

AS THE WOOD TURNS

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Next Hands On- Saturday, September 19th at Hank's Dust Bowl from 10-12 noon. *We invite beginning turners to a learning opportunity at the Hands On for one on one instruction. Spindle or bowl turning techniques will be covered. Please reserve your lathe with Pablo Gazmuri @ pgazmuri@comcast.net*

Spindle Gouge Clinic - Saturday, September 12th hosted by Bob Allen at Hank's dust bowl at 409 Washington St., Abington, MA. First session 9-12 noon, second session 12:30-3:30

Our 3rd year participating at the Summerfest at Brockton, MA which took place from 10 to 4:00 pm Saturday, August 15th at Brockton High School. Michael Veno coordinated this event.



Our exhibit drew a crowd for most of the day as is evident here.



Steve and Tim at their lathes.



Steve turning a top.

Minutes of the August 25th meeting

Visitors- Fred Johnson, Hingham, Derrick Te Paske, Belmont, Jim Kelly, Duxbury

Tim announced that there will be a reception for our exhibit Friday, September 4th at the James Library from 6-8:00 pm. We are responsible for supplying wine and beverages as well as hors d'oeuvres for the event. Also, we need to drop off our items for sale to the library the same week Tuesday, September 1st through Thursday, September 3rd to either Lisa Flynn or to the library staff. Lisa will display our items. Each should have the name of the turner, sale price and should be accompanied by a list from each turner. The library is located at 24 West Street in Norwell center. Hours are 1-5:00 Tuesday through Friday. The exhibit will run through September.

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Next Meeting - Tuesday, September 22, 2015 - at Hank's dust bowl at 409 Washington St., Abington, MA at 7 pm

Refreshments - Jeff

Member Challenge – make a weed pot/bud vase

Member vote on selections for the Arnold Arboretum show

Tim also had a notice from the Mass. Audubon Society newsletter describing their Holiday Open House & Woodturners' Exhibit and sale. The Open House is Saturday, December 5th from 10:00 am through 3:00 pm. Our exhibit will continue through December 21st. during the hours of 9-4 weekdays and Saturdays 10-3. Back by popular demand will be a woodturning exhibit in their kitchen where we will again turn tops for attendees. Make sure you have a list of your turned items for sale with the price on the object as well as on the list to drop off with your objects the week leading up to the open house November 30th through December 4th. The address is 2000 Main Street (Rte 3A) in Marshfield.

Nigel announced that dues are due for the coming year. It is still \$40.

Bob Allen will hold a Spindle Gouge Clinic Saturday, September 12th at Hank's Dust Bowl in Abington. There will be two sessions, morning (9-12) and afternoon (12:30-3:30). The fee is \$20 to attend which goes to the club.

For the September 22nd. Club meeting, we will vote on items to be displayed at the Arnold Arboretum so bring your turnings to the meeting. Because of the vote by members on this, there will be no demo and no show & tell. Each member will get 38 pennies and can drop one in a cup in front of the item on display for each to be included in the exhibit. Nigel will then take the selected items home with him and deliver them to the Arboretum where the staff will display them. We will have 35 items on display and three items in a display case as selected by their staff.

Juried Arnold Arboretum Event in October 2015

Members will bring up to 5* of their best turnings to our September 22, 2015 meeting to be voted on for inclusion at the event in October.

Voting will proceed as follows:

1. At our meeting, each member will receive 38 pennies to vote with by dropping one in a cup next to each item they choose.
2. You may have one vote per item per person and all of the pennies do not have to be used. It is suggested that a survey of all items be done before voting.
3. Based on the votes given, 25 entries will be selected along with an additional 10 backup entries (to replace sold items). Three items will be chosen by Arboretum staff to be displayed in plexiglas cases for a pre-show exhibit.

Good Luck!

- Additionally, wall space is available so bring what you have and your pieces may be selected for wall display.

* Five small items such as pens, bottle stoppers, etc. will be counted as one item.

Beth Ireland will be our demonstrator for the club's October 27th meeting and there will be no show and tell that evening either, just a short business meeting.

The November 24th meeting will feature Steve Wiseman demonstrating coring using the McNaughton Coring System. We will also hold an election of officers for 2016 then so be prepared to vote for officers including a new club president.

April 9th & 10th, 2016 we will have a demonstration and a Hands On from Mark St. Leger.

Demonstration by Bob Allen on Spindle Turning
There will be a follow up clinic Saturday, September 12th.



Bob began by paraphrasing from an article he saw in Woodturning magazine for England:

“-if you’re not getting a nice clean cut, sharpen your tool;
if you are struggling to maintain a smooth cut, sharpen your tool;
if you are applying too much pressure, sharpen your tool.

The analysis is that a turning tool will cut more shavings in one day than most other tools will in a lifetime. So take the time to sharpen. Bob said that he will begin his clinic with a tutorial on sharpening.

He showed us different spindle tools including the common spindle roughing gouge, the spindle roughing gouge designed by Mark St. Leger (a Thompson tool), a common spindle gouge by Sorby, a detail gouge with a longwing and a sharp point, a continental spindle gouge and one with a very narrow bevel designed by Cindy Drozda. Bob explained that a new tool is not ready to be used until it is shaped and sharpened.



pictured is Bob's roughing gouge designed by Mark St. Leger, a Thompson tool



Common spindle gouge by Sorby that has been rehandled



Detail gouge, long wing, sharp point



Continental spindle gouge

On the lathe was a cylinder waiting to be turned into a weed pot. Bob began by marking it off into thirds with a pencil. He said it is best to always work downhill against the grain riding the bevel. A weed pot with a glass tube is a bud vase –and worth more money if you are selling it. At the clinic we will also make a finial and start to use your skew (which will be a topic for a future clinic)



Bob begins shaping his weed pot.



Pictured is the test tube for the weed pot to turn it into a bud vase.



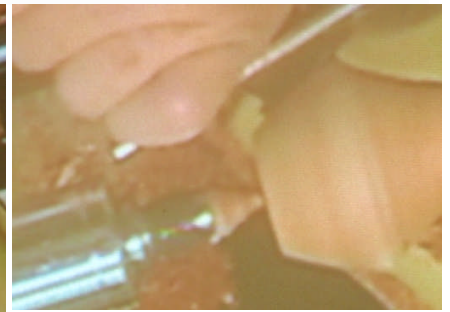
Showing the front half finished and the back has been shaped.



Drilling a larger hole for the test tube



The piece has been turned around and remounted on a point used as a drive center



The bottom is shaped and is ready for sanding and finish.

Show and Tell



Peter Soltz had an Ambrosia Maple plate and an Ambrosia Maple cup



Pictured is Michael Veno's Space Needle replica he made for his son's Boy Scout project.



Sid has a lidded box also from Ambrosia maple. He achieved a vacuum fit in part by turning the upper and lower parts to the same diameter. He made a jamb chuck [pictured above] he used to hold the box with the help of some hot glue so that he could add decorative rings as it turned on the lathe. He used his fingernail to remove the glue to release the box from the jamb chuck afterwards.



Ed Kurkoski's segmented box for his 50th high school reunion made after he saw Dick Koch make one on the Internet. He used Maple & Mahogany.



Ken showed a hollow vessel that had a finial. He is in the process of converting it to a lamp base. It is Dedham maple. Ken twice turned the vessel to true some of the lines. He switched from Folgers to Choc Full O' Nuts coffee grounds to fill in the holes of this piece along with some CA glue and some gold paint. He likes to work with distressed wood.



Pictured are Andy's three pieces resembling Gemini space craft. Inspiration was from a trip to the Corning Glass Museum this summer. He created a cylinder, cut it in two, hollowed it out with a tenon and glued the halves back together then dyed them. He said he took care to line up the grain on each side.



Martha has a drumstick she turned for an Irish drum. The wood is Walnut.



Looking into the top of Ian's amazing segmented bowl, a side view, and the glued up board Ian used for the bowl. He used Holly, Mahogany, Bloodwood, Wenge, Ash, Zebra wood, and probably some others he couldn't think of. It was from a quarter inch cutting board which was cut into strips 12 inches wide and 24 inches long which were cut into rings, stacked together in the same direction then rotated and glued.



Glenn showed us a maple bowl, two small white oak bowls, and a cutting board to be used as a wedding present with an oil finish.



Glenn has a cedar bowl with a small crack which he sealed using superglue.



Jeff's shallow bowl turned from Hinoki which is Japanese Cypress. It is finished with wipe on poly.

Upcoming Events

September 4- James Library evening reception Friday from 6-8:00. Norwell center. The show opens with wine and food reception. Five items per turner unless small (then 5 items equals one). Drop off times are Saturday, August 29th from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm or Wednesday, September 2nd. from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Items can be taken downstairs to the basement where the show will take place, or to the front desk. Pick up will be Tuesday, September 29th or Wednesday, September 30th. All items must have the price and name of the turner on them and be accompanied by a sheet for the library staff to help with keeping track of items sold. Questions? call Jeff (781) 878-7310 or (781) 878-4540 or Lisa Flynn (781) 588-4281.

September 12th - Spindle Gouge Clinic - hosted by Bob Allen at Hank's dust bowl at 409 Washington St., Abington, MA There will be two sessions, (10:00 to 12 noon and 12:30 til 3:30)..

September 12 & 13 - Corn Festival South Shore Natural Science Ctr, Norwell 10-4 both days

September 26 & 27th - Ocktoberfest at the House of Prayer Lutheran church, Rte 228, Hingham we have a booth.

October 17- Farm Day Marshfield at the Daniel Webster estate Saturday 10-4 (rain date October 24th)

October 23 & 24- Arnold Arboretum in Jamaica Plain -Reception Friday evening the 22nd. Turning exhibit by members. Our club could demonstrate on the lathe if we want. Also involved are the Central New England Woodturners and the Revolutionary Woodturners

October 31st - Friends of Abington Senior Center on Saturday 10-4 turn tops for kids.

December 5th - Mass. Audubon reception Rte 3A Marshfield

March 12 - June 5, 2016 - juried club exhibit at the Fuller Craft Center

Dyer Library in Abington - first Sunday in May of 2016.

Mark St. Leger - April 9th & 10th, 2016 demonstration and a Hands On

AAW National Segmented symposium for 2016 will be held in Quincy. Date unknown at this time

Items For sale at the Club store : – contact stevwsmn@aol.com Steve Wiseman

CA GLUE; THIN, MEDIUM and THICK All are the SAME PRICE

2 Ounce \$4.00, 2 Ounce rubberized \$5.00, 8 Ounce \$12.00, 16 Ounce \$21.00

2 Ounce Accelerator Spray Bottle \$3.00, 8 Ounce Accelerator Refill \$5.00, 2 Ounce Debonder \$3.00
\$.50, Long nozzles –package \$.75, 2 Ounce empty bottles \$.75, 2 Ounce replacement caps

Epoxy 4 Ounce \$5.00 **ANCHORSEAL** - 2 Liter \$15.00, 1 Liter \$8.00, ½ Liter \$4.00 **HATS** - \$15.00

SANDING DISCS; 80 THROUGH 320 GRIT - 2" \$2.50, 3" \$3.50

1" Disc Holder \$7.50, 2" Disc Holder \$8.50, 3" Disc Holder \$10.00

2" Blue Disc Holder \$12.00, 3" Blue Disc Holder \$14.00

½" Soft Pad Extension \$2.50, Hand Held Disc Holder \$11.00

Bottle Stoppers \$3.00, Bottle Stopper Chuck \$5.00

Tee Shirts \$16.00 \$2.00 More for 2X and larger Polo Shirts \$27.00 \$2.00 More for 2X and larger



Assorted tool handle
and pen blanks



Lathe for sale- price reduced!

Linda Early –has several items for sale in Brimfield, Ma. She can be reached at

naturesgallery@charter.net cell 508 736-1656

-Delta 1440 wood lathe, 8 years old, maybe 30 hours use.

- asking \$400.00 or best offer, includes several gouges

-several Cherry burls.

Two Boice-Crane lathes available from John Shooshan shoo28@aol.com

They are circa. 1940 and still in reasonably good shape. The gap bed is a model 1700 from the early 1940's - 17" swing for 3" at gap - then 11" swing for 42". The other is I believe a model 300 from the early 1930's - 11" swing x 42"

"I had originally intended to do a rehab on them but am losing my storage space soon. Good winter projects. They must go. I will not refuse any reasonable offer and will consider trades (especially wood). They can be seen just about anytime in Norwell. My cell is 781-635-5202." - <http://vintagemachinery.org/mfgIndex/detail.aspx?id=111&tab=3> lists Boice-Crane catalogs

And finally, Don Geiger is having a special sale on Robust lathes to be picked up at the 2016 AAW Symposium in Atlanta. Here is a flyer he is sending to AAW chapters in the South East.

SAVE BIG \$ ON ROBUST LATHES!!!



American Beauty



Liberty



Sweet 16

Dear Woodturners:

I have started a campaign to sell lathes that Robust will be bringing to the AAW in Atlanta next year (Now ONLY 9 months away!).

Robust will bring up to 5 American Beauties and one each Liberty and Sweet 16 lathes.

Historically, nearly all the lathes taken to the AAW are pre-purchased by people wanting to take advantage of:

- No shipping cost (about a \$500 to \$600 savings)
- Free motor upgrade (Saves: \$330 on an American Beauty and \$220 on the Liberty and Sweet 16)
- Robust will not collect tax on these (purchase will be made from the factory in Wisconsin prior to the show)

The number of lathes Robust can bring is limited. What they can bring is available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Customers must agree to have their lathe used in the Robust booth or by AAW demonstrators. Customers must pick up their lathes after the show, on Sunday. Robust will assist with loading.

To pre-purchase one of these lathes:

- 1) **CONTACT DON GEIGER at: 352-472-5035 for a quote.**
- 2) A 50% deposit, in the form of a check, is required to reserve a lathe.
- 3) The final invoice must be paid before Robust leaves Wisconsin to go to Atlanta.

Please have anyone that is interested in this opportunity contact me soon, as I am announcing this opportunity throughout the SE.

Thank you!

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