



The Burl



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Thursday May 9, 2019 6:30 pm



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President's Message – May, 2019

Last month's presenter, Trent Bosch, opened some new woodturning doors for several club members, including me. I'll be the first to admit that turning a hollow vessel was a bit mysterious to me, and a bit intimidating as well. "How in the world is it possible to get all the wood out of the inside of a bowl-sized chunk, when you can't see where the tool is? And how do you not turn the piece so the outside merges with the inside? And how do you do all this without causing serious injury?" I've asked myself each of these questions each time I've seen a wonderful hollow-form turning. If you've wondered the same things, you're not alone.

Trent's weekend class was well-attended. Sadly, I was only able to take advantage of one of the two days; I wish I had had the time for both. As it turns out, there ARE some specialized tools and techniques necessary to work like this, but once you get the knack of it, creating a basic hollow form isn't all that difficult. That's the benefit of working under the watchful eye of an instructor who has turned hundreds of these objects, and, in a larger sense, classes like these are one of the benefits of club membership. I thought I would take an opportunity this month to explain how these events happen, and how they are paid for.

One of the vice-president's jobs is to serve as the Programs chair, and arrange presenters for the monthly meetings. Some presenters, like Nick Stagg this month, are long-time club members and do these demonstrations as a wonderful service to the membership. Others, like Trent and Eric Lofstrom come from farther away and charge the club for their time. The effort to bring Trent to Oregon began well over a year ago, which is typical of well-known turners. Other big-name turners are booked out as much as two years in advance.

When the WVV brings in a demonstrator with a particular skill or who is well-known on the national woodturning scene, we try to set up weekend classes to take advantage of their presence in Salem. The fees charged by the club to class attendees are designed so the club breaks even after the presenter's fees and travel expenses are paid, assuming a full class. While it might seem exorbitant to charge a couple hundred dollars for a weekend class, the club isn't making money on these events, and these fees are well in line with what similar organizations charge their members for instruction of this caliber.

Professional turners also charge the club a fee for the Thursday night demonstration, and those fees are paid for out of the treasury – in other words, our annual membership dues. Members who attend the meetings are beneficiaries of the demonstrations, and are getting the most "bang for the buck" from their membership.

I hope this brief message provides both an incentive for all of our members to attend monthly meetings and classes, and an explanation of how the events are pulled together. When you see this year's vice president, Darcy Tataryn, please say thanks for organizing all of this amazing woodturning education!

~~ Jeff Zens

April 11, 2019 Club Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Milt Engelke, Secretary

- President Jerry Zens
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Recognition of Club Members providing exceptional leadership for the Oregon Wood Turners Symposium, Special recognition to Paul Hirt, Terry Gerros and Henrik Aberg and Mark Choitz (absent) for overall organization and execution of an exceptional event.
 - Recognition of other clubs' members who volunteered was noted. Acknowledgement of the excellent presentation by our videographers (Larry Curry, Marc Vickery and Jeff Zens). Personally, I attended several sessions and support the video equipment, operators and presentations as BEST OF SHOW.
 - Club received \$1500 from the Oregon Wood Turners symposium for our participation in organization and execution of the conference.
 - Craft supply order is at \$0
- Trent Bosch was the guest turner for the April Meeting. Trent was highlighted in the March Burl.
 - He is from Colorado and a noted tool maker and demonstrator. He also presented sold out classes on Saturday and Sunday.
 - Subject matter presented was turning wet myrtle wood and creating hollow forms. Among other things we can appreciate he also stressed safety concerning eyes, lungs and physical
- RAFFLE:
 - # of Lots 16
 - Funds raised \$76.00
- ATTENDANCE FOR CLUB MEETING 54
 - Members 29
 - New Members 3
 - Visitors 6
- Adjournment 8:40 pm



Paul Hirt, Terry Gerros, Pres. Jeff Zens and Henrik Aberg, (missing Mark Choitz)



Videographer Marc Vickery keeping up with Demonstrator Trent Bosch during Thursday evening program

Upcoming Events

Thursday May 9 - Demonstrator: Nick Stagg

Our May demonstrator is Nick Stagg. Nick is a gifted and skilled turner and teacher. Both new and experienced turners will benefit from watching Nicks demonstration. I asked Nick to describe his demonstration and this is what he said:



“I’ll talk about the most common tools and their intended use and why I sharpen them the way I do. It was mentioned that the club has a lot of new to turning members who would benefit from an explanation. We’ll touch on other tools that are used less - chatter tool, and I’ll put the skew in this category, texturing tool, negative rake scraper, etc. The emphasis, though, will be on making clean cuts without torn grain and if you have it, how to remove it. This will apply to both end grain and bowl blanks.”

Several club members who attended the Trent Bosch class already experienced Nicks skill at removing torn grain and can testify to the value of hat Nick can teach.

A special thank you to Elwood’s Tree Service for donating a pick up load of maple for the upcoming class. If you need any tree work done please consider supporting this business.

Our **June demonstration will be done by Richard ‘Dick’ Worthey**. He will be demonstrating the art of ring turning. No not the jewelry type of ring. If you look up ‘Reifendrehen‘ online you will have a better idea of what to expect.

Darcy Tataryn

Club Business

Treasurer's Report (4/6-5/3)

By Henrik Åberg, Treasurer

Beginning Balance	<u>\$15,955.43</u>	Ending Balance	<u>\$14,440.44</u>
<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenses</u>	
Membership renewals	\$70.00	Trent Bosch Class	\$2334.16
New Members	\$145.00	Class Hosting Fee	\$250.00
Raffle	\$76.00	Raffle Tickets Purchase	\$20.76
Trent Bosch Class	\$800.00	PayPal Fees	\$1.07
Total Income	\$891.00	Total Expenses	\$2605.99

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 Larry Curry, (503) 537-9243 or (503) 701-6624. 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, the Holdfast vacuum chucking system and Saburrtooth Carving bits. 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 (\$10) and Anchorseal (\$9/gal). The club has a small supply of half round protractors (\$6) used to measure the angle ground on a tool, and depth gauges (\$5). HSS Round Tool Bits rods (1/4" x 8") are also available (\$3). Jerry Lelack will have the resale items available at the meetings, except for Anchorseal which is available through [Jeff Zens](#). You will need to bring your own gallon jug; contact Jeff to make arrangements.

Club Member Discounts

- **Craft Supply:** The club's order will be going out on the Monday following our Club Meeting if our order equals or exceeds \$1,000. Craft Supply gives us a 10% discount plus free shipping on 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. For detailed instruction for ordering see the article in the [November 2015 Burl](#). Questions? See jeffzens@custombuiltfurniture.com.
- Club members are registered with **Klingspor's Woodworking Shop** at www.woodworkingshop.com or 800-228-0000, they have your name and will give you a 10% discount.
- 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. (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.

Club happenings in our area

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

Northwest Woodturners (Beaverton, OR)

www.northwestwoodturners.com

Cascade Woodturners (Portland, OR)

www.cascadewoodturners.com

Beaver State Woodturners (Eugene, OR)

www.beaverstatewoodturners.com

Oregon Coast Woodturners (Newport, OR)

www.oregoncoastwoodturners.com

Southwest Washington Woodturners (Vancouver, WA)

www.southwestwashingtonwoodturners.com

South Coast Woodturners (Coos Bay, OR)

<http://southcoastwoodturners.com/>

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