



Turning Points

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Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 10, 2007 at the Henegar Center in Downtown Melbourne.

(<http://www.henegar.org>)

September Demonstration:

Ronnie Thomas -- *Mushroom Lidded Box*

The demonstrator at the September 10th meeting will be fellow member, Ronnie Thomas, who does a nice little mushroom lidded box that is novel and attractive...makes a nice gift. Everyone, especially our newer members, should enjoy this turning demo which is appropriate for both beginner and intermediate turners.

Space Coast Woodturners Minutes for August 13, 2007

Reports:

President Read Johnson The SCWT meeting was called to order by president Read Johnson at 7:05 on August 13, 2007 in our new meeting place at the Henegar Center, 625 East New Haven Ave, Melbourne, Florida.

The guests by for the evening were welcomed by the president. They were Gordon Nielsen, Conrad Haynes, Dick Rivers, Ed Hulzing (he joined the club), John Charlies, Andrew Woulford, and Robert Fortin. A couple of the guys were from PAFB. They heard about the club and decided to drop in and give us a look-see

There were brochures available for an adjustable Longworth chuck for rechucking bowls to allow you to finish the bottom. Read also had application forms for an art show in Vero Beach.

Pres. Read gave a brief explanation what the Florida Woodturners Symposium is and when it meets for the benefit of the new members. It is held at Lake Yale, northwest of Orlando, in January and there will be some world class turners giving the demonstrations. You should consider attending. It is nearby and it is an opportunity to learn from some of the best.

Vice President Chuck Billings gave out the name badges for the recent new members. Chuck also gave information on the coming demo programs. The October demo will be Bob Elliott showing how to use the One-Way core saver system for nested bowls. In November we will see Gene Gross demonstrate hollow turning. Both are members of the Central Florida Woodturners.

Treasurer Harvey Driver The club has \$3617.60 minus the rent for the Henegar room for tonight's meeting.

Harvey announced the next Harbor Freight sidewalk demonstration will be Friday and Saturday, October 5 and 6. Please sign up on the sheet for the time you will be able to help. See page 9 for more details.

Secretary Julian Pharis ardently recorded these meeting minutes.

Craft Supply Order Jim Donovan reported that one club order has been sent to Craft Supplies and he has \$160 toward the next order. There is a

\$1000 minimum for a club order and this gets you an average of a 13% discount and no sales tax and free shipping. See Jim to get your items included in the next order.

DVD Dock *Tom Weber* We have two new DVD's for rent next month.

The first is a new release by Gary Rance, "Woodturning Techniques". Its emphasis is on spindle turning, with three nice projects. If you can get past the rather heavy English accent, pretty good tape. Number D155.

The second is by Mike Mahoney, who always does a nice presentation. It's titled "Bowl Basics", and naturally enough concerns itself with faceplate turning. He turns a regular bowl, a natural edge bowl, and a rarely discussed calabash bowl. (That's one with no discernible foot.) He mentions that it's good for popcorn. And after seeing it, I would agree. Number D156.

We have several tapes in line for presentation, so we should have a new one (or two) for each of the next several months.

Thanks to all of you who support the library efforts of the club. Your rental fees (and purchase of the faceplates, sandpaper, etc.), are what keep the library in the permanent expansion mode!

Newsletter *Eric Thaxton* VP Chuck Billings introduced Eric Thaxton as the new Space Coast Woodturners Newsletter editor. Make sure he has your correct e-mail address if you didn't receive a newsletter this week. He is working on the web site and plans to add a For Sale area. The new newsletter and website email address is sc_woodturners@bellsouth.net

Meeting ! ...

See Bob Davis to order club tee shirts.

Member Dan Tiff asked for help in turning a baseball bat for his son's birthday. He lives near Wickham Park.

Read announced that Paul Pouliot has informed him that he currently is too busy to continue as chairman of the How-To demos. The club needs someone to step up and fill this vacancy. You do not have to do the demos yourself but you need to have some organization skills and get people to perform a How-To demo of various turning skills.

Show and Tell

The “Showers and Tellers” were ...

Roger Cartier and his wife have produced a new son according to the proud Pop.

Wynn Arnold – showed a camphor natural edged bowl with six coats of lacquer and the smell of the camphor is still evident.

Eric Thaxton – The bloodwood and maple segmented piece that he had brought in before is now finished and he had a new piece with 548 pieces of walnut and maple. “It is not all that difficult”, he said and he would be glad to tell you how.

Scott ? – maple piece he recently turned at the John C. Campbell school. He solved the problem of the inside being deeper than the outside by putting in a nice dark plug and his usual penny is inserted on the bottom.

Dottie Pugh – ‘The pen Lady’ brought a Bolivian Rosewood pen with small beads in the grip area made with a new tool she has acquired. She also had a pen of Paduk and a pen and letter opener set made from black and white ebony.

Terry Justice – his first attempt at a segmented piece was a cherry and maple bowl to fill a request from his wife.

Troy Porter – a nice walnut bell with a birdseye maple handle and an oak clapper.

Don Houk – a piece he was making from green holly. It is still drying and changing shape a little.

Dan ? – his first bowl made from a piece of mahogany he got from Harvey.

Tom Winkelspecht – a segmented pen of Corian that he made at “Glenda’s Pen Turning Class” in Orlando. Very cool.

Ray Zakrajsek – a bowl from his favorite wood, camphor, with two areas of bark showing and a dragonfly added by his wife. Ray also had two sconces from cedar that are ‘a work in progress’.

Julian Pharis – a loose fitting lidded bowl for a dresser top for jewelry and such for his granddaughter’s birthday. Someone gave him a piece of firewood and said it was too pretty to burn it turned out to be curly maple. The lid is of rosewood with concentric rings for decoration and there will be a small blackwood finial added.

Harvey Driver – an unusual ornament made from “colorwood”, a pre-laminated blank of different colors.

Glenn Baxter – a series of pieces showing the process of making knobs with a lathe duplicator.

Wood Auction:

The wood auction brought the club \$21.00.

For Sale:

*Nova 3000 Lathe, step pulley variable speed, outboard turning attachment \$650.00 -Bob Winborn 951-3886

*Jet 1642EVS Lathe \$1200 -Bob Davis 409-8515

*Ryobi BT3000 Table Saw \$225 -Bob Davis 409-8515

*Jet 1442 variable speed 450-3000 for sale, paid \$800 two years ago and will sell it for \$400 or best offer to any club member that would like to upgrade.

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*Faceplates for sale See Charlie Shrum

Business Meeting Adjourned

Demonstration by Jack Gregory -- Laminated Candle Holders

Jack demonstrated his famous laminated candle holders. He uses contrasting woods to create a very interesting pattern. I'll bet some of us will try this.

Photos from the Show-and-Tell:



Editor's Note: There were many more great turning but I didn't get photos of them before the meeting started.

Map to New Meeting Location:

Henegar Center for the Performing Arts
625 East New Haven Avenue
Melbourne, Florida 32901



Upcoming Demonstrators:

Monday, October 15 -- Bob Elliott -- *Coring*

Central Florida Chapter member Bob Elliott will demonstrate coring using the One-Way system. We will see how this system and other similar systems can save wood by cutting two, three, or even four bowl blanks out of one chunk of wood.

Monday, November 12 -- Gene Gross --*Turning a Hollow Form*

Gene, another Central Florida Chapter member, will demonstrate turning a hollow form with a small diameter opening using a method we have not seen demonstrated at our meetings previously. Gene says that the tools he will use are ones almost all of us have. If time permits, he will also do some simple decoration on the vessel. This is a demo from which many of us can learn.

Harbor Freight
Sidewalk Demo Schedule
October 5th & 6th 2007
(Friday & Saturday)

Harbor Freight Management has requested that we do two “One Day” demos during their “Side Walk Sale” on the above dates. In return, they have agreed to a one time 20% discount to all paid up members and an additional 20% discount to paid up members who participate- to include all demonstrators, helpers, equipment suppliers, and those who hang around doing public relations and/or learning from our demonstrators. Discounts will remain effective from the 7th of October to the day following the next series of sidewalk sale demonstrations, or six months whichever occurs sooner.

It is usually a fun day and even if you don't demonstrate, you have a chance to learn something from those who do. Remember, you don't have to be an expert to demonstrate. This is often a time when someone is available to help you. So, sign up (in two-hour blocks if possible), grab a tool, and dig in (whoops, I mean ride the bevel).

You should bring your own tools and wood, however, the club sharpening system and tools will be available. In addition, small turning squares for spindle work are usually available. The club will supply one or more “Harbor Freight” (Central Machinery) lathes depending upon the level of interest.

If you are interested, do not wait until the last minute to sign up. The equipment suppliers need a week or so to determine the level of interest and gather lathes. **Harvey Driver is the point man and maintains the list (321-757-8579).**

The Chapter's Purposes,
In addition to supporting the
general purposes of the
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
of **WOODTURNERS, Inc.**
are to:

1. Provide a meeting place for
local woodturners;
2. Share ideas and techniques
regarding this craft;
3. Trade woods;
4. Exchange ideas about tools;
and
5. Exhibit finished projects.

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