



# Space Coast Woodturners

## Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners – March 9, 2022

Submitted by Paul Jackson – Secretary

Russ Bremmer opened the March meeting of the Space Coast Woodturners at ~7 PM. This was our third meeting at Melbourne Makerspace and we continue to smooth out technical bumps. There were ~20 people at the meeting and ~3 on-line via Zoom. There was one visitor: Richard Smith of Palm Bay, who signed on as a member.

### Old Business

Russ advised that the club needs to replace the “gray box” with a smaller version for accessory storage and to support the grinder. Paul Jackson volunteered to build a suitable cabinet.

The first Saturday Workshop was held on February 19 with 7 “students” participating. All reported enjoying the activity, but it was noted that the woodshop was cramped with 7 lathes.

The Florida Woodturners Symposium held its raffle. A local winner was Elvira Lucas, receiving a Carter steady-rest.

The old insurance policy has been cancelled as we are now under the Makerspace umbrella.

### Officers Reports

#### Treasurer – Read Johnson

We had \$4,700.58 in our bank account at the end of January. We had no expenses or deposits this month. It was restated that 40 members have not yet paid 2022 dues.

#### Vice Presidents – John Conway & Paul Jackson

John advised that a meeting of the officers resulted in a complete schedule for the year. Upcoming demos:

April 13, 2022	Rick Urban (Remote Demo)	Lost Wood
May 11, 2022	Bill Piatusch	Basket Illusion

Complete schedule is on the website.

Meetings with Remote Demos will feature abbreviated business meetings (i.e. no Show-and-Tell or raffles) to allow maximum time to the presenter.

The meetings and demos are scheduled on Meetup.com, Makerspace's meeting scheduler.

#### Secretary – Paul Jackson

A club roster was distributed to all members, but a few edits and additions have since been made. Anyone needing an up-to-date version can contact Paul.

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## Craft Supply Order

The Craft Supply order allows club members to order equipment or supplies from Craft Supply. The order has been complicated by numerous shortages, substitutions, and price increases. Policy going forward will be for prepayment of orders.

## Workshop

We are resuming our Workshops on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, however there are none scheduled for March or April.

The May workshop will feature sharpening with a Wolverine jig.

For later in the year, the club normally uses one of the workshops to do Christmas ornaments. If anyone has any suggestions for ornaments, please see Russ.

## Show and Tell

Randy Hardy	(via Instant Gallery)	Mahogany Pen Longworth Chuck, 10" Bowl Buttons, Bubinga inscribed with CNC and laser
Russ Bremer	(via Instant Gallery)	Rotary Texturing Tool with bits in hollow handle (to be demonstrated in the meeting)
Bill Lutian		Pen from Osage Orange
Bob Cusumano	(Bring Back)	Pen from Cherry with HUT wax finish
Tim Mehling		Segmented Fruit Bowl from Ambrosia Maple, Cherry, and mystery wood
John Conway		Platter and Bowl from locally sourced Seagrape
Scott Lucas		Humidor for a large cigar, with hygrometer

To submit Instant Gallery items for future meetings, see the link on the website:  
<http://spacecoastwoodturners.com/Show&Tell.html>

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## Demonstration – Russ Bremer – Rotary Texturing Tool

Russ began with an overview of the hardware kit. He had prepared quite a few and made them available for purchase at \$15. Several were sold. For those wishing to source their own, Russ recommended Grainger for the majority of the parts. A complete parts list along with detailed instructions is in the attached document.

Russ stressed marking the stock to indicate the ferrule and cap ends. The stock will need to be re-chucked a few times so it is important to maintain proper alignment. To make for an efficient demonstration, Russ had prepared stock at various stages of the process. This allowed him to skip the tedium of a lot of basic turning and focus on how he made the tool, and various options at key points.

Highlights included getting a snug fit between the body and the cap, and proper sizing of the tenon to accept the ferrule nut.

## Raffle

Wood Block	Stan Lucas
Wood + Rotary Tool kit	Bill Lutian
Pen	John Conway
Wood Blocks (2)	Russ Bolton
Share the Wealth	
Russ's Rotary Tool	Paul Jackson
Bring Back	
Bob's Cherry Pen	Russ Bolton

**Next Meeting: April 13, 2022 at Melbourne Makerspace**

# SPACE COAST WOODTURNERS

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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