

# August Newsletter

Central Virginia Woodturners

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## Special points of interest:

- We loose another member— Joe Berg passed away
- Ron Dearing demo
- October and November demonstrations set

## Chapter and Verse

**Ron Dearing's demonstration**—Ron Dearing did a demonstration on turning spheres. He showed how to make holding jigs that fit the headstock and tailstock to hold the wood while turning the piece to shape; and, the process for assuring a true round shape. Sketches of the jigs and instructions have gone out as a separate email.

He followed the demonstration on spheres with a quick Christmas project, turning a snowman (or snow lady). Copies of the sketch for the snow people have also gone out as a separate email.

See page two for pictures of the demonstration.

**Subsequent month's demonstrations**— September will be open turning at the Miller School. Miles Everard will do a demonstration at the Crimora Center in October on off center turning; and, November will be a surprise topic by the ever popular Elbert Dale (Master of the Skew).

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## President's Corner

Being President of CVW had been a truly fun and rewarding experience for me—until the last two months. Loosing one of our members, Jon Laporte, took much of the joy out of the task. Now, we have lost another, Joe Berg. Joe was also a member of the Woodturners of the Virginias. I hate to admit it, but I think that club was his first love, and we came a distant second.

He had been turning for four or five years and labeled himself an intermediate turner although many of his pieces would belie that label. Joe was intrigued with turning Norfolk Island pine and turned some really outstanding pieces with it. He concentrated on bowls and liked to explore turning with uniquely figured wood. Pete Shoemaker



Joe and his wife Jo Anne the way we want to remember him.

**Joe Berg** (February 12, 1948 – July 10, 2007)

and Ashton Waters of the Woodturners of the Virginias club got him started turning. Most of his training was what he learned from his two club memberships.

He was originally from Wisconsin, with a degree in Chemistry. He leaves two grown sons and his wife Jo Anne, plus a multitude of friends that truly admired and enjoyed him. He took early retirement from Dupont after a career there that moved him around at several of their locations in the mid Atlantic area, finally settling in the Augusta County area..



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## Turner's Tips

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No turner's tips this month.

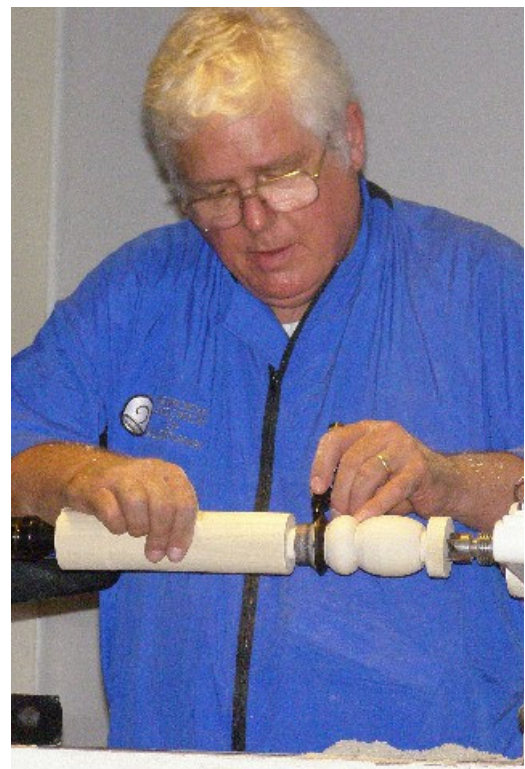
## This month's demonstration

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**This photo shows holding a sphere between the wood turned jigs suggested by Ron Dearing's demo.**

Editor's note: It was hot, but some of the sweat was because of being out of practice turning spheres. The next day I turned three that came out fine, with none of the mishaps of the Tuesday demonstration. My apologies for not turning several in anticipation of the demo.



**Here is the snowman in progress. Ron is applying black to the hat using a felt tipped pen.**

## Show-n-tell and Silent Auction

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**Don Voas shows a piece he turned from Mimosa wood**



**Fred Williamson always has a stunner. This one is from Ambrosia Maple**



**Our Silent Auction offerings for the month**

## Getting To Know Our Fellow CVW Members

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*This is an ongoing column, dedicated to bringing you biographies of our CVW members. Each month we try to bring you 2-3 new member's biographies to help us all become more familiar with our fellow club members.*

Bio's on the way this month: If I can get pictures, I have biographies for:

- Ernie Floyd
- Roger Jarrell
- Paul Saplak

and should get them out soon.

For any of the above, see me at the next meeting (or Denny Martin or Dennis Hippen if you see them with their cameras) and we will take a picture and complete your bio.

Any new members that have not had

their pictures taken, please see any of the three of us and have a quick snap taken.



## Coming Shows, Symposiums, Events, etc.

**Turning Southern Style xiii—2007 Symposium** - Unicol State Park, Helen, Georgia, September 14-16, 2007. Presented by the Georgia Association of Woodturners. Featured turners: Stuart Mortimer; Michael Mocho; Michael Hosaluk; John Jordan; Frank Bowers; Nick Cook; and, Dave Barriger. For registration and information go to [www.helenga.org](http://www.helenga.org), or call 706-878-2201 or 1-800-573-9659

For information go to [www.gawoodturner.org](http://www.gawoodturner.org)

**“Turn and Learn”—2007 NC Woodturning Symposium** - October 5, 6, and 7, 2007, to be held at the Greensboro Coliseum, Greensboro, NC. Information at [www.northcarolinawoodturning.com](http://www.northcarolinawoodturning.com).

Featured demonstrators include: Trent Bosch; Nick Cook; Chris Ramsey; Dick Sing; Jacques Versery; plus several other local NC turners.

**Turning 2007 Ohio Valley Woodturners** - October 12, 13 & 14, 2007. To be held at The Higher Ground Conference Center, West Harrison, IN 47060, just off I-74 at the OH/IN State line (30 minutes from Cincinnati). Three day pass is \$250 (\$275 after 9/30) and include three meals per day. Dormitory rooms are available at \$22 per person, per night. Symposium rates also available at nearby hotels. Featured turners include: Trent Bosch, Nick Cook, Clay Foster, Matthew Hill, Mark Kauder, Graeme Priddle, Mark Stirri, and Molly Winton, plus ten additional local turners. Register through J. G. Keeler, email [jgklr2732@aol.com](mailto:jgklr2732@aol.com), or 513-233-0493.

**“Totally Turning 2007”** - Woodturning Symposium sponsored by the Adirondack Woodturner’s Association, to be held October 12-13-14, 2007 in upstate New York.

Presenters include Kip Christensen, Giles Gilson, Alan Lacer, Andre Martel. Johannes Michelsen, and Brian McEvoy plus many local demonstrators.

Check [www.totallyturning.com](http://www.totallyturning.com) for information.

Editor’s note: I have been to this one and it ranks right up their, just short of a full AAW symposium. The venue is “The Egg” a very interesting conference site in Albany; and, the Adirondack club is something like 300 members. They bring in top flight presenters and add many from their own club. Something that I very much enjoyed was the critique of the Instant Gallery, done by Andi White and Stuart Batey the year I went. I learned as much from this as from any demonstration I could have attended.

**The Irish Woodturning Guild** will hold their 2007 seminar/symposium on Octo-

ber 13 and 14, 2007 in Ballina, County Mayo, Ireland. More information to follow.

## CVW Schedule of Demo’s and Calendar of Other Club Events

**September**—Free turning and mentor assisted turning at the Miller School

**October**—Miles Everard—Off center turning

**November**—Elbert Dale—Subject to be announced

**December**—Free turning and mentor assisted turning at the Miller School

If you have a demo that you would like to put on for the club, sign up now. We need to get our calendar filled. Contact: Ron Dearing ([rdearing@rica.net](mailto:rdearing@rica.net)).

## Want Ads

**For Sale:** Powermatic 4224, 2 years old, excellent condition, \$3500.

Contact Starke Smith

**For Sale:** Cast Iron Delta Lathe with two (one unused) motors, several pulleys, several tool rests, mobile stand, etc. Used less than one year. \$550;

Contact Hilel Salomon 540 456 8623, or 803 787 5973.

**For Sale:** Old Delta 12" x 42" 12 speed lathe. All cast iron including legs. Auxiliary carriage for non-ferrous metal and plastic turning. With manual and parts list. \$400

Contact John O'Neil 540-939-4774

**For Sale:** Old Craftsman 12+ inch bandsaw on mobile wooden stand. Extra blades. \$150.

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**For Sale:** 1/2" shaper on mobile wooden stand. 1/2HP motor, several HSS cutters. All only used slightly. \$150.

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**For Sale:** Heavy duty 15" disk sander with rack and pinion height and angle adjustments. Cast iron

pedestal base 1HP motor wired for 220V, but can be converted to 110V. Extra 15" steel platter and sanding disks. \$250.

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**For Sale:** Craftsman Industrial worm-drive skill saw Hardly used \$75. Contact John O'Neil 540-939-4774

## New Guests and New, or Potential Club Members

### Guests and new members

- Identification of new members has not had the attention it should have for the past 2-3 months. Effort will be expended to identify all of our latest new members for next months newsletter.

**Note:** Guests are invited to attend without a fee. After a meeting, or two, if you enjoy the club, our dues are \$20 per year

If you have joined CVW within the last 2-3 months and have not been introduced in the club newsletter, please send me an email so I can include your name in the new members column.

Send attention: [rdearing@rica.net](mailto:rdearing@rica.net).

**Also Note:** We need personal bios from many members for the "Getting to Know Our Fellow CVW Club Mem-

bers". Please take a few minutes to respond to the bio questionnaire email that will be sent again this month. This is much easier than doing personal interviews with each person. If you don't have email, talk to Ron Dearing about a questionnaire.

Members and guests for whom we still need biography information include:

- Michael Atkins
- Howard Baker
- George Bentley
- Tom Boxler
- Joe Cochran
- Alvin Dale
- Paul Dana
- Bill DePari
- Dan Drew
- Brian Edson
- Tom Evans
- Gene Fleming
- Andrew Flusche

- Dave Fuqua
- Rolf Gebel
- Jay Gillam
- D. Glendenning
- Peter Gorsuch
- Dylan Hahn
- Mel Hinkley
- Roger Jarrell
- Harry Kellam
- Ed Lang
- Patty Laport
- Gerry Martin
- Judy McCarthy
- Brian McReynolds
- Dave Mitchell
- Joe Novack
- Lewis Pennington
- Ivan Pesic
- Gary Peterson
- Franklin Plecker
- Norman Proffitt
- David Rhodes
- Mark Sandol (Sondrol ?)
- Paul Saplak
- Jeff Scott

- Ron Shifflett
- Michael Solatka
- Harvey Spouse
- Pat Steele
- Bill Stevens
- Tim Surratt
- Ed Tobias
- Roger Van Hooser
- Doug Van Lear
- Ken Wilson
- Troy Young