

Turners Tidings

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Its been one of those weeks when not a lot of note has been happening. The world continues to look somewhat crazy, wood continues to turn, the rain continues to fall and people are abducted by aliens. A normal week in the Waikato really.

We have a new club challenge, proposed by Bill, so check below for the details and be in to win!

Famous woodturner swallowed by alien lifeform



Fergus and Garth have just completed day one of their introduction to woodturning. Well done guys, its great to have you on board.

Or Richards more prosaic explanation of his **casuarina tube**. I turned the wood wet and allowed it to dry and warp a little. I drew 3 vertical angled lines on the tube and then began to dremel out the grooves up to the line using a Saburrtooth rotary burr.

The Great Firewood Challenge



Turn a piece of firewood into a work of art

- Rescue a piece of firewood from potential incineration
- Take a **before** photo before you start
- Turn into a work of art.
- Display at the club alongside the original photo in time for judgement day(date to be confirmed)
- There will be a first prize



From Bill Shallow Lusitanica bowl



Malcolm D. battled slow setting resin to get this bowl with Corian insert finished . A great effort.

The Celtic knot was created by Michael with his pantogram machine.



John C. continues his progress with this Macrocarpa bowl



Bill is getting a head start on the firewood challenge. Both of these vases were rescued from his firewood pile. Liquid Amber and Pohutakawa.



John B. Recycled Matai plate



From Malcolm P Kowhai bowl.



Gary has been on the job again. Cherry bowl on the left and Norfolk Pine on the right.



This Chestnut candlestick is also from Gary



David has provided us with a progress report plus a shot of his finished laminated barrel. The segments are made from Rimu and Jarrah.



Using a bowl saver.

For those of us who didnt know, the club owns a bowl saver. Murray is demonstraing how to use it on this large piece of Macrocarpa, and is willing to give further advice to those who wish to try it. Maybe a demonstration in the near future?



A great Hawthorn bowl from Robert



This Norfolk pine bowl from Spencer is showing off its distinctive feature

For extra points...

What is the name of the channel in the bowl gouge?

Last weeks answer

**There are a number of woods that can negatively affect turners.
See the list available at the club.**

Several in particular are

- 1. Rimu. this may cause irritation to nose, throat and lungs.**
- 2. Yew. Particularly toxic . May cause congestion of the lungs, nausea, fainting and cardiac problems**
- 3. Kowhai. May be toxic if chewed. Please do not eat the wood!**

FUTURE FOCUS

27 May, 10 June	Training days for new members.
13 June	Committee meeting.
6-8 July	Manawatu Woodworkers Guild ROUNDUP 2023
1 August.	Art of Wood Exhibition opens. Check out Creative Wood magazine for details.

