



# Space Coast Woodturners

*Star Chapter Member of the American Association of Woodturners*

## Minutes/Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners – October 10, 2012

Submitted by Dotty Pugh - Secretary

\* **President** Read Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He welcomed everyone and recognized our visitors: Leroy Snyder, Peter & Marilyn Schmidt, John White, Mrs. Cole (Andy Cole's mother), Gary Greenberg, Marty Munnich, and Rickie (I don't recall his last name).

\* **Secretary's Report** – I asked for everyone to please be a little quieter during the meetings and the demonstrations because I record the meetings. The recorder is very sensitive and picks up voices and it is confusing when I go back over the notes. I do not keep these recordings, but I use them to make sure I don't miss information that I may not have written down during the meetings.

\***Treasurer's Report** – Harvey Driver said that we have \$\$\$\$\$in our account. The rent for use of the meeting hall has been paid for the upcoming year. Harvey brought up a possible change to the dues structure for next year. There has been no change in the amount of dues since the club was started 12 years ago. The proposal, which will be discussed further at the November meeting, was to raise the dues to \$25.00 a year, plus a \$5.00 initiation fee, instead of the current \$20.00 a year. He also suggested that membership in AAW would not initially be required (except for club officers). More information will be made available at the November meeting.

\***Vice President's Report** –The VP challenge for November is **X, Y or Z**. The demonstrator for October was – **Andy Cole** from Hawaii - Coring and how to make nested natural edge bowls. See his demo at [spacecoastwoodturners.com](http://spacecoastwoodturners.com) or his website. **Rules for Raffle tickets:** One raffle ticket is given out to each person attending the meeting and one (and only one) extra ticket is given for bringing an item for show & tell. One different colored ticket for the VP challenge.

\***Web Master** – Bill Howard said that he just updated the web page and has added pictures of the jigs that were shown in July. Visit the website and Facebook. There you can find handouts from demos, items for sale, looking for items, other useful information relating to the club and a list of the DVDs that we have. Please contact Bill if items that have been up for sale have been sold so he can remove the item from the site. You can post pictures to Face Book page. Contact Bill at [billh@spacecoastwoodturners.com](mailto:billh@spacecoastwoodturners.com)

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Space-Coast-Wood-Turners/244935755556615>

\***Supply Master** – Jim Donovan said he had approximately \$60.00 toward the next club order. Benefits of placing your order with Jim instead of ordering directly from Craft Supplies is that you get a 13% discount, you pay no shipping charges and no taxes. Jim has to have a \$1,000.00 order to receive the discounts.

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## **Florida Woodturning Symposium:**

Read gave us some information about the 2013 Florida Woodturning Symposium at Lake Yale, It will be on February 1, 2 and 3. There will be four nationally known turners and four Florida turners. Registration is open now. If you are interested in attending, you should register soon. There are a limited number of rooms available and they fill up fast. Registration is \$125.00 and the rooms are \$86.00 per night for double occupancy and approximately \$115.00 per night for single occupancy. Meals are included for those staying at the hotel. There will be at least a dozen vendors selling tools, wood, etc. For more information, go to: [www.floridawoodturningsymposium.com](http://www.floridawoodturningsymposium.com) and you can then go to the registration area.

## **AAW National Symposium in Tampa, FL on June 28, 29, and 30, 2013**

Chuck Billings mentioned that there were a couple of hotels that were giving a discount for the AAW group. You will need to provide the **group code AAW** for the discounts – hotels he mentioned were the Marriot and Embassy Suites. Check with these hotels soon as they fill up quickly.

**Ken Thurman** – offers lessons **FREE** at his shop. Take advantage of his turning knowledge. I did! He has a lot to offer.

**Tom Weber** – We have two new DVDs by Dave Hout

## **ITEMS FOR SALE:**

Wynn Arnold – Wood for sale. Pick out what you want and put donations in the can.

Harvey Driver – Three boxes of Nitrile glove, eye hooks for ornaments, small gooseneck lamp

Bruce Stout – Delta 14" bandsaw

## **Vice President's Challenge – V or W**

\*Julian Pharis – Whistle - Ashwood

\*Andy Cole – Very Wobbly Bowl

\*Lou Woodruff – Vase

\*Rick DeTorre – Small Vase

Winner of the \$25.00 Craft Supplies gift certificate – Lou Woodruff

There was no Show & Tell this month as we wanted to give Andy Coles more time for his demonstration.

**Chuck Billings** – Has name tags for new members. He also mentioned the annual Christmas – this was the info he sent to me:

As in the past few years, the December meeting will be our annual Christmas dinner party. It will be on our regular meeting night, Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at the same location, the Melbourne Village AHF Hall (next to the police station.)

The format for the dinner will be the same as in the past. Details for the evening will be in the November newsletter. Please plan to be there! The club provides the Turkey, dressing and gravy and the members will bring the vegetables, salads, desserts, etc. There will be a sign-up sheet at the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## October Demonstrator - Andy Cole from Hawaii – Coring & Natural Edge Bowls

Andy showed a short slide show with pictures of some of his work and some beautiful sunsets in Hawaii. He said he likes to use wood that most consider “ugly” or just common. He lets the wood’s natural beauty “speak” for itself as he doesn’t use any embellishments on his pieces. Andy uses the Kell McNaughton coring system.

To watch a video of his technique, go to [Andy Cole - Woodturner in Honolulu, Hawaii](http://www.andycolewoodturning.com/)  
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Andy mentioned some important points about coring and natural edge bowl that will be helpful to you if you want to make this type of bowl.

- \* Leave a large tenon on the end. This lends strength when coring the bowls as this process exerts a lot of pressure on the tenon.
- \* While shaping the exterior, he goes from the bark edge down to the bottom instead of from the bottom to the bark edge (the usual way). This keeps the bark from peeling off. Use lots of CA glue around the bark edge.
- \* After the bowl is turned around and mounted in the chuck - He uses lots of CA glue to hold the bark on the edges. As each edge of the set is exposed during the coring process, use CA glue all around the edge of each piece to keep the bark on.
- \* When asked about the speed that he turns at, he answered “Like driving, I want to get to where I am going as quickly as I can safely get there.” Meaning turning speed should be as fast as is safe and comfortable for you.
- \* Blade of coring knife should be at center height. Start with straight blade. Go to a depth where you need to turn but can’t. Then use the curved blade. Hold handle of tool up slightly.
- \* Again, use CA glue around the edges. He stressed this many times.
- \* **Always turn off the lathe** before removing the curved blade from the internal cuts. Otherwise, the blade could peel the bark off or it could break the wood.
- \* The coring begins at the outer edge, then towards the center.
- \* When you get near the bottom, you may be able to separate the pieces by hand or you can use the tool as a pry bar. **Be careful here** – you could break a hole in the bottom of the bowl.
- \* After separating pieces, use the scraper to clean up the inside of the largest bowl. More CA glue on the edges.
- \* On second largest bowl, put inside **OVER**, not in chuck. Bring up tailstock to lightly hold piece. Line up the high sides so they are equal height (or not – your choice). Make a tenon on it to fit your chuck. Mount in chuck and clean up inside with scraper. More CA glue on the edges.
- \* Same procedure with each smaller bowl.
- \* If using green wood, allow to dry and then refine shape and define foot.

He didn’t mention the type of finish he used once the wood was dry. You can email him at [andycolewood@gmail.com](mailto:andycolewood@gmail.com) to find out what he used or to ask him any specific questions.

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UPCOMING DEMONSTRATION: In November, Al Gustave will be talking about how to prepare a piece for inlays using Inlase, Turquoise, Stone, etc.

HANDS-ON SESSION – Will be held on the third Saturday, November 17, 2012. I don't know what will be done on that day, but there are always people there to help you with turning questions & problems. Come out and have some fun.

Don't forget about the Christmas party in Dec.

Russ Bremmer needs 2 pieces of Corian about 12" x 12" to make a Longworth chuck. If you have or know about pieces this size, contact Russ Bremmer. He also needs a list of people willing to bring in Share The Wealth items. If you are willing to do this, please contact Russ at 698-1278 or email him at [sharkdad06@hotmail.com](mailto:sharkdad06@hotmail.com)

## RAFFLE DRAWING:

Video Rental – Betty Quianthy

Wood from Hawaii donated by Andy Cole:

Dragon Eye – Read Johnson

Koa – Dotty Pugh

Macadamia Nut – Lou Woodruff

SHARE THE WEALTH – Nothing was donated this month

“BRING BACK” ITEM – Ron Miller, the person who won this item in August, has not been back since then, so there was no “bring back” item this month.

It's nice to be able to collect the work of others, especially for just the price of a raffle ticket – FREE.

You too can donate an item for the raffle. Just turn something and donate it. You will be proud that your work is getting noticed and the winner will be pleased to have an item from another turner.

See you at the November meeting – November 14, 2012.

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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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