

# IRISH WOODTURNERS' GUILD

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## DUBLIN CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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### Words from the Chairman

My three years as Chairman of the Dublin Chapter has flown in. Time flies when you are enjoying yourself. I must admit that when proposed for this job I was not aware what was in store for me.

The 3 years spent as chairman was the most enjoyable I have to date. My opinion is that after three years I should stand down and have a break and let a new person in. I would love to stand again for this job in a year or so.

During my time in office I twisted more arms and legs to get things done. I am sure some of those people did not expect the results they got and were surprised to know they could do what was asked. To date no one refused any request made of them and I even had many coming forward to help out without even asking.

- The format for the meeting had to change and I had the demonstration first with a few minutes for notices before the break.
- Awareness was set up to let our members who were unwell to know that we do care and I made a point of visiting or contacting that person at home or in hospital.
- Trees were planted in Larch Hill for our deceased members and a certificate from the Tree Council was given to the families and was a very nice gesture from the chapter.
- Tree talk was a great success and I am sure that those who undertook to find out about a tree learned more about their subject than they knew before. Our members also enjoyed these talks and from feedback some even asked to do a talk on trees.
- Our video camera system got a boost with new mini cameras and a mixer to give better viewing to our members of what was going on at the lathe.
- We now also have DVDs along with videos of the demonstrations for this year.
- We also managed to get in a one day Chapter Seminar which we had very good demonstrators from as far away as the North Pole along with Albert Harrison's gang from Wales. We also held a special Chapter day and had top turners at that also. It was a treat to our members and at only nominal fee on the day.
- Our new Nova lathe made its maiden voyage and we even got storage for it along with our library of books and videos plus dust collector and sound system in the scout's hall behind the church. This had been a bone of contention for a long time as we could not have any space in the school. My scouting connections came in handy again, as we also have Larch Hill if needed. I was delighted that Barry Dunne is now our permanent contact with the scouts there and keeps the trees in good condition with his band of helpers from the Chapter.

I will still be working with the Tree Council on behalf of the Guild. We have a grand committee and it was a pleasure for me to have worked with them. Each member did their duty and always gave of their best.

I will miss the meetings and the excitement of planning who will do a demo for us and want to thank you all for a very enjoyable three years.

Joe O'Neill  
Chairman,  
Dublin Chapter.

## Change in chapter competition rules

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For 2006:

- The Chapter monthly competition is only open to Dublin Chapter Members.
- All new members will be assessed as to which category they can enter into the Chapter competition league.
- New members will be assessed on their first three entries out of four.
- New members will be allotted 5 marks for each of their entries.
- The marks will be carried with them into their allotted section.
- They can choose any discipline; i.e. faceplate or spindle or a combination.
- They will be placed into either the beginners section or the experienced section.
- They will not be placed into the advanced section.

In order to encourage new members to enter competitions, the first 5 monthly competitions will be open competitions. That is, the beginners may enter any piece made especially for that competition.

Members who have the requisite number of first and second places will be promoted once a year; at the A.G.M. (This will allow the best achievers in the section an opportunity to win a Turner of the Year award). This alters the current position whereby they are promoted during the year and may end up at the tail end of the higher section or jump to the top.

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In addition to the usual Turner of the Year award the committee will present a piece of pottery, specially designed and with the Chapter logo to each winner.

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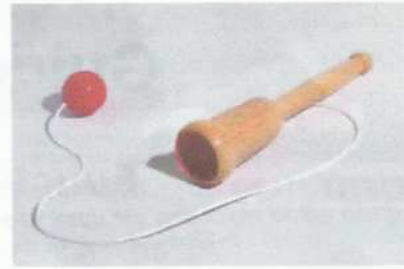
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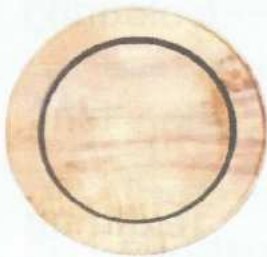
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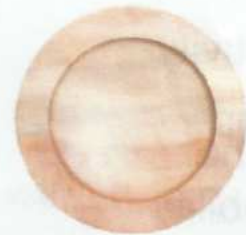
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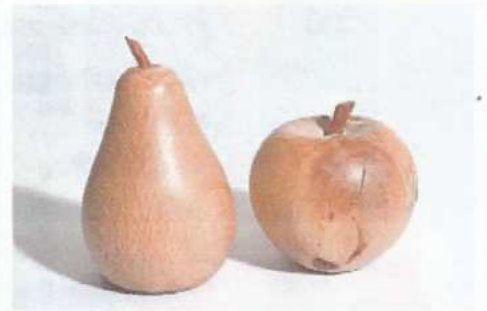
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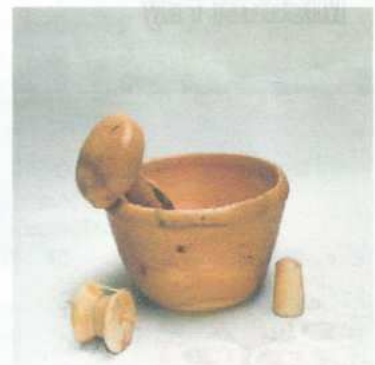
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Colm Hyland



Martin O'Halloran



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<u>Advanced</u>	<u>score</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Jun</u>	<u>Jul</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>
Michael Fay	140	0	15	15	15	7	15	15	15	15	15	15	13	
Cecil Barron	107	6	9	7	9	15	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>0</u>	
Tom Gibson	88	9	7	5	7	13	5	11	11	0	11	<u>9</u>		
Colm Hyland	52	13	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	11	0	<u>15</u>		
Chris Hayes	39	11	13	5	5	5	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Albert Sloane	36	0	5	9	6	0	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11</u>	
Henry East	34	0	5	0	11	11	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Pat Walsh	33	7	5	11	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Sean Ryan	30	15	5	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Philip Kerr	29	0	6	13	5	0	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Adrian Finlay	22	0	11	6	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Seamus Carter	19	0	0	0	13	0	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Joe Laird	16	0	0	0	5	0	11	0	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Mick Healy	9									9	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Seamus O'Reilly	11	0	0	0	0	6	5	0	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Joe O'Neill	5	0	0	0	5	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Eddie O'Reilly	5	5	0	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	

Experienced

Una Sheeran	116	0	9	11	15	9	13	13	13	11	15	7	promoted	
Pat Walsh	110	13	15	13	5	7	9	9	15	13	0	11	promoted	
Martin O'Halloran	99	0	<u>12</u>	15	5	15	7	15	0	15	0	15	promoted	
John Holmes	75	15	7	7	5	0	6	0	0	9	13	13		
Malcolm Hill	59								54	5	0	0		
Frank Gallagher	55	11	5	0	6	11	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	0	0	0	0		
Pat Lambert	54								48	6	11	0		
David Cox	45	0	0	<u>32</u>	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0		
William Edwards	35	0	0	0	11	0	15	0	0	0	0	9		
Eugene Colgan	33	0	11	9	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Paddy Finn	26	9	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	7	0	0		
John Foley	24	0	13	0	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Stephen Richardson	24						24	0	0	0	0	0		
Irene Christie	20	7	6	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

Beginners

<u>Beginners</u>	<u>score</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Jun</u>	<u>Jul</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>
Tom Delaney	80	13	11	5	5	7	11	0	0	0	15	13	promoted	
Malcolm Hill	67	0	0	6	15	11	7	15	13	promoted				
Pat Lambert c/fwd 15	60	0	9	7	11	13	5	0	15	promoted				
Richard Murphy	41	0	0	0	6	5	0	0	0	15		15	promoted	
David Cox	39	15	13	11	promoted									
Sean Egan	38	0	0	9	5	6	0	0	0	7		11		
Des Harbourne	28	0	6	15	0	5	0	0	0	0		0		
Willie Reville	26	0	0	13	0	0	13	0	0	0		0		
Colm McIntyre	24	0	0	5	13	0	6	0	0	0		0		
Peter Hore	23	0	0	0	9	5	9	0	0	0		0		
John Duff	17	0	7	5	5	0	0	0	0	0		0		
Michael McNamara	16	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	11		0		
Stephen Richardson c/fwd 1	15						15	promoted						
Peter Gillan	15						15	0	0	0		0		
Noel Masterson	7	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0		0		
William Brazil	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0		0		
William Hillard	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0		0		

# Agenda



## Dublin Chapter Irish Woodturners' Guild 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2005

Minutes of last Annual General meeting  
Adoption of minutes of last AGM

Proposed  
Seconded

Secretary's Report  
Adoption of Secretary's Report

Proposed  
Seconded

Treasurers Report  
Adoption of Treasurer's Report

Proposed  
Seconded

Competition Secretary's Report  
Turner of the Year

Exhibition Report

Chairman's Address

Appointment of temporary Chairman

Election of Officers

Proposals for Chairman  
Proposals for Secretary  
Proposals for Treasurer

Nomination of 4 other Committee members

} Voting, if necessary

Nomination of Auditors

Motions, Recommendations or Proposals

Committee Membership – limited to 3 Years  
New Competition Rules  
Guidelines for Judges