



# The Burl

Member Chapter

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Next Meeting  
**Thursday, August 13, 2015**

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## **LET THE CHIPS FLY.....**

I still sound like a broken record with the end of July and beginning of August running in the upper 90's and lower 100's. Even the Salem Saturday Market (which my wife and I are members of) has closed earlier in the afternoons to avoid the harmful effects of the heat on vendors, customers, and many products. Everyone is having to adapt to the heat in Oregon by limiting their exposure time and staying well hydrated.

The club purchased the Jet 1742 lathe I mentioned at the July meeting. We also purchased the wheel lift base for moving the lathe and dropping it to a solid base. Bruce Stangeby, Terry Gerros, Bob Quadros and Jeff Zens assisted me with the lathe.

We also got a new 55 gallon drum of Anchor Seal which Jeff Zens will handle for the club. To keep with the club's tradition of selling the Anchor Seal back to club members at cost, the gallon cost has risen to \$11.00 to reflect the current barrel increase. Jeff and I were assisted by Bob Quadros.

For those new members who may not be familiar with what the Steam up is and what WVW's part in it is, I will give a little history. The Steam up is an annual event held at the Antique Powerland site just west of I-5 at the Brooks exit. For two weeks a lot of the various steam engines and devices are fired up for spectators to see how steam was (and in some cases still is) used to power industry, shipping, farming, etc. as the normal workhorse. WVW has been involved for many years as a demonstrator to showcase the use of lathes and what can be made on them. WVW turns in a building adjacent to a very old ship's steam engine. The ship's engine is fired up several times a day and is a site to see and wonder about how things were done in the past. It is definitely an event worthy of seeing and or participating in. As of the writing of this article the August session hadn't been done and participants will be acknowledged at the August 13 meeting.

The State Fair is another volunteer event which the club has traditionally been involved in. We demonstrate the last 6 days of the fair. As usual we have a 20' x20' booth space with as many as 9 mini or midi lathes furnished by the club and members. To participate you need to be a paid member and sign up at the meeting.

A sign-up sheet will be on the secretary's desk just as you enter our meeting. You can also call me, Bob Hutchinson, at 503-508-3279. Our main goal is to promote the club in order to attract more people who turn or would like to learn how to. It is not only a chance to meet and talk to the public about what we do, but you also get to spend time with a group of turners who are always willing to share ideas and techniques with each other. This year we will be in Columbia Hall just north of the Jackman Long building where we have been in the past. You do not have to be an experienced turner. My first year I turned after having only 2 hours of lathe experience.

Unless things have changed since I last heard, there are still 3 open spots that need to be filled for this month's work sessions.

Remember to bring show and tell items on the 13<sup>th</sup> as there is a drawing to win a gift certificate. Only those who enter an item are eligible to win.

Looking forward to seeing ya'll on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Bob Hutchinson, WVV President

### July 2015 Treasurer's Report, by Henrik Åberg

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$7,544.02</b>		
July Income		July Expenses	
Raffle	\$91.00	Glue Purchase	\$ 180.00
Glue/Anchor Seal Sales	\$150.00	Mobility System and Chuck Insert	\$236.81
		Lathe	\$1560.00
<u>Total July Income</u>	<u>\$241.00</u>	<u>Total July Expenses</u>	<u>\$1,976.81</u>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$5808.21</b>		

### July Membership Report, by Henrik Åberg

No change from last month. The club has 103 members.

## Club Business

### Current & Upcoming Events

#### August Demo, Alan Carter

Creative ability to "think outside the circle"

August 13, 2015

Mark the date and plan to attend. Our August demonstrator will be Alan Carter from North Carolina. Alan will share his creative ability to "think outside the circle" and share his thought process from design to finished product.

With a degree in music from Indiana University School of Music, he started his artistic exploration. From painting photorealistic urban landscapes to designing and building contemporary furniture, Alan has allowed the right side of his brain to guide his endeavors.



His design influences are many and varied. The shapes and proportions of interesting buildings may spark an idea. Art Deco and Asian influences are certainly evident in some of his pieces. He often lets the wood itself suggest the shape or pattern. Even organic sources such as land formations and plant structures can have a subtle pull.

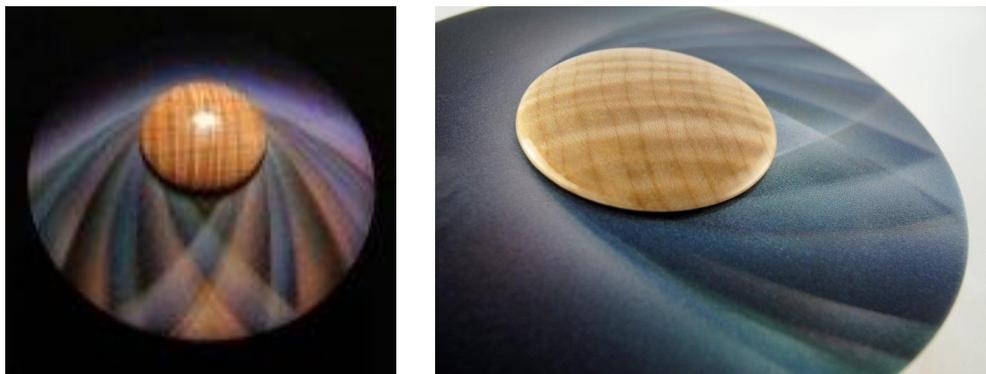
Regardless of the influence, the end result will be intriguing.

Alan will also lead a workshop on Saturday/Sunday (August 15-16) for those interested. The cost will be \$220 for the weekend. This one will fill up quickly, so please sign up soon.

## September Demo, Jay Shepard

Air Brush Magic

September 10, 2015



In September, **Jay Shepard** from Olympia, WA will join our group to demonstrate the techniques he has developed with a standard *air brush* and water based acrylic finishes. ‘Magical’ is the word that comes to mind as you look at his pieces which tend to float in space. A total ‘WOW’ factor.

Jay attended Central Washington State receiving his BA in Art. Continuing with his passion, Jay received his Masters of Fine Art from Arizona State University. In the beginning of his career, the term ‘starving artist’ did not appeal to Jay. So after graduating, he quickly realized he needed to get a ‘real’ job. Working for the Washington State Department of Ecology, he has helped develop award winning programs of waste reduction and recycling.

Recycling is more than just a plaque on the wall for Jay. He takes recycling into all aspects of his art. Using locally available wood and calling it ‘urban salvage,’ Jay recycles scrap or rejected wood and transforms it into something more attractive, an art piece!

## October Demo, Dale Larson

October will bring **Dale Larson**, the past President of the American Association of Woodturners and member of the Cascade Woodturners in Portland. More info about Dale's demonstration will follow in the September newsletter.

## Instant Gallery

At each club meeting we have a table set up for members to show off their work in the instant gallery. Each month you have a chance to show off and tell about your skill and woodturning efforts. All you need to do is bring a piece and fill out the short label telling about the piece. A renowned turning critic will give you their opinion about the work and you may even walk away with a nice gift certificate from Craft Supplies USA. All those attending get to vote for the people's choice. It's a great way to exchange ideas and see "how it's done". Be sure to bring something to show at the next meeting.



## Membership Rewards

### Library

A friendly reminder to members with books and /or videos checked out from the library. Please return them at this next meeting.

### Wood Gathering

Sign-up sheets will be available to indicate your availability to help with wood gathering. Anyone who learns of a tree or log that is available to the club should notify Jerry Lelack (503 510-1577) or Bob Hutchinson (503 508-3279). The intent is to gather wood, process it to usable pieces, store it at the home of Terry Gerros, and then make it available to members. Terry can be reached at 503 580-5013.

### From Terry Gerros:

I am a distributor for Stick Fast CA glue, Sharpfast Sharpening systems, and the Holdfast vacuum chucking system. If you have an interest in these products, give me a call or send me an email for details.

### Supplies

The club purchases a few supplies in bulk and sells it to members at club cost. We routinely have superglue (\$5), black or brown superglue (\$10) accelerator (\$6) and Anchor Seal (\$10/gal). The club purchased a small supply of half round protractors (\$6) used to measure the angle ground on a tool, and depth gauge (\$5). Bob Quadros will have the resale items still available at the meeting. Please bring the correct change for the items you want.

## Club Member Discounts

- From Jeff Zens: The club's Craft Supply order will be going out on **August 17th** if our order equals or exceeds \$1,000. Craft Supply gives us a 10% discount plus free shipping in all items, and occasional additional discounts on certain other items and quantity purchases. If you order from the sales items, you will receive the club discount in addition to the sale discount, making many items available at very attractive prices. When filling out the web site order form, please use the item number and complete item description from Craft Supply's web site. Do not use an old catalog item number, as these might not be current. Occasionally, Craft Supply is out of an item, and I'm notified that it is on back-order. I will assume that if an item is ordered, it's wanted as soon as it becomes available. If you do not want an item if it is back-ordered, make that comment in the "Notes" column on the club's order page on the web site. I work with Craft Supply to have back-ordered items shipped directly to the member's home address ad no additional cost. For this to work effectively, the entire order must be paid for when your in-stock items are picked up. While I'm not equipped to accept credit cards, cash or check are both fine.

Contact me with any questions at [jeffzens@custombuiltfurniture.com](mailto:jeffzens@custombuiltfurniture.com).

- Club members are registered with Klingspor's Woodworking Shop at [www.woodworkingshop.com](http://www.woodworkingshop.com) or 800-228-0000, they have your name and will give you a 10% discount.
- Hartville Tool will give club members a 20% discount for the next year and a 15% discount after that: [www.hartvilletool.com](http://www.hartvilletool.com) or 800-345-2396
- If you show your club card at checkout time to the cashier at Woodcraft in Tigard they will give you a 10% discount (may not apply to some machinery).
- Exotic Wood is offering a discount of 15% off any orders placed at: [www.exoticwoodsusa.com](http://www.exoticwoodsusa.com) . (This includes sale items and free shipping on orders over \$300). Use promo code ewusaAAW
- Gilmer Wood now offers our club a 10% discount on purchases made there. If you haven't been to Gilmer's, it is well worth the trip to Portland, if only to make your mouth water and make you cry if you leave empty handed.
- North Wood Figured Wood can be viewed at North Woods Figured Wood. Here's our website [www.nwfiguredwoods.com](http://www.nwfiguredwoods.com) . Please take a look! We're happy to offer you our courtesy 15% discount. Anyone from our club can simply type in "WOODTURNERS" at check out to receive the sale price. No minimum purchase. We've got beautiful Big Leaf Maple, Black Locust, Madrone, White Oak, Ash, Elm and Yew.....turning blanks, slabs, burls and lumber.

### Club happenings in our area

(Please visit the club's website listed below for additional information)

Northwest Woodturners (Beaverton, OR)

<http://www.northwestwoodturners.com/>

Meet first Thursday at Franklin High School

Cascade Woodturners (Portland, OR)

<http://www.cascadewoodturners.com/>

Meet Third Thursday at Franklin High School

Beaver State Woodturners (Eugene, OR)

<http://www.beaverstatewoodturners.com/>

Meet fourth Thursday at Woodcraft

Southwest Washington Woodturners (Vancouver, WA)

Dan Baker (President), email: [ridgewoodworks@aol.com](mailto:ridgewoodworks@aol.com)

Meet fourth Wednesday at the Friends of the Carpenter's Center

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