

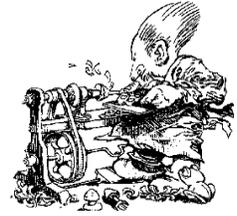


Chatter and Catches

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President's Gouge

Well, we are on the downside of summer and hopefully headed into a beautiful fall. I would like to give a special thanks to Wayne Porter for his demonstration of the Spin Doctor and bowl steady at the July meeting. Even though he was not feeling well, he did an outstanding program. Being a perfectionist he told me he was not pleased with his presentation, however, I feel that he did an excellent job. I have since received an email from Wayne that he finished the vase and that he is donating it to the club for our craft fair or auction. Wayne, I would like to give you special thanks for all you do for the club and for your expertise and guidance to other club members.



Turn Here for Safety
Keep your woodturning tools beside or behind you so there is no need to reach over the lathe to get them.

We had a nice turnout at our July meeting with 34 members in attendance, which is good for a midsummer meeting. During the meeting, we discussed the purchase of a larger 75" monitor for our demonstrations. We had a motion by Dave Colon and a second by Annette Anderson to go forward with the purchase. The club members present also voted to approve the purchase. Frank Miller took the ball and ran with it and he and Jane drove to Sacramento where he purchased the new monitor and delivered it to Wayne. Frank, thanks for your efforts and I am sure that the new monitor will be a great benefit for viewing our demonstrations. We are shooting to have the new monitor installed and functional for our September meeting.

Our August meeting will be our annual picnic, which will be held on Saturday August 11, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Aspen Park clubhouse located at 1380 Centerville Lane, Gardnerville, NV. Hope to see you all there.

Got an email from Dave Mills that he is still waiting for the new Rikon band saw. It appears that the item is still on order and may not ship until October. He has checked on other band saws, but has not found anything in our price range with the same features.



We had a good turnout for our show-



and-tell, with two members taking up the challenge of turning a sphere, Frank Miller and John Nikakis. Both did an excellent job. Other members who brought items were: Ken Crosby, Mel Swingrover, Wayne Ferree, Dave Mills,



John Drown, Pierre Mathieu, Mike Walters, Richard Thomas, and Andrew Rothwell. Thank you all for sharing your items with the club.

Just a reminder that we are fast approaching the November Carson High School Christmas Craft Fair and we need items turned for the sale. We need to get these items as soon as possible so that we can get tags and descriptions prepared. The sooner you can get us the items the better. If you are willing to turn something for the craft fair, please see Dave Mills and pick up the wood for your project.

The club will be putting together an order for Craft Supply so that we can take advantage of the 10% discount. Dave Mills has offered to coordinate the order and will be taking orders in August for a September delivery. If you are interested in ordering something, please contact Dave and he will let you know what information he needs from you to place the order.

Enjoy what is left of your summer. – John Compston, President [Photos by Paul Cote]

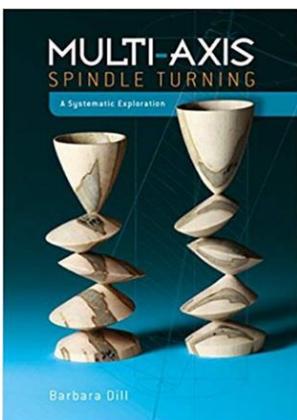
July Hands-On Report

Dave's Zuni Pines shop was buzzing on a warm July morning and Ricky was bragging about his photo in the local paper. Nice pose Ricky.

The hot weather made for another light turnout, which again meant more Zuni blend, donuts, and hot-dogs for the rest of us. Thanks Kathy. Frank brought a hollowing system that he set up on Dave's lathe. Dave and Wayne gave it a good tryout on a couple of small hollow forms. Dave led the customary trip to the storage shed with a few members loading up on wood for more projects.

The Zuni blend and conversations were good as always. Dave, thank you for hosting a fun morning. Keep your tools sharp and the shavings out of your coffee. – John "Nik" Nikakis

Multi-Axis Spindle Turning – Barbara Dill



I've tinkered with multi-axis turning off and on for several years and one great source of information are the articles and YouTube videos I found by Barbara Dill. When I heard back in May that she had a book coming out, I went on-line and pre-ordered a copy. I received my copy on June 28 and read it the first time that night. Barbara, along with quality photos and drawings, explains multi-axis turning techniques that can be very confusing in a way that is simple to understand. She has done the experimenting so we don't have to. She covers the concepts of axis placement and outcome, arc type and circular type cuts with parallel and twisted axes. She then expands on those concepts and the outcomes that can be obtained by mixing cuts and axes. There is a chapter on split and thinned turning. I have not tried these but they look like they will create some very unique turnings. There is a project chapter on making a three-sided cup or vase.

I've made a few of these from past articles and she makes it almost foolproof. She wraps up the book with a chapter on tricks, fixes, and hints. If you want to try multi-axis spindle turning this book will save you a lot of headaches and wood. – John "Nik" Nikakis

Cocobolo

Cocobolo is a tropical hardwood from the Pacific seaboard of Mexico and Central America. Only the heartwood is used. It is typically orange or reddish-brown in color, often with a figuring of darker irregular traces weaving through the wood. By contrast, the sapwood (not often used) is a creamy yellow, with a sharp boundary with the heartwood. The heartwood is known to change color after being cut, lending to its appeal.



Cocobolo is oily in look and feel, and stands up well to repeated handling and exposure to water: a common use is in gun grips and knife handles. It is very hard, fine textured and dense, but is easily machined, although due to the abundance of natural oils, the wood tends to clog abrasives and fine-toothed saw blades, like other very hard, very dense tropical woods. Due to its density and hardness, even a large block of the cut wood will produce a clear musical tone if struck. Cocobolo can be polished to a lustrous, glassy finish. The high natural oil content of the wood makes it difficult to achieve a strong glue joint, and can inhibit the curing process of some varnishes, particularly oil-based finishes. Care must be used when cutting Cocobolo, because the wood's oils can induce allergic reactions if inhaled or exposed to unprotected skin and eyes. – From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia. Edited, and references removed.

Dates to Remember

The **2018 SWAT Regional Symposium** will be held at the Waco Convention Center, 100 Washington Avenue, Waco, TX 76701, from August 24-26, 2018. National and regional demonstrators as well as vendors, instant gallery, hands-on-area, banquet and drawings. Lunches are provided. Lead demonstrators are scheduled to be Stuart Batty, Keith Gotschall, George Hatfield, Dan Tilden, Craig Timmerman, and Alan & Lauren Zenreich

Newsletter Editor's Request

Please send your newsletter contributions and suggestions for improvement to Bill Draper via cvwnews@charter.net no later than Monday of the week before the next regularly scheduled meeting. The submission deadline for the September 2018 newsletter is August 27.

CVW Meeting Location and Directions

Instead of our regular monthly CVW meeting, we will hold our summer picnic on August 11 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Aspen Park Clubhouse, 1380 Centerville Lane, Gardnerville, NV 89410. Donna Dimmick will contact members for their plans to attend and what type of food they will bring.

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