

# HORNSBY DISTRICT WOODTURNERS INC.

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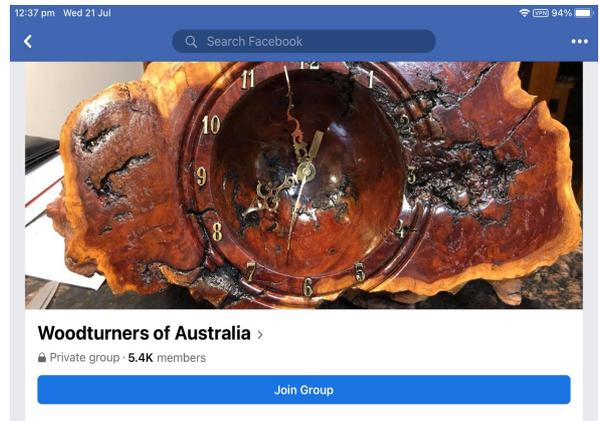
## eNEWSLETTER JULY 2021.

Hello members, we hope that you are well and safe and also coping with the Covid lockdown.

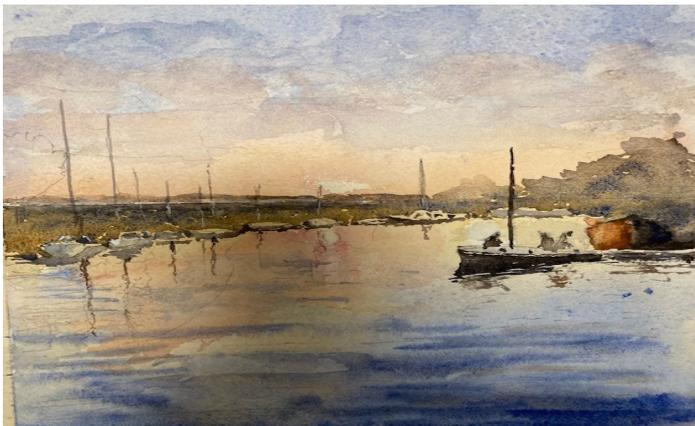
As you know The Shed is asking RUOK but if not do not hesitate to call/notify another member for assistance. Ian McKay and Greg Croker were asked to, and have, contacted all turning members in the last week or two and can be contacted for help 24/7.

The proposed demonstration meeting for July was postponed and the Informal Winter Lunch usually held in July was cancelled. Normally our AGM is held during the August demonstration meeting but this will also have to wait until the Covid rules are modified or lifted and we can have at least a Zoom meeting. Our Spring Raffle meeting (planned for September) may also become affected.

While we are in lockdown members have suggested the use of WhatsApp or Facebook for contact and this may develop via the Federal Government's Beconnected Programme run through the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Community College. This programme is focused on electronic technology tuition and is being considered as assistance to give Shed members access to regular communications particularly during lockdown. Following on this topic Pierre has suggested we consider a Facebook site similar to the screen shot shown.



Keith has sent a photo of his most recent art work, a nice watercolour which is titled *Boats at Sunset*.



### About

For woodturners from all parts of Australia and around the world to meet and chat all things woodturning. Lathes, tools, woodturning products, tips and tricks and timber, as long as it pertains to woodturning.

Other posts, albeit interesting, but not pertaining to woodturning will be deleted.

Abusive or personal attacks will not be permitted. The threads and/or comments will be deleted and poster warned or even banned. Religious or political posts will also be deleted.

Spam posts, asking to like/share sites etc, will also be deleted.

Advertising is permitted, but businesses are asked to limit your ads to max 1/week.

All members are requested to place at least your general location in your personal information so others can find out where you are from.

International people are welcome, BUT, you MUST have your location identified in your personal information.



Greg Ghavalas has been extremely busy this lockdown turning a great array of good turnings to inspire us. Bill has finished a Zampogna (Italian) bag pipe turned from some nicely grained olive wood. These pipes are traditionally played by mountain shepherds in the valley towns during the lead-up to Christmas.

Work in The Shed, (which now continues in home workshops with a number of turning members



involved), for the production of about 50 beacons to be used on nautical navigation maps for training progresses. At 300 mm high the larger turnings are used on an extensive table map of harbours etc indicating compass directions, hazards and wind directions for trainee navigators/pilots. Photos of the coloured beacons were supplied as the only details of design and plans needed to be made. Both the larger beacons and a similar number of smaller units (50 mm high and used on smaller maps) have been turned and require some fine tuning, assembly and spray painting, while waiting for the lockdown to end before completion.



A significant amount of turning wood was donated by Ian Raper and the majority placed in storage: the remainder will be racked when members return to The Shed. Likewise, although close to finished, the new layout for turning lathes remains in limbo too.

During July Shed member Phil Newman was bicycle riding from Sydney to Pt. Douglas raising money for the Black Dog charity for men's depression. On the journey of at least 2,500 km Phil has visited a number of Mens sheds.

The picture shows Phil leaving The Shed at 9 am on a cold July morning: full details in the *Cutting Edge* July 2021 edition. If you would like to help please donate.



A couple of new Youtubes have surfaced on the web which are recommended for viewing. Both videos

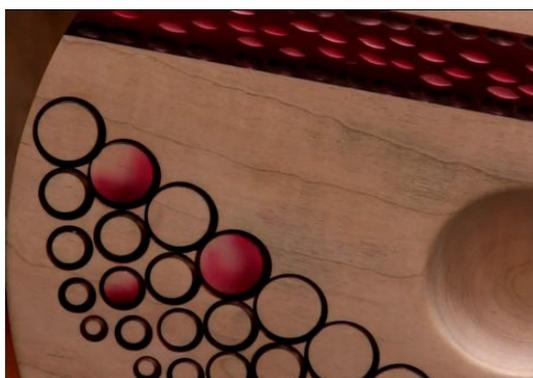
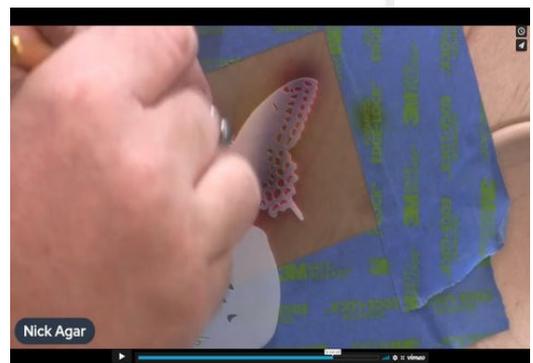
last about 20 minutes and are not overly difficult to emulate.

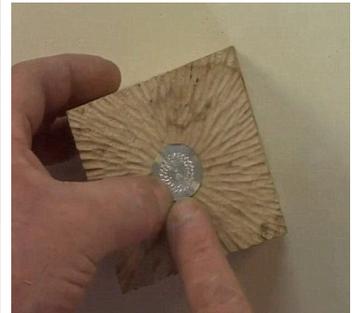
Easy, Perfect Curved Segment Joints Wood Turning <https://youtu.be/sGhHcgqhAIY?list=LL>

Natural Edge End Grain Cherry Bowl <https://youtu.be/Oyz2hnB8d6o?list=LL>

Finally a few photos following viewing of the recent 2021 AAW Virtual Symposium sent out ex the USA between midnight and dawn over two nights a couple of weekends ago via 'Hopin'.

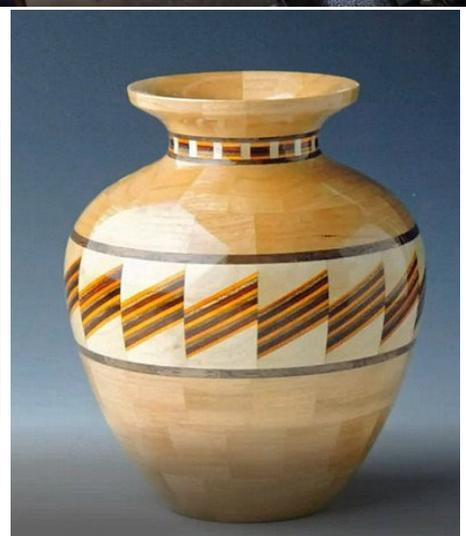
The included photos are a short summary of the demonstrations, the gallery and techniques which will be of interest.





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7	4.98	15.65	.98	1.50	.46
6	3.00	13.71	.98	.40	.25
5	5.17	14.25	1.02	.80	1.375
4	3.00	15.71	.98	.40	.25
3	4.98	15.65	.98	.85	.75
2	4.38	13.76	.86	1.10	.75
1	3.56	11.19	.70	1.50	.75

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While we are in Covid lockdown plans for future events are limited to electronic contacting so please send in all photos of your turnings and associated activities, Information Exchange including Youtubes or demonstrations of significance, plus any ideas to keep us focused during this time. If you can assist with the 'Reconnection' mentioned earlier please step forward.

As items and news come to hand they will be emailed to members hopefully weekly so *please keep turning..... and sending.*

Meanwhile stay well and safe remembering RUOK: and contact a member promptly if help is needed.

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