

# November 2023 NEWSLETTER



BENDIGO WOODTURNERS INC.  
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## *Bendigo Woodturners Activities Program*

<b>General Meeting:</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Monday Monthly</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>
<b>Executive Meeting:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Monday Monthly</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday Group:</b>	<b>Every Tuesday</b>	<b>9.00am to 12.00pm</b>
<b>General Woodworking:</b>	<b>Every Thursday</b>	<b>9.00am to 12.00pm</b>
<b>Toy Group:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Monthly</b>	<b>9.00am to 12.00pm</b>
<b>Pyrography Group:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Monthly</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>
<b>Carvers Group:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Monthly</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>
<b>Triton Group:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Monthly</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>
<b>Scroll Saw Group:</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Monthly</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>
<b>Wood Turning Group:</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Monthly</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>
<b>Group Activities:</b>	<b>Saturday (as required)</b>	<b>9.00am to 12.00pm</b>

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### **Show and Tell**

This section of the meeting is open to all members to enable them to exhibit any interesting items that they have made, brought, found or otherwise acquired.

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### **Monthly Competition**

The competition for November is Woodturning. The open competition is for any other items. One entry only in each section per month and once an item has been entered it cannot be entered again later. Entrants will be invited to discuss their entry in detail allowing members to gain from your experiences.

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## President' s Report

Hello Woodies,

Well, it's that time again as the month draws to a close and the newsletter is due out, it will also be the last newsletter and the last general meeting for the year.

Following the meeting on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> we will be having a supper, so I would ask you all to bring along a plate to enjoy with a cuppa.

The Christmas sales will begin on the Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> and will continue for 2 weeks (Wed to Sat each week). If you are able to help out on the sales desk, see Mal who has a roster for the 2 weeks. The setup for the sales will be after an early morning tea on Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup>, and you will be able to put out your items for sale following the setup, I would suggest around 11:00 at the earliest.

For those of you who haven't heard, the Logosol drying unit arrived on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>, and was setup that afternoon and had a full load of timber placed in it that day, as I write this report, we are expecting the timber to be available in 2-3 days for removal. It is a fantastic purchase by the club and will no doubt provide excellent usable timber within a short period of time following the timber being cut or slabbed, this will save a lot of wastage of timber that has often split.

I won't be around for the general meeting or the first week of the sales as I have to head north to the Whitsundays for some boating and fishing and a couple of bevies, so I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, a safe festive season and will look forward to seeing everyone again next year when our year begins again on Jan 9<sup>th</sup>.

Stay safe and keep turning.

Regards,

**Steve Brereton**  
**President**



## Secretary's Report

Where has the year gone?

I will start with some good news (not that I have any bad news). The Logosol Wood Drying Unit (WDU) the club has been waiting for has arrived. It was delivered and set up about 2 weeks ago and is currently full of red gum and a bit of silky oak. Logosol provide an app for customers to use for how long you need timber to dry but Malcolm and David are regularly testing timber so we can plan how we use the WDU. We think the drying time of reasonable size pieces of timber will be between 2 and 4 weeks. Please visit upton to see our latest acquisition. I will also remind members that the majority of the cost of the WDU was covered by a successful grant application submitted by Jeff Willey. Roughly speaking the grant covered 2/3 with the club paying 1/3.

In the last month or so the club finished the following tasks that brought good income to the club.

- Outdoor furniture restoration at Australian Geospatial Organisation, Junortoun. Many thanks to Malcolm Hill, Harald Mai, Steve Brereton, John Phillips, Kevin Trevan and David Alexander
- Wooden plaques for the Dog Obedience Club, Bendigo. Many thanks to Ian Buntin and all his helpers for the work they did.

The Club's annual Christmas Sales start very soon (29<sup>th</sup> Nov), so hopefully this will be as successful as year's past. Please see Malcolm if you can help on the roster. Don't forget that we will be doing a lot of work inside the clubrooms during this period, hence it might be a bit crowded in the workshop but we will be open.

The following dates have been posted before, but as a reminder:

- Mon 27<sup>th</sup> November      General Meeting
  - Last one for 2023. Partners most welcome. Bring a plate
- Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> December Annual Christmas Lunch Bendigo Pottery from 12 noon
  - Cost \$25.00 per head
- Annual Christmas Sales
  - Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Nov – Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> December, and
  - Wed 6<sup>th</sup> December – Sat 9<sup>th</sup> December
  - Setup clubrooms after early mornos on Tue 28<sup>th</sup> November

Other important dates to remember:

- Last day 2023      Thu 14<sup>th</sup> December and re-open Tue 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Stay safe, Regards, **John Phillips, Secretary**

The Logosol!





## Visitors:

On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November, Bendigo Woodies hosted a meeting of the Central West Working Group.

Members from Ballarat, Sunbury and Horsham Woodturning Clubs attended. President, Malcolm Hill welcomed all present. Discussion was held on various issues facing clubs, future plans and how we need to attract younger people.

Interestingly, various members at Ballarat have been refurbishing a scale model of a delta wing aircraft which was originally produced by staff at the Government Aircraft Factory around 1970. This is a long-term project.



## For Sale

A new idea! If you have anything for sale please send a photo, description, price if applicable to your newsletter editor (Heather Pascoe).

***This is available only to Club members.***



Free! Please contact Steve Brereton for details and any information

Thank you to Harald Mai for installing some strings to hold back the magazines.



## Upcoming Events:



General Meeting – Monday 27<sup>th</sup>  
November – last meeting for the year  
Please bring a plate to share and enjoy  
our Christmas get-together and  
Christmas hamper raffles!

## Bendigo Woodturners Christmas Sales

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>  
December  
10 - 4 pm each day



### Christmas Lunch

When: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Where: Bendigo Pottery

Cost: \$25.00 per person – payment due by the November General Meeting or by direct deposit to our bank account – details in the Secretary's Report





## ***Events Calendar***

<b>November 2023</b>		
<p>6<sup>th</sup> Executive Meeting                  27<sup>th</sup> General Meeting                  29<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Christmas Sales</p>		
<b>December 2023</b>		
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> Christmas Lunch – Bendigo Pottery                  4<sup>th</sup> Executive Meeting                  6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Christmas Sales                  14<sup>th</sup> Club closes for Christmas break</p>		
<b>January 2024</b>		
<p>9<sup>th</sup> Club reopens                  22<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting                  26<sup>th</sup> Australia Day</p>		
<b>February 2024</b>		
<p>5<sup>th</sup> Executive Meeting                  26<sup>th</sup> General Meeting</p>		
<b>March 2024</b>		
<p>4<sup>th</sup> Executive Meeting                  25<sup>th</sup> General Meeting                  29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> Easter</p>		
<b>April 2024</b>		
<p>1<sup>st</sup> Executive Meeting                  12-14<sup>th</sup> Seymour Alternative Farming Expo                  22<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting                  25<sup>th</sup> ANZAC Day</p>		
<b>Cleaning Roster</b>		
<p>January – Carving                  April – Pyrography                  July - Scroll Saw                  October – Woodturning</p>	<p>February – Woodturning                  May – Carving                  August – Pyrography                  November – Scroll Saw</p>	<p>March – Scroll Saw                  June – Woodturning                  September – Carving                  December – Pyrography</p>

### **Our Sponsors**

