



Crosscut

Newsletter of the Witwatersrand Woodworkers' Association
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◀ Union Graduate bowl lathe at Schalk's factory.

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Next General Club Meeting on Wednesday, the 11th June 2014 from 18h00 at WWA clubhouse at the Living Link Hall. Making Wooden Cars – Barries Badenhorst.

Next Turner's monthly meeting is on Monday, the 2nd June 2014 at 18h00 at the WWA clubhouse at the Living Link Hall. Making a whistle on the lathe by Dries Bignaut.

News

May 2014 Turner's Meeting – Making rolling pins with Celtic knots.

David Smith showed us the jigs he uses to make rolling pins with an embedded Celtic knot motif. He uses a custom made angle cutting jig on a table saw to make the angled cuts. The depth of cut is carefully selected to ensure that the pieces are not quite cut in half so that the alignment is kept between cuts. Each cut is inlaid with a contrasting wood and glued up, before the next cut is made. Once all the cuts are made, the blank is turned. David uses the French double tapered rolling pin design which is most effective for rolling pastry in his experience. The process is documented here: www.lumberjocks.com/lew/blog/6086



Bobby's chair. Based on a 15th century design documented in Practical Woodworking, who called it Breugel's chair. Bobby used African Rosewood.

Homework for June – turn a lidded box of any design.

Novice Woodturner of the year – the Ray Magid annual trophy was awarded to Donovan Adams as the most improved novice turner.

Wood of the Month: Fagus Sylvatica – European Beech.

A stable hardwood with a characteristic grain fleck that makes it easily recognisable. European Beech is stable in drying, easily worked and readily available, it is widely used for furniture and tools such wooden planes, tool handles, biscuits, and dowels. Light coloured and steamed (pink) varieties are available in substantial sizes as the trees can grow to 50m in height with trunks up to 3m in diameter.

May 2014 Meeting – Greg De Villiers from Vermont tools demonstrated the Kreg pocket hole and doweling jigs. ▶



Greg also showed a range of spring tools that have a range of uses in marking and driving small nails.

Club Notices

The 2014 WWA AGM resulted in the re-election of the committee from last year. Alistair's Chairman's report listed the highlights of the year and the contributions of the committee and all the members towards the club's objectives, in particular the Toys for Charity campaign that resulted in the delivery of about 1400 toys made by members to crèches on the West Rand. Alistair has served as chair for three years. In terms of the constitution, the club condoned his continuation for another year, in the absence another willing candidate. Graham, the treasurer, recorded the club's continuing stable financial position.

Saturday Meetings. In addition to our normal meetings, we have arranged the following two meetings for June:

- Saturday 21st June 2014 to complete the work at the clubhouse – we will supply participating members with Boerie rolls once the work has been completed - details to follow.
- Saturday 28th June 2014– David Bithrey- from Stihl will demonstrate the art of carving with a chainsaw. David will also give some training on how to use a chainsaw correctly and show us how to maintain and service chainsaws.

Please Note:

Toymakers. The toymakers meet on the first and third Mondays of every month, at 09h00 till 12h00 at the new clubhouse. Contact Eddie Marchio on 011-678-8062 or [rm22 AT wweb.co.za](mailto:rm22@wweb.co.za) for more information.

Wednesday Workshop. The Wednesday evening workshops are on the first and third Wednesdays of every month at the new clubhouse, from 18h00 till 20h00. Contact Grant Mackay on 082-391-9769 or [mackay.grant AT gmail.com](mailto:mackay.grant@gmail.com) or [gmackay AT worldonline.co.za](mailto:gmackay@worldonline.co.za) for more information.

Saturday Workshop. Ken Bullivant holds a Saturday workshop at his house in Boksburg. The location is 13 Franklin Avenue, Comet, Boksburg on the first Saturday of the month from 09:00 to 12:00. They decide on an annual project and work throughout the year making it. Individual projects are discussed and problems solved. Ken also offers private lessons too. Contact Ken on 082 809 0020 if you wish to take part.

Saturday turning workshops

Schalk van Niekerk conducts Saturday morning turning workshops at his premises in Germiston. Membership is R400- per year, R30- per meeting. He can accommodate up to 12 people in a session with the lathes he has available for teaching, which include 5 Records, 5 mini-lathes (3 Woodsters, 1 Adendorf and 1 Jet), a VB30 and a Union Graduate They meet on the 2nd and 3rd Saturdays of the month from 8h00 to 12h00. Contact Schalk on 082 443 4972 or schalk@onegoodturn.co.za or Johan Kramer on 083 251 0183

See www.onegoodturn.co.za for examples of Schalk's work.



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For Sale:

Yellowwood – just over one cubic metre of Outeniqua yellow wood, approximately 35 years old and cut into planks of various sizes. The current market value of yellow wood is R17,000 per m3, but I am willing to consider any reasonable offers. Also, black ironwood which is all cut into 3 x 3 and 4 x 4 inch posts suitable for furniture legs, banisters, etc. Contact Linde McLaren on 011 782 6328 or 082 508 3749 (Northcliff area.)

Showtime:

WoodEx ▼

It looks like WoodEx has replaced the old WoodPro show that was held bi-annually.

VENUE: Hall 5, Gallagher Convention Centre 19 Richards Drive, Midrand, Johannesburg

SHOW TIMES: Thursday 5th June, 9.00am - 5.00pm. Friday 6th June 9.00am – 5.00pm.

Saturday 7th June, 9.00am – 2.00pm

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As usual, Austro stages their own show at the same time. We have been invited to the Austro show. Details are shown below. ▼

Austro are at
1125 Leader Avenue, Stormill EXT 4, Roodepoort.

Show Times and Dates:

Wednesday, 4 June 2014	09:00 - 18:00
Thursday, 5 June 2014	09:00 - 18:00
Friday, 6 June 2014	09:00 - 18:00
Saturday, 7 June 2014	09:00 - 13:00

TRADE SHOW VENUE
1125 Leader Avenue, Stormill Ext 4, Roodepoort

GPS Co-ordinates
Latitude 26.194414 Longitude 27.924585



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