

# Northern Rockies Woodworking Guild

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## Next Meeting

Tuesday, January  
12 7:00 pm

Virtual Meeting on  
Zoom ([Join after  
6:45](#))

## Topic

### **It's a Roundtable**

(on a Square Screen):

Everybody bring one pesky problem or insoluble issue you've had and present to your pals. We'll discuss and hopefully find a resolution.

Please have your items handy for Show and Tell!

## Minutes of the last Meeting

The Zoom meeting was called to order by President Jarred McDaniel at 7:05 pm. We had 13 attendees.

### Treasurer's Report

Jim reported we have \$2219 in the bank.

### Old Business

Some of the Susan Razzano bowls are done, but there is no hurry at this point. Jarred and Susan's daughter are thinking about giving them to her at an in-person meeting and that won't happen for some months.

Dean heard from Dan Brown at the high school. They have not forgotten about us and are thinking it may be possible for us to resume meetings at the shop. In addition, Dan thinks we could resume the after school woodworking club. However, he suggests that we not get into planning until after the first of the year. I advised him that I did not know if the club or school helpers would feel comfortable returning at this stage of things. We will talk more in the near future.

### New Business

The January meeting will have a forum on problems that we have encountered with our woodworking. Each member should decide on his or her most pesky issue or unclear method and raise it as a question. We will then have a conversation about whatever aspects of woodworking the members have found most vexing.

### Show and Tell

We had a robust show and tell, including a dizzying tour of Len's spacious new shop. Boyd, Larry, Jim Rendle, Jim Palakovich, Jarred, Jess, Dean and Len all had items to show.

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### Announcements

With considerable sadness, we announce the passing of Jane Lerner. Jane has been the hostess for our club picnics for many years and assisted with revision of the club bylaws a few years ago. We all knew her as a gracious, welcoming, intelligent person. Her husband and life partner of 60 years Ron is understandably heartbroken. No services are planned at this time.

The topic for our January meeting is YOU. Everyone is asked to bring to our **Roundtable on a Square Screen** one problem or issue. Think of the peskiest problem or that seemingly insoluble issue you are having, or have had, with woodworking. You present it, we hash it over, and you will probably come away with several potential resolutions. One of them might actually work! (and, yes, literal thinkers, I know the screen is actually rectangular. It's alliteration, a poetic device. You can look it up)

Someone in Seeley Lake has a **Powermatic 4224 lathe for sale** including extras for a really good price. If you're dying to fill your shop with a half ton lathe, here's your chance. See Craigslist, search 'lathe'.

Tom Robinson recently helped a man who was moving out of state sell his shop tools. Tom may still have just what you want, and if not, Tony has a couple of items from the shop available to resell. See web site under contacts.



*Found on the AAW Forum Gallery--WOW!*

### Demonstration

Our evening presentation was pretty special, at least it was unlike anything we've had before. Bruce Benedict discussed how he makes authentic flintlock pistols and rifles from his preferred era of the late 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> centuries.

He buys barrels, and some of the components ready made, but much of the metal work he creates himself. The lock includes the flint holder and steel striking plate, and the triggers, which all combine to create a spark that ignites some powder in a small depression which communicates with the breech area of the barrel and powder charge. The lock is quite a compact and complex mechanism, and sometimes Bruce buys them assembled, and sometimes he buys component parts and assembles himself.

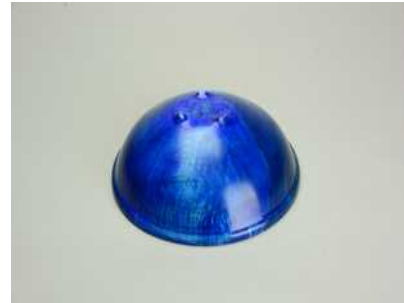
He's made about 50 guns over the last 40 years. The gun he used for his presentation required over 400 hours during 4 years to build and finish.

There are groups of antique gun enthusiasts, and the local group has more members than we do! They don't just build and collect the guns, they actually go out and shoot their guns multiple times a year.

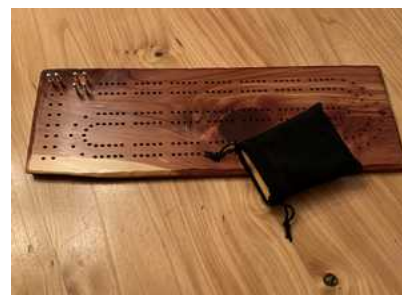
Thank you for a most interesting presentation, Bruce.

Latest Member Work

Jess Tode



Jarred McDaniel



Boyd Carson

