

The Turning Point

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*The next meeting of the Nova Woodturners' Guild is at
Lee Valley Tools
100 Susie Lake Crescent, Halifax, N.S.
February 13, 2017. 6:15 p.m.*

**The next meeting will feature
Deep Vase Hollowing – Presented by Richard Ford
And
Fun Turn Wood tonight!**

The President's Workshop

David McLachlan

President's Message - Feb 2017

Hi everyone, I want to remind you that the February meet date has been changed from Feb 20 (now a new NS holiday) to Feb 13. Also, this meeting session will feature **Richard Ford** giving us a demonstration of his deep vase hollowing techniques using the hollowing tools he has developed. This will be a great demonstration of how to achieve uniform thin walled deep vessels.

For the pre-meeting demo this month **Don Moore** has graciously offered to give us an introduction to using the specialized tools created by **Alain Mailland**. I want to remind everyone that we have a set of these tools, which can be borrowed by members wishing to give them a try.

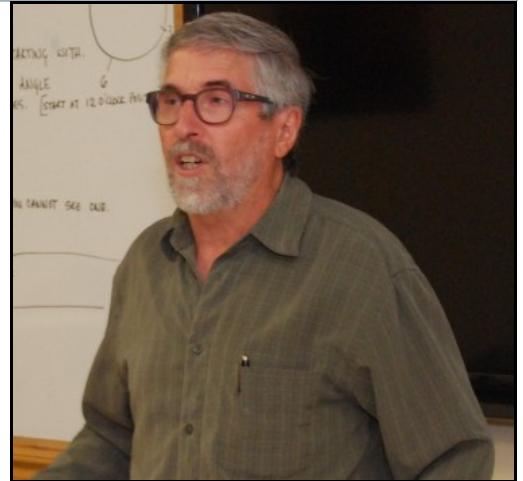
We have obtained 6" x 6" x 3" ash blanks for the Guild's Fun Turn... These will be handed out at the February meeting to all members who want to participate in the Fun Turn. I am looking forward to seeing what members produce at this year's fun turn with these blanks.

At last month's meeting **Theresa Bruno** spoke to us about a birdhouse project that members may want to participate in. Experienced wood workers would work in the Lee Valley seminar and workshop rooms with youth to build a number of birdhouses to be distributed to trail systems in the area. It is a great opportunity to share our knowledge of wood working with youth in order to help develop the next generation of woodworkers. More details will follow.

Also at last month's meeting Theresa's husband, **Giacomo Bruno** took a number of photo's and talked to members at the meeting to prepare an article in the **Snapd Halifax** paper produced in Bedford. Members can go to this link: <https://halifax.snapd.com/event/1018064#/> to see the write-up on the Guild and the photos taken, (not all pictures made it into the actual hard copy publication though). Hard copies can be had from many locations around Halifax (Sobey's is one example). **Gary Landry** hopes to bring some copies to the February meeting for distribution. A special thanks goes to Theresa and Giacomo for taking the time and effort to do this article highlighting the Guild.

It has come to the attention of the Guild Executive that the AAW is offering AAW Chapters an opportunity to apply for funding to promote Women In Turning (WIT). We hope to apply for this funding, which could be used to hold special turning demonstration events for women by approaching some of the other craft guilds/groups that are traditionally done by women. I am open to suggestions from all of you as to whom we can approach and what we should focus on as part of the demonstrations. We now have four women in the Guild, so we have a core group in the Guild which could attract other women to join our Guild ranks...

Hope to see you at the meeting,
Dave McLachlan, NWG President



Meeting Notes Jan.16, 2017

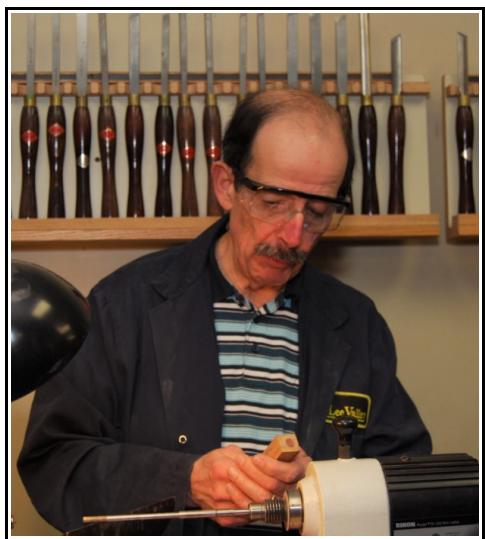
Dave Barry

President McLachlan opened up the meeting and welcomed the new members present.

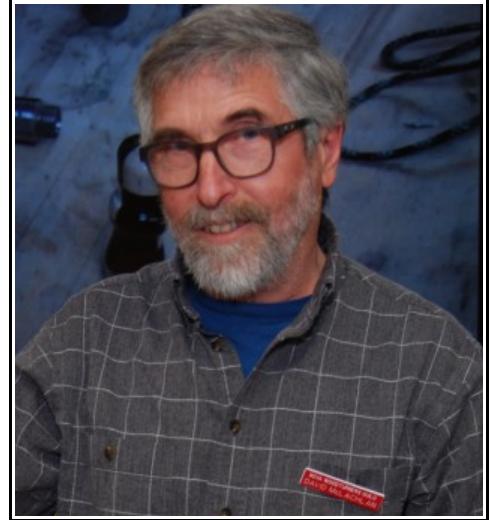
Dave McLachlan informed and advised the new members present to connect with the regular members as a good way of fitting in and learning the craft of wood turning within the Guild.

The sanding demonstration by **Kevin Power** (of **Power Air Cleaning Ltd**, the dealer for Mirka sanding products including Abranet, and power sanding equipment (www.mirka.ca)) was

cancelled due to Kevin not feeling well, so thanks to **Gary Landry** for doing a pen turning demo and giving some of his very useful tips to the members. With luck, we can get Kevin to come back at a later date.



Dave McLachlan continued, showing the members some of his pens and equipment associated in turning pens. When making duck calls Dave uses several sizes of custom built pin mandrels (31/64", 5/8", 3/4"); these can be made of aluminum or steel round stock. Hut is a company in the USA that you can purchase duck calling and pen making supplies. In relation to assembling his pens Dave uses a horizontal toggle clamp with an adjustable wooden back stop that clamps down to a T-track. One can also use a drill press or the lathe tailstock with appropriate wooden faces work well to press together pen parts. Dave also showed an adjustable mandrel available from William Wood-Write which uses a #2 Morse taper collet/locking nut to adjust the mandrel length for long or short pen tubes instead of using a number of bushings to take up the excess mandrel length with normal fixed length mandrels.



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Ted Monk advises a web site to check out

International Association of Penturners located at <http://www.penturners.org>

The site includes a list of bushing and tube dimensions of kit suppliers.

<http://www.penturners.org/forum/f109/bushing-tube-dimensions-kit-suppliers-135922/#post1805105>

Meeting Notes continued

Dave Barry

Yogi Gutz also spoke in relation to turning pens and he uses a template to keep a track of numbers which he finds very useful. Yogi also makes a number of wine stoppers and he finds that sketching a design out first is very useful. Yogi uses local apple wood and glues up and laminates four different strips of wood. Yogi also advises the members that chrome peels and stainless steel is better and uses a shellawax finish.

Stephen Parsons advises that the Wood Workers Association are going ahead with the bravery bead boxes. Each group involved will present their donations on separate dates which will be announced.

As part of Canada's 150th birthday, **Snap Halifax** was here this evening with **Theresa Bruno** from Lee Valley so lots of good PR going on here. Lee valley is donating a product of bird and bat houses to be built, dates to be sorted.



Show And Tell.

Lowell Jenkins shows off his spalted vase which developed its own spout.

Don Moore shows a nice piece of black cherry and explains the procedure on how this piece was made. The finish Don used here was a satin laquer.



Thanks to Chris Palmer for the photos





Shavings

White Walnut aka. Butternut
juglans cinera
<http://www.wood-database.com/butternut/>



Black Walnut
juglans nigra
<http://www.wood-database.com/black-walnut/>



From Twisted Tree Farm

<http://www.twisted-tree.net/new-page-1/>

Butternut (*juglans cinera*) is a fast growing tree closely related to and resembling Eastern black walnut (*juglans nigra*). The two trees can often be found growing together in rich flood plains as well as on the thinner soil of the hillsides. Butternut, aka white walnut, is a sun loving tree that grows rapidly. Several feet of growth is often seen from seedlings every year. The leaves are big, over a foot long. They are composed of many leaflets, often 9, with a large terminal leaflet. There are two easy ways to tell a butternut from a black walnut. The first is the nuts of black walnuts are round, while butternuts are more barrel shaped. The second is the bark. Black walnuts have a dark brown deeply furrowed bark at maturity, while butternuts have a smooth, whitish grey colored bark. The buds and leaf scars are worth checking out. The leaf scars look like strange monkey faces (almost everyone seems to agree on this).

Library Report

Richard Ford

ISSUE DATE	NAME	ID #	DESCRIPTION	AUTHOR
17 Mar. 2014	Dave McLachlan	049BT	The Craftsman Woodturner - Peter Child	New Revised Edition
11 Nov. 2016	Robert Atkinson	098BV	The Creative Woodturner – Terry Martin	
16 Jan. 2017	Robert Atkinson	102VF	Glenn Lucas Mastering Woodturning Dublin Viking Bowl	
16 Jan. 2017	Calum Ewing	101BY	Turning Bowls and Platters – A selection from the AAW Journals	
16 Jan. 2017	Stephen Parsons	060BE	Shapes For Woodturners - David Weldon	

Events

Dianne Looker

Valley woodturners inaugural meeting. January 22, 2017.

On January 22, there was a small but keen group of local woodturners who met at **Dianne Looker's** house in Gaspereau. The group expressed enough interest that a second meeting will be held, at the same location, on Feb. 19.

A couple of participants brought some “show and tell” which were dutifully admired and discussed. Each person talked a bit about how they developed an interest in turning. Topics included best ways of holding wood for various projects, ranging from fancy chucks to gluing on a sacrificial block.

Included was a tour of Dianne’s amazingly and uncharacteristically clean and tidy workshop. A tour of the basement’s hoarde, I mean carefully organized store of wood awaiting turning was kept for a future meeting.

Shavings

Some of our members were looking for clear tubes for pens. www.Uline.ca has this.

Tubes

INSIDE W x L	QTY./ CARTON	PRICE EACH (SOLD IN CARTON QTYS.)		
		25	75	125+
1/2" x 8"	25	\$.83	\$.78	\$.71
3/4" x 8"	25	\$.86	\$.81	\$.75
3/4" x 12"	25	\$ 1.30	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.15

Caps

DIAMETER	QTY./ CARTON	PRICE EACH (SOLD IN CARTON QTYS.)		
1/2"	50	\$.23		
3/4"	50	\$.25		

Available in - Red, Black, Blue, Green, White, Clear

Calendar of Events

Date	Subject	Location
September 19, 2016	Membership dues and Bravery Bead box presentations.	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
October 17, 2016	Celebration of the Guild's 20 th anniversary	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
November 21, 2016	Accenting With Surface Techniques Part 4 Inlays - Ted Monk	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
December 12, 2016	Christmas Social	Halifax Specialty Hardwoods, 112 Bluewater Rd. Bedford
January 16, 2017	Pen turning demonstration and general discussion	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
February 13, 2017	Deep Vase Hollowing – Richard Ford Fun turn wood tonight!	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
March 20, 2017	Homemade tools, jigs and and turning hacks with Everybody	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
April 10, 2017	Aspects of Safety for Turners Submissions for NWG Commptition	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
April 29, 2017	Awards Day Lee Valley	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
May 29, 2017	“Finishing and Finishes” with Robert Atkinson	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
June 19, 2017	AGM	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent

The Raffle Booth

Norm Jolivet / Yogi Gutz

Yogi Gutz won two bowl blanks.

It got a little hetic at this stage so your guess is as good as mine
as who else won from the raffle.

Madness!



Nova Woodturners' Guild – 2016/17 Executive

Our e-mail now reflects a more consistent method of communicating with the various offices in the Nova Woodturners' Guild. The recipients will change as the need arises but a note sent to the president will go to who ever is president at that time. All the following addresses should be followed by @novawoodturnersguild.com to send mail to that person

Position	<address>@novawoodturnersguild.com	Name	Chairperson?
EXECUTIVE	executive (sends the message to all positions on the list)		
President	president	David McLachlan	
Vice President	vice-president	Harold McLellan	
Secretary	secretary	David Barry	
Treasurer	treasurer	Brenna Swinamer	
Members at Large	members-at-large	Dianne Looker	
COMMITTEES			
Library	library	Jim Diamond Richard Ford	C
Web Site Website Forum	webmaster	Ian Scott Norm Jolivet	C
Membership & Promotion	membership-chair	Gary Landry Norm Jolivet	C
Newsletter	newsletter	Norm Jolivet	C
Events	events	Brian Sharp Dave McLachlan	C
Competition		Calum Ewing Edmund Benoit Harold McLellan	C
Guild Photographer		Chris Palmer	
Fund Raising		Norm Jolivet (Raffles) Yogi Gutz	C
Nominating			C