



Space Coast Woodturners

Minutes/Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners – January 14, 2015

Submitted by Dotty Pugh – Secretary

Just a reminder – the meetings are held on the **second Wednesday** of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 PM and the hands-on sessions are held on the **third Saturday** of the month from 9:00 AM – Noon at Melbourne Village.

* **President - Russ Bremmer** – Opened the meeting at 6:59 PM. He welcomed everyone and asked if there were any guests. There were a lot of guests – Bill Krug, Denny DeMuth, Dan Dragon, John Sutton, Ken Page, Moises Villalpando, J.J. Miller and Ed Fischer. Plus two more who joined our club tonight: Bob Haarer and Bob Salvetti. Russ announced some “good news” – he would be the demonstrator tonight and “bad news” – our scheduled demonstrator, Bob Rosand had the flu and would not be able to do the demonstration. Russ was filling in for the Vice President (not present) and said that the February demonstrator will be Don Geiger. He will be doing a bowl with feet. The VP Challenge for February will be **X, H, or E**; and for March – **R, T or G**. The VP challenge will not be in alphabetical order, but random letters “to spice things up a little.” The **February hands-on** will be a continuation of lidded boxes and sharpening. **April hands-on** will be our annual swap meet. Bring your old tools to sell and buy someone else’s old tools! You set the price and you get the money, not the club, unless you want to donate items to the club to sell.

* **Secretary’s Report – Dotty Pugh** – Mentioned that we needed someone to take over purchasing shirts for club members. Russ said that topic was coming up shortly.

* **Treasurer’s Report – Harvey Driver** said that the treasury had over \$4,194.80 at the beginning of the month. Out of that, he paid the insurance for our meeting facility for 2015. Harvey is accepting membership dues for 2015. The fees are: Individual - \$25.00, Family - \$30.00.

* **Vice President’s Report – Gary Christensen** – Not present.

Remember - Bring your own tools and safety equipment (face shield, safety glasses, and dust mask) to all hands-on sessions.

* **Supply Master – Jim Donovan** reported that he had \$700.00 towards the next order. Russ mentioned that when you order through Jim you get 13% off, no shipping charges and no tax. That’s a good savings. Jim needs to have at least \$1,000.00 in orders before he can put in an order. You can still order from Crafts Supply on your own if you want to, though.

* **DVD Librarian/Store Manager – Bob Cusumano** – has the usual supplies available (glue, sand paper, etc.).

* **Web Master - Bill Howard** –Go to spacecoastwoodturners.com and see what is available. We also have a Facebook page where you can upload photos, etc. Check it out! If you have any information that needs to be on the web page (things for sale, etc.) or if you have problems uploading photos to the Facebook page contact Bill at BillH@spacecoastwoodturners.com and he will help you.

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Chuck Billings – Has nametags for new members. If you haven't gotten yours yet, see Chuck. The regular name tag with pin back is free with membership and the magnetic back is \$1.75. Chuck has been the coordinator for the Christmas party for several years, but feels it is time for someone else to take over now. Thank you, Chuck for all your years of service to our club. Any volunteers? See Chuck.

Russ continued with announcements:

* **Read Johnson** is selling his band saw and the officers voted to buy it for the club. We will be selling our small band saw and will need to get at least \$36.00 for the new blades that were just purchased.

* **Russ** heard at the Florida Woodturning Symposium that some clubs were donating covered bowls for "Beads for Courage" for children going through cancer treatments. They get a bead for each treatment, but have obtained more than they can wear as necklaces, etc. and need a place to keep the other beads that they obtain. If you are interested in donating a covered bowl about 6 – 8 inches in diameter and 3 – 4 inches deep, see Russ Bremmer. The organization needs about 150 bowls for all the children there.

* **Russ** thanked Harvey Driver for being the equipment manager that set up and took down all the lathes and other equipment used at the Florida Woodturning Symposium this year and all the previous years that he has been responsible for taking care of the equipment.

* **Severall** of our members won major prizes at the Symposium. Jim Goodman and Bob Davis each won \$250.00 shopping sprees for any vendor at the Symposium. Bernie MacDonald won a package for three days tuition with Jimmy Clewes in his shop in Las Vegas. Jim Goodman also won one of the major raffle prizes. If you didn't attend the Symposium, you missed out on a lot of great turners and a lot of great prizes.

* **Charlie Cecrle** will be taking over the duties of getting shirts for the club. Bring your own new shirt to the meeting and what name you want on it and Charlie will collect the shirts, get the embroidery done and return your shirt to you at the next meeting. SCWT Logo and name on shirt is \$14.00; a patch with Logo only is \$9.00. The person can also do ball caps, jackets, etc.

* **Proposed future hands-on sessions:** 1 - Making your own hook tool. 2 – Thread chasing by hand. Ken Thurman has agreed to teach this, but you will need to purchase your own thread chasing set. He recommends a 16 TPI set. You will have to order these before the hands-on. Once all of you that are interested have the tools, a hands-on session will be set up.

* **Proposed club activities** - Russ wants 4-6 volunteers to find charities in the area that we can donate to; getting the club better known in the area by teaching turning, charities, being active in community activities, etc.

Auction – brought in \$64.00 for the club.

SHOW & TELL (From now on, bring as many items as you want to display, but, please, only tell about one of them so the demonstrator will have plenty of time for the demo.)

Bill Howard – 2 pens – 1 of Olive wood, and the other of Ebony

George Guadiane – Hollow form with several large voids – Elm burl

Dave Search – Bowl from board – Alder – this is the bowl that came off the lathe at the demonstration he did in November. He finished it at home later.

Dan Dragon – 2 bottle stoppers - one of Spalted Beech and the other of Maple

Russ Bremmer – Jig for making long finials

Vice President's Challenge – None scheduled for January

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RAFFLE WINNERS

\$10.00 Gift Certificate from Craft Supply – Dave Search

\$10.00 Gift Certificate from Craft Supply – Bruce Lansdowne

\$10.00 Gift Certificate from Craft Supply – Bill Howard

Free DVD rental – John Conway

Block of Black walnut wood – Rick Skluzacek

Share the Wealth – Nothing this month

Bring Back – Winner – Rick DeTorre – Bowl – Norfolk Island Pine – Winner – Bruce Lansdowne (bring back in January, since there will be no regular meeting in December). Bruce Lansdowne should have brought back an item in January, but he forgot it.

If you are not familiar with the **Bring Back** idea, it is where a member turns something and donates it to the club. Then the winner of the drawing (has to be a member, not a visitor) gets to keep the item and then must turn something and bring it back the next month and donate it. The item doesn't have to be the same thing; it can be anything that you turned.

If you are not familiar with the **Share the Wealth** idea, it is where members donate an item that they have turned and it is raffled off to another member/visitor. It is a good way to collect turned items from others and the cost is FREE. What a great bargain.

Hope to see you at our February 11, 2015 meeting.

See next page for demo notes

Demonstrator – Russ Bremmer Lidded Box

Materials needed: Wood of choice, 3 x 3 x 3 – 6 inches long (depends on the size of box you want to make). Should be spindle turning orientation – grain running parallel with the ways of the lathe

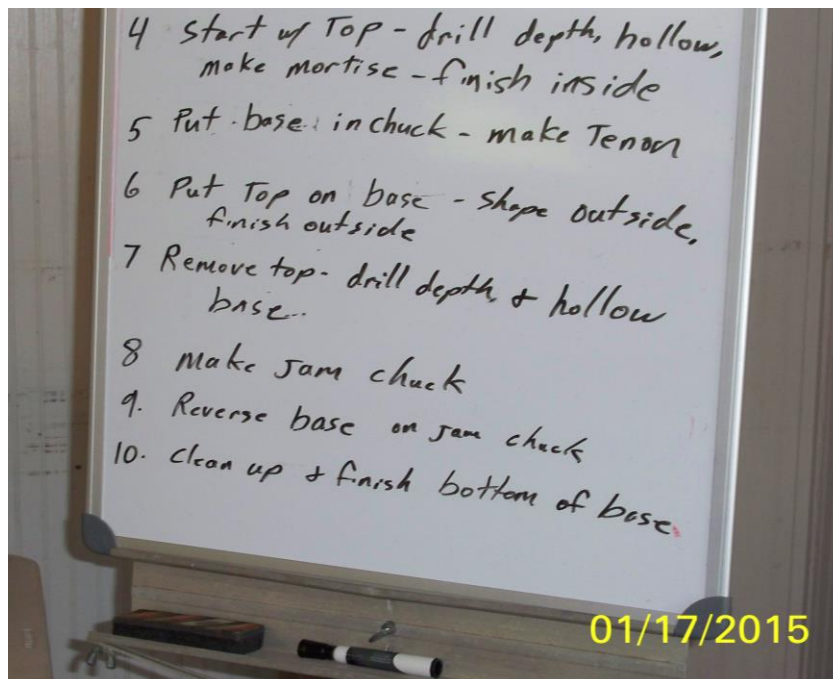
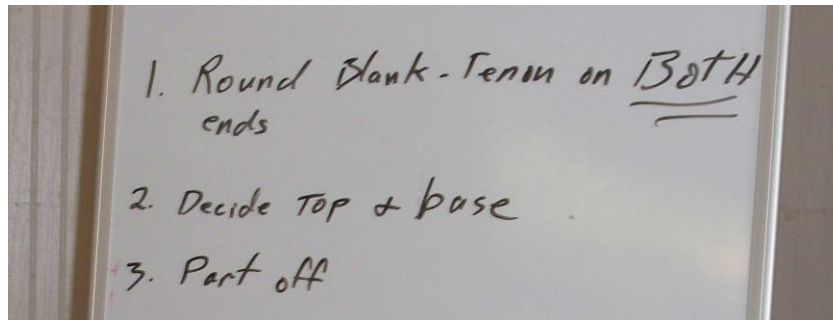
Tools needed:

Spindle roughing gouge or tool of choice for making a square block into a cylinder

Parting tool and thin parting tool; Spindle gouge and/or detail spindle gouge; Half round scraper; Drill bit and Jacobs chuck, chuck, dividers, outside caliper, and most important – Safety gear.

Optional – Square nose scraper; skew; box scraper; 1/2" detail gouge; small detail gouge; hook tool; heavy duty hack saw with 18 TPI blade.

(Editor's note) A good reference for how to make lidded boxes is Ron Browning's demonstration handout from the 2009 Florida Woodturning Symposium. On the internet, look up Ron Browning Woodturner, click on demonstration handouts and download it. Also try Richard Raffan books about making boxes. Look on the internet for Turned Wooden Lidded Boxes – there are several YouTube videos that show and explain how to make a lidded box. There are probably more, but these were the first ones I saw. There is so much information on the internet, that you may spend all your time looking at videos and not in the shop actually making stuff. Our club probably has videos on making lidded boxes. Take advantage of our video library. Instead of me going through all the steps I took a picture of the white board that Russ made at the January hands-on session about how to make a lidded box.



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Some pictures from the January Hands-on session



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The Chapter's Purposes,
in addition to supporting the general purposes of
the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of WOODTURNERS,
Inc., are to:

1. Provide a meeting place for local woodturners
2. Share ideas and techniques regarding this craft
3. Trade woods
4. Exchange ideas about tools
5. Exhibit finished projects

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