

NORTH CAROLINA WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Have you noticed?

There are a lot of new faces at our meetings. Have you welcomed our new members and visitors? Ralph and others at Klingspor have been busy promoting our club now it is up to us to keep that interest going. Meet these new folks, they have

the same interests as the rest of us... how to turn or how to be a better turner.

Thanks to some who volunteered and some who were "volunteered", the website is being updated. Not a simple task, new domain host, transferring old web pages to a new format for ease of use both now and future. Thank you again Scott. Harry is getting ready to put his skills to use with our news letters and other suggestions and changes are on the horizon.

Again we ask for your input,

1. Are there any specific presenters you would like to see?
2. What would you like to see your club do differently?
3. Would you be interested in a Learn and Turn on Sunday afternoons after our Saturday meeting?

We still need volunteers to help locate a venue for our Christmas Party. You have the opportunity to volunteer before you are "volunteered"!

Turn safe, and turn often!

Aspire to Inspire before you Expire!

Ric

MINUTES OF NCWA JANUARY BOARD MEETING

Minutes NCWA board meeting 2/8/2020

12:10 Call to order.

Board Members present: Dorothy Green, Ralph Green, Gary Hoffman, Ken Hunt, Harry LeBlanc, Ric Moffatt, Connie Preiser, Tim Simmons, Bruce Whipple. Board Members absent: Guy Scronce, Scott Smith, Guy Williamson

Additional attendees: none.

OLD BUSINESS

Lathe Stands are being converted to a CAD format so that they can be cut for assembly.

Golf shirts with logos. Ken to supply a logo for manufacture and sale.

Web Hosting. Scott is approved to renew with Go Daddy for one more month while he and Harry and Ken will investigate moving to a different host site and then present it to the club.

Learn and Turn. Discussion regarding additional L&Ts on the Sunday afternoon following our regular Saturday meetings. Ralph to discuss options with Coleman and report back to board. If approved will be brought to the membership for approval or rejection.

Guy Scronce has found a candidate for new place for the Christmas Party. He also needs volunteers to help with other options and ideas.

The board needs to know how many members are AAW members. This is important for our insurance and other benefits the club may receive. Let Ken Hunt know by responding to any email he sends out. Do not reply to all, just Ken.

NEW BUSINESS

The board has received an example of a safety waiver from the Hillsboro club. The board approved adopting a version to be written in the very near future.

The board intends to poll the membership about a social get together in the summer, likely July.

Harry is to print copies of the newsletter to mail to those members without email and to hand out to visitors/new members at meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05

FEBRUARY PRESENTATION

Joe Ruminski – 8 February 2020

Last month, Joe Ruminski made the trek down the mountain from Asheville to demonstrate how to make several small projects.

He began by reminding the audience that sharp tools reduce tear-out and that sharpening as often as every 8 minutes during a turning session is not too often.

His project demos started with a “paint pour”. He turned a convex disk, carefully poured several colors of acrylic house paint into a cup, added a literal tiny squirt of silicone spray (to produce a ‘bubble’ effect) and poured it over the disk. The result was a nice simple abstract work of art. See the result here to the right.

What good is a work of art without a frame? He showed us how to make a circular frame for the ‘paint-pour’ item he first created.

He continued the domed disk theme with an offset turning. Beginning with a platter into which he had already arranged 4 holes in the backside, he produced a 3-stem design that resembled a bunch of grass stems.



From there he took the same convex shape and added a wedge spacer to the backside socket and scored the face of the disk three times after each rotation of the spacer three times to produce a multi-arc design like the black and gold disk in the center of the photo at left.

He left the dome motif to make a “ring bowl” next.

And finally, he showed us his technique for making a turned box.

After his morning presentation, he helped Edgar critique the Gallery session.

By the way, as any good magician is likely to do, he declined to share how he made the breakfast platter in the photo.

If you missed Joe’s visit, but are interested in seeing these (and more) projects, go to YouTube and search for “Joe Ruminski” for lots of good easy project ideas.

NEXT MONTH'S PRESENTATION

Charlie Stickney is scheduled to be the March 14th meeting presenter.

Charlie Stickney is a segmented turning project master. The morning half of this month's presentation Charlie plans to show how to layout a segmented design. After lunch he will explain and turn an actual segmented small vase.

He was at the last extravaganza with a few of his pieces. Check out a bio and sampling of his work here: <https://www.ncwoodworker.com/copy-of-member-spotlight>.

MONTHLY CHALLENGES FOR 2020

Members are urged to participate in the monthly challenges to share their creativity, expand their skills and get constructive suggestions during the monthly meeting Gallery show and tell.

March	Make an Easter Project
April	Make a Vase for Mothers Day
May	Make a Natural Edge Project
June	Make a Bell
July	Make a Project with Colors
August	Make a Project with a Finial
September	Make a Lidded Box
October	Make Any Project to Donate to Sell at the Extravaganza
November	Make a Christmas Project to swap at December Gathering

GALLERY









TIP OF THE MONTH

Have you found those chuck jaw screws difficult or annoying to swap out when changing to your extra set of jaws and you can't justify the expense of buying an extra chuck?

One option is to buy an extra set of base jaws (the bottom part with grooves) to go along with your jaws. Then when you want to change jaws, just open up the chuck until the jaws fall out, put the new jaws in position and tighten the chuck. This works well for my Stonghold Chuck, but some chucks have a pin in the #4 jaw that prevents the jaws from falling off, so you may need a modification. (I thank Don Hildebrand for showing me this one.)

Ric Erkes

[Editor's note: I did this once when cleaning a gunked up chuck. The trick in reassembly is to be sure all jaw rails are equally inserted and grab simultaneously as you begin to tighten them down... unless you WANT to do off-center turning!]



MEMBERSHIP/NEWSLETTER/LIBRARY NEWS

Membership Matters

Types of Membership and annual pricing. See me at meetings if you want to join or have questions regarding membership. Also, remember that membership entitles you to a 10% discount from Klingspor on all purchases (except wood and things with a plug).



✧ Regular

- \$50/year – *If you do not renew by March 1st of any year, you must pay the full \$50 membership to ‘rejoin’ in the calendar year per the by-laws*

The following *prorated price* for yearly membership applies to **new** members.

- ✧ After April 1st - \$45.00;
- ✧ After July 1st - \$40.00;
- ✧ After October 1st - \$55.00, which includes the following year

January 1st, the yearly dues goes to \$50.

Special Membership opportunities:

- ❖ Centurion \$100/year (paid to NCW Education Fund. Includes special nametag.)
- ❖ Lifetime \$600 one time paid to NCW Education Fund. Includes membership for life and special name tag
- ❖ Benefactor \$1,000 one-time paid to NCW Education Fund. Includes honorary membership in NCW (designed for businesses)

Newsletter

If you want to get your newsletter electronically instead of paper (which is black/white) please let me know.

MENTORSHIP INFORMATION

If you are interested in learning new skills, or improving the skills you have, contact one of these NCW members:

MENTOR & LOCATION	CONTACT #	MENTOR & LOCATION	CONTACT #
Scott Caskey (Iron Station, NC)	704-735-2382	Edgar Ingram (Statesville, NC)	704-876-4576
Don Olsen (Morganton, NC)	704-530-6055	John Melius (Mooresville, NC)	704-995-7257
Ric Erkes (Mooresville, NC)	704-508-1302		

PRESENTERS AND TOPICS FOR 2020

Month	Presenter	Presentation
January	Sam McDowell	AM presentation - Legs, Feet, Toes & Bottoms PM – Learn & Turn
February	Joe Rominski	
March		
April		
May		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December	Christmas Party	Location to be determined

2020 OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OFFICERS		
President	Ric Moffatt	(828) 443-9060
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS (3-year terms)		
Thru 2020	Guy Williamson	(704) 435-2423
Thru 2021	Guy Scronce	(828) 244-3682
	Gary Hoffman	(980) 429-0754
Thru 2022	Connie Preiser	(828) 612-0421
	Scott Smith	(828) 406-7013

REGULAR MEETING:

March 14, 2020

Always the **Second Saturday of each month**

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

NEXT LEARN & TURN:

April 18, 2020

Scheduled the **Third Saturday of first month of each calendar quarter**

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

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