



Northern Rockies Woodworking Guild

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Officers

President
Jim Larson

Vice-president
Ivan Flock

Treasurer
Nick Nickleson

Secretary
Dean Center

Web Lackey
Jess Tode

Mentors
Tom Robinson
Tony Huckert

Next Meeting

April 9, 2013
Skew Chisel Rodeo
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Notes from the last Meeting

by Jess Tode March 18, 2013

Present: Officers Jim Larson, Nick Nickleson and about 25 members. 2 guests, Ben Banner, Jurgen Weiel.

Nick thanked all who helped him at the end of the last meeting and reports no lasting health effects. Treasurer's report: \$1684 balance. More treasurers' details attached. After discussion of Nick's numbers from the Trent Bosch demo it was pointed out that we still have a chance of getting an AAW grant.

Recommended bylaw changes were passed out with possible discussion and voting scheduled for next meeting.

Motion raised to change NRWG business year from current system of January 1st to December 31st business year to September 1st to August 31st to fit in with school schedule. Elections vaguely discussed to happen in September. Motion seconded and vote taken in agreement.

Show and tell had good turnout. Jess brought in a bug he found in a piece of Plum that Paul Marcoff had acquired in Billings. The report was the tree was cut down 1 1/2 years ago but the borer was very active. Subsequent to the meeting the head of the Bozeman Forestry division took the bug to MSU where it was identified as a Peach Tree Borer.

Raffle held. Trent Bosch demo items to be added to raffle pile

Meeting fell during the BHS spring break with Rick Hedland away but Glenn Bradbury was kind enough to open the doors for us.

No demo.

Treasurer's Report
January 8, 2013 to March 12, 2013

Balance Jan. 8, 2013 \$2334.42

Income

Nineteen 2013 dues \$ 380.00
Trent Bosch workshop registrations 1960.00
Two raffles 76.00

Total Income \$2416.00

Expenses

Treff Bosch fees \$2756.60
Tom Robinson - meals for Bosch 48.54
The Hartford-- Liability Insurance 261.00

Total Expenses \$3066.14

Balance March 12, 2013 \$1684.28

Nick Nickelson
Treasurer

Regional Workshops

**Woodturners of Olympia, WA
"Creativity in Woodturning"**

July 27 John Jordan and Jack Wayne (\$100)
July 28-31 4 days of all day hands-on with John
Jordan (\$150)

More info: woodturnersofolympia.org

**Fraser Valley Woodturners Guild, of
Abbotsford, BC**

Workshop with Binh Pho

April 13 Demonstration (\$35)
April 12, 14 Hands on with Binh Pho (\$150)
Held at Bow River Hardwoods, Chilliwack, BC
(just north of Bellingham, WA)
More info: fvwg.ca

Skew Chisel Rodeo—April Meeting Program

A hands-on skew chisel rodeo for all comers. No entry fee. No buckle will be awarded, as all participants will be winners.

The skew chisel brings out strong feelings in turners. Love it or fear it, here's a chance to improve your comfort level and your skill with one of woodturning's most versatile and effective tools.

We will start with about 2.5 minutes of introductory remarks by the chief clown.

Next, we will mosey on over to the grinder to review sharpening the skew with a radius edge, and look over the participants' skew chisels, making modifications in their grind, as desired.

Then we will divide into small groups and saddle up on one of the lathes. Each buckaroo will get a ride on his or her own or a sample skew, performing the 6 basic spindle cuts, while group members and advisers provide feedback. When all members of a group have had a chance at the lathe, any members who want a second go, get a re-ride.

Finally, we will round up all the wounded and gather in the corral for a brief discussion of lessons learned.

Things to bring:

- ☞ At least one, up to all, of your personal skew chisels
- ☞ A 1.5-2" diameter by 6-8" long spindle blank or two, (any cheap throw-away wood free of knots and twists is OK, though cherry is especially nice)
- ☞ Protective eye wear
- ☞ An open mind
- ☞ Band-aids

Dean Center, Master of Ceremonies



Proposed, new
Bylaws of the Northern Rockies Woodworkers Guild
Amended _____, 2013

Article 1

Northern Rockies Woodworkers Guild (NRWG) is an unincorporated group of individuals in southwestern Montana who enjoy woodworking and woodturning. NRWG is an affiliated chapter of the American Association of Woodturners, Inc. (AAW). The principle office of NRWG is in Bozeman, MT.

Article 2

All officers of NRWG must be members in good standing of AAW.

Article 3 - Purposes

NRWG's purposes include:

1. To provide a forum for local woodworkers and woodturners;
2. To share ideas and techniques regarding woodwork and woodturning;
3. To trade wood samples;
4. To exchange ideas about tools;
5. To promote education in woodworking and woodturning, for the members, students, and the community;
6. To bring demonstrators of woodworking/woodturning skills to Bozeman for workshops whenever funds are available and a demonstrator of current interest is available; and
7. To encourage students to develop woodworking and woodturning skills through work at Bozeman High School.

Article 4 - Membership and Dues

Each September, NRWG shall collect annual membership dues to cover its program expenses. The amount of these dues shall be reviewed at the September meeting. All persons paying dues shall be Members of NRWG. Individuals joining after January 1 shall pay 1/2 the dues for the remainder of the program year.

All Members may attend all regularly scheduled meetings, and may attend special demonstrations at a reduced rate.

Article 5 - Meetings

The program year for NRWG shall be September through August. NRWG members shall meet every month from September through May. Special meetings may also be scheduled during the summer. Meetings generally will be at Bozeman High School or in members' shops. During most meetings, a member will demonstrate a technique or skill to the other members. On occasion, a film or video may be used for demonstrations. Members are encouraged to bring new pieces, or photographs of recent work, to each meeting for "show and tell".

Article 6 - Voting and quorum for meetings

The business portion of meetings should be conducted using Roberts Rules of Order so that meetings can be conducted efficiently.

Actions taken at meetings shall require a simple majority of all Members attending the meeting, provided that proper notice has been given to all Members that the item will be voted on. So long as notice has been given, there is no requirement for a quorum to be in attendance.

Except as otherwise provided herein, email notifications sent out at least one week prior to a meeting shall be proper notice.

Article 7 - Officers

A. Number and Election. The officers of NRWG shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. These officers shall be elected annually at the September meeting. Such other officers as may be deemed necessary from time to time to carry out NRWG activities may be appointed by the elected officers. At the May meeting each year, a nominating committee shall be appointed to recruit nominees for officer positions the next September.

B. Term of office. The President and Vice-President shall each serve a term of one year, and the vice-president will usually succeed to the presidency in the succeeding year. The secretary and the treasurer will each serve for two years, and may be elected to a second consecutive term.

C. Removal. Any elected officer may be removed by the membership if it is deemed that removal is in the best interests of NRWG. Such removal requires a majority vote of the members after proper notice has been given.

D. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, or disqualification may be filled by the Executive Board for the unexpired portion of the term.

E. President. The president shall be the chief executive officer. His/her duties include: supervise and control all the business and affairs of the chapter; conduct chapter meetings and plan meeting programs; any other actions which may be necessary to carry out the preceding duties effectively.

F. Vice-President. In the absence of the President or in the event of his/her death, inability, or refusal to act, the vice-president shall perform the duties of president, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the president. The vice-president shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the president.

G. Secretary. The secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose, and see that notices of all meetings and any items to be voted on by the membership are duly given as provided for in these bylaws. The secretary shall keep the membership role and coordinate with the treasurer so that the treasurer can insure that all members are current in their dues. In general, the secretary shall perform all duties incident to the office of secretary, and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the president.

H. Treasurer. The treasurer shall collect all membership dues, and all other monies belonging to NRWG, and shall pay all bills incurred by NRWG. He/She will be responsible for keeping current and accurate records of all monies that flow through NRWG, and also for ensuring that all NRWG officers are paid-up members of AAW. In general the treasurer shall perform all the duties incident to the office of treasurer, and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the president.

I. Executive Board. The president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer together constitute an executive board, which can call special meetings, spend small amounts of funds for publicity, postage, printing, or other minor activities. Such expenditures by the executive board may not exceed two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) in a calendar year, without a further authorization from the membership. The Executive Board can act for the membership when required between meetings, but any such actions by the Executive Board must be presented to the membership at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Article 8 - Liability

NRWG shall maintain liability insurance to cover any liability incurred by officers or Members as a result of NRWG program activities

Article 9 - AAW Disclaimers: Fiscal and Legal

NRWG understands that AAW specifically disassociates itself from any debts, obligations or encumbrances of NRWG. AAW is not responsible for the debts nor shares in the profits of NRWG. AAW does not shoulder any legal liability for accidents that occur of any kind sponsored or not sponsored by NRWG.

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Article 10 - Amendments

These by-laws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by a vote of a simple majority of the members. Specific notice of proposed amendments to the by-laws must be given to all members at least 10 days prior to a vote. Copies of all modifications to these by-laws MUST be filed with the national office of AAW.

Graciously prepared for us by Jane Lerner, Esq. THANK YOU!

We will probably vote on accepting these new bylaws at the April meeting.