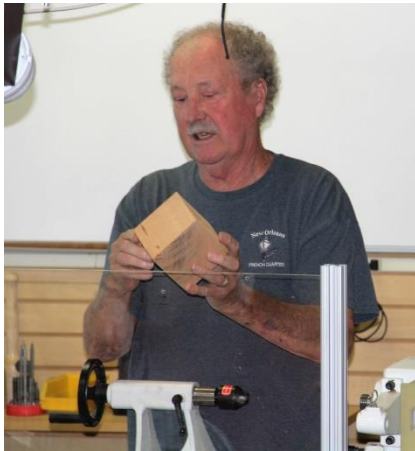


Smoky Mountain Woodturners Newsletter

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Turning a Six Sided Finial Box with Jimmy Greenwood



Club members send out a big thank you to Jimmy Greenwood for an outstanding demonstration on turning a “Six Sided Finial Box”. Jimmy was able to turn down the six-sided box portion without hitting any knuckles and then proceeded to turn down a beautiful finial top that fit and looked beautiful. Jimmy is a master at this craft and was a joy to watch and learn new techniques.



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COMING UP IN OCTOBER

Brian Horais will demonstrate “off axis woodturning”!

WOODTURNERS SCHOLARSHIP DRAWS FOR SEPTEMBER

Our John C. Campbell Folk School scholarship draw was won by Gordon Sloane. The Arrowmont scholarship draw was won by Harry Ford. Each monthly winner will be entered into the respective grand prize scholarship draw held in December.

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THE SORBY
DEMO ON OCTOBER 1ST AT
WOODCRAFT KNOXVILLE!
(SEE PAGE 6)**

**YOU CAN STILL REGISTER FOR
OUR FALL WOODTURNERS’
WEEKEND
(SEE PAGE 5)**

WOOD DRAW DONATIONS

Our thanks to Gordon Sloane, Mike Anthony, Dick Hammat, Victor Barr and others for their generous donations of wood for the September Draw!



MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE RANCH!

Our second campus wide Woodturning Demonstration was held for the students and staff at the Ranch on Friday afternoon, September 9th. Jake Niedling started the demo program by turning tops. Randy Fritchman demonstrated how to turn an acrylic pen. We followed up the demonstrations with a “show and tell” session hosted by Jake and Randy as well as members Bob Emery, Roger Jessup and Bob Law. Current workshop students put their projects on display and participated in the show and tell as well! The students and staff are always a great audience, both inquisitive and attentive to the end! Our purpose in staging this event for the Ranch was to stimulate interest in our woodturning workshops for 2017. We were pleased that four (4) additional students let us know that they would like to participate next year! Our thanks to all of those members who participated!



MEMBERS MARKETPLACE REMINDER

Gordon Sloane's custom laser engraved discs for identifying your work are available from www.craftid.com. You can also call Paul or Annette Proffitt – 770.945.2022.

Norm Roy has some flat work tools for sale:

- *30” Peachtree Dovetail jig, includes t-tracks, clamps, bits and instructions \$175.
- *Rockler Woodsmith box joint jig with instructions \$75
- *Craftsman 3 ½ hp industrial plunge router, very lightly used \$125
- *Stanley No 5 Hand Plane with new blade and a no name jack plane with a new blade \$60 for the pair.

Interested in purchasing CBN grinding wheels for your shop? Rob Smith (kaolin74@gmail.com) is looking for like-minded Chapter members who would be interested in joining him in working on a volume purchase. Contact Rob if you are interested.

FANTASY OF TREES 2016

The Fantasy of Trees (Knoxville Convention Center) is fast approaching. We received additional donations at this month's meeting. Please turn a few extra ornaments this year and turn them in at the next SMWTS Meeting (October). November will be here before we know it.





If you are not a AAW Member and would like to have a look at the membership benefits on-line, just go to the website, www.woodturner.org. From the home page, click on the Membership Tab near the top of the page. Click on "Guest Member Resources" and follow the prompts to sign up for a Guest Membership. It's a great way to see in real time, what AAW provides for its members. Members and Non-Members alike can access the "new" AAW Video Library program www.aawvideosource.org.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ARROWMONT IN OCTOBER.

Click here to access the [Arrowmont Catalogue for 2016](#) Don't forget that residents of Sevier, Blount, Cocke, Jefferson, or Knox Counties can apply for a Local Scholarship. It covers 50% of the tuition cost of a workshop. Eligible residents can apply one time per year

Here are some of the upcoming workshops you might be interested in...

10-23 to 10-29 – Curved Design Elements for Segmented Woodturning with Craig Kirks
11-6 to 11-12 Turning Hollow Vessels with Lids and Finials with Charles Farrar
11/13 to 11/19 – Need some relief? Add interest and life to your work with Dixie Biggs.

TURNING PENS FOR THE TROOPS FOR 2016 DEADLINE – OCTOBER MEETING!

We're coming up to the deadline for our 2016 Pens for the Troops Project! Finish up your pens ASAP and turn them in at October meeting.

JOHN C. CAMPBELL FOLK SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

To access the complete catalogue of upcoming workshops, just [CLICK HERE](#). Coming up in October...

10-2 to 10-8 – Dave Barriger – From Tree to Vessel – Green Woodturning.
10-9 to 10-15 – John Keeton – Bowls with lids.
10-16 to 10-22 – Dixie Biggs – Need some relief? Bringing life to your work.
10-23 to 10-28 – Dick Sing – Sing behind the lathe
10-20 to 10-30 – Steve Pritchard – Jewelry – Bangles and Pendants.

BEADS OF COURAGE UPDATE

Drue Hogland continues to work with the Beads of Courage Program at East Tennessee Children's Hospital each week. He needs more Treasure Boxes!

Please keep turning BOC Treasure Boxes and bring them to our meetings. The number of sick kids at ETCH doesn't diminish.

If you need more beads for your boxes, remember that the Chapter provides them at no charge. Just see Drue at the next meeting!

PHOTOGRAPHS FROM OUR 2016 SEPTMBER MEETING SHOW & TELL

(We're still working on the Galley Page on our website)



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There's still time to register for the Fall Woodturners' Weekend =====>

We had a great time with the students and staff at Wears Valley Ranch on the 9th. Thanks to the members who participated and helped make this year's event a success.

Coming up next month (October), we'll begin the process of nominating and then in November, electing new members to our Board of Directors for 2017.

If you have interest in serving on the board for a two (2) year term, please contact me or see me at the October meeting. Once again this year, we'll be sending out a short "bio" on each nominee/volunteer prior to the election. We'll be utilizing an on-line voting service (as we did last year) to record your votes. That will take place in November. The new Board members will be announced at our December meeting.

We anticipate needing two (2) additional mini-lathes for the Fall Woodturners' Weekend coming up on the 8th and 9th. Please let me know if you can "loan" the club a lathe (complete with centers and chucks) for the Sunday session.

We're looking ahead to 2017 and our program schedule for the New Year. If you haven't yet completed our on-line survey, please do so ASAP. Your input is important as we work to line up the demo subjects you are interested in seeing.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the October Meeting.

Bob

**LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR OUR
FALL WOODTURNERS WEEKEND
OCTOBER 8TH AND 9TH
WOODCRAFT – KNOXVILLE
Featuring - Alan Carter**



**Suspended Vessels and Turn it Thin
(Goblets among us)**

**Sign up today. Download the form
by clicking on the link below**

[REGISTRATION FORM LINK – CLICK HERE](#)

Alan will present two demonstrations on Saturday, the 8th starting at 9:30am. Lunch will be provided by SMWTS for attendees. He will present a second demonstration during the afternoon session.

On Sunday, for the Hands-On Workshop, attendees will be able to make their choice of a Suspended Vessel or Thin Goblets under Alan's one on one mentoring.

Attendees for the Sunday Hands on Workshop will be responsible for bringing their own project blanks and supplies. A complete list of materials and equipment needed will be provided later in the week. Lunch will be provided on Sunday by SMWTS as well.

SPONSOR'S MARKETPLACE

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On **Saturday, October 1st**, Jeff Farris, the US representative for Sorby Tools (UK) will visit the store for both a daytime and evening demonstration. **NOTE CHANGE IN DATES!**



Jeff Farris has focused his career on sharpening education since the early 1990s. While learning to sharpen turning tools he studied with some of the world's best turners and developed a passion for turning that shows in his

presentations.

Jeff has taught in trade shows, workshops and woodturning schools focusing on the value of truly sharp edges on woodturning tools. He joined the Robert Sorby team in late 2012, but has been using Robert Sorby tools exclusively in his demonstrations for many years. His straightforward presentation demystifies both sharpening and turning and has been praised by turners ranging from beginners to the very experienced.

Here's the "gist" of Jeff's Demonstration

Sharpening your tools first gets every woodturning project off to the right start. We'll look at sharpening methods and procedures with a focus on the Robert Sorby ProEdge system. Turning with traditional tools like gouges and skewers requires careful tool presentation. We'll

look at the Robert Sorby traditional tool designs and materials and then examine tool presentation in spindle and bowl turning applications.

Opting for insert tooling solves a lot of issues for beginning and intermediate turners, but most don't deliver a satisfactory surface finish. We'll look at the TurnMaster tool, explore its simple use and the exceptional surface finish delivered by a technique called shear scraping.

Surface embellishment is the hottest trend in turning. We'll look at multiple techniques using the Robert Sorby Spiraling and Texturing tools and a few different coloring techniques.

THERE'S A NEW LATHE ON THE WAY!



[Click on the Nova Logo for more information!](#)

Here's what's coming soon to Woodcraft – Knoxville! The Nova DVR 1644



With its Direct Drive, DVR advanced motor technology- It makes the perfect addition to your workshop!

The NOVA Galaxi is powered by the renowned DVR (Digital Variable Reluctance) drive by their DVR technology Developments Inc. Company (USA) which is a leading edge developer of intelligent SR drive applications to industry.

The NOVA Galaxi is built for the most demanding, rugged turning condition. Power to Burn: The DVR Motor delivers 2HP (220V/ interchangeable to 1.75HP at 115V) direct to the lathe spindle - which is actually the rotor assembly of the DVR motor itself. So no belts, pulleys to get in the way or soak up power and performance as in standard AC or DC powered wood lathes. The new DVR is incredibly quiet and vibration free.

The powerful onboard computer which controls the DVR Drive closely monitors the lathe spindle conditions (load and size) and delivers just the

power and torque necessary to keep to within 1-2% of the set speed.

Another feature of this new Nova product is the single piece lathe bed with 44" between centers.

YOUR NOVA DISTRIBUTOR IN EAST TENNESSEE IS

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OUR WELCOME TO MY SHOP FEATURE WILL RETURN IN OCTOBER

RIDING CROPS PROJECT FOR HOOFS AND HARNESS

At our September Meeting, members agreed to support a request from Hoof And Harness Experiential Learning, Inc. in Strawberry Plains Tn. to furnish awards for their participating youths and adults (18 to 20 awards).

John Jordan suggested that riding crops with turned wood handles might be an appropriate item. John volunteered to lead the project. Here's the information John furnished for distribution to our members.

John prepared an instruction sheet on "Making Turned Crop Handles" and you can access the handout from the home page of our website. John wanted



everyone to know that the crop handles are simple enough that some of the Kids at Wears Valley could make one.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO MAKE CROP HANDLES FOR THIS PROJECT, PLEASE LET JOHN JORDAN KNOW BY EMAIL OR PHONE (HOW MANY). WE NEED 20 COMPLETED UNITS FOR THE PROJECT

John has offered to provide one-on-one instruction on how to spindle turn and make the Crop Handle in his shop. He has three (3) lathes and could work with up to three people at a time. If you are interested in working with John in his shop, here is his contact information. Please give him a call or send him an eMail.

John K Jordan – 148 Bostie Maire Lane, Clinton, TN 37716 – jordanjk@gmail.com
Cell: 865-482-4698

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ***John will only be able to offer his shop and help between now and the 6th of October.***
- John has ordered the riding crops and will bring them to the October SMWTS Meeting. The crops will be epoxy glued into the holes.
- If you would like more information on the organization for whom the riding crops are being made, please click on the following link to their website. www.hoofandharness.org