



Space Coast Woodturners

Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners – June 8, 2022

Submitted by Paul Jackson – Secretary

Russ Bremmer opened the March meeting of the Space Coast Woodturners shortly after 7 PM at Melbourne Makerspace. There were ~12 people at the meeting and ~5 on-line via Zoom. There was one visitor: Mark Mathews, a Makerspace member.

Old Business

We are still looking at ideas for the “gray box” replacement.

New Business

Makerspace confirms that the expansion is moving forward after concluding negotiations with the landlord. We are hoping this will give us somewhere to store our student lathes and avoid the current transportation issue.

Gary Christensen has advised that more pens for distribution at Honor Flight events will be needed soon. There are enough for the next few months, but will run out by Autumn. About 30 pens are distributed each month. All contributions are welcome. Pen kits are available from club stores.

Russ asked the club if we were interested in resuming our tradition of a Holiday Dinner in lieu of the December meeting. Not much enthusiasm was generated since the member who organized the event in past years has left the area and a new planner will need to volunteer.

Officers Reports

Treasurer – Read Johnson

We had \$4,743.80 in our bank account at the end of May. The only expected expenses are for paid demonstrators later in the year.

Vice President – John Conway

John advised that the schedule for the rest of the year is fairly complete, with only a few TBDs.

June 8, 2022	Ron Browning	No Measure Lidded Box
July 13, 2022	Mike Peace (remote)	Adding Pizzazz with Texturing
August 10, 2022	Frank Worrall	Turning a Square Plate/Platter
September 14, 2022	TBD	
October 12, 2022	TBD (Club member?)	Christmas Ornament Basics
November 9, 2022	Darryl Jones (remote)	More Complex Christmas Ornaments
December 14, 2022	Holiday Party	

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 also advertised on Meetup.com, Makerspace's meeting scheduler.

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We are looking for a member for a Christmas ornament demo in October. Let us know if you are interested.

Workshop

We are resuming our Workshops on the 3rd Saturday of each month, however the planned June workshop has been pushed out to July due to schedule conflicts.

July 16, 2022	No-measure Lidded Box (from Ron Browning demo)
August 20, 2022	Rotary Texturing Tool (from Russ Bremer demo)
September 17, 2022	TBD
October 15, 2022	Proposed: Halloween Decorations
November 19, 2022	Proposed: Christmas Ornaments

If anyone has any suggestions for ornaments, please let us know.

Show and Tell

Russ Bremer	Salt and Pepper shakers, Ash. Pepper mill charred with torch, gloss lacquer.
John Conway	Charcuterie board, Mahogany with Watco butcher block finish
Sally Deabenderfer	(Bring Back) Bird house ornament with bird
Ron Browning	Lidded boxes (preview of demo) Thin disk jewelry

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 – Ron Browning – No Measure Lidded Box

Ron demonstrated his technique for turning lidded boxes (and other items that need a joint that preserves grain-matching) following the instructions in the attached article.

Ron expanded on his article by discussing his process for hollowing using homemade hook tools, a Soren Berger tool (unfortunately sources show this tool is no longer available,) and an Andre Martel hook tool (http://martelhooktool.com/ENG/USA/outils_usa_EN.html.) Ron advised that other hollowing techniques will work, but this quickly gives him a surface requiring minimal sanding.

Raffle

Richard Smith made a large round-tip turning tool and donated it to the club as a Share the Wealth raffle item. The winner was Bill Lutian.

Pen Kit	Sally Deabenderfer
Wood Block – camphor	Paul Jackson
Rotary Tool Kit	Tammy Conway
Pen Kit	Bill Lutian
Bring Back - Bird House Ornament	John Conway
Share the Wealth – Pen by Bill Lutian	Joshua Shannon

Next Meeting: July 13, 2022 at Melbourne Makerspace

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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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