



◀ Natural edge bowl demonstrated by Herman

Crosscut

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Next Turners' meeting – Monday, 4th November, 2024 from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** –
Topic – AWSA Symposium report back by Jeanette Walker. Clever work-holding methods.

Next Main club meeting – Wednesday, 13th November, 2024 from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** – Laminating boards – how-to by Graham Swallow.

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, 7th October, 2024 from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** – Herman turned a natural edge bowl from an upside-down Karee (*sersia lancea*) blank. Herman showed the process for mounting and turning a bowl from a blank while retaining the bark as a natural edge for the rim. Herman said that Karee is well suited for this design, as it retains the bark even as it dries and shrinks, unlike some other species. He showed the initial mounting process for shaping the outside and then the inside. He then followed by remounting onto a ball shape so as to finish off the base by removing the spigot used to hold the initial shape in a chuck.

Main club meeting – Wednesday, 9th October, 2024 from 18h00 at **Made in Workshop** – Graham explained the basics of a router table and how to make one. The use of one- and two-part fences was compared. In the picture, Graham's elbows are resting on Anesh's router table, as he makes a point.

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. This applies only the woodworking machines. The other machines require the purchase of a membership at the monthly (30 day) rate – which is a good rate anyhow.

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

Henry also requires 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.

MiW is a **Maker Space**, which means that members are able access the machines which are included in the list above. Access to the other machines and facilities is subject to additional fees as mentioned above. While **MiW** will provide assistance and training where necessary, members are responsible for providing materials and performing the work themselves. Members need to be skilled and competent to use the facilities to do the work. For example, if you wish to use a CNC machine, you will need to manually program the tool path on the machine or import it from a design tool that generates the tool path for you. There may be a steep learning curve, but that is part of the challenge.

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.

Toymakers Annual Braai – Saturday, the 23rd November 2024. Saturday, the Gereformeerde Kerk - 41 Third Road (41 Derdeweg), Northwold, Randburg. Coordinates S26°04'20" E27°57'30.1"
Starting at 10h30 for 11h00; the raffle starts at 12h00, lunch at 13h00. Watch your inbox for more info. The draw for the **Makita Mitre Saw** raffle will also be done on the day, but you need not be present to win.

Project Plank entries will be judged at the braai. – here are some of the designs from last year's



competition.

The planks will be available for collection at MiW at the November meetings or from Hardware Centre on Fridays by arrangement. If you need your plank to be machined, i.e. planed on all sides, please arrange with Graham.

The details of the competition were sent out

on the WhatsApp group to members.

In summary, entries can only be made from the given plank, no additional wood may be added. Members will be asked to select winners in one of three categories, Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced. From the pictures, you can see a variety of designs – no two were the same.



Pretoria Woodworkers show weekend – 14 / 15th September 2024

Trevor Pope

Here are a few images taken from the show at the New Hope School, Ashlea Gardens, Pretoria.

◀ Tool chest in red oak by Nolte Smit – Sold for R3500-



Decorated vessels by Andrew Bourke. Andrew used a combination of carving, pyrography and staining. ▼▶



Wild Olive Vase by Alan Crawford ▼



▲ Large Compass plane

Large Wooden Try plane, Spokeshave and Small Compass plane ▶

All by Dylan Van Graan





◀ Dining Room table laminated from strips of Red Oak by Peter Honegger.

End grain Random Pattern Butcher Block – by Peter Honegger. ▼



◀ Leather work by Jeanette Walker.



Some New Hope School pupils working on lathes ▲► showing off their turning skills.

Unfortunately, some of the regular exhibitors of turned wood art were absent, (such as At Smit and Carel van der Merwe, who was already in the Cape for the AWSA symposium), so there wasn't as much on display as last year.

Andrew Bourke expressed the concern that there isn't as much artistic woodturning being produced as in the past.

I agree with him – are we seeing a dying art form as the skilled turners we all know age and die off?