

The Woodspinner

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President's Corner

— Bill Hemminger

The August meeting was packed with business, two demonstrations, the accepting of the 100th and 101st member of the club for 2019, a great show and tell and an accident when putting things away and cleaning up. Since our last meeting we have a new and exciting website and the newsletter looks better and better each month, the set up and clean-up get mentioned all the time because it is so much appreciated. If you look at the accomplishments listed in this paragraph with the exception of the accident involving a fan and Dennis Hippen all that can be said is wow and a heartfelt thank you.

As technology improves and editing for publications come along things like websites and newsletters look and feel smoother. We must not forget the pioneers who got things started and created the base line for what we have today. So, with a sincere thank you to Tim Quillen for his many hours of giving the CVW the benchmark for our website Norm Dallura has taken over. Thank you so much Tim for your hard work and dedication to this group.

Our featured demonstration on “Carbide vs Standard Tools” by Dave Swiger was an eye opener for some and learning experience for others, especially the purists. After that the “Burnt Ash Lidded Box” demonstrated many basics as well as some not so typical ways to finish and make embellishments. The last word is it was a great demo and much could be learned by all.



Full Show and Tell
Tables!

President Corner (cont.)

Please remember to bring out your excess tools and whatever you wish to sell at our first "Yard Sale" At our September skills day we will have a yard sale to get rid of those tools or supplies we thought we just had to have. As mentioned before,

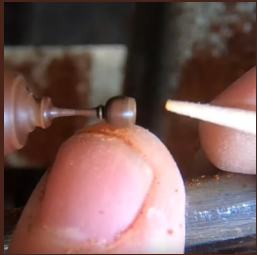
Jim Oates will go through the Skills Center and thin out the tools we either don't use or have too many of. On top of that we have somewhat of a neighbor, Nancy Hildebrand who has a wide variety of woodworking tools for sale. We will plan to coordinate the showing of her late husband's tools and supplies she has for sale as well.

In order to keep the members time respected we are going to try and be a little more structured for our future meetings.

[Bill Hemminger, President](#)

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Miniture Goblet!

Video of the Month

Tim Yoder turns a "Miniature Goblet".

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Nv6h9I-zD4>

In this video, Tim turns a tiny goblet on his huge Robust American Beauty. Yes, that's a toothpick to the right of the goblet!

August 20th 2019 Meeting Minutes

—Jay Lindhjem

And aah
one and
aah two..



The August meeting, attended by approximately 61, was called to order by President Bill Hemminger at 6:30 followed by an opening prayer. In his opening remarks, Bill noted the upcoming member tool sale at the September skills session in conjunction with the availability of a wide variety of shop equipment from Nancy Hildebrand. The September President's challenge is to turn a torus (donut shaped) form. The updated CVW brochure will be ready at the next regular meeting.

August Meeting cont.

Bill complimented John Hinton, and Norm Dallura, on their updates and redesigns of the newsletter and website respectively. Norm invited members to submit photos of their work for the gallery.

Joel Spring, Membership VP introduced three visitors; Heather Evens, Robert Ham, and William Miller and new member Gail Delaney.

Jerry Jorgensen gave the treasurers report. He also reminded the group of the potential group buy from Woodturning Wonders. At this time 1/3 of the minimum purchase has been met.

Jim Oates reported that 20 turners attended the August skills session. During his safety minute, Jim described getting a poison oak rash from the bark of a maple piece. Be aware of the origin of wood. He also reminded members to submit bios for the website.

Programs VP Mike Sorge introduced Dave Swiger to discuss carbide vs HSS tools. Dave described the various Easy Wood carbide tipped tools and their respective applications. During his discussion, he made the following points:

The roughing gouge will leave a smoother finish

Gouges are much faster than carbide, although this may only be important to the production turner.

Flexibility of HSS tools as the configuration, angle, and wings, may be ground to the turner's preference.

Easy Wood has a goosenecked tool for hollowing through a narrow opening.
He feels that the carbide tools have an advantage for hollowing.

Mike Sorge led Show & Tell. Participants were: (* denotes gift certificate winner)

Mike Sorge	Gerry Early *	Roger Authers	Jerry Jorgensen
Lynn Adams	John Watkins *	Mars Champaign	Jim Oates
Joel Spring	Dennis Hippen	John Schmidt	John Hinton
Norm Dallura	Kirk McCauley	Liz Browne	Jim Youngblood
Fred Williamson			

Following the break, Dave Swiger demonstrated turning the Burnt Ash Lidded Box. He mentioned that Jimmy Clewes and Nick Cook turn this box. His method is a combination of the two methods.

Dave starts with a 2"x9" blank for the base. He described the process of mounting the blank on a wood worm screw, noting that the cup side of the blank should be against the screw. Burning the surface is done with MAP gas, his preference as opposed to propane. The burnt surface is brushed lightly with a soft brass brush with the grain to bring out the wood texture.

The meeting was concluded at approximately 9:30

August 20th Meeting Demonstration

“Topsy Turvy”

By Fred Williamson

When: Tuesday September 17th, meeting begins at 6:30pm. All woodturners and guests welcome. (Doors open at 5:30 for set-up.)

Where: Crimora Community Center, 1648 New Hope-Crimora Rd, Crimora, VA

I will do a demo on spinning tops, inspired by playing with tops as a kid and a little lapse of judgment at a Programs planning meeting.

This will be a simple demo, but I plan to cover a number of designs, starting with the simple ones I first made for my earliest craft shows, then going back to a design I witnessed as a child on a boat trip that stopped at the Canary Islands, then going to one I saw in the Civil War museum in Tredegar Iron Works in Richmond, and hopefully adding a few more after that.

PS: The world record mechanical spinning top is now 27 hours, 9 minutes, but this top has a battery and micro-electronics inside. <https://interestingengineering.com/this-magical-top-spins-for-hours-breaks-guinness-world-record>

The longest all metal top record is 40 minutes. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mBGdfXe0WEw> Way out of my reach.

— Fred Williamson

Skills Center — Special Event!

The Skills Center will be open on Saturday September 14th from 9am until noon at the Crimora Community Center.

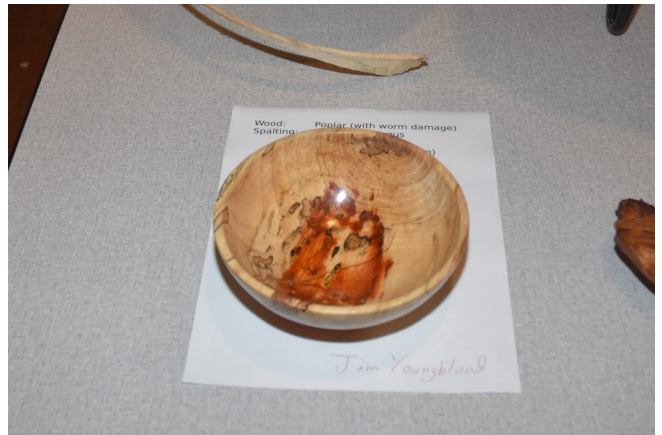
This will be a special “Yard Sale” or “Garage Sale” event. We invite you all to bring the items you no longer need and place them up for sale! We also invite everyone to come by to take advantage of what will certainly be some fantastic deals.

So, dust it off a bit (or not, but you can’t charge extra for dust) and get it to this event!

August Show and Tell



Liz Browne



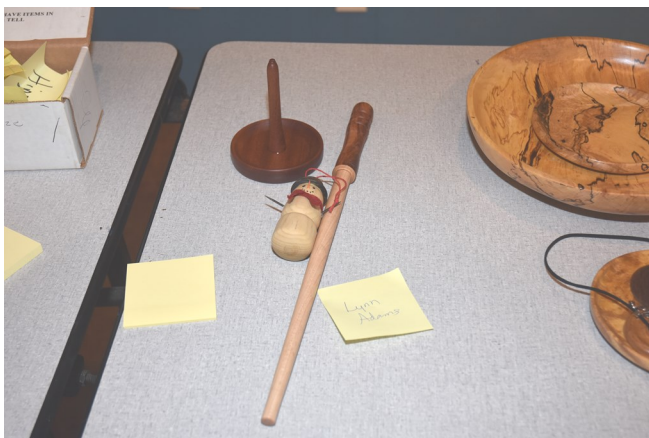
Jim Youngblood



Norm Dallura



John Watkins

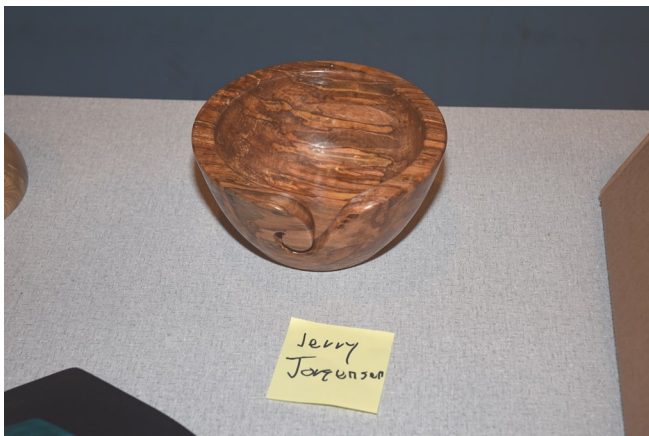


Lynn Adams



John Hinton

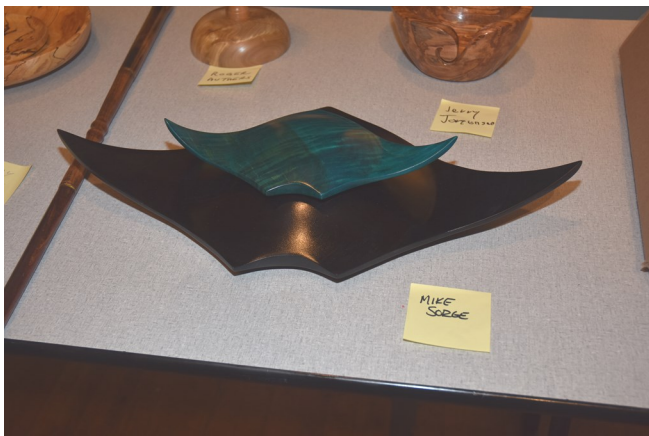
August Show and Tell—cont.



Jerry Jorgensen



Mars Champaign



Mike Sorge



Dennis Hippen



John Schmidt



Joel Spring

August Show and Tell—cont.



Roger Authers



Gerry Early



Jim Oates



Kirk McCauley



Fred Williamson

Club Supporting Vendor Highlight

Lee Valley

<http://www.leevalley.com/us/Home.aspx>

1-800-871-8158

Provided \$100 in gift certificates for the 2018 Christmas Party.

Special Dave Swiger Hands on Class

Crimora Community Center — Saturday Jan 18th

Dave Swiger Hands On Class "Burnt Ash Lidded Box". Hours are 8am-4pm. We have 4 of the minimum of 6 signed up so far. Please contact Mike Sorge, vice_president@centralvawoodturners.org to reserve your spot.



Dave Swiger at work during the August demonstration.

Buck showing off his carbide tool control.



Lynn Adams puts a spell on you.

Notes from the Librarian

The following DVD's have been added to the Video Library courtesy of Mike Sorge:

Clews, Jimmy	Back to Basics
Ellsworth, David	The Ellsworth Signature Gouge
Jordan, John	Bowl Turning
Jordan, John	The Aesthetics & Properties of Wood
Mahoney, Mike	Bowl Basics
Mahoney, Mike	From The Tree to The Table
Mahoney, Mike	Heirlooms Making Things That Last
Mahoney, Mike	The McNaughton Center Saver
Raffan, Richard	Turning Boxes
Raffan, Richard	Turning Projects
Raffan, Richard	Turning Wood
Schramek, Greg	Turning a Wine Bottle
Swiger, Dave	Bench Construction



This torus had a flat!

Tips and Tricks

Gauge to Cut on Centerline

When you need to set your tool on the centerline such as when hollowing a vessel, it can be hard to 'see' the center in the bottom. I made a gauge out of some 1/4" scrap about 2" wide. I installed my spur drive in the headstock, set the scrap upright against the spur center and tapped it to mark the centerline. I then carefully cut it to split that mark. As you see in the photo, the cutting edge is set to the top of the gauge.



Please submit your "Tips and Tricks" to:

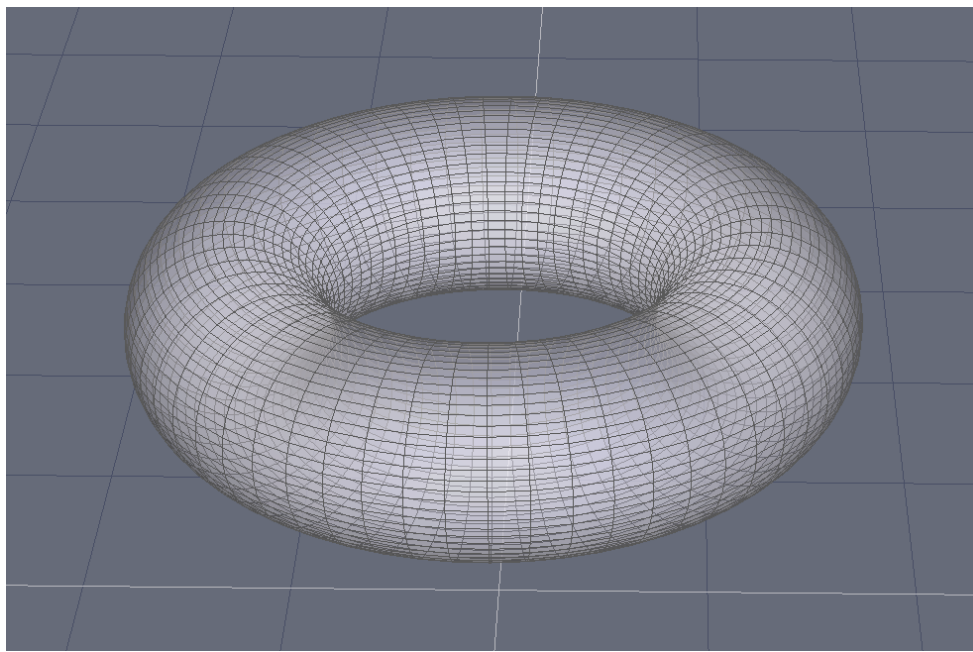
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President's Challenge

To be judged at the November Meeting

To end up 2019, the President's Challenge is to turn a torus. What's a torus? Think bagel, doughnut or inner tube. A captive ring on a wine goblet would be a torus, although it does not need to be 'captive'. A torus can be turned completely between centers although a chuck can make it easier. We'll allow solid or hollowed tori. (Yes, the plural of torus)

Below is a CAD model of a torus. Have fun and be safe!



A Letter from the Editor

—John Hinton

Alright! Another issue is complete. Please let me know what you would like to see included or excluded from 'your' newsletter.

This is your newsletter, not mine. I absolutely welcome feedback; both positive and negative. Also, if you have a submission be it photos, articles or others, please send them to:

Newsletter_editor@centralvawoodturners.org

Central Virginia Woodturners

2019 Officers

Executive Officers:

President Bill Hemminger
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 VP Membership..... Joel Spring
 Secretary..... Jay Lindhjem
 Treasurer..... Jerry Jorgensen

The management team will be as follows:

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 Food Services..... Buck Culver
 Skills Center..... Jim Oates
 Ruritan Liaison Dan Stogdate
 Symposium Representative #1 Open Position
 Symposium Representative #2 Open Position

The CVW Equipment team will be as follows:

Mike Sorge	Bill Hemminger	Jay Lindhjem
Jerry Jorgensen	Jim Oates	Richard Landreth
Fred Williamson	Buck Culver	Chris Culotta

Calendar of Club Events

2019 Schedule

2nd Saturday Morning of each month from 9AM -Noon, the Denny Martin Woodturning Skills Center room will be open for you to work on your woodturning skills.

January 12 - 9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

January 22 — "Note: date is forth Tuesday and not third Tuesday." Turning Ultra Thin Forms - Joe Dickey

February 9 — 9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

February 19 — Carving & Texturing - Jim Oates

March 9— 9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

March 19— Plexi-Wood Bowls - Phil Evans

April 13 —9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

April 16 - Finishing with expert Charles Neil

May 11 — 9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

May 21 — Turning a Wine Bottle - Greg Schramek

June 8 — 9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

June 18 — Multi-Station - Don & Alex

July 13 — Sorry - There will be no Mentor Session this month

July 16 —Full Blown Coloring - Alex & Don

August 10 —9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

August 20 — Carbide vs Standard Tools - Dave Swiger

September 14 - 9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

September 17 — Topsy Turvy - Fred Williamson

October 12 — 9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

October 15 — To Be Announced

November 9 —9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

November 19 - Ornaments & Small Hollowforms

December 14 - 9AM -Noon - Woodturning Skills Center

December 10 - "Note: date is second Tuesday and not third Tuesday." — Christmas Party w/ Auction and Raffle.

In case of inclement weather check the website for announcements of possible cancellation.