained some new members who saw us demonstrating at ModelX.

However, members who have not paid this year's subs will soon be removed from the register and cease to be members.

Dates for your Diary

- June 21st Guild Meeting. **DEMONSTRATION MIKE DAVIES, CARVING**
- July 5th **Competition Multi-centre Turning (Spindle or Faceplate).**
- July 19th Guild Meeting
- August 2nd Guild Meeting
- August 16th Guild meeting. **Alternative Hobbies Night**
- September 6th **Competition Laminated Turning**
- September 20th Guild Meeting
- October 4th Guild Meeting
- October 18th Guild Meeting
- November 1st Competition Wooden Toy**
- November 15th Guild Meeting **Top Night.**

Tax Form

Can you believe it? They sent my income tax return form back to me! In response to question # 4, "Do you have any dependants?" I replied - " 20 000 illegal immigrants, 10,0000 P heads, 8 % unemployable people, Too many people in prisons, And 122 idiots in Parliament.

Apparently, this was NOT an acceptable answer.
Who did I miss?

Annual General Meeting 2012

The AGM took place on the 7th June 2012 at the Club Rooms at 7pm. 21 members were present.

After the minutes of the last AGM had been presented and passed the President gave his report. Some points were -

The highlight of the year was the launching of our Website **www.wawg.co.nz** Paul Altena was the creator and he will be the webmaster to keep it up-to-date. We congratulate Paul and thank him for his hard work.

Club visits had been exchanged with the Franklin Club and were enjoyed, we hope to have more such visits.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Ted McKinstry, the main point was that income wasn't keeping pace with expenditure. We need new members, both to bring in extra income and also to move the club on to new initiatives. Fees are to stay the same:-

Joining	\$40
Annual	\$50
NAW Levy	\$6 (or as levied).

Voting then took place to elect the Officers and Committee for the year. Not every post had a nominee so a little "horse-trading" had to take place. The results were:-

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A vote of thanks was proposed to the retiring Secretary, Vanessa Green, for the fine work she has done. This was passed unanimously.

Some members had wanted the junior members to have a voice on the committee and the meeting was pleased to have Reuben Wood accept a seat. He is a full committee member and does not speak only on junior matters.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm

MODELX 2012

The club demonstrated and staged a display of work for the three days of ModelX. Saturday was a quiet day but Sunday and Monday were better attended.

As usual the visitors were interested to see the lathes in action and some admired the items displayed. Few sales were made.

The members who manned the stand and demonstrated included some junior members. Chantal and Reuben Wood and Vincent Loos were happy to get on a lathe and demonstrate. It is a measure of the quality of the teaching they have had that they were able to do this. Other clubs at the show wished they could persuade some young people to join them.

The Junior Section

The Junior Section of the Guild has been in existence for several years. We were approached by parents, who were looking for a module as part of the Craft Curriculum for their children who were being home schooled.

Ted McKinstry, Ken Hawksworth, Fred Day and others agreed to this and set out a programme to teach woodturning basics to the children, setting aside Tuesday afternoon for this.

Lattice Vase by Daniel Rush



It has been a successful initiative and the children have benefitted from it and enjoyed it. Many have shown real promise as woodturners. Some were confident enough to come to ModelX this year and demonstrate before the public and we were very pleased to see that Daniel Rush won the “Youth Award” at the Easter Show for his “Lattice Vase”.

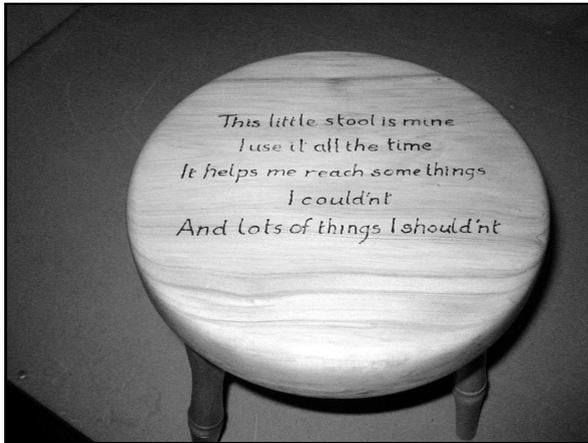
Three Legged Stool

A recent competition was for a three legged stool. There were not many entries but they were of good quality.

Graham Bourquin's winning entry



Phill Lunnon's stool had a charming verse



Care Home Bound?

During a visit to my doctor, I asked him, "How do you determine whether or not an older person should be put in a care home?"

"Well," he said, "we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the person to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand," I said. "A normal person would use the bucket because it is bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

"No" he said. "A normal person would pull the plug, Do you want a bed near the window?"

A blonde in the Baptist Church ~

A southern West Virginia preacher said to his congregation, "Someone in this congregation has spread a rumour that I belong to the Ku Klux Klan. This is a horrible lie and one which a Christian community cannot tolerate. I am Offended and do not intend to accept this. Now, I want the party who did this to stand and ask forgiveness from God and this Christian Family."

No one moved. The preacher continued, "Do you have the nerve to face me and admit this is a falsehood? Remember, you will be forgiven and in your heart you will feel glory. Now stand and confess your transgression."

Again all was quiet.

Then slowly, a drop-dead gorgeous blonde with a body that would stop traffic rose from the third pew. Her head was bowed and her voice quivered as she spoke, "Reverend there has been a terrible misunderstanding. I never said you were a member of the Ku Klux Klan. I simply told a couple of my friends that you were a wizard under the sheets."

The preacher fell to his knees, his wife fainted, and the congregation roared.

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