

AS THE WOOD TURNS

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August 12th chain saw techniques demo out back and turning on club lathes inside- 9 am until noon at Hank's Dust Bowl – also – Hands On September 9th

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



Glenn is turning on Bob Scott's antique lathe in three shots while Jeyna is on his Powermatic. Top shot shows Charlie McCarthy looking on. Peter Soltz observes in the next photo. Bill Roach in the tie dyed shirt looks on in the bottom picture. It was a pretty good turnout. Bob had his homemade root beer on tap and there were plenty of hamburgers and hot dogs along with numerous side dishes. Some people lingered quite awhile. There were cars outside still at 5:00 that evening. Steve made a special announcement at midday thanking everyone for their efforts. Ken Whiting deserves a special thanks for all his help in setting up tents, chairs and tables.

Minutes of the July 25th club meeting

Visitors- Sandy Weymouth from Hingham, Warren Clark from Westwood, Matt Minerpaine from Easton (who became a new member) and Max Broncos from Plymouth

Warren Clark said that he is a computer programmer and has a paper you can download for segmenting.

The club picnic was well attended at Bob Scott's place. Bob said he wanted to thank all involved especially Ken Whiting who was involved in all parts of setting up and taking things down. Also Lenny Mandeville was a big help with tables and chairs and Nigel also assisted. Thanks also to Bob Monaghan for bringing lobsters.

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Tuesday August 22, 2017

- at Hank's dust bowl at 409 Washington St., Abington, MA at 7 pm

Refreshments – David Rice will bring refreshments to the August meeting.

Demo on tool sharpening

Steve said that the club demos are for “*you our members. What would you like to see?*” Lenny M. said he would like to see rings formed on a rim of a bowl. Glenn mentioned he would like a demo tape so he could see a demo more than once. Ian spoke up and mentioned that the club is not currently equipped to film something on tape. After discussion it was suggested that those with smartphones could tape a demo independently if they wished. How about sharpening next month? was another suggestion. Wally said he'd like to see Nigel demo with the Rolly Monroe tool. Lenny Langevin said he is thinking of buying a four jaw chuck and would like some input on that. Someone else said he would like to see a ten minute demo on measuring angles for segmenting. Wayne suggested slicing a piece of wood to show grain selection prior to turning. Andy said how about bringing in a finished piece to be critiqued by members?

Steve said that the September meeting we'll be doing selection of turned items to take and display to the Arnold Arboretum in Jamaica Plain. So come to the meeting with three pieces that you wish the club to vote on for display. If you make pens (or similar small items) you can bring in 5 or 6. Display case items will be taken to the Arboretum Wednesday after the Tuesday meeting and will be on display until November 26th. The Arboretum reception is Friday, October 13th. The show runs on the 14th & 15th. The club needs one person to demo on the lathe inside each day and one for the outside. Should you bring your best items or those turned from Arboretum wood? Items may be for sale or for display only, it is up to the individual turner.

So there will be no Show & Tell or demo at the September meeting.

Steve announced that Mike Walker has donated a 12/21 lathe to the club so thank you Mike!

Steve also said that the club will have to raise dues going forward. The rent has gone up a third more this year to \$1600 and we need more money. It was proposed to raise dues to \$50 for a year's membership. It was voted on and carried by members so starting in January membership will be \$50 annually.

There is a symposium scheduled for October 27th through the 29th in Lancaster, Pennsylvania being put on by the Mid Atlantic Woodturners.

Mike Veno says he still needs four people to help with Summerfest at the Brockton High School Saturday, August 19th from 9:00-3:00. Plus setup before 9:00. If interested let Mike know..

John said the club currently has \$1304.53 on account.

Steve announced that Bob Trucci has donated some toolrests, so let him know if you want one. Nigel brought a box of burl cutoffs to the meeting for members.

Demo on making a box by Steve



Steve begins his demo on turning a box by commenting that he likes to use burl or fancy wood to make it more interesting



Steve begins by hollowing out the lid for fitting.



Steve fits the lid to the base of the box



Steve turns a tenon for the lid.



The box is mounted so that the bottom can be hollowed.



Steve hollows out the bottom of the box.



Steve is now shaping the tenon on the lid.



Here Steve has turned the bottom of the box around so that he can remove the tenon



Steve uses a golf ball mounted on a live center on the tailstock to hold the lid onto the box



The finished box.

Making a Box-

Steve starts with a round piece of wood with a tenon on one end. Placing it in the chuck between centers, he uses the two thirds - one third rule. The top is one third of the total length, the bottom two thirds. He begins by parting off the lid by using a thin parting tool. He wants to lose as little of the matching grain as possible for the top and bottom. Next he puts a mortise in the top to fit the bottom. Take a parting tool, leave about one quarter to three eighths of an inch in thickness for the walls. He turns the lathe at around 1500 rpm for this. Next he hollows it using a spindle gouge and cleans up the inside with a round nose scraper. He would normally then put some finish on the inside of the lid.

Steve went on to say- Remove the top and insert the bottom of the box in the chuck. Make a lip on the outside of the top to fit the lid. You don't want a woodturner's fit for this (no loud pop when the lid is removed) because it won't sell. Make the lid loose enough to be easily removed. Now hollow out the bottom and sheer scrape the inside and the bottom of the box. True up the outside with the lid on the box while turning it on the lathe. Now shape the top. Turn it around and finish the bottom. Steve uses the chuck to hold each piece on it's inside with a little assistance from a golf ball on the tailstock between centers. In finishing both the bottom and the top, he uses gentle cuts toward the center of the headstock.



Charlie holds his first (of 2) winged bowls. It was turned from a wood known as Hormingo and as can be seen, the wings did not survive this experience. Charlie's second winged bowl was turned from Padauk. Nice job Charlie!

Tim made some hairpins and this Arboretum Walnut bowl which he finished using friction polish.



An old time member came by to show nice burl bowl that he finished using Elmer's glue and then sprayed with lacquer. It was suggested that he could smooth the surface with wet sanding with micromesh or using fine steel wool and buffing with a paper towel on the lathe. He also showed a pretty spectacular carving of a humming bird from a broom handle.



Wally is holding a natural edge turning of a piece of yew. It has a lacquer finish



Wayne showed a segmented yarn bowl turned from Zebra wood. and the jig he borrowed from Peter Soltz to form the "J" shape of the yarn



Ken has a bowl he turned while visiting Graham Priddle and his new bride, Melissa Engler, in Maine where he took a course from them on surface embellishments. This is a piece of red oak turned wet with scalloped beads to a thickness of 3/8ths which contrary to Ken's expectations, did not warp much at all (so far). After turning he dyed it.



Two views of a Chestnut bowl which has some spalting, here Kevin has a small compote which he dyed black after turning before sanding it back to be dyed with magenta. The finial and the base are Rosewood.



Two photos a bowl turned from Ash that Kevin made. He torched the outside bottom to get a contrast to the top.



Bill Dooley holds a large hollowform with a feather which he added a little green dye to for contrast, one of two finials Bill made for it, and this large salad bowl turned from Elm (one of 5 of these)



Lenny received some 400 year old wood from a river bottom from his brother. He's not sure what it is (Lignum Vitae?) but he turned a box for his brother from it and added an ivory finial, a finial with the top from the same wood, and also held two halves of a sphere which became matching small bowls during the turning process



Ben showed us a stool he turned from an article in the AAW magazine by Janet Collins. The top is a piece of Honduran Mahogany he has had for some time. The legs are Cherry. Ben tried using the club duplicator on them and said it was not up to speed so he resorted to making the legs from scratch one by one. He used a dot pattern for decoration in the top.

Nigel holds a Berkeley Maple natural edge bowl which has some dye added to the outside.



Steve holds a large Apple wood bowl with cracks, And even larger Apple piece which he dyed. He turned it thin with a natural edge. He also showed a large three way crotch bowl which he dyed the outside black, sanded it back, then added a magenta dye, and used Tung oil as the finish..

Upcoming Events

Hands on - August 12th will be a chain saw demo in the parking lot out back of Hank's Dust Bowl. Nigel Howe and Dave Rice will be in charge

Brockton's Summerfest is Saturday, August 19th.from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Mid Atlantic Woodturners - symposium scheduled for October 27th through the 29th in Lancaster, Pennsylvania being.

Club Christmas party will be December 19th

Derek Weidman will be demonstrating on April 28th, 2018 and conducting a Hands On workshop April 29th, 2018.

Items for sale

From: **David Rice** <dergas5@aol.com>

This is a Panto-Engraver. It has a diamond point to write on metal. It has 2 sets of letters with it. I see them on eBay for \$300 + \$50 for letters. It does need some work. I have no use for it. I thought it made plastic badges. It belongs to a friend of mine. He wants \$100. Do you know of anyone that would be interested? It is heavy.



Items For sale at the Club store : – contact Ron Reynolds at reynoldsrn@comcast.net

JSP respirators spare parts (batteries, tear off shields, filters, pre-filters, and replacement face shield) available in the store.

GLUES:		PRICE
	2 OZ. CA	4.50
	2 OZ, RUBBERIZED	5.50
	8 OZ. CA	13.00
	16 OZ. CA	22.50
	THICK, MEDIUM, THIN: SAME PRICE	
	2 OZ. ACELERATOR (spray bottle)	3.25
	8 OZ ACCEL. REFILL	5.50
	2 OZ. DEBONDER	3.25
	4 OZ. EPOXY	5.50
	2 OZ. REPLACEMENT CAPS	0.50
	LONG NOZZLES	0.75
	2 OZ. EMPTY BOTTLES	0.75
ANCHORSEAL:		
	LARGE (approx 1 gallon)	16.00
	MEDIUM (approx. 1/2 gallon)	9.00
	SMALL (approx. 1 quart)	5.00
SANDING DISKS:		
	2"	3.00
	3"	4.00
	2" or 3" Replacement H&L Disk	0.50
	2" HOLDER	10.00
	3" HOLDER	12.00
	2" BLUE HOLDER	14.00
	3" BLUE HOLDER	16.00
	1/2" SOFT INTERFACE PAD EXTENSION	5.50
	3" HANDY SANDER (Palm Sander)	8.50
	SANDING TACO	4.50
	2 or 3" HAND HELD HOLDER (Kidney Shape)	12.00
CLOTHING:		
	CAPS	15.00
	TEE SHIRTS	16.00
	2X TEE SHIRT	18.00
	POLO SHIRT	27.00
	2 X POLO SHIRT	29.00
MISCELLANEOUS:		
	BOTTLE STOPPER	3.00
	BOTTLE STOPPER CHUCK	5.00
	3" Lambswool Buff	9.00