

July 06



Next Meeting:

@Woodcraft, the third Thursday of every month

July 20, 2006

Turning Challenge Schedule:

July: Arts & Crafts Turning
August: Pens
September: Platter
October: Lidded Box

Program Schedule:

July: Don Dillon, Turning Pens
August: Jim Bumpas Platter & Texturing
Picnic @ Sid's
September: Roy Tedesco
Lidded box
October: ?
November: Virginia Symposium
December: Christmas Party

New Members:

Visitors:

Richmond Woodturner's Newsletter

Taking It to the Next Step with Dan Luttrell

It's time to think beyond the basics of gouge, skew and parting tools. "How would you turn a wooden bong or nuts or bent things?" Jigs are our friends. With help from Tom Crab, Dan got the idea to turn the columns of the bong separate using multi-axis experience. Then glue them on and hide the glue lines with fancy trimmings. (If you make it, someone will buy it.) Need to turn something with a bend in it (like antler for letter openers) – make a hollow jig and attach it to your Cole jaws.

NUTS are Dan's thing. He suggests that you keep good notes on the developmental process and don't lose them. (Sometimes the most important tool in the workshop can be a file cabinet.) Start small as there is less wood to waste and check through those chips before you compost any of your tools. (It's takes them forever to compost but only a day to rust.) OK back to the nut. (See Nuts on P2)



Phil English & 4-H

June 17 was train the 4-H Summer Camp Volunteers at Phil's workshop in Thornburg. He borrowed (from Ray) and the club bought two mini-Jet lathes so each person had one. Being total beginners, instruction emphasized safety and only 3 tools (roughing gouge, bowl gouge, parting tool). Each volunteer had someone watching them to keep them from causing too much self-inflicted damage (Phil believes in the blood-letting teaching method). The seven novices (including Dr. Kathleen Jamison from Tech) turned a rolling pin and a small bowl. Phil was at his best passing out coffee and donuts. (See 4H on P2)

Announcements:

Library Needs:

The club library is in need of upgraded materials. Many of our tapes are older copies. If you have original Videos, DVD's, books, etc, please consider donating them to the club library. Please be cognizant of copyright laws.

Coming Soon:

The club is working on having a demonstration by Bob Rosand. Be on the lookout for details of this coming attraction. Check out his website at <http://www.rrosand.com/>.

Woodturner's Picnic @ Sid & Penny house in Reedsville Saturday, August 26. Drool over the size of their workshops, wonder at all the wood, visit the house, see their woodworking in their natural environment, eat their Bar-B-Q, drink wine or beer and hang out with friends. Bring the spouse, kids or friend.

Quick Tips

Mounting Big Hunks of Wood Drill a shallow hole into the blank the size of your spindle. Mount the blank on the lathe with the hole toward the headstock. Turn it as fast as your lathe will allow without it dancing. If the vibrations shake the blank loose, the spindle in the hole will still hold onto the wood long enough for you to shut it down.

(NUTS:) Turn the basic nut shape and leave the tendons. Mark the center line and band saw the nut $\frac{1}{4}$ inch off center. A sled will help with this process. Use dividers to find the center of half a nut and transfer the center from one half to the other side.

Mounting the nut is next. Drill a small hole 90° at the center. Mount the nut to a centering jig with a pin in the hole (no glue). This will hold the nut in the proper location for CA gluing the outside of the nut to the face plate. Glue 8 outrigger dowels to the nut and faceplate for extra support. Face off the piece and make a spigot on one half and a socket on the other half. Afterwards stick the halves back together and blend the ends and edges. At this point 60 grit sandpaper is your best friend. Dan used a power carver to shape and texture the nut later. Ray sells them at the store.

P-nut's basic shape is multi-axis turning with 2 cavities. It is mounted 6 different times.

Almond's basic shape is 2 bowls connect together.

In all cases, love that CA glue and 60 grit.



(4H:)There were several catches, two loose bowls (the same one twice) and one Band-Aid for a burn. Not bad for a first time. Lunch was provided by the extension agent, Cathy Corker, and others. Ray might have sold a new mini-Jet to a new wood turners.

4-H requested a manual with step by step clear instruction on how to turn. Phil, in his most diplomatic voice, told them to find someone else as he was retired.

Top Making Day was July 7 @ Woodcraft. Phil got all 150+ tops turned with the help of several club members.

Guys and Ladies:

We need 8 club members to provide hands on training and assistance to 28 4-H ers at the Northern Virginia 4-H Center in Front Royal on Aug 2 and 3. You will work individually with intermediate aged campers in turning a miniature baseball bat or rolling pens on 7 lathes.

We would like for you to spend the night and room and board will be provided by 4-H.

Please let me know if you can make this commitment. More info will be provided at our meeting next week.

SHIRTS

We have a company, Wick's, which will make shirts for us. They have many styles and colors from which to choose. With Richmond Woodturner and your name embroider on them; Thanks to Jim Pellick's efforts, the shirts ordered at the last meeting will be available at our meeting on July 20. Please bring your money - cash preferred. The shirts, including tax cost - T's \$18.68; Polo's \$22.25. A portion of the proceeds go to the club.

Next meeting we will get together another order. Lets all have shirts in time for the Virginia Symposium in November.

Guy Cox asks:

If anyone in the club has a small treadle lathe that I could borrow for a weekend of 19 August? If they do have them drop me a line a guycox@cox.net –

CHALLENGE



SAWDUST CHARACTER OF THE MONTH

Sid Mace has been with the club since 2003 and has been turning for 6 years. He has won over 25 First Places for his work in the last 5 years. At the present Sid has 3 lathes (2 One Ways & mini-Jet). Sid is retired and he and his wife, Penny, moved from Maryland and 50 acres to Reedville and just 5 acres. During the down-sizing process, Sid built a 2000 sq ft shop (needed it first so he could work on the house), the house, barn, canoes and an outdoor entertainment area. He likes to turn one-of-a-kind things, except for hats which cover the house. Sid also likes to cook (Bar-B-Que; Sid has more grills than lathes) and make Penny coffee in the morning. Being a good spouse, Sid built the house with a special place for Penny (award winning duck carver and sewing). Sid's space is much larger. Be sure to check out their home and perhaps other family members (2 kids & 4 grandkids) during the picnic in August.

The club that has the most amount of purchases for the month of July will receive 10 (ten) \$25.00 gift certificates. Please make sure that they mention this e-mail ad and state what club they belong to. If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call, thanks Clay Johnson

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Ray Deyo offers a 10% discount on non-power tools and supplies on meeting nights at Woodcraft for members only. Another very good reason to join!

Dues: \$25 individual, \$35 family & \$15 student. Member applications are available upon request at meetings or via email.

AAW Membership: Dues are \$40 per year. For this, you receive 4 issues of "The American Woodturner" (a \$30+ value), a great resource directory (over 450 pages), a huge annual symposium, personal grant opportunities, third party liability protection, and much more. If you are the least bit serious about woodturning, you can't afford to miss out on all this.

Library: Contact the club librarian to borrow tapes and other publications related to woodturning, for only a modest deposit or donation to the club, if you like. A reference list of available material will be forthcoming in the near future.

AAW: The AAW 2007 Symposium is scheduled for ??

The AAW 2008 Symposium is scheduled for RICHMOND, VA. All clubs within a 100 mile radius will be asked to help a lot.

Election of members for the Board of Directors will be soon. Our own, Dan Luttrell, is in the running.

Virginia Symposium Notes:

<http://www.virginiawoodturners.org>

2006 Virginia Woodturning Symposium November 4th & 5th This event will feature local and regional demonstrators and is designed to promote the craft of woodturning as well as renew the goodwill of Woodturners and prospective Woodturners throughout the region. The mission of this event is to provide an environment for networking and education for members of the regional woodturning community and for promotion of the art and craft from the lathe. Through active demonstrations we hope to provide avenues for expression in one's woodturning, as well as introducing non-turners to the craft.

Register now on-line

Dan Luttrell

Dan has been selected to run for a seat on the AAW Board of Directors. Only 6 will be elected, so let's give him our support when the elections are held. Look for more information in the AAW publication in the coming months.