

AS THE WOOD TURNS

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Minutes

These are the minutes of the November club meeting held on November 23rd, 2021

- Election of officers for 2022; No new nominations were received so members voted on and passed retaining the existing officers for 2022
- Gift Swap; All members are encouraged to bring a gift for the holiday party swap. It must be something at least partially turned on the lathe by the submitting club member. It must be a completed piece, no unfinished items are acceptable and no I.O.U.s. If you bring a gift, put it in a paper bag with a long string attached and it will be placed in a large box. Numbers will be drawn to determine the order of members selecting from the box where each will have three guesses to determine who made it. It will then belong to the member to take home. If you are a new member and would like some help, please reach out to another member. Members on ZOOM can participate also.
- Joe said, "The Arboretum is celebrating it's 125th anniversary. We have pieces of wood in the back of the clubhouse waiting to be turned. So get your dollars ready for a drawing. We have four piec-

es of wood they would like turned and given back to be gifted to volunteers at the Arboretum. The woods are Chinese elm, Dawn redwood and two species of apple.

Next Meeting

Christmas Party

December 21st, 2021 @ 6:00 PM at the Dustbowl 409 Washington Street Abington MA 02351

Hands-On

January 15th, 2022 9:00 AM to Noon

New Members/Guests

New Member Bruce O'Brien, Whitman MA

Guests

UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Holiday Party December 21st, 2021 @ 6:00 PM @ the Dustbowl 409 Washington Street Abington MA 02351

CLUB MEETINGS

January 25th, 2022 @ 7:00 PM In-Person @ the Dustbowl 409 Washington Street Abington MA 02351

Hands-On January 15th, 9:00 AM - Noon

WHAT TO WEAR

More from the Store MSSW GEAR

Caps	\$15.00
Tee Shirts	\$16.00
2X Tee Shirts	\$18.00
Polo Shirt	\$27.00

\$29.00

- ◆ Demo Day; We have a committee composed of Bob Allen, Steve Wiseman, Joe Centrino and Sonny Tice. Sonny said, "There will be 4-5 demos with lunch provided. This is scheduled for Saturday April 23rd. starting at 8:30 am. There will be two demos in the morning and 2-3 in the afternoon. Possible ideas include ducks, segmentation,, coring, we're looking for ideas." Presenters may be Bob Allen, Wayne Miller, Ian Manley or possibly people outside the club like Mike Grady from the Cape Cod club or Jim Silva from Gateway. Demos will be limited to one hour to one and a quarter hours. There will be no ZOOM for this event. There will be a fee to attend. There will also be door prizes, a raffle or a silent auction.
- ♦ Joe said, "I've produced a list of members with their contact information. I'm not posting it but I have printed sheets. If you want one, see Kevin."
- ♦ Ed O'Riordan said, "Members can update their profile information on the club website now.
- Charlie said the club has \$3645 on account with \$1850 available for scholarships leaving \$1795 on hand.



Memorial Plaque.

- Joe said the club memorial plaque is on display tonight with new additions, Mike Wells and Paul Fiandaca. Joe said the club plans to make donations in deceased members memory to the AAW of \$100 each. A discussion on where the donated money should go followed.
- Ellen Williams said, "I've been in fundraising and once a gift has been given, it

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2X Polo Shirt

can only be used for the purpose intended. At this point, the discussion on donations was tabled until the January meeting.

- Lenny Mandible said, "I've ordered a book for the club that Wayne Miller is interested in.
- Ron said that new supplies have been ordered for the club store. Prices may have gone up due to outside factors.
- Steve announced that Totally Turning will take place this spring in Saratoga Springs. and that scholarship money is available to members to attend events like this.
- ◆ Joe gave us an update on turning disabilities. He said that Charlie plans to build a lathe span to allow someone to turn at the lathe while sitting down.

- ♦ Bring Back Challenge-
- Peter showed us two small bowls which were won in a drawing by Ian.
- ◆ Tim had a pepper grinder that was won by Bruce O'Brien
- Joe had a cherry box consisting of three pieces with etching inside that was won by Ken Lindgren.
- ◆ The next drawing will take place at the January meeting.
- Joe told us he has asked John Duggan to interview club members on how they got into woodturning, what they do when they are not turning on the lathe. He said anyone wishing to participate should get in touch with him. He may also reach out to you.

MEMBER STORE

GLUES

Description	Price
2 oz. CA	\$4.50
2 OZ. Rubberized	\$6.00
8 oz. CA	\$13.00
16 oz. CA	\$23.00
2 oz. Accelerator (spray bottle)	\$3.50
8 oz. Accelerator Refill	\$5.75
2 oz. De-Bonder	\$3.25
4 oz. Epoxy	\$6.00
2 oz. Replacement Caps	\$0.50
Long nozzles	\$0.75
2 oz. Empty Bottles	\$0.75
Yorkshire Grit	\$10.00

ANCHORSEAL

Price
\$16.00
\$9.00
\$5.00

ANDING DISKS

SANDING DISKS	
Description	Price
2"	\$3.50
3"	\$4.50
2-2/14" Scollap	\$10.00
2" or 3" Replacement H&L	\$0.50
2" Holder	\$10.50
3" Holder	\$12.50
2" Blue Holder	\$14.50
3" Blue Holder	\$16.50
1/2" Soft Interface Pad Extension	\$5.50
3" Hany Sander	\$8.50
Sanding Taco	\$4.50
2" or 3" Hand Help Hold- er (Kidney Shape)	\$12.50
3" Lambswool Buff	\$9.00

Live Demonstration

Turning a Lighthouse by Billy Martin

Billy began by telling us that he uses a piece of graph paper to help make a plan of the project first. He added that he decides what wood he wants to use and where to get it. Also if it's wet, he makes sure he has some Anchor Seal available until he is ready to turn it.

Billy begins with a piece of wood 10" in diameter or more which he cuts into a rectangular shape 3 1/2" square by 12" long. He mounts it on the lathe and parts off a piece 3" long leaving the other piece 9" long. Mounting the 9" piece back on the lathe, Billy turns it down to a diameter of 2 1/2" at the end to form a tenon for his chuck





using a quarter inch parting tool.

Next he shapes the bottom of the lighthouse. He makes a mark 1 1/4" up from the bottom of the lighthouse. The top is widest at 2 1/2". He then uses a roughing gouge to remove all the wood below the top of the lighthouse. The top is now 1 1/2" and the bottom is 2 1/2". He told us to use a parting

tool to define each depth followed by a 1/4" gouge to shape the top and bottom. Use a roughing gouge to taper each side. Finally he adds two small lines at the base and one at the top using a thin parting tool followed by inserting a wire into each groove at speed to burn the lines in. The bottom is now ready

for sanding. Next place the lighthouse top on the lathe and turn a tenon on one end to mount in the chuck. Now you are ready to shape a ball on the top. It should measure 3/4" to 1 1/4". The diameter of the top should equal 2 1/2" Now connect the prism to the top. To do this Billy recommends using a pin

vise to drill the holes for the top supports. He uses one eighth of an inch brass rod cut to lengths of 2 3/8" each for the four posts and also a jump ring for the prism. He recommends finishing the pieces with a clear gloss spray before assembling the rods and the prism.

Show & Tell















Pictured here, Charlie has an upside down sea urchin on a stand that is also a Christmas ornament.





Pictured here, we see a long stem goblet with a base turned wet using a string steady rest. Charlie set it up to be off the center to avoid the pith. He said he used a bedan for the 1/8th" top and the 1/4" bottom.



Ken is holding his green maple burl "egg" top on a base. He noted the contrast between the smooth egg and the very irregular base.



The base is a monvenita root which he carved and then used a blow torch on it for contrast. He then painted over the burn marks and filled all the cracks with gold paint. He collaborated with our former president, Hank Cahill for the eagle claw grabbing the egg.



Pictured at top, is a natural edge bowl from the lathe of Bill Dooley in cherry.



Pictured here, are seven pepper mills turned by Ellen Williams as gifts for her family. 'Tis the season after all.



Pictured, are two natural edge BLACK WALNUT bowls with a feather pattern by Bill.





Sonny holds a BLACK WALNUT shallow bowl. He began with filling the void with some dried MAPLE branches (dried in a microwave) and taping one side. The other side he used crushed soapstone powder to fill the voids in between the branches with some thin CA glue. Next he removed the tape from the other side and filled the crevasses with more crushed soapstone and CA glue. He had to finely turn each side to finish. Interesting concept.



Mike Waddell is holding two Christmas trees he turned using a skew. he said he turned about thirty of them to sell at holiday shows. He was able to purchase small blanks for turning baseball bats from a local company.



Fred showed us this large WALNUT bowl. Looks good!



Sonny also showed us this BURL ELM platter with a natural edge. Nice piece!





Pictured here and below, is a large platter Joe turned from a piece of SPALTED BEECH.



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Members Samples on Display



Joe turned this spalted maple ornament with black walnut finials top and bottom. It is supported by a thin wire attached to a burl base



Pictured here and below, are views of a BLACK WALNUT bowl from the lathe of Ed O'Riordan. he finished it with two coats of Spanish oil and two coats of WATER LOX



A view from above of Ed O'Riordan's BLACK WALNUT bowl.