



September 2026 CCW

Meeting- Tuesday,
September 22nd

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

Dan Merlo will do a demo
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President's Note:

September 2026

Hi fellow turners. It is now September and it's a great time of year to turn. Holidays will be here before you know it so time to start turning some gift items. Why not knock off two things at once and have a couple of those items fill some bingo squares? I like being efficient. The bingo challenge goes through till the October meeting. Get as many lines completed as you can. Every line completed gets you an entry for the drawing. 1 st picked is \$75.00, 2 nd is \$50 and 3 rd is \$35 in woodcraft gift cards. We had a great collaborative picnic with the wood carvers last month. I always enjoy the comradery and getting to know everyone better. Of course there's the food. Thank you, Lynda Z, for hosting. I hope you've been trying to turn some new things for you and I can't wait to see them. I've done some puzzle balls that are new to me. They are challenging so I've kept doing more till they get easier. Here is the link to Eric Like's demo from our last meeting. It's on our facebook page.
<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/1GTeDGxst7/>
Our next meeting is September 22, 2026 at Wethersfield Community Center 30 Greenfield St. Wethersfield
Safe turning, Dan

July,2026 CCW meeting minutes.

July 28th, 2026, CCW meeting at Wethersfield Community Center

Meeting called to order at 6:44pm

Attendance of members – 11 members

Officer's introduction. Any guests? No guests.

Minutes of last meeting ...Rob Robinson made a motion to approve;

Jay Baker 2 seconded. Unanimous approval.

Treasurer's report ---June balance \$4602.63; Expenses \$140 .00 for

Wethersfield room rental; July balance =

\$4462.63 Rob Robinson made a motion to approve; Charlotte

McDonnell 2 nd; Unanimous approval.

CCW currently has 48 members. Any member who hasn't paid their dues yet please pay them.

Vice President Kip Lockhart report: Demos: No August meeting; Dan Merlo is Sept demo; open for Oct, and looking.

for a volunteer to do the Oct demo; Lynda Zibbideo is Nov demo - holiday ornaments.

Pen turning report; August 8th Portland library; November 7th Turning for the Troops at Wood Craft in Manchester; Nov

14th Berlin Peck library.

Aug 22nd club picnic at Lynda and Chris Zibbideo's house. Lynda will be sending out sign up genius. CCW club

supplies burgers, hot dogs, rolls, condiments, plates, and cutlery. We need side dishes and desserts. CCW is having the

picnic with the wood carvers. Please come early to set up a 10 by 20 tent. Park on grass if you are staying later than

2pm. The driveway is for handicapped. Let any club officer know if you are coming early to help with the setup. It is encouraged to

bring a plus one.

Don't forget about bingo cards. You can print it out. Goes through Oct 2026 meeting. Turn something summery and bring

it to the picnic.

CCW would like to have someone be the editor of the newsletter. Free training. Please let Dan Merlo or Joanne Mann

know.

CCW just had a workshop at Kip Lockhart's house turning birds. It was great. Dan Merlo says he thinks it is important

to attend. Todd Richardello gets inspired, and appreciates the camaraderie; thanked Kip for his hospitality. There were 7 lathes, and 9 members showed up. Plenty of room. Lynda Zibbideo talked about booking the room at Wethersfield for CCW meetings. Eric Litke paid through Nov 2026. Lynda Zibbideo paid for Jan, Feb, March, and April 2027. \$35.00 per month. CCW meetings are also held at Charlotte McDonnell's shop and the Berlin Fairgrounds. Charlotte McDonnell will keep hosting the May CCW meeting. Rob Robinson will ask about having the June meeting at the Berlin Fairgrounds. Discussion ensued...Wethersfield room fills up fast. Lynda Zibbideo can book the room. John Webber wants to know if we can rent 2 Wethersfield rooms for a Christmas party. If it snows, and the meeting/event is cancelled, Wethersfield will issue a credit. In 2027, we can start booking for 2028. Lynda Zibbideo will book Sept, Oct, Nov 2027 CCW meeting spot for Wethersfield. Dan Merlo says he can host July 2027 Saturday (instead of Tuesday meeting).
6:59pm -- Show and Yell.
Dan Merlo won the gift card.
7:15pm Eric Litke did a demo on turning a bowl with a stand.

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July Meeting Pictures





August 8th, 2026 Portland pen turning





August 22nd 2026 Club Picnic





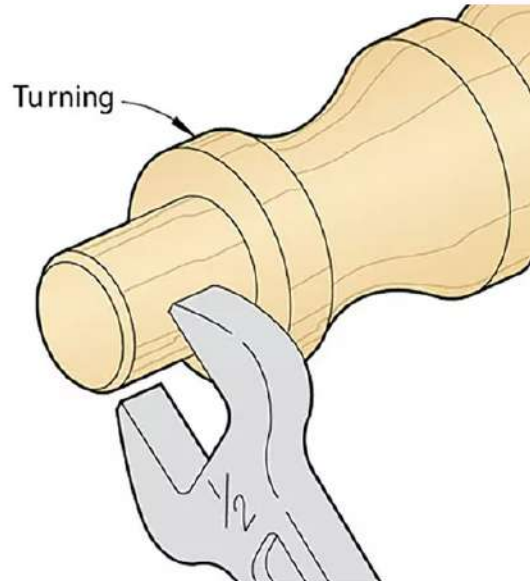
The word is... "Sphere"

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

Woodturning Tip

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Wrenches make quick, accurate calipers



Rather than constantly readjust my calipers when making small spindle turnings, I keep a set of open-ended wrenches at my lathe. The jaws of the wrenches fit into most spots and save me from resetting my calipers, particularly when I do repetitive spindle work.
—Martin Feldman, Amherst, N.Y.