

Crosscut



◀ Resin Tree burl vessel – artist unknown – seen at the Pretoria Woodturners morning.

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Next Turners' Meeting on Monday, the 1st August 2022 – from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop**
– Poena will demonstrate making a small box using off-centre spindle turning.

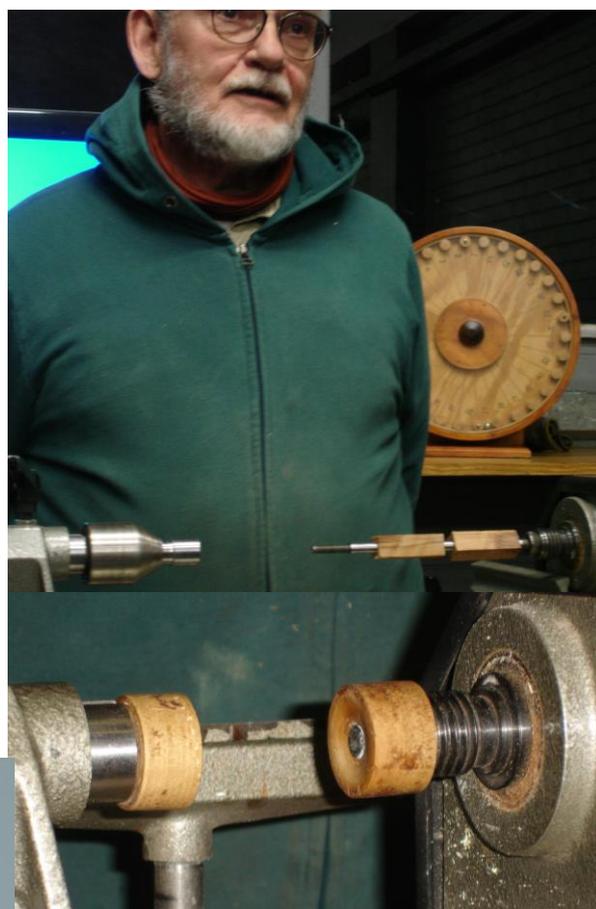
Next Cabinet makers / Main club meeting – Wednesday, the 10th August 2022 – from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** – Mike Aldous will talk about hand planes.

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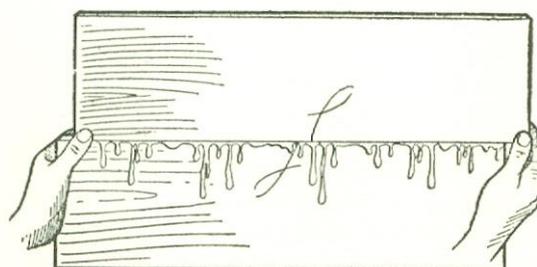
Turners' meeting. Monday, the 4th July 2022 – Quick and Dirty Pen Making – Herman Potgieter.

Herman showed how to make a slim-line pen with a pen kit. Using predrilled blanks made from Wild Olive, Herman explained how to mount these onto a mandrel specifically designed for pen turning. He showed how to turn and finish the two sections. He press-fitted the mechanical fittings from the pen kit by pressing them into wooden barrels using the lathe tailstock as a press. The lower picture on the right shows the two blocks that fit into the Morse tapers on the headstock and tailstock of the lathe. A special pen press is available, but Herman thinks his method is quite satisfactory. The finished pen is shown below.

A good source for pen kits and tools is Mr Woodturner – see their web site or visit their shop in Blairgowrie for more information. <http://www.mrwoodturner.co.za/>



Main Club meeting, Wednesday, the 13th July 2022 – Trevor Pope demonstrated making a rub joint. A rub joint is an edge joint where two boards are joined along their long grain edges, without any mechanical locating or reinforcement measures such as a tongue-and-



groove or dowels. Before modern glues were invented, hide glue was used. The joint was rubbed together until the glue cooled and grabbed, hence the name. The principles of making a rub joint and some techniques for a successful joint were discussed, as well as demonstrated on a sample joint.

Pretoria Woodturning Club Open day.

Saturday, the 23rd July 2022, saw the Pretoria woodturners club gather for some informal demonstrations on woodturning at the New Hope School. The picture on the right shows Herman (left) listening to At Smit (right) explaining how to tap a thread into wood (Picture from Jeanette Walker).



AWSA Annual Symposium – 2022. The last Association of Woodturners of South Africa (AWSA) symposium was held in Wilderness in 2019. The next symposium was scheduled for September 2020 at the New Hope School in Ashley Gardens, East of Pretoria. But then Covid happened.

It has been decided to hold the next AWSA symposium on the second weekend of October 2022 at the New Hope School. The Pretoria woodworking club will hold their annual show on the first weekend of October 2022 at the same venue. The exact dates will be communicated shortly. In the absence of an overseas demonstrator such as Nick Agar (shown on the right at the 2019 symposium), due to short notice and costs, the AWSA will be asking for local expert turners to present and demonstrate at the symposium. They hope to cover costs incurred by the demonstrators, such as travelling and accommodation costs to make it easier for our coastal turners to make the trip. If you have a topic that you would like present and / or demonstrate, please let any of the AWSA committee members know.

(Also, if you know of a person / topic you would like to see, please share it with us and let us know if they need some encouragement too.)



Schedule for Regular Events at **Made in Workshop**

1. Second Saturday of month at 9h00 - Herman – all things turning related – 083 631 0501
[hermanpotgieteresq AT gmail.com](mailto:hermanpotgieteresq@gmail.com)

This list is subject to change, so please consult your *Crosscut* each month.

Show & Tell meetings are held at Hardware Centre every Friday Morning at 09:30. All members welcome. Contact Eugene on 0824953394 or eugene@antlerfin.co.za

Ken's 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.

Pretoria Woodturners Open

Day. At short notice, the Pretoria Woodworkers decided to have an open day at the New Hope School in Ashley Gardens on the East of Pretoria on the 23rd July 2022. The school is well suited for such events and also benefits from the support of the club. It will also be the venue for the upcoming AWSA symposium in October 2022. Here are some pictures of items on the gallery. Unfortunately, most were not labelled, so the artists haven't been credited.



