

THE CHIP FLYER



From the President's Notebook

Into October already and yet it is warmer now than it was in July... Oh well, it will not be too long before it will catch up to us.

On September 30 we were joined by the members of the Toronto Woodturning Guild for Neil Turner's demo. For those of you who missed it you missed a great demo. Neil went through turning his sea urchin box and then spent a few hours going over his various power carving techniques that he uses to decorate many of his pieces. Those signed up for the hands-on on Oct 8 at Andy's should have fantastic day. Thank you Andy DiTomaso for hosting Neil and his wife for both his stops through our area as well as opening your shop for the hands-on. All six slots are full. If you are really interested in taking a class with Neil, then Lee Valley will be hosting Neil at the Burlington and Vaughan stores on Oct 11th and 12th respectively. Please check their seminar registration pages for openings. Lee Valley classes will be doing open bowls with carving a coral texture.



Lloyd Butler

Now that Neil's tour is wrapping up, we shift focus to the Show and Sale in late October. Derek should have more flyers at the meetings and if you have not already booked your table with Derek Dix (memberatlarge1@ghwg.ca), you should do so. Tables will be \$30 and we will have the same percentage of sales going to the club. The event has continually grown over the past couple of years, so we are expecting to have a few extra tables booked and with buyers starting to think about the holiday season, it should add a new dynamic to the sales volumes this year.

Later this month our demonstrator will be Paul Newman in from the Thames Valley Guild in London, doing a demo on turning lidded boxes. Paul is the President of the London and new Kitchener Woodturners Guilds. In November we will have Carl Durance back for a visit and he will be showing how to make a dizzy bowl. We are continuing to work on the winter schedule, and will pass those details along shortly.

The woodturning 101 program is underway on hands-on night. It looks like we have 2 full classes now and a waiting list growing for a third. If anyone is interested in taking part in the 101 program this fall let Brian Ashton know (fvp@ghwg.ca). We have successfully run the program now for the past 6-7 years and we have seen many of its graduates progress quickly. It is a great way to get an introduction to the basics of turning. We will hold a class each month covering a different topic, with each group covering 5 months. A special thank you to the instructors we have had running the classes over the past years, without these folks stepping up to help out, the program would not be nearly as well done.

Coming up

Oct 12th Hands-On and Woodturning 101

Oct 19th Paul Newman on lidded boxes



With the records daily highs and crunchy lawns it seems odd to be thinking about December, but we have started work on our annual Christmas party. We are hoping to start to have the raffle prizes coming in later this month, so we can get the tickets on sale before the end of the month. This is our largest social event that we run every year and it is a great chance to get together with our spouses and significant others to learn a bit more about each other. Do not forget to start your competition entry so that the guests can once again have the difficult task of choosing the evening winners.

We are working on the Spring 2018 tour of Glenn Lucas (http://glennlucaswoodturning.com) from Ireland. We will have a hands-on on Thursday April 19 at Hugh Widdup's studio and then the full day demo on Saturday April 21 at the Guild hall. We are just awaiting word on the number of hands-on students and then we will be opening up the list. He will also be doing hands-on classes at the local Lee Valley stores as well that you can sign up for when they are posted.

Message from Hugh Widdup. He spoke with Peter at Woodchuckers and they are still carrying the Chef Specialty grinding mechanisms, it is only the crush grind mechanisms that they have changed to Penn State Industries.

NOTE to all Members: From Doug Kurtz (#169)

My thanks to all the members who came and supported the garage sale we held in late June on behalf of Jim Campbell, a former president of the guild. Despite the short notice, the turnout was great and a lot of stuff changed hands.

I especially want to thank serveral people, without whose help the job could not have been done:

- 1. Chris Chick for his days of hard work sorting and shifting a mountain of things from the basement to the garage.
- 2. Andy Ditomaso for taking some of the unsold items to sell on Kijiji.
- 3. Jim Wright whose help on the day of the sale was invaluable.
- 4. The Wharricks Peggy and Tom. Tom not only found a buyer for Jim's very large lathe, but spent a day dissassembling and removing it from the house.

It is great to belong to a club like this, and to know such nice people.

Thanks again

Doug



Hugh Widdup demonstration September 21st 2017

Hugh gave us a very interesting demonstration where he showed how he turns snowmen peppermills. Some of the process he uses is applicable to any peppermill and he had a selection of different types that he has turned including a number of mushroom style mills.

His process was quck and he has refined some of the aspects to increase the efficiency of his turnings. He uses Chef Speciality mechanisms for all his mills but especially with his snowman style mill, he embedds the screw top of the mechanism inside the head block so that it is hidden from view. This allows much more scope in design of different shapes of the top of the mill.





In addition to the turning of the mills, he gave us a number of tips, including the size of the thread on the mechanisms and he showed how he clamps the both the square bar of the mechanism and the brass rod he taps as the embedded nut. He clamps them in his four jaw chuck for drilling and tapping/threading.

He also showed us how easily to mark the length of the shaft in the mill to determine where to cut it to length. He then demonstrated his methods of finishing using abranet sanding sheets.



Neil Turner Demo September 30th 2017

Neil Turner, an accomplished woodturner, woodworker and demonstrator gave a full day demonstration at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Burlington on Saturday, September 30th. Neil is a gifted

demonstrator who explains everything he is doing, but also keeps up a banter of stories and titbits during his turning. He demonstrated turning a small lidded box that was unique in that it had the lid fixed by a ring holder in the base mating with a hole in the lid. The box was in the shape of a sea urchin and he then showed how he would embelish the outside to appear as the

sea urchin. He told us that many of his inspirations come from the ocean and the beach where he and his wife now live. Previously, they had a 9000 acre farm where they farmed wheat and

sheep and this was where he began turning on a lathe he built himself.











He then turned a small bowl that was again a vehicle for embishment as both coral and waves. The coral carving was especially interesting in that the amount of time it takes to produce the coral-like carving is quite long - after the initial carving of hexagon shapes, they are then filled with piercings and one of the pieces he showed us had over 300,000 piercings in it. He told us that he normally carves sitting in a recliner with a fan to blow away the dust and hopefully he doesnt fall asleep while he is doing it!

Another of his inspirations comes from fire and he showed how he carves the walls of a thinly turned vessel (vase) into shapes that depict upwardly spiralling flames.

It was a well attended demonstration (shared with the Toronto Woodturning Guild) and the day passed very quickly with all that was presented.

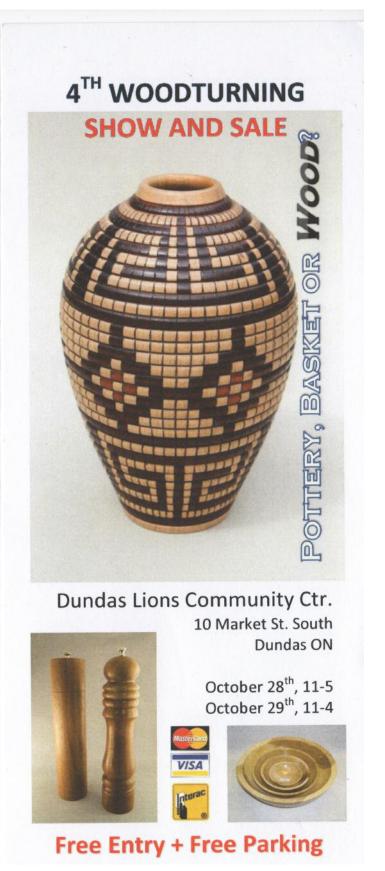




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GHWG Show and Sell 2017







MarketPlace

Wanted:

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

For Sale:

from: debbiesperling12@gmail.com

My best friend's husband passed away suddenly in February, and I am helping her liquidate his possessions. He was a craftsman and had a large inventory of live edge furniture grade hardwood, lumber that he had milled and cured himself. There are hundreds of board feet of oak, maple and cherry, 2"+ thick.. Location is Burlington, Snake Road

The cherry has been dried in an I heated garage. The balance has been air dried outdoors, covered with tarps. All at least a year old. There is also some exotic wood purchased from A&M.

The pricing is negotiable. I think a price range of \$2 to \$5 per board foot is reasonable depending upon the quantity purchased and the quality the piece. If someone wants to take a lot, she is open to offers.

Andrew's website: www.watsonwheels.com

Best Regards Deb Sperling 905-689-6073

I have a OneWay EasyCore system for sale, consisting of a base set and clamp block for a OneWay 2436 lathe, 3 knives sizes 9, 11.5, and 13.5, a handle, and a #3 to#3 Morse taper extension. Price is \$550.00 plus shipping. This is a lightly used set, owned by a colleague who is no longer up to turning larger pieces.

Stephen Zwerling, Woodturner 19 Stevens Road Boutilier's Point, Nova Scotia B3Z 1T4





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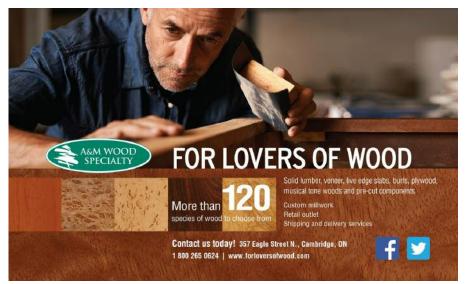


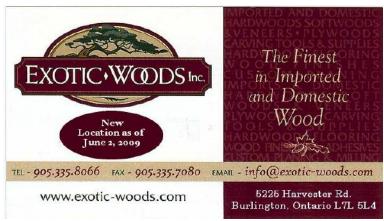




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