

Crosscut

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Next Turners' meeting – Monday, 6th May 2024 from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** – Topic - To Be Advised.

Next Main club meeting – Wednesday, 8th May 2024 from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** – Buying Chinese – a talk by Mike Aldous on his experiences of buying tools from Chinese web sites – what is good and what to avoid.

New WWA Account number. **FNB 63026931287** – please make sure that your payment can be identified by adding your **full name**, perhaps cell number and **reason for payment**.



News

Turners' meeting. Monday, 8th April 2024 from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** – Anesh

demonstrated turning acrylic (plastic) for a pen barrel. He explained the steps for a mirror finish by sanding through a range of grits, from fine through to extra fine, finishing with Autosol metal polish. He showed two different techniques dry and wet sanding which were equally effective. He said that wet sanding is only appropriate for acrylic, because water may



upset finishes applied to wooden pen barrels.

Main club meeting – Wednesday, 10th April 2024 from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** – Kevin

Steel from Tork Craft introduced Itumeleng who introduced some new products from Kreg of pocket joinery fame; Burnz who make Mapp gas torches; and Howard who make a range of finishing products.



WWA AGM – 2024. The 2024 Annual General Meeting for the Wits Woodworking Association will take place at the Main Club meeting on Wednesday, the 8th May 2024 at 18h00 at **MiW**. Formal notices of the AGM have been issued via email. Please remember to send in your apologies and associated proxies to the secretary before the meeting.

If you are able to assist with tasks through the year or by joining the committee, please volunteer.

The secretary requests that nominations be submitted by Monday, 6th May 2024, however nominations from the floor will be accepted at the meeting. Before nominating someone, please confirm their availability.

We are always looking for help with tasks for running the club. Any assistance that you can volunteer, however small will be appreciated.

This Makita saw will be raffled at the AGM. If we don't sell all the tickets by the AGM, the draw may be postponed.



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MEMBERS ONLY RAFFLE



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SLIDING COMPOUND MITRE SAW



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100 TICKETS

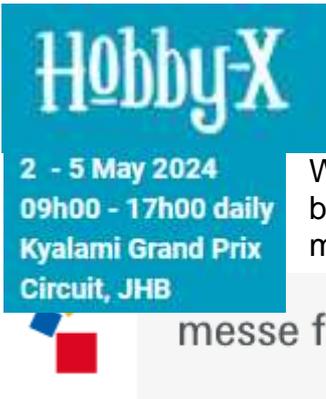
R100 PER TICKET

ONE TICKET PER MEMBER

NUMBERS ALLOCATED AS THEY COME IN

DRAW WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE AGM

ATTENDANCE AT THE AGM IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO WIN



Hobby-X is underway as this newsletter is being sent out. It was first staged in 1998, and the

WWA has participated for many years because it is a good way to attract new members.



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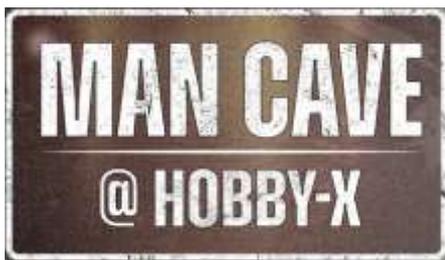
Before COVID, Hobby-X was staged at the Dome next to Northgate. However, the Dome became a massive used-car lot and Hobby-X has moved to Kyalami.

This year there is a separate area called the Man Cave below the main exhibition area, where we have three club lathes running to demonstrate turning. Carel van der Merwe from the Pretoria club also brought his lathe and is helping to make shavings.



some camphor which is helping to clear out the nasal passages.

Thanks to Arthur for the above pictures showing some of the helpers on the Thursday.



Reminder - New WWA Account



number. Due to ongoing difficulties in changing signatories and poor service from Nedbank, the committee resolved to change banks. Anesh, our treasurer has opened an account with **FNB** and requests that all payments be made into this new account: **63026931287** – please add this to your beneficiaries list. Please make sure that your payment can be identified by adding your **name**, perhaps cell number and **reason for payment**. Annotations such as “annual subs” or “WWA shirt” without your name are not helpful – Anesh will not be able to trace your payment. Please note that the **Nedbank account will be inactive from the 01st April 2024**, so any funds paid into the Nedbank account may be forfeited.

Access times for **Made in Workshop for WWA members :**

MiW times for WWA members are as follows

Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9AM to 12AM. However please take note of the following: WWA members CANNOT just arrive at MiW and use machines unless they have booked them with MiW. This refers to the bookable machines such as the panel saw, thicknesser/planer, drum sander, spindle moulder as well as CNC machines of any kind.

Machines such as the bandsaw and the Triton router table need no booking.

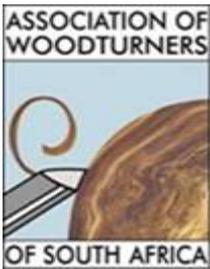
Henry has also asked me to convey that all the major machines may only be used if the WWA member is familiar and fully understands the importance of the correct and safe use of these machines. Speak to Graham regarding training and qualification to use machines.

Bookings can be made during office hours of 8h00 to 17h00, weekdays by contacting one of these numbers:
Henry – 083-269 9505; Josh – 083-768 7853; or Trenton – 081-365 6039

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

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



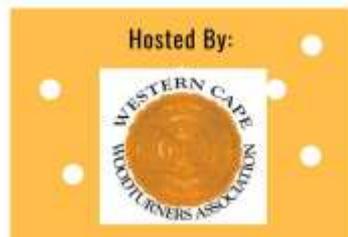
AWSA Annual Symposium.

The date and venue for the 2024 AWSA symposium have been announced. It will take place at the Northlink College, Tygerberg Campus in Panorama, Cape Town from the 20

to 23 September 2024. The main demonstrator will be Phil Irons who is a regular visitor to Cape Town. Some WWA members will have seen Phil before in Johannesburg, when the WWA still met at Helpmekaar in Braamfontein. There will be a main demonstration room as well as two break-away rooms with demonstrations, so there will be a lot to see and take in.

Please look out for the registration form and AWSA membership application form in your email. If you have attended the annual symposium before you will know about the two and half days of woodturning demonstrations, products for sale, and the gallery that you can expect.

AWSA membership is only R100- per year. Members are encouraged to join to ensure that they receive updates on the symposium and to help grow woodturning in South Africa.



Visit <https://www.philironswoodturning.co.uk/> for more information on Phil Irons.

The program is still a work in progress, so this is not the final one. Hopefully, there will be enough here to interest you to make the trip to Cape Town.

Main Room:

Saturday 21 September 2024		
<i>TIME</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>DEMONSTRATOR</i>
08h30 – 10h00	<i>Phil Irons</i>	<i>Phil Irons</i>
10h30 – 11h30	<i>Woodoc technical discussion</i>	<i>Woodoc team</i>
12h00– 13h30	<i>Fluting with a router</i>	<i>Ashwin Ramhith</i>
14h30 – 15h30	<i>AMT technical discussion</i>	<i>AMT & Shanee Swiegers</i>
16h00– 17h30	<i>Negative space hollow forms</i>	<i>Carel van der Merwe</i>

Sunday 22 September 2024		
<i>TIME</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>DEMONSTRATOR</i>
08h30 – 10h00	<i>Phil Irons</i>	<i>Phil Irons</i>
10h30 – 12h00	<i>Spindle & skew techniques</i>	<i>Andrew Stevens</i>
13h00 – 14h30	<i>Decoration and carving</i>	<i>Carel van den Merwe</i>
15h00 – 16h30	<i>Printing on wood/Pyrography</i>	<i>Peter Nicolle</i>
19h00 – 22h00	<i>GALA Function – Encore Restaurant</i>	<i>AWSA</i>

Monday 23 September 2024		
<i>TIME</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>DEMONSTRATOR</i>
08h30 – 10h00	<i>Decorating with texturing tools/Ball box</i>	<i>Poena Coetzee</i>
10h30 – 12h00	<i>Wave pattern bowl</i>	<i>Mervin Walsh</i>

Break away room:

Saturday 21 September 2024		
<i>TIME</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Demonstrator</i>
08h30 – 11h00	<i>Phil Irons demo</i>	<i>Main hall</i>
11h30 – 12h30	<i>Natural edge bowl turning</i>	<i>TBC</i>
13h00 – 14h30	<i>Turning vase with resin</i>	<i>Gerrit van Niekerk</i>
15h00 – 16h30	<i>Marbling on wood</i>	<i>TBC</i>
16h30 – 17h30	<i>Turning boxes</i>	<i>Thys Carstens</i>

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<i>TIME</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>DEMONSTRATOR</i>
08h30 – 10h00	<i>Phil Irons demo</i>	<i>Main hall</i>
10h30 – 12h00	<i>Pepper grinders</i>	<i>Thys Carstens</i>
13h00 – 14h30	<i>Turning pens</i>	<i>Mervin Walsh</i>
15h00 – 16h30	<i>Sharpening of tools</i>	<i>TBC</i>
19h00 – 22h00	<i>Gala evening</i>	<i>Encore restaurant</i>

Monday 23 September 2024		
<i>TIME</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>DEMONSTRATOR</i>
08h30 – 10h00	<i>Working with pewter/Jewellery</i>	<i>Jurie van den Heever</i>

<i>Monday 23 September 2024</i>		
<i>TIME</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>DEMONSTRATOR</i>
<i>10h30 – 12h00</i>	Creative carving and inlay work	<i>Dale Throw</i>

Northlink College

About the Campus

Situated in the heart of Panorama, just opposite the Panorama Mediclinic, the Tygerberg Campus is known for its Encore Restaurant and Conference Facility as well as its National and International Courses in the fields of Performing Arts, Sport, Business, Tourism and Hospitality. It also prides itself in having an international office...the first of it's kind in the TVET Sector. Tygerberg hosts the majority of our post matric courses

