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Hopefully early in 2010 the **BM Wood Craft Inc** development application will be approved by BMCC and various member groups will be sharing the use of **19 Calver Ave Mt Riverview** [previously known as "Mt Riverview Youth Centre"]

Meanwhile **BM Woodturners Inc** will hold their December and January monthly Saturday meetings at this address of **19 Calver Ave Mt Riverview**. This is just behind the Bush Fire Brigade (on Rusden Road). Coming down Rusden Road, go past the fire brigade and turn left, [Dawn Cres] then turn left again. It's about 50 metres up on the left.

Parking is also possible under trees near water tank off Rusden Rd. Access just before Bush Fire Brigade. When parking do not block their exits. Enter 'our' property via 'our' back gate.

Show Consideration to All the Neighbours.

When parking do not block Bush Fire Brigade exits.

Pay and sign on with Des Tuck at 'our' front door for 'the best show in Mt. Riv on a Saturday.

At the **December** meeting, the raffle will be the Christmas Hamper. Non-perishable items may be added to this hamper up until 10am on Saturday December 5th. Partners and friends are welcome to attend at no cost. Members are encouraged to bring food to share for the festive season celebratory lunch which will follow after an interesting presentation about 'plastics' by Phil Brien, a brief meeting, a 'Show & Tell' of your best or most personally challenging or favourite turning of the year', and the handover of our toys to the Lower Blue Mountains Family Support Service. Members are also encouraged to bring a wrapped woodturners gift that has not cost them more than \$10 and give it to Coral Gilkeson, who is co-ordinating the 'Kris Kringle'/Lucky Dip, and will issue them with a ticket so that they receive a reciprocated gift.

The **January** meeting, for obvious reasons, will be on the SECOND Saturday—January 9.

.May you be ready for a busy woodturning year, including January 26th Australia Day at Glenbrook, Lawson Golf Shed slabbing bee, and your New Year resolutions....

There will not be a January newsletter.

SEASONS GREETINGS of JOY & PEACE and BEST WISHES for a HAPPY NEW YEAR

from your Committee



Testing the Grey Matter

(Answers next page)

What causes burls (surface lumps on trees) to grow?

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Grey Matter Answers



Burls are formed when a tree protects an injury to the cambium layer (just under the bark) by growing over the damaged area. Commonly this would be due to a limb breaking near the trunk or because of fungal or bacterial damage to the bark.

Woodturning Lessons

How can you get training in woodturning?

One of the primary aspects of our Club's activities is the provision of training for all members of any level of expertise. Training days are held on Saturdays and Tuesdays at Blaxland. The costs vary depending on which days you attend and are very, very economical. Anyone wishing to attend the Saturday Training days should contact:
Allan Game 4739 1028

~~Fees~~

Annual Fee : \$30 p.a.
Joining Fee : \$10
See Treasurer [Kaye]
for form, payment, receipt & badge

*Thought for the Month
With my woodturning in 2010*

I aim to
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On Wednesday Nov.18th John, Darrell, Jan & Clive presented the latest **Chess Set** to a very appreciative **Winmalee Public School**.

Thanks to all involved from slabbing to presentation.
- President John

Skills Projects—Themes for Show & Tell

December 2009 — your best
or most personally challenging
or favourite turning of the year

January 2010 — evidence of a personal resolution



Some of Dee & Ken's pyro on the day



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Previous Monthly Meeting – November'09

Demonstration:



Bill Shean: Hollowing



Our second meeting at the Mt Riverview Youth Centre was excellent. Bill brought his own video set up which enabled all present to see the details as well as have an opportunity for 'hands on' with several hollowing systems.

Show & Tell:



Les



Phil



A pictorial reminder of some of the great ideas and projects shared by Clive, Les, Phil and others.

Calendar Settings

December Meeting:

Saturday December 5
19 Calver Ave Mt Riverview
10.00am-3.00pm



Committee Meetings:

Held the Thursday (1 week and 2 days)
prior to the normal monthly meeting.

Dec 6th Phil Brien—Plastics

New Possibilities with a 'newie'.
Toy Presentation for local kids in need
Christmas Hamper, KrisKringles, Party&Friends

Jan 9th John Mulquin—Surprise 1

Feb 6th Col Hyndes—Woodwise 2

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Jan 26: Glenbrook Australia Day

Contact: Barry Robinson 4751 5856

ITEMS for SALE REQUIRED - 20% club commission

— have a go —

Ladies Tool Time 4th Sunday 10am-2pm

Contact: Jan or Kaye