

January 2025 NEWSLETTER



BENDIGO WOODTURNERS INC.
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Bendigo Woodturners Activities Program

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

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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.

Monthly Competition

The competition for January is Pyrography, the competition for February is Scroll Saw.

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.

President's Report

Hello Woodies and welcome to 2025, I hope everyone had a great Christmas and a wonderful New Year, and we are all coming back refreshed and ready for another year.

There have been a few events happening since we left for our break, we had a Bunnings BBQ on 28th December which turned out to be a very profitable day, well done to all those involved on the day.

Kevin Trevan and his helpers have been busy modifying the trailer up the back, I haven't seen it for a couple of weeks but it was looking fantastic just prior to Christmas and will become an even greater asset to the club. Well done to all who have helped but a big thankyou to Kevin who has put an enormous number of hours into the planning and welding of the trailer, well done Kevin.

We welcome the start of the new year with Australia Day just around the corner, our first event of the year, hopefully the weather will be fine and a great day will be had. I suggest we will pack up the trailer on the Tuesday after the monthly meeting in preparation for Australia Day.

Club enquiries for jobs have continued over the break, so there has been no rest there; it looks like there might be a fairly substantial job for Bendigo Trams which has just come in as an enquiry, a large number of handles to be turned, so if you get a tap on the shoulder, please help out as these sort of jobs are fantastic recognition for the club.

I hope everyone is well and healthy and I look forward to seeing you all again soon.

**Cheers,
Steve Brereton
President**

Figure 1 President Steve Brereton with granddaughter Bene and her Intarsia Bear - Steve was extremely busy for a few weeks prior to Christmas - the bear was an absolute hit - beautiful work



Secretary's Report

Happy New Year to everyone.

Another year has come and passed and hopefully this year will be as successful as all our others.

We have another new member, Mia Killick, so please join me in welcoming her to our club.

Our Christmas sales period went very well with approximately \$3,500 of sales. Also a lot of work was conducted around the club during this time and I would like to thank everyone who helped.

While I am thanking people, a huge thank you to Kevin Trevan who has done an incredible job in improving the capacity of the club trailer by constructing/welding a new frame. Besides allowing the club to carry more equipment it will also allow members inside the trailer whilst packing to stand up, hence avoiding sore and dodgy backs. Well done, Kevin. We should also acknowledge and thank John MacDonald for assisting Kevin.

Our first activity for 2025 is Australia Day at Lake Weeroona. This event is advertised from about 9am to 3pm but we are usually set up and open for business earlier. Please see Malcolm Hill or Harald Mai for details on how you can help.

The Club had a Bunnings sausage sizzle on Saturday 28th December which raised about \$1,450.00. Many thanks to all the helpers on the day (Malcolm Hill, Arthur Curnick, David Alexander, John Fuzzard, John MacDonald, Chris Pascoe, Sharon Bonazza, Helen Franklin and Geoff Maxwell and apologies to anyone I may have missed).

We have another sausage sizzle on Sunday 19th January, check the board or Malcolm Hill if you can assist.

I know it has been hot and therefore unpleasant in the shed but Seymour and Easter are only a few months away and these are major events for the club and individuals, so get busy creating.

A final note, my recovery from foot surgery is continuing and hopefully you will see more of me around the club soon.

John Phillips
Secretary

November Monthly Competition

1st in Monthly Section

Heather Pascoe – fretwork of her German Shepherd Bruno



Open Section

1st Bill Paynton – turned bowl



Show & Tell



Kevin Trevan – push along scooter made for this year's major raffle

Tuesday Morning Tea

Farewell for David & Ros Barber

Approximately 35 people turned out to farewell David & Ros prior to their move to Ballarat, we sincerely wish them well and thank you for all you've done for Bendigo Woodies – they will be missed. David & Ros will remain on our mailing list to keep up to date with our happenings.



The question was asked "Would you trust this lot?" – no answer was the reply



Christmas Party – Windermere Hotel, Kangaroo Flat



Events Calendar

January 2025	
14 th	No Executive Meeting Club reopens
20th	General Meeting – note a week earlier than usual
26 th	Australia Day
This month's competition is Pyrography	
February 2025	
3 rd	Executive Meeting
24 th	General Meeting
This month's competition is Scroll Saw	
March 2025	
3 rd	Executive Meeting
24 th	General Meeting
This month's competition is Carving	
April 2025	
4-6 th	Seymour Alternative Farm Expo
7 th	Executive Meeting
18 – 21 st	Easter
25 th	ANZAC Day
28 th	General Meeting
This month's competition is Wood Turning	
May 2025	
5 th	Executive Meeting
26 th	General Meeting
This month's competition is Pyrography	
June 2025	
2 nd	Executive Meeting
23 rd	General Meeting
This month's competition is Scroll Saw	

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