



# RICHMOND WOODTURNERS

## December 2021



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## President's Corner

From Steve Kellner:

First off, I'd like to thank the board members whose terms were expiring for stepping up and agreeing to run for an additional term and Bill Buchanan for running for Past President #1. All were unanimously elected! Clubs like ours cannot flourish without dedicated members willing to serve. It's even more important in times of uncertainty like we've experienced the last couple of years. In addition to members serving on the board, I'd like to thank others who have volunteered; be that filling turning slots at the fair or helping in other ways.

I'd also like to thank Kelli and Ed and the Woodcraft team for all they have and continue to do for our club. They have allowed us to use the store and meeting rooms even when the store is no longer open Thursday evenings. They have put in extra effort to clear the meeting area which has made renewal of in-person meetings possible. We could not have continued as we have without their generosity.

I'm looking forward to the December meeting and Christmas party. I hope to see lots of challenge items as well!

And, I have not even mentioned the excellent demonstration we had in November! Ron Campbell's demonstration showed us how to shear cut with carbide cutters. It was excellent and inspired me to order the *RC Pro* package and accessory cutters that he used. I used the larger shear cutter with my Trent Bosch hollowing system and it worked like a charm! I expect the others will work as well when I get time to experiment.

Thanks for reading.

Steve

## Club Mission Statement

The following mission statement was adopted by the Board of Directors in December of 2020. *The mission of Richmond Woodturners is to provide education and information to those who are interested in woodturning and to promote woodturning as an artform within the club and to the general public.*

## November Meeting

There were 32 persons in attendance including folks on Zoom. There were two visitors; Kevin Fitzpatrick and William Alexander. Kevin joined at the meeting.

November's Show and Tell entries were combined with last month's items that were not shown because of a lack of time. There were 13 entries and the winner of the drawing was Jerry Fisher.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following positions were up for election at the November meeting:

- First Vice President/Program Director
- Past President #1
- Resource Director
- Membership Director
- Treasurer

David Bushman agreed to serve another term as First VP. Bill Buchanan agreed to run as Part President #1, since Bruce Robbins is currently unable to fulfill the duties because of illness. Stan Vandruff is the current Resource Director and stood for re-election. Chuck Bajnai stood for re-election as Membership Director and Cody Walker stood for re-election as Treasurer. There were no opposing candidates and all were elected by acclamation.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

The board of directors has decided to hold an in-person Christmas Party, with **NO** Zoom component, as the regular meeting in December. (December 16). The meeting will feature food, fellowship, a 4th quarter challenge, and a display of your favorite turning/show and tell entries. Members, spouses and prospective members are all welcome, preferably fully vaccinated and boosted.

**Please** ensure you have responded to the email from Katherine Harris to ensure your spot and help party planning by advising her what you will bring to share. Attendees must take home left-overs and serving utensils and supplies that they bring. If you have responded and change your plans, let her know. (katheri365@aol.com)

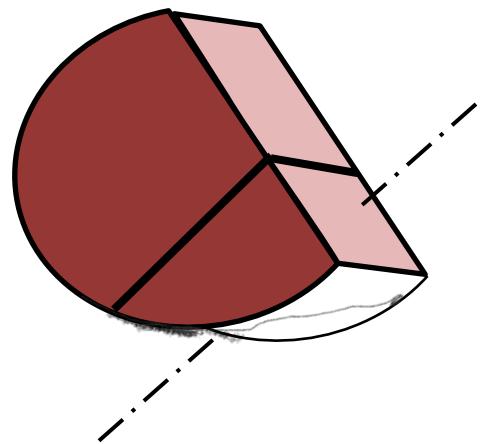
There are no plans to hold a gift exchange.

## November Program

The demonstration was on carbide tools and mindless turning. The presenter was Ron Campbell from AZ Carbide. At the end of the demonstration, he made one of his Axe tools available to be given by a drawing of attendees. The winner was Ron Bishop. Ron Campbell also provided a 10% discount coupon for members of the club.



Ron Campbell



Above is a rough sketch of a "mindless turning" blank, from an off-cut left over from preparing a bowl blank from a half log. The dashed line shows the mounting axis.



The off-cut mounted and turned round.

When final turned, it makes an interesting piece with a natural edge and unusual grain orientation. Do not shape it as a goblet with a thin stem, because the grain orientation is too weak. See more by searching for “Ron Campbell woodturning” and “AZ Carbide”.

## 2021 December Challenge

- 4th Quarter: Child's toy, with kid safe parts and finish

From Cody Walker:



Lighthouse stackers, pull train and hedgehog.

From Steve Kellner:



Toy Train: southern yellow pine with oak axles and walnut accents. 14" x 7" x 4". No finish. He plans to make an additional car.

From Ray Deyo:



“Pisher Frice” Rocking Ring Stacker. Turned poplar painted with acrylics and a lacquer clear coat.

From Bill Buchanan:



Race cars: purpleheart, ipe, walnut, and maple.  
Length: 8".

From Chuck Horton:



Cup and ball toys, inspired by a November 2021 article in AAW's *Woodturning FUNdamentals*. About 4 ½" x 2", turned from Bradford pear. Sanded to 400 grit and burnished with shavings.

**Editor's Note:** AAW recently featured an article from the August 2011 *American Woodturner* which described how to make a kendama, which is a cup and ball toy on steroids. It is much more challenging to turn and much more challenging to use than the cup and ball toy. Look it up if you are bored by what you have been turning.

From Walt Conner:



These are baby rattles, made of walnut and poplar (he thinks). They are finished with Howard's Butcher Block Oil and Conditioner (to be child-safe). It is essentially mineral oil, beeswax and carnauba wax.

## December Favorite Turnings or Show and Tell

From Dan Lutrell:

(Inadvertently left out of the November newsletter)



Repair pieces for an antique mirror. Two new, one repaired mahogany. Finish to be applied by client.

Also from Dan Lutrell:



This is his "Turning of year." "Hollowbowl", cherry, artificially aged. 12" dia. x 4-1/2" deep.

From Steve Kellner:



S&T: beaded Christmas hollow form ornament, magnolia and tulipwood. 2" x 5", no finish. He used a beading tool that he wanted to try on something small. The wood burning tip was too hot so smoke 'stained' the Magnolia. He doesn't have any paint pens yet and hasn't come up with a pattern so he left it plain.

From Steve Schwartz:



Ash Bowl with Herons 15" dia., x 4" tall

From David Bushman:



This is his favorite turning for the year. It is a hackberry bowl that has been embellished with carving and wood burning. The finish is wipe on poly on the exterior and General Finishes Milk Paint on the interior. It is 11" in diameter and 7" tall.

From Chuck Horton:



Ornament tree: this is a collection of some of the ornaments he made for Christmases past.

From Luigi D'Amato:



Hollow form: cherry, about 20 cm.



The mask is maple, about 15 cm.

## Future Meeting Programs

From David Bushman:

**January** – Yours truly will give a demonstration of my carving technique. I'll show how I layout and carve one of my footed open forms with the flower petal effect. There won't be any wood chips flying but a lot of saw dust created.

**February** – I have a couple topics I am working on and will have it finalized in a couple weeks.

**March** – Two more of Ray Deyo's shop tours.

**April – Open Lathe Night!** - If you have something you want to share with the club but it only takes 15 or 20 minutes here's your chance. We will have two lathes set up so while one person is doing their demo the next person can be setting up for the next demo. If you have something you want to share let me know the subject and how much time you will need. If we don't have enough people for fill an hour and a half time slot President Steve is going to give a slide show of his trip to Hawaii so let's go folks.

Thanks, David Bushman

## Membership

We have eighty-nine members renewed or joined as of December 1. As of this date, about 13 people have renewed their membership for 2022. Please welcome new member, Kevin Fitzpatrick, who joined in November.

### 2022 DUES – From Chuck Bajnai, Membership Chairman

*"Membership has its Privilege" is true for Richmond Woodturners. By joining you can participate in our monthly meetings, share fellowship with like-minded people and learn new techniques to push your turning skills to new levels. Also, membership includes an emailed copy of our monthly newsletter.*

Chuck Bajnai will collect dues at the December Christmas party for 2022. As it was last year, dues are \$35 for an individual and \$45 for a family.

You can pay:

- with cash at upcoming meetings,
- by check made payable to *Richmond Woodturners, and mailed to Cody Walker.*
- online using paypal. Paid this way, the dues are \$36 for a single person or \$46 for a family.

Visit our website, [Richmondwoodturners.org](http://Richmondwoodturners.org) for the link.

If paying by check and you want to mail it, Cody Walker's address is: 19375 Vontay Rd., Maidens VA 23102

## News of Note

### BOARD MEETING NOTE

As discussed at the last board meeting, demonstrations need not be an hour and a half and produce a finished product. The purpose of a meeting demonstration is to promote interest, improve a skill, inspire a new idea, and otherwise fulfill the club's mission. (See the mission statement.)

Therefore, the board hopes to feature more member participation in club demonstrations next year. Perhaps you have new tool to show off? Maybe someone will step up to moderate a discussion. Or a

hands-on demo of gouge techniques? What about a club sharpening session? Woodburning as an embellishment? We may have more meetings with multiple lathes doing the same thing or all doing different things. We need someone to coordinate and schedule such events. If you have some communication skills and want to contribute to the club, you can be the next First Vice President.

### **VIDEO SHOP TOURS**

Because the fourth quarter meeting is the Christmas Party, the board has deferred the next shop tour presentation until March of 2022. The current intent is to have two video shop tours as the program once each quarter.

Ray Deyo and Stan VanDruff would still like you to volunteer for a shop tour video. Each video will run about 30 minutes after editing.

Ray and Stan have designed the tour to be simple, easy, and stress free. The visit will be on a date of your choosing, with a list of anticipated questions provided early so you can think about your answer before they arrive. To avoid any surprises, they will also fully review their approach with you before they begin.

To volunteer your shop for an upcoming “RW Shop Tour”, please send a note to Ray Deyo via the email listed below. Eventually, they would like to visit every club member. Contact Ray at [makeitround@comcast.net](mailto:makeitround@comcast.net). This will be beneficial to everyone!

### **CLUB LOGO REDESIGN**

Larry Yancey is heading a committee of one to prepare options. There will be an announcement when final options have been selected. Most of those shown in previous newsletters have been eliminated from consideration. If anyone has an original digital version of the current logo, please forward it to a board member. If you have an idea, please submit it to Larry. More later.

### **Income and Expenses**

Previous Balance: (November 1, 2021)	\$8522.30
Income	349.16
Expense	0.00
New Balance: (December 1, 2021)	\$8871.46

### **For Sale**

**OneWay 1018 lathe:** Needs controller. Priced accordingly at \$300. The following link is for a similar lathe, not the actual one for sale. <https://youtu.be/tcz0EvZrXt4> It is located in North Chesterfield. Contact Dan Luttrell.

### **Tips and Tricks**

Members are invited to submit entries they think will help other members. If you are passing on something you have learned from someone else or read in a publication, giving credit is always appropriate.

None were submitted this month.

### **Questions and Answers**

None were submitted this month.

## **2021 Officers and Committees**

### **Officers**

President – Steve Kellner

Vice President – Dave Bushman

Secretary – Larry Yancey

Treasurer - Cody Walker

### **Directors**

Membership Director – Chuck Bajnai

Activities Director – Katherine Harris

Resource Director – Stan VanDruff

Past President #1 – Ray Deyo

Past President #2 – Bill Buchanan

### **Committee Chairpersons**

Turning Competition – Jim O’Hanlon

Audio/Video – Jared Parker

Social Media – Vacant

AAW Women in Turning Liaison – Meg Turner

## Newsletter Staff

Editor – Chuck Horton

Contributing Reviewers

– Izumi Miller

– Ann Horton

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## From the Editor

### MEETINGS

Meetings occur on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. If you are attending via Zoom, you may log in at any time after 6:15pm. Do not wait until 6:30pm. The in-person meetings resumed on July 17 at Woodcraft on Broad Street. Come at 6:00pm to socialize and help set up.

### NEWSLETTER PRODUCTION TIMETABLE

Members are invited to submit pictures of their work for Show and Tell and for Challenges. Members are also invited to submit items for sale, tips and tricks, and to pose questions about woodturning.

Email entries to [hortoncharles876@gmail.com](mailto:hortoncharles876@gmail.com). Show and Tell pictures, as well as Challenge pictures, should be copied to Steve Kellner [rwt president202122stevek@gmail.com](mailto:rwt president202122stevek@gmail.com).

Entries may be submitted any time **prior to Wednesday of the week before the meeting**. Late entries may be held for publication in the next newsletter.

### NEWSLETTER CONTENT

Suggestions for additional content are always welcome. The goal is to have a club newsletter that is interesting and educational.

## Attention: Richmond Woodturners who shop on Amazon.com

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Richmond Woodturners recently registered with Amazon's Smile program to support charitable organizations. It's an easy, no cost way for your club to benefit from Amazon shopping expenditures.

Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charity; Richmond Woodturners. When you shop at [Smile Amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), you'll find the exact same products, prices and Amazon Prime benefits as with Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate .5% of the purchase price to Richmond Woodturners.

Here's how it works: to shop at Amazon Smile, simply go to <https://smile.amazon.com> from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. On your first visit, you may need to designate Richmond Woodturners to receive donations before you begin shopping. We are now one of over a million charitable organizations registered with Amazon Smile. From then on when you enter Amazon through <https://smile.amazon.com/> every eligible purchase you make will result in a donation to your club.

Buyers can use their same login and password they currently use. Any saved lists and profiles automatically transfer over as well.

Please consider registering with Amazon Smile and designating Richmond Woodturners as a beneficiary. You are welcome to encourage friends and family to do likewise. We will update membership on a regular basis on donations gained from this unique program.

## Sponsors and Friends of the Club

Organizations such as the Richmond Woodturners, Richmond Penturners and James River Woodcarvers would not exist if it weren't for the kindness of their sponsors. We are blessed and grateful to have the Richmond Virginia Woodcraft store supporting us and our activities. Members get a 10% discount on meeting nights for most turning related items.

Please remember this and support them at every opportunity! For the classes provided at this location see: <https://www.woodcraft.com/stores/richmond/classes>.

Look for classes taught by Ray Deyo, Clark Brummett, David Sterling, Brian Noble-Marx and others.



### Contact the store at:

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Email: [richmond-retail@woodcraft.com](mailto:richmond-retail@woodcraft.com)

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A screenshot of the Woodcraft website. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Green/Undried Woods, Kiln Dried Woods, Search By Size, Bargain Bin, Photo Gallery, Photo Contest, Education Center, Facebook Page, and Instagram Page. The main banner features the text "ONE OF A KIND TURNING BLANKS" and "WHEN ONLY THE BEST WILL DO - ALL INDIVIDUALLY PHOTOGRAPHED." over a background image of wood grain.

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