

Central Connecticut Woodturners

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October

Meeting

Join our ZOOM meeting on Tuesday Oct 27th at 7:30pm. The demo this month is by Chris Dudley " turning a lidded box".

Check your email for the ZOOM invite!



President's Note:

Hello woodturners,

The beautiful New England fall foliage is in bloom. I hope everyone can stop for a moment and take in a nice drive on your favorite road





eye out for burls).

Here some updates:

<u>NEAM rocket project</u>- Kip has given out most of the donated blanks. Several members have turned and posted on the CCW Facebook page. We will get a count from Tom during the meeting. Remember you get admission when you bring them to the museum. Document by taking a photo of completed cones and send it to me. You will be entered into the raffle for a gift certificate.

Here are the current members turning the nose cones...

Tom Stevenson Dan Merlo Harold Robb Joe Garofalo Dennis Garrison Kip Lockhart

John Webber

The beading challenge is due by the Oct 27th meeting. Turn 12- 12"bead sticks using the skew. The good, bad and ugly will all count. It is a skill <u>building</u> challenge. Who is up for it? Take a photo of all 12



(1 photo 12 sticks; not 12 photos of the same stick) and send it to me by Tuesday.

The Cragin Memorial Library tree is now down. I am waiting for the town to set up a meet time to pick it up. More info to come later. The AAW is hosting David Ellsworth turning a natural edge bowl Oct 24th at 3:00pm. Cost is \$10.00 members and \$30.00 non AAW members. There are several online ornament challenges going on. Take a look and let us know if you are participating, I know some folks have already been working on them.

Allen Stratton, www.aswoodturns.com and Capt Eddie, www.worldwidewoodturners.org

Our Christmas gift swap will be in December. Please email Lynda Z. if you want to participate ASAP. It's only 5 or 6 weeks away but we need to know now.

John Webber

September Meeting minutes:

John started the meeting at 7:32pm with 16 participants.

Mark gave finance report... no income and no expenses for August. Balance remains at \$2,845.79.

Kip Lockhart approved July's meeting minutes (There was no August meeting), Dan Merlo 2nd. Unanimous approval.

John has 7-8 gift certificates that are going to expire at the end of the year. Looking for suggestions: Club has its own lathe. Perhaps we could buy something for the club. 7-8 gift certificates = \$70 or \$80 dollars. Or... The club could have a skew challenge, rocket challenge...Whoever does the most If there is a tie, member's name would be put in a drawing. We will keep these ideas in mind. John also has 2 or 3 gift certificates from Woodcraft that won't expire. Woodcraft gave a couple extra \$25 gift cards to the club at Turn For the Troops. The club also has 12 that expire next year, and 6 more that will expire in 2099.

Woodcraft won't be doing Turn for Troops this year, but we can turn pens and get them to Woodcraft ourselves. We have about 300 pen kits. We are asking for volunteers to turn about 50 pens. Call or email John for a meetup to obtain the kits.

Linda would like to do Christmas swap.... Still carrying on tradition of the swap. Send name, address email and phone # to Linda. She will pull the names, and send out information Thanksgiving weekend on who you have for the swap. Your gift has to be to your Christmas swap recipient by mid December. Then the club will have a Christmas party where you open your gift. Everyone is in favor. John to send out email

Paul Malucci sent out letter for Coventry Farmer's Market. \$40 for a 10 by 10 spot. John will send out email with the information.

Ken Rowe has crab apple 16 inch long logs, cherry crotch, and maple crotch...From about 8 inch diameter to 15-16 inches in diameter. Let John know and he can pick some up for people.



Joe Stajduhar received letter from Mary Richardson regarding Cragin Memorial Library in Colchester. They lost trees that were planted in 1905 (Norway maple trees). The library wants to know if the club can turn the wood, and donate pieces back to library to be sold for fundraiser. Maybe later in the fall, the trees will be taken down. Do we want to do this? Make bowls, pens, pepper grinders, but we also get some wood. John said tell Mary that we will help with this. Everyone is in agreement. Tell the library that they may not get their product for 6 months to a year. Joe will let us know hopefully in advance when the trees come down. More details from Joe as he has them.

Information was shared about the world wide online symposium in a couple of days. The information was in the last newsletter. Cost is \$85.00. Jim "Sensational skew'—If you use his name, you get 10% off. Vendors having sales and free shipping. You can watch any time you want. Should be pretty good if anyone is interested.

Linda is our FB administrator for the Facebook page. She is in charge of who has access, and is very picky about opening up the page to just anyone. She looks for a picture, or something about interest in wood turning. She advises anyone interested to list hobbies, interests on your profile page.

Tom asked if John could distribute information on rockets, and send to Joe Stajduhar who will send them out to Eastern club.

Tom Stevenson – Video of what rockets look like, how to turn them, and documents on how to turn. The museum needs 49 rockets. Tom has made 3. When the club makes the rockets, use any wood but not oak and walnut. Tom has used cherry and poplar. Techniques were reviewed... (Divide nose cone into sections. Use parting gauge, then roughing gauge. Not the easiest way. He glued up cherry. Then used template. Traced it onto the block. Tom then added a quarter inch. Cut it out with bandsaw. Rotate 90 degreees. Then do the same. Then he has basic shape. Goes to lathe, and turns flat part off. Tenon is three quarters of an inch. Taking it down to 2 and 3/8. Tom made a template. Inside is 2 3/8; outside is 2 %.) They will be gluing the rockets in with epoxy. You don't need to put a finish on them. Tom puts sanding sealer. There is a ridge inside the coupler. Tom is sending email with diagram. Due to Covid, Tom made arrangements with museum. When we are done, we can drop off finished rockets at museum, and museum will let us in for the day. Kip asked for more dimensions on the sketch. The email will be to scale. Trace it, make some kind of template. Is there a timeline? Tom said no deadline. The important part is to get the tenon correct. Maybe we could make 55, and have extras?

The club then opted out of the demo (which is an hour). A lot of pictures of tool storage were sent in, and discussion ensued. See pictures below.

Peter Boysen's General lathe is for sale.

Paul Kindall has question about pen turning. What kind of pen mandrel do we suggest? Most are 7 millimeter. Get a mandrel saver. Joe S said Penn State. Also look at Woodcraft, Craft Supply. Get standard mandrel or adjustable mandrel.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm.

Demo is for next month...Lidded box.

Show and Yell pictures

























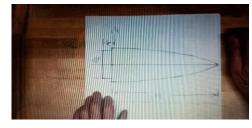


Rocket Project:















Tool storage ideas:



