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Coming Attractions

Planned Demonstrations

October 21 Various Topics

Ron Kent

November 20 Small Scale Turnings

Jim Alexander

December 18 Egg Cup Race

Christmas party

Turning Tips #1

This issue of the newsletter contains the first set of turning tips. The tip sheets are set up so that they can be punched and put in a 5" X 8" binder. Thanks to Jack Tefft for this idea, and for creating the pages.

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MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, October 21, 7pm
Room 105
Industrial Sciences Bldg.
Colorado State University
\$5 admission

Bring something for the raffle, and get a free raffle ticket.

Ron Kent is Featured at October Meeting

by Lee Carter

Ron's signature is the rare translucent quality of his finished wood bowls. It's won him worldwide recognition. One can find his Norfolk pine bowls in art galleries across the country, in museums (the Louvre in Paris, the Vatican Museum, Boston's Museum of Fine Arts and the metropolitan Museum of ART in New York), in private collections (Woopi Goldberg, John Denver), even in movies (Speed, Short Cuts). The Pope has a Ron Kent bowl; Emperor Akihito has one. President Clinton has two – one that was presented to him during his visit to Hawaii in 1993, and one in the White House Collection, which was on display in te Smithsonian.

The artistic expression of Ron Kent began as a hobby twenty-five years ago in a two-car garage with a "toy lathe" his wife bought him for Christmas. His untutored carvings range from wooden bottles to decanters and bowls. Entirely self-taught, his use of "two-horsepower" lathe and original tools results from his own experiments. And his unique application of various woods, shapes, and procedures, have influenced other wood turners.

E-mail message received by Linda Fellion

Hi, I am Kevin Dunn from the RM Woodturners.

My idea is that we somehow list each of the members in the newsletter and a brief description of what their woodturning focus is or what are the main objects that they turn. This way, if members have questions about their own turnings, they would have an instant reference of who to contact.

Hopefully, it would go like this:

Bowls..... Trent Bosch -(type of lathe-chuck-etc.

Pens..... Richard Andersen -("

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John Doe -

Kevin Dunn - (Shopsmith 10-ER, Nova Chuck)

Spindles John Fosse- Commercial

Lathe Segmented Turnings ? ?
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Get the idea? I know I would feel comfortable picking up the phone and talking to someone with a Shopsmith, rather than Lee Carter or Trent Bosch. They obviously would be able to answer some basic questions to whatever type of turning.

Whadythink?

Thanks, Kevin.

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Use a McNaughton tool on wet wood only.

Jim Ferry



When burning a slot, it is easier and safer to attach the wire to a hacksaw frame.

Dick Branecki



A good source for brass chips is from a key cutting machine. The stores are glad to empty their bins once in a while.

Jack Tefft



Use an open end wrench as a standard gauge for measuring diameters on repeat pieces.

Jack Tefft



For final finishing, use a handful of turning chips to burnish the surface.

Soren Berger



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Welcome to Turning Tips #1

These turning tips have been provided from the shops and experiences of members of the Rocky Mountain Woodturners Club in Fort Collins, CO. We hope they will be helpful for your woodturning projects and may save some time and frustration.

Each quarter we will have new ideas and suggestions. A collection of these helpful hints will be a valuable asset in each shop's library.

Smooth Turning!



When sanding a turning composed of woods of varying hardness, you can avoid a wavy surface by using a firm block or stiff rubber backing for the sandpaper, instead of using your fingers as backing.

Gene Kurkis



Eliminate tendency of faceplate to collect dust by cleaning the faceplate with WD40.

Kevin Dunn



Use food coloring on birch, aspen, or maple sanding dust to create colored inlays. Colored dust must be dry before gluing into recess.

Dwight Brigham



Apply liming wax to open grain wood that has been dyed to create a contrasting color. Waxes come in a variety of colors.

Loren Ballard



To make a toilet bowl brush holder, use a 2-liter pop bottle as an insert and turn the receptacle around it.

David Nittmann



Try the drop test for a cloisonne insert. Drop the lid with insert on a rug twice. If the cloisonne doesn't pop out, the inlay is good.

Jim Ferry



To make your own sanding disks, cement bargain box sandpaper to wooden disks.

Jim Ferry



Rocky Mountain School of Woodturning Class Schedule

Date	Course Level	Cost
October 14, 15 & 16	Beginning Woodturning	\$145.00
October 20 & 21	Special Woodturning Workshop by Ron Kent from Honolulu, Hawaii	\$85.00
October 22, 23, & 24	Beginning Woodturning	\$145.00
October 28, Nov 4 & 11	Intermediate Woodturning	\$145.00
November 6 , 13 & 20	Advanced Woodturning	\$145.00
Special One Day Workshops		
November 1, 1997	Turned Pens, Pencils & Stick Pens Over a dozen different types of pens and pencils will be demonstrated	\$50.00
November 15, 1997	Turned Christmas Tree Ornaments & Accessories. A variety of Ornaments and other Christmas decorations that can be turned on the lathe will be demonstrated.	\$50.00
December 13, 1997	Quickie Christmas gifts including a variety of toy tops, wine stoppers, candle holders, etc, will be made in this workshop	\$50.00

Special tutored woodturning classes can be arranged on an individual basis.

Registration form for woodturning classes. For more information, call Lee Carter at (970) 221-4382.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Phone (_____) _____

Woodturning Class _____

Class Dates _____

Method of Payment
 Check Money Order Cash at first class.

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