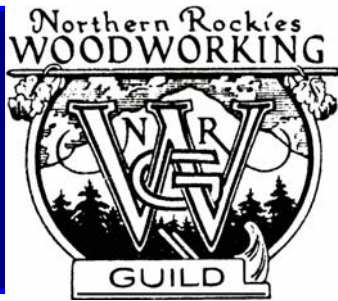


June 2005



Northern Rockies Woodworking Guild

May 2005 Minutes

Next Meeting

- The next meeting will be at Tom Robinson's shop with Gordon McMullen demonstrating Threaded Lid Boxes
- Tuesday June 7th, 2005 @ 7:00 P.M. (Note 1 week early because of Utah Turning Seminar)
- Guests always welcome

The Guild Web Site can be found at WWW.NRWG.ORG

If you are interested in joining the group, please contact one of the officers or come to a meeting. Guests with all levels of woodworking skills and interests are always welcome.

New terms from Jimmy;

Chatoyancy = tiger eye effect from the French word for cat eyes

chatoyant (*shə-toi'ənt*)
Having a changeable luster.

catenary (*kăt'n-ērē, kə-tē'nə-rē*) The curve formed by a perfectly flexible cable suspended from its endpoints.

- The May meeting was held at the Bozeman High School wood shop on May 3rd. The main topic of discussion was planning for the upcoming Jimmy Clewes demonstration. Schedules were set and final plans made as well as wiring for Tom's lathe for the demo
- The hands on sessions were changed from the High School to Tom's shop and more lathes rounded up to take care of the hands on sessions.
- 15 members in attendance
- The Utah turning symposium is coming up June 16th-18th. For more info go to <http://www.utahwoodturning.com/site/page/pg1205.html>
- More discussions were held about purchasing a club lathe for our use during meetings and allowing the school to use it at other times. A committee was formed to evaluate which lathe to recommend. Jim Palakovich volunteered to work on a grant request to the AAW to cover part of the costs of the lathe. This grant request needs to be submitted by July 15th for an award by September 1st. A committee was formed consisting of Tom Robinson, Gordon McMullen, George Stanislaw, Jim Palakovich, John Montagne and Dan Olsen to make recommendations as to which lathe to buy.
- Jim P. brought in the new cameras that the group purchased for the Jimmy Clewes demo and future demos. They produced quite an impressive picture.
- Because the Utah symposium is coming up close to the normal June meeting time it was decided to move the next meeting up one week to June 7th.



Jimmy Clewes Turning Event

Jimmy put on a great demonstration May 6th and 7th at the Bozeman High School wood shop. This was a great venue for the number of people that we had in attendance. Ken Emerson reports that we had 30 paid attendees for the 2 days of demonstrations. Both days were open for free to the students. On Friday both the wood shop and drafting classes attended as part of their normal class schedule and some of the class schedules

allowed the student to see two hours of the demonstrations. Gary Corneer, the shop teacher reported that over 235 students, administrators and teachers dropped in for a visit. The principal, Godfrey Saunders, stopped in twice to watch and met Jimmy. This has turned out to be a great chance for the guild to reach out to the students and allow us to



share the knowledge. This should work out to be a good relationship for the guild to allow us to grow and expand. The school shop is a great area for demonstrations with this number of people. Jimmy really opened up with the group and had a great interaction with everyone. He was very receptive to answering questions and was careful to make sure his accent did not get in the way. Many people that I talked with were very impressed with Jimmy's smooth tool control. It was really rare to hear any tool chatter and if it did occur, Jimmy would stop and analyze why it was happening and explain why and a possible fix.



Jimmy, Gunner and Gary Corneer



Jimmy likes to use denatured alcohol to raise the grain on the wood prior to sanding. The reasoning is this will give a better final sand. The advantage of alcohol over water is a faster drying time and the fun of setting it on fire. Jimmy explained this also helps to dry a wet turning. Gary Corneer quickly stepped up and explained to his students that they should not even ask because they were not going to use that technique in the school shop.



Glenn Bradbury, the drafting teacher also brought his classes in for the demo and he helped quite a bit both days of the demos. Rick Hedlund also brought his students in. The students were impressed with the long streams of chips coming from the wet turning. When the action stopped several students came up to get some samples.



Thanks to all that helped with the setup and work during the demo. This has been a very good event for all.



After the hands on sessions were completed, Jimmy received a guided tour of Yellowstone park with John Montagne giving us the inside scoop in the geology and history of the park. Jimmy reported that this was great way to cap off a month long trip to our side of the pond. He really enjoyed himself during the demos and hands on sessions and really enjoyed the people here. Thanks Jimmy, we had a great time too!

Check out the web site for more details and pictures about the event. Jimmy took back all the pictures so they might show up on his web site.

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

Demonstration

No demonstration as this was just a business meeting for the upcoming demo.





Tom Robinson received an e-mail about a demonstration by Richard Raffan.

Richard Raffan is returning to Calgary for the fifth time this July to conduct two workshops and a demonstration.

As he is planning retirement, this may be his near to last teaching trip.

The workshop descriptions are below and are also listed on the internet at www.blackforestwood.com please look under "Guest Instructors".

For those interested in the family tourist possibilities, the Calgary Stampede is July 8 to 17. Details can be found at <http://calgarystampede.com/><http://calgarystampede.com />

If there are any questions and/or to register please call our toll free number 1-877-686-6061.

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RICHARD RAFFAN WOODTURNING DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, July 9/05, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Richard will demonstrate a variety of small production items, boxes, bowls and lidded containers. \$55.00 Cdn approximately \$44.00 USD

RICHARD RAFFAN 3 Day WOODTURNING WORKSHOP

July 10 to 12/05 - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

In this hands on workshop you will learn how to dramatically increase your efficiency and confidence in turning a wide variety of projects. In addition to spindle work such as mallets and scoops an emphasis will be given to box making with soft suction over fitting lids and all types of bowls: open, lidded, with feet, beaded, nested and platters. You will hone your skills for cutting a clean surface using either a gouge or skew, hollowing end grain, use of scrapers and keeping track of internal depths. Methods for effectively sharpening tools to maximize the time turning will be covered. Richard will discuss any turning topic to support your learning.

Blanks in a variety of wood species are available for

purchase. Each person has the full time use of a Oneway or Vicmarc Lathe. You are welcome to bring your own tools and/or to use the tools provided.

\$450.00 Cdn approximately \$360 USD

RICHARD RAFFAN 5 Day WOODTURNING WORKSHOP

July 4 to 8/05 - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

In this 5 Day workshop, in addition to the topics covered in the 3 Day workshop, there are more opportunities for Richard to help you with projects of your choice.

Blanks in a variety of wood species are available for purchase. Each person has the full time use of a Oneway or Vicmarc Lathe. You are welcome to bring your own tools and/or to use the tools provided.

To reserve a space in the workshop a deposit of \$100.00 is required with the balance due June 1st. If you need to cancel your deposit will be refunded when your spot has been filled.

Register early to avoid disappointment.

\$750.00 Cdn approximately \$600.00 USD

Tom also received this e-mail.

Manzanita Burl Turning Stock from the mountains of Northern California. Available exclusively for members of Woodturning Associations and Clubs.

Indigenous to the high elevation and volcanic soil in the forests around Mt Lassen, this rare crimson red and gold hardwood is sure to inspire Woodturners with its unique elegance and heirloom quality.

A family business since the early 1980's, we harvest only choice, turning quality Manzanita Burl, selling direct to select Woodturning Clubs, offering choice burls that turn award winning pieces.

For information on prices and shipping, e-mail us at jackburl196001@yahoo.com<<mailto:jackburl196001@yahoo.com>>, or call us at 530-335-4279.

Jack and Elaine Dickson, Burney, California

If you have positive dealings with these folks or other suppliers, let me know and I will put them on the web site

Every shop needs a shop dog and the Bozeman High School is no exception. Gunner belongs to Gary Corneer, the shop teacher and Gary got Gunner through a rescue service. The students knew that Gary was getting the dog and asked him to bring it in so they could see him and the dog fit right in. The next day Gary left him at home and he drug everything around the house and made a mess so Gary brought him back to school the next day and he has been going every day since. Gary reports that kids that are not is



his class stop in to visit Gunny and there is a special needs class down the hallway that request him once in a while when they are having a 'bad day'



Thanks to our hosts Gary and Gunny for a great venue for our demo.

Gallery



See the web site for more pictures



Next meeting

The next meeting will be at Tom Robinson's shop 565 Mary Rd. Bozeman June 7th at 7:00. Gordon McMullen will demonstrate threaded lidded boxes.

Directions are Valley Center Rd. to Mary Rd. Turn North on Mary and it is the third house from the north end of Mary. We will be meeting in his shop which is just south of the house.

Be sure to bring your show and tell items. Guests are always welcome.

Meeting date and time = Tuesday June 7th, 2005 @ 7:00 P.M. (One week early from our normal time)

Most likely we will be taking our summer break after this meeting

