

July 2026 CCW

Meeting- Tuesday, July
28th 2026

At Wethersfield
William J Pitkin
Community Center: 30
Greenfield St,
Wethersfield CT, at
6:30pm.

Eric Litke will do a
demo .

President's Note

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Hi all,

We're nearing the end of July and our club picnic is just around the corner, August 22nd. Put your thinking caps on and turn something "summery" then bring to the picnic for show and yell. And don't forget, it's a bingo square. We just had a fun workshop where we all turned birds. It was something different to try and everyone did a great job turning their own bird. If you couldn't make it to the workshop and would like to give it a try turning a bird, here's the link to the video demo. Bring a bird to the meeting this week.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/1b2yM2suuz/>

Have fun turning and stay safe.

Dan

June 23rd, 2026 CCW meeting minutes-held at Wethersfield Community Center

Dan Merlo, President called meeting to order at approx. 6:42pm

15 members in attendance

Minutes of the May 2026 meeting - Rob Robinson made a motion to accept; Todd Richardello 2nd. Unanimous approval.

Treasurer's report—Collected \$70 in dues; \$5061.54 ending balance, plus \$35 for a new membership that Lynda Zibbideo not aware of. Robin Monaghan made a motion to accept; Todd Richardello 2nd. Unanimous approval.

Vice President Kip Lockhart - Report on remaining 2026 meeting demos. July=Eric Litke; no meeting in August (picnic); Sept=Dan Merlo; No one scheduled yet to do demo at Oct meeting. Please let Kip Lockhart know if you want to do demo. Nov=Lynda Zibbideo.

Eastern club get-togetherno follow up. CCW needs probably 1 volunteer to coordinate with Eastern club. Eastern club meets 2nd Tuesday of the month. Perhaps the location would be somewhere between Wethersfield and Lisbon; a venue that has technical equipment. Also wondering about hiring a professional turner, maybe on a Saturday. Discussion ensued. Dan Merlo will look into Elks clubs.

Pen turnings report:

Saturday 6/27/2026, there is a pen turning/Makers fair at Meridan Public Library, from 9:30am to 3:00pm. So far, only John Webber, Jay Baker, Kip Lockhart can make it.

No pen turning event currently planned for July. What about a workshop at Dan Merlo's shop or Kip Lockhart's shop.

August 8th Portland library from 10am to 2:00pm. The CCW picnic is on August 22nd.

John Webber is working on pen events at NEAM, and in Cheshire and Newington; all tbd; then Turning For Troops; Berlin pen turning Nov 7th or Nov 14th (Rob Robinson working on scheduling the Berlin pen turning event.)

Old Business: Send new photos to Dan or Joanne so that we can update the website gallery.

New Business: Woodturners BINGO 2 is starting. Goes through October 2026. Bring final Bingo card to Oct 2026 meeting for entry in the raffle.

AAW Symposium_ Gallery was AMAZING. Very inspiring. Those who attended reported on what a great event it was and encouraged others to participate in upcoming symposiums if they got the chance.

Dan Merlo did a small presentation on Oak leaves - white oak is waterproof. Round leaves are white oak, and pointy leaves are red oak.

The CCW website has been hacked and is still down. Be very cautious.

Meeting ended at 7:04pm; then show and yell.

Todd Richardelli won the gift card.

7:21pm Then Kip Lockhart did a demo on criss-cross turnings vertical and flat.

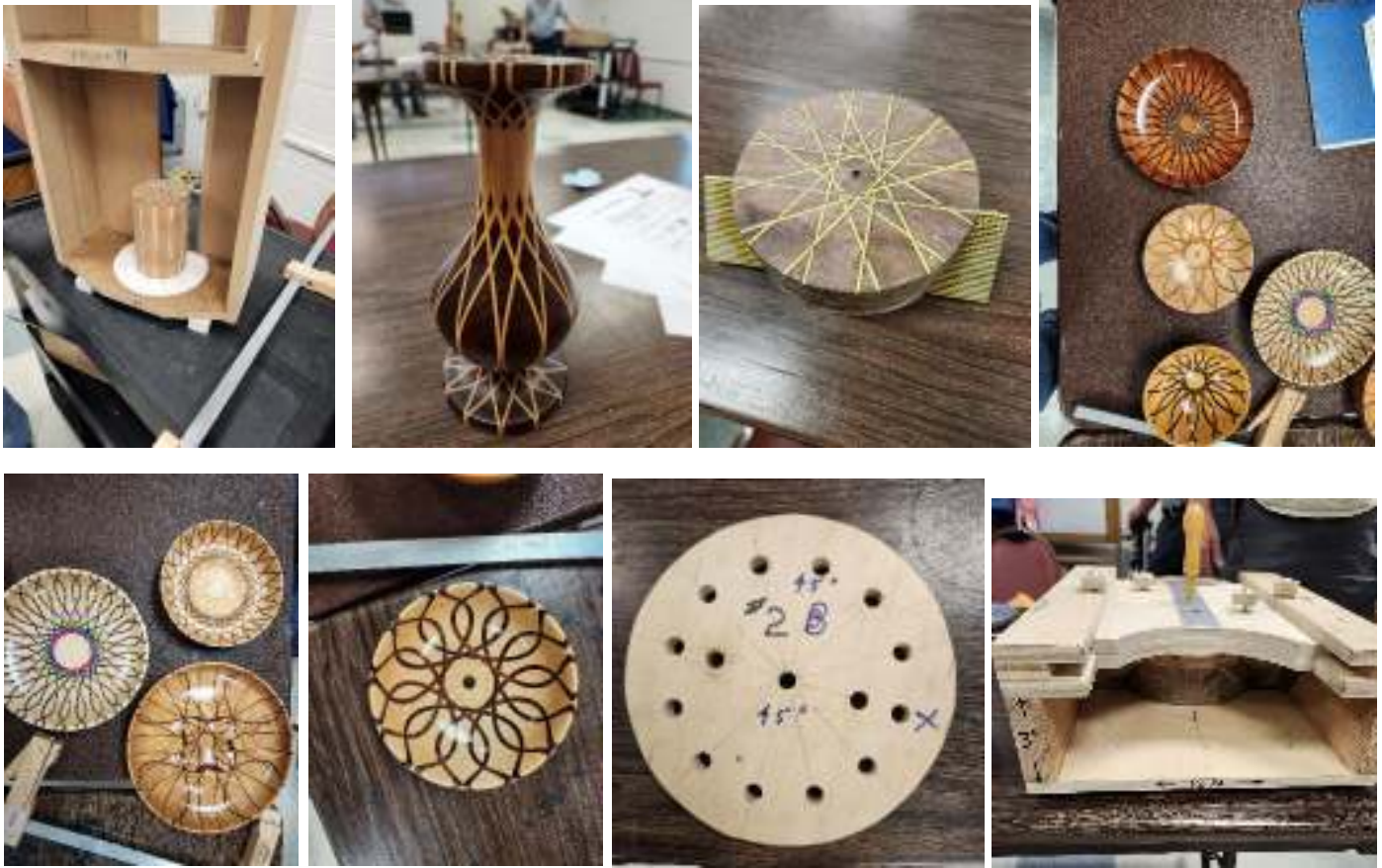
A collection of various wooden and bamboo crafts, including bowls, spoons, and a decorative piece, displayed on a dark wooden surface. The items include a large, dark, hollowed-out wooden bowl in the top left; a small, blue, textured ball; a small, light-colored wooden spoon; a decorative, light-colored wooden piece with a green and yellow spiral pattern in the top center; a small, dark, carved wooden object in the top right; a large, light-colored wooden bowl in the middle right; a long, light-colored wooden rolling pin in the middle right; a small, light-colored wooden bowl in the bottom center; and several small, light-colored wooden spoons in the bottom right. The background is a dark, textured wooden surface.





June 23rd 2026 demo - Kip Lockhart demo on crisscross turnings - vertical and flat





Below are the links to Kip's demo that he did at the June 23rd 2026 CCW meeting. There is part 1 and part 2. You can also just google Kip Lockhart YouTube and they will come up.

https://youtu.be/FV-Ahv8mcJw?si=0iSrP_W_X_1oVk0z

<https://youtu.be/vMQAnzQ1jv8?si=rnFhSK90D2dPkG2W>

This can also be found on CCW Facebook page.

July 25th 2026 Workshop at Kip Lockhart's shop —Turning a bird





Sometimes the CCW workshops are so fun, it's unbearable!!



The word is... "WARRIOR"

And please don't forget to send a picture of what you make from Kevin's roughed in bowls!!

