



# Space Coast Woodturners

## Minutes/Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners – November 11, 2015

Submitted by Dotty Pugh – Secretary

Just a reminder – the meetings are held on the **second Wednesday** of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 PM and the hands-on sessions are held on the **third Saturday** of the month from 9:00 AM – Noon at Melbourne Village. Doors will be open at around 8:00 AM so come early and help set up. We always need extra help with the lathes, etc.

\* **President - Russ Bremmer** – Opened the meeting at 6:58 PM. He welcomed everyone and asked if there were guests. There was one – Scott MacDonald (son of Bernie MacDonald).

\* **Secretary's Report – Dotty Pugh** – Nothing to report

\* **Treasurer's Report – Harvey Driver** – The amount in the treasury at the beginning of the month was \$4287.05. Harvey is now accepting membership dues for 2016. The fees are: Individual - \$25.00, Family - \$30.00.

\* **Vice President's Report – Gary Christensen** – Demonstrator for **November** will be **Terry Justice** and he will be showing how to make a **limed bowl**.

**VP Challenge November – X, Y or Z** There will be no Vice President's Challenge in December or January. It will resume again if February.

\* **Supply Master – Jim Donovan** – At the beginning of the meeting he had nothing towards the next order. Just a reminder – Gift Certificates have an expiration date. Use them before they expire. Jim is expecting new catalogs for Crafts Supply next month.

\* **DVD Librarian/Store Manager – Bob Cusumano** – Not present

\* **Web Master - Bill Howard** – Was not present. Go to [spacecoastwoodturners.com](http://spacecoastwoodturners.com) and see what is available. We also have a Facebook page where you can upload photos, etc. Check it out! If you have any information that needs to be on the web page contact Bill at [BillH@spacecoastwoodturners.com](mailto:BillH@spacecoastwoodturners.com)

\* **Chuck Billings** – Had name tags for new members.

\* **Charlie Cecrle** will be taking over the duties of getting shirts for the club. Bring your own new shirt to the meeting and what name you want on it and Charlie will collect the shirts, get the embroidery done and return your shirt to you at the next meeting. SCWT Logo and name on shirt is \$14.00; a patch with Logo only is \$9.00. The person can also do ball caps, jackets, etc.

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**Hands-on Sessions – Saturday, November 21, 2015** – “Sawdust” session. If you are working on a project and need help with it; if you need to learn how to sharpen tools; if you are stuck and don’t know how to continue on a project...come to the sawdust session. There will be people there to help you with all of your questions about woodturning. These sessions are not just for beginners, but for anyone that needs help with something. We have 10 – 12 lathes available for your use and people to help you. The club (meaning you – the members) pays for the use of the meeting facility, so make use of it and the expertise of others. There will be a hands-on session on December 19, 2015. Lathes will be available if anyone wants to turn, but mostly this session will be general “house cleaning” of the storage unit. The club has two band saws that they want to sell, also some bowling pins for sale. Come on out and help clean up and maybe even take home some wood or other items that the club needs to get rid of.

If you have suggestions for a hands-on session or would like to lead a hands-on session, contact Russ Bremmer.

**The Christmas party** will be on December 9, 2015. Information about the party was sent out to all members on November 23, 2015. **Please note the time and location as they are different from our usual meeting time and place.** The info about the party had some changes for who was to bring what types of food. Previously the designations were A – C Vegetables; D – J Salad; and K – Z Dessert. **This has been changed to: People whose last names begin with A – E are to bring Vegetables; F – N are to bring Salads; and O – Z are to bring Desserts.** Two clip boards were passed around for sign-up – one for volunteers to help set up before the party and clean up after the party; the other was for registration for the party: your name, guest’s name, how many would be attending in your group, what you would be bringing, etc. on the other clip board. If you weren’t at the meeting, you can still register, but please do so before December 2. If you registered, but are not able to attend, please notify Mike Frazier or Bruce Lansdowne and let them know that you will not be attending. A question was asked about whether it was permissible to have wine at the party. According to Bob Davis, it would be OK as long as it was in moderation. Use common sense! Melbourne Village enforces the speed limits, so I’m sure they enforce drinking and driving laws, too.

**Old Business** – Florida Woodturning Symposium will be held at Lake Yale Baptist Convention Center, as usual, and will be February 5 – 7, 2016. Registration is already open. If you plan to go, register soon because it fills up fast. At the January meeting, coordination of sharing rides will be discussed. If you don’t want to drive, get with someone else that will be going and has room. The club won’t be coordinating this, but individual members can get together and figure this out.

In November, nominations for officers will be discussed and voting will take place. The open positions were Secretary and Vice President. Randy Hardy was nominated for Secretary and was voted in by all members present. Bruce Lansdowne was nominated for Vice President and was voted in by all members present. Russ Bremmer will remain as President and Harvey Driver will remain as Treasurer; all present approved. Newly elected officers will take over in January. Russ Bremmer said that out-going officers must train the in-coming officers.

**New Business** – We have anchor seal - \$10.00/gallon and \$5.00/smaller container. Thank you, David Lee for storing the drum of anchor seal and bringing in the gallon jugs and the smaller containers.

\*Dawn Petrie-George is the Florida Regional Ambassador for WIT (Women In Turning), a new committee of the AAW.

Items For Sale –

Rick DeTorre had a monitor for use with the visualizer system for \$15.00.

Russ Bolton had a couple of blocks that go on the bar of the Wolverine sharpening system and to be used with the Vari Jig. These were used to set the distance that the bar would slide in so that you could duplicate the angle on the gouge and not have to measure every time. They were \$5.00 each.

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## Show & Tell

Elizabeth Barrett – Porridge stirring stick – Walnut

Gary Greenberg – Pens – various types of wood. He is a representative for Service Pens – an organization that collects and gives turned pens to Service members.

Rick DeTorre – Christmas ornament – globe made from Camphor and finial made from Oak

Rick Skluzacek – Bottle opener made from an actual hockey puck

Kevin Nowak – Platter about 15” in diameter – 24 sections; compass design in center

Randy Hardy – Baluster prototype; turned “round tu-it” (you know the comment, I’ll do it when I get a round tu it. Now you can give someone a round “tu-it”)

Terry Justice – Flower pot – Red Cedar from the last hands-on session – turned partially at the hands-on session and then took it home (less than 30 minutes away) and the pot had already cracked, but able to be saved. Sonja Justice supplied the flowers for the flower pot

## Vice President’s Challenge – X, Y or Z

Sally Deabenderfer – “X-perimental” ornament – she started out with the globe about 2” in diameter, then got a catch, so the globe got smaller, got another catch and the globe got smaller. It ended up about 1” in diameter.

Elizabeth Barrett – Yoyo – Teak

Rick DeTorre – Yoyo – Camphor

Kevin Nowak – 3 wing bowl done on an x, y, z axis – Maple

Winner of drawing – Rick DeTorre

## Raffle Winners:

\$10.00 Gift Certificate – Dotty Pugh (actual)

\$10.00 Gift Certificate – Charlie Cecrle (virtual – Russ didn’t have the actual gift certificate)

\$10.00 Gift Certificate – Pat Deabenderfer (virtual –Russ didn’t have the actual gift certificate)

Free DVD rental – Bill Lutian

No Bring Back and no Share the Wealth this month

If you are not familiar with the **Bring Back** idea, it is where a member turns something and donates it to the club. Then the winner of the drawing (has to be a member, not a visitor) gets to keep the item and then must turn something and bring it back the next month and donate it. The item doesn’t have to be the same thing; it can be anything that you turned.

If you are not familiar with the **Share the Wealth** idea, it is where members donate an item that they have turned and it is raffled off to another member/visitor. It is a good way to collect turned items from others and the cost is FREE. What a great bargain.

## Auction

The auction brought in \$161.00 for the club.

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See next page for demonstration notes.

## Terry Justice – Demonstrator Limed and Burned Platter

Basically, you turn, burn and wax the turned object. Obviously, there is a little more to it than that. The best wood to use, according to Terry, is Ash. The soft and hard areas in the wood respond well to the burning and waxing process.

Turn the platter, bowl, or whatever as usual. Sand the wood. Make sure there are no tool marks and no tear out. The liming wax will accentuate any mistakes.

While still mounted on the chuck, burn the wood all over with a torch until it is black. Watch out for fire on the wood. Make sure you have cleaned the area around your lathe – no shavings on or under the lathe! Have a fire extinguisher handy, just in case.

Brush all over the item using a wire brush. I think he used a brass brush, but I am not sure.

Apply paste wax (car wax will work) to the item with a rag. Wipe off the wax with another rag.

Apply liming wax with a paper towel. Wipe off liming wax while lathe is running slowly.

Reverse the item on the lathe. Use Cole jaws to mount the item. If you are going to lime the entire piece, just repeat the whole process. If you are going to leave the inside natural, then you are finished.

I found several items on the internet about liming turned wood. Just type in “Using Lime wax on turned wood” and several listings come up. I looked at [edswoodturning.com](http://edswoodturning.com) and it has some information about liming wax, but doesn't have anything about burning the wood beforehand. I also looked at [mcloonlab.neuroscience.umn.edu/woodworking/coloring](http://mcloonlab.neuroscience.umn.edu/woodworking/coloring). Again, a lot about liming and nothing about burning.

For more information, contact Terry Justice. He will be able to tell you more about the process.

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Thanks Terry. You did a great job and I really liked the demonstration.

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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
5. Exhibit finished projects

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