

THE CHIP FLYER



From the President's Notebook

Well it is coming to the end of the year, time to look back and reflect on what was and start to think about what will be. 2016 has been a good year for the Guild with the year starting off with first time club demos by Charles Jordan, Marv Ens, Joe Love and myself. We had great demos by visitors from east and west of us, Steven Kennard and Ruby Cler in April. Our Spring Competition at Exotic-Woods was very well attended and we awarded the Doug Newlove Memorial Trophy for the 8th time, and this year's recipient was Travis Ellis.

We held our first summer sessions, and were pleasantly surprised at the attendance numbers. With the interest shown, those summer hands-on meetings will be back for 2017. The fall began with a visit from Woodchuckers, then a repeat visit from Carl Durance and we finished off the year with a demo by Wyatt Walkem. We also had another successful Art Show and Sale, and I know I am looking forward to next years.

We are now ready to finish off our year with our annual Guild Christmas party. This is the last chance in the year for the membership to get together and talk about what was. This event is free for current members to attend each year, and offers a nice light dinner buffet and great conversations with other members and their guests. This event also hosts one of our major turning competitions of the year, so bring your best piece and let the guests see how talented this group is as they judge the pieces.

For asking them to make those hard decisions, we have our ornament exchange for them, so please be sure to bring in two (or more) ornaments for the tree, so hopefully the guests will get at least two chances to pick a prize. As this is the season for giving, we also collect toys and gift cards for kids that will be given to a local community service group. The toy table overflows with the members' generosity each year, and I expect nothing different this year.

We still have some raffle tickets available for the Christmas raffle (\$10 each, 3 for \$25). We will draw for all the fantastic prizes at the party.

As we look forward to the coming year, work is underway to finalize the program to fill out the last few months for Spring 2017. At the end of February (24-26th) we will again be at the Hamilton Wood Show at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. We will have our lathes on the go throughout the event, so we will need volunteers to help keep them running and turning objects during the 3 days.



Lloyd Butler

Coming up

Christmas Party 2016

December 8th
Burlington Legion Hall
828 Legion Rd.,
Burlington



Then at the end of April (29th) we will have David Ellsworth at our Guild. We will then be working on arrangements for Neil Turner from Australia who is expected at the end of September. I am sure the coming year will be as enjoyable as the past and I look forward to leading you through it.

In January we will resume renewing memberships and do not forget to renew before the break to be entered in a special draw for 1 of 5 \$50 gift certificates from our advertisers. It is important to not forget that we will be updating our membership records so help save some time and pull the form from our web site and have it pre filled in.

To finish off , I would like take this opportunity to thank all our members who give their time to making this guild such a great environment for anyone who enjoys turning. Whether you are part of the Executive, assist with hands-on, teach a 101 class, help in set up or clean up the meeting space, work with demonstrators, or simply share some of your experience another member - it is through your efforts that the Golden Horseshoe guild is such a phenomenal group to be part of.

I would like to wish you and your family a wonderful holiday season and a happy, healthy, and wood-chip filled New Year.

Website of the month.

This will be a new feature where we want to showcase member websites. After being shown in the ChipFlyer, there will be an area on the ghwg.ca website where they can be accessed as a link. If you have a website, please send details to communications@ghwg.ca and we can get your site into the Flyer.

This month, for those who have not seen this, here is the website of Peter Hyde

www.peterdhyde.com

Demonstrator Report

Wyatt Walkem:
Turning Winged Vessels

Reporter: John Phillips

November 17, 2016

GHWG was pleased to host Wyatt Walkem as the Demonstrator for the November, 2016 General Meeting. Wyatt was the concluding Demonstrator in this year's line-up of superb demonstrations. Wyatt is a 2011 graduate of the Furniture Craft and Design program at Sheridan College. In 2015, he attended the prestigious Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts where he was later invited to return as an assistant to one of the established instructors. He is the founder of Wyatt Walkem Design located near Norval, ON where he focuses on the design and construction of custom woodworking products.

Using the winged vessel as the focus, Wyatt led the audience through some of his approaches to wood turning in general. Wyatt used a slide show of many of his turned pieces to illustrate his emphasis on vessel form. Like many turners, he prefers to work with green wood (for all the usual reasons) but deviates from this when turning winged vessels which demand dry-wood stability right from the outset.

The "action" part of his demo, in which he provided a running commentary on favorite tools (eg the Ellsworth grind multi-bevel bowl gouge, CBN grinding wheels, etc), was an impressive display of basic woodturning techniques by a young man very much in control of his craft. From his emphasis on the woodturner's "sway" in which the cut and movement of the tool are controlled by the placement of the butt of the tool handle on the hip, to the use of the latent image provided by the placement of the light source so as to visualize the tool and the wood when turning "air."



He fearlessly uses relatively high rpm for his winged bowl turning but grounded the audience in all the relevant safety considerations.

As a member of the demonstrator demographic, Wyatt is decidedly on the youthful side. His skill and knowledge belie his age, and provide reassurance that he might be available to demonstrate more of his skills to the GHWG membership in the years to come.



As mentioned in the President's message, the Christmas Competition is approaching. Here are the rules.

THE CHRISTMAS COMPETITION RULES—DECEMBER 8th, 2016

1. There are THREE (3) CLASSES for the competition, defined as follows:

a) **NOVICE CLASS:**

Is beginner turner who has been turning for two (2) years or less. If a novice turner wins 1st prize in a GHWG competition, that competitor must move to the INTERMEDIATE CLASS.

b) **INTERMEDIATE CLASS:**

Is any turner who has turned for more than 2 years. If an Intermediate competitor wins 1st prize in a GHWG competition, that competitor must move to the OPEN CLASS.

c) **OPEN CLASS:**

Is any competitor who wishes to enter a more skilled competition.

2. In order to give more recognition to spindle work and finely crafted smaller pieces, withing each CLASS there will be TWO (2) CATEGORIES.

CATEGORY 1 will encompass larger work including bowls, platters, open or lidded vessels, vases, and larger forms; anything that would not fit in a 4" square by 8" high box.

CATEGORY 2 will encompass smaller pieces utilizing mainly spindle turning (4" x 8" box ignored), lidded boxes, or smaller pieces that would fit in a 4" square by 8" high box. Examples of CATEGORY 2 could be: wands, walking sticks, Christmas ornaments, lidded boxes with or without finials, small lidded vessels, small bowls.

The entrant has the final word on which category the piece is to be entered.

3. An entry must have been completed no more than one (1) year prior to the date of entry of the current GHWG competition (since December 2015).

4. A competitor may enter a maximum of two (2) pieces.

5. In this competition there is no entry fee.

6. If desired, entries may be accompanied by a 1" by 3" place card which indicates the title of the piece.

7. The piece entered must not have the competitor's name or any other identifying mark on the item or on any card indicating the title. If the piece is signed the name must be covered or the piece will be disqualified.

8. Each entry will be assigned an entry number and exhibited in the appropriate CLASS and CATEGORY. Once placed by the Committee, no entry may be moved except by the Committee, or it shall be removed from the competition.

9. A competitor who is unsure of which CLASS to compete in should consult with the competition chairman (Noel Beach, Membership Secretary).

10. All entries must include a turned component and may be functional, or artistic, or any competition thereof.

The entries submitted may be any form or shape.

Laminated or segmented wood may be used.



Finishes should be of high quality and may include dye, stain, paint, lacquer, oil, wax, or any other suitable finishing product. Similarly, various artistic techniques, including carving, texturing, metal leaf, acrylic, fabric paint, etc. may be used.

11. Theme: This will be an open competition in that any wood, domestic or exotic, or a combination of them may be used.

12. The judging of the competition will be done by ballot cast by the guests of Golden Horseshoe Woodturners Guild members present at the December 2016 Christmas Party.

13. Prizes will consist of 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons for each CLASS and CATEGORY.

Christmas Ornaments.

If anyone needs help in producing Christmas tree ornaments, here are a couple of links that illustrate the process and techniques.

Eugen Schlaak - Angel Christmas Ornament

Youtube video inspired by Eugen's article, presented by Mike Pearce

Article by Bob Rosand

Christmas Ornament by Steve Blenk from popular woodworking magazine

GHWG Christmas Raffle 2016 Prize list (so far)

- Rikon 8" slow speed grinder
- Woodturners Wonders 8" 180 grit CBN wheel with extra spacer washers
- Oneway Talon chuck with insert

- \$100 Exotic wood gift card
- \$100 William Woodwrite gift card
- \$100 Woodshed gift card

- 2" & 3" sanding kit (2" drill pad, flex pad & 100 Assorted sandpaper, 3" drill pad, flex pad & 100 Assorted sandpaper)
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- 1/2" Thompson bowl gouge and 1" ferrule
- Basic Gilding kit (imitation Gold leaf)
- Amazing Clear casting kit
- Hampshire Sheen/Yorkshire Grit donated by Rob Summerlin (new)

- 5" walnut bowl blank, Banksia Pod, Eclipse dust mask & sandpaper
- 10" peppermill kit (Walnut blank, mill kit, finish & sandpaper)
- 8" peppermill kit (Walnut blank, mill kit, finish & sandpaper)
- 6" peppermill kit (Walnut blank, mill kit, finish & sandpaper)

The parts for the peppermill kits were all donated by the various advertisers and friends of the club: Exotic woods the blanks, William Woodwrite the mill kits, Woodchuckers the Osmo finish and Stockroom Supplies the sandpaper

MarketPlace

Wanted:

looking for a Oneway lathe size 1640 to 2436 or a powermatic 3520B - Please contact Hugh Widdup Email: hugh@yknottwoodturning.com

For Sale:

Lathe and accessories plus carving tools for sale. Lathe and chuck for \$400.00. Carving tools also for sale. Please contact David Lewis Phone # 289-776-5061 or davidhengoed3@gmail.com



Conover Lathe \$1100

16" swing, 60" spindle length (can be extended to 104" with supplied extensions), 3 HP variable speed drive, lathe stand made of Baltic Birch plywood filled with sand, usual accessories. More photos and info available on request, Contact Frank Ditomaso frank@ditomaso.ca or 905 852 1291.



If you have any items for sale or wanted, please email: communications@ghwg.ca



Woodturning 101

There will be no woodturning 101 in December, see January ChipFlyer for details of next sessions.

For any questions on the classes please contact **Brian Ashton** (see Executive committee last page).

Group 1 September start

Lisa Dunlop	695
Mike Wilkins	700
Frank Cianciolo	710
Marcel Trost	714

Group 2 October start

Brian Ashton	682
Sue Ashton	690
Eric White	720
Susan Dunne	730

Group 3 November start

Tony Collins	724
Malcolm Macauley	713
Peter Dulauf	729
Stacy Pinto	712

Group 4 January start

Warren Sweeney	737
Ron Devine	740
John Mills	
Paul Ortmann	

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If you think you have a way with words, we could use your skills and talents. You may have a number of interesting techniques and tips you could turn into an article for the Chip Flyer. If you are interested, contact Tony at communications@ghwg.ca