

NORTHWEST WOODTURNERS



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE • ROGER CROOKS



I don't know about most of you, but I look forward to Fall and its cool weather, trees turning color and rain. I hope not to see 100-degree weather again for years.

COVID

While the weather is better, the COVID pandemic took a huge turn for the worse. With updated CDC guidelines and with many companies and Federal agencies implementing a vaccine mandate, the NWWT Board unanimously voted to require "proof of vaccination" for all In-Person activities –

General meetings, Classes, Open Shop, etc. We feel this is the best way we can protect our members.

See article below for details. Our current policy is highlighted on our website: northwestwoodturners.com/COVID

Turning Classes

Our Bowl and Spindle Basics fall classes are now on-line. Check our online [Calendar](#) for details. We are adding two new intermediate level classes – Bowls and Sharpening. A spindle intermediate class is planned for next year.

- Bowl Basics – Oct 23
- **NEW** - Bowl Intermediate – Nov 6
- Spindle Basics – Oct 24
- **NEW** Advanced Sharpening – Dec 4

Many thanks to Dave Wood for arranging these classes (along with the facility and the donuts).

October General Meeting

Due to a last-minute rescheduling, we were in a bind for what to do for October. Kevin came up with three IRD options, and I had a video I made for the [Oregon Carvers Guild](#). In doubt, we asked all of you to vote. We ended up with a three-way tie with the fourth choice one vote behind – big help! So, Kevin made a command decision for **Kirk DeHeer** – *Demystifying Cuts and Catches*. That's why Kevin gets paid the big bucks.

2022 Elections

It's that time of the year again. At our October meeting, we will announce the board members (listed below) who have offered to serve for another year and in November, members will vote for the 2022 NWWT Board of Directors. Between now and November, anyone can add their name to any position plus we have some openings and welcome anyone who would like to join the board to influence NWWT's operations and planning. See article below.

Open Shop – October 9

One of the topics at our board meeting was how to entice more people to take advantage of Open Shop. The most popular idea is to add a 'topic' each month. To kick it off, for October's Open Shop, the topic will be **Sharpening**, where we will have three sharpening stations and helpers to help with your tools and technique. Future topics could be coring, vacuum checking, embellishments, etc.

CLUB INFO

NORTHWEST WOODTURNERS

www.northwestwoodturners.com

Meetings are held at 7pm on the 1st Thursday of each month at:

The Multnomah Arts Center
7688 SW Capitol Hwy
Portland, OR 97219
[\[map\]](#)

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE • (CONT.)

Due to the limited lathes, we ask that you register for the session, but if you wake up Saturday morning and have the urge to talk woodturning, you are welcome to come without registering. Just be advised that registered people have first use of the lathes. Register [HERE](#)

NWWT Store – IMPORTANT CHANGE

John Sutter, our store manager has offered to set up the store on Open Shop day where you can come and buy items just as you did at our general meetings. We will no longer take orders on-line, but you can use the on-line store to plan what you want to buy. We will be able to take cash, check, or credit cards.

—Roger



IMPORTANT COVID INFORMATION

NWWT Requires “Proof of Vaccination” for In-Person Events as of October 1, 2021

As a means of increasing the level of safety at our In-Person Events, the NWWT Board unanimously voted to require “Proof of Vaccination” for all In-Person activities – General Meetings, Classes, Open Shop, etc.

Both members and non-members who attend an in-person event shall be fully vaccinated. According to the CDC, people are considered fully vaccinated two weeks after the second dose in a 2-dose series (Pfizer or Moderna) or two weeks after a single dose vaccine (Johnson & Johnson).

Event	Proof of Vaccination	Masks Required	Social Distancing
Meetings	Yes	Yes	Best you can
Classes	Yes	Yes	Best you can
Open Shop	Yes	Yes	Best you can

Member Profile

To ease implementation such that you do not need to show your vaccination card at each event, we will be adding this information to your member profile. This information is only viewable by you, the webmaster, and select board members.

To save time at the events, please send a picture of your vaccination card to nwwt.rogercrooks@comcast.net, and I will add it to your profile. Otherwise, bring it with you at the event, and I will add it the next week.

Our current policy is highlighted on our website - northwestwoodturners.com/COVID

Please adhere to the above and be safe yourself, along with your fellow club members.

—Roger

VP'S "TURN ON THINGS" • KEVIN WHITE

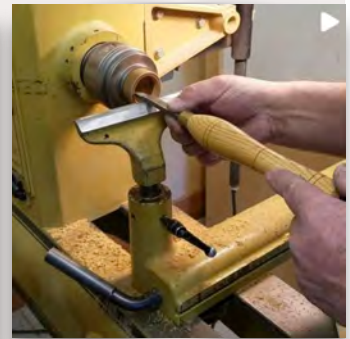
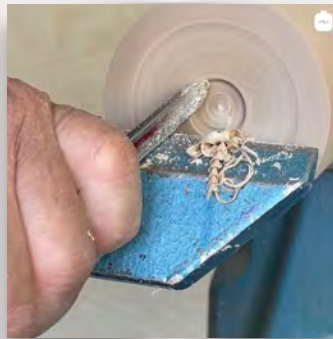


October Monthly Program Update

For many woodturners, staying safe by staying home and not traveling as much as we would like, social distancing, eating at home, and even not wanting to mask up, has given us more time to do that which we love to do, TURNING. What could be better!

With all the time spent at the lathe, watching demonstrations by experienced turners is a great way to perfect our skills. NWWT has brought a lot of demonstrators with many different skills to both our monthly meeting and special classes. We will continue to have great opportunities for more learning in 2022. Hopefully they will be live, on-site with an opportunity to Zoom in for those unable to attend in person.

There will be a lot of opportunity to learn new and improved skills in 2022.



October brings us **Kirk DeHeer** to do an IRD. With over 25 years of experience, Kirk DeHeer has an extensive knowledge of woodturning tools, equipment, and techniques. Kirk emphasizes fundamentals, sharpening, and tool techniques – giving students a firm foundation on which to build their skills. Kirk has been a Resident Instructor at Craft Supplies USA's Dale Nish School of Woodturning for more than 15 years, where he has had the opportunity to work as the assistant in the classroom with many other legendary turners, including Dale Nish.

Kirk's demonstration will be Demystifying Cuts and Catches. From my personal experience, I think you may find Kirk's demo one you will not want to miss.



In **November** for our last meeting of 2021, NWWT club member, **Bill Karow** will be demonstrating how he bleaches, ebonizes and fumes wood to enhance his finished pieces. The pictures below are some examples of his bleaching, fuming and ebonizing.



VP'S "TURN ON THINGS" (CONT.)

Our first in-person demonstration in 2022 will be at the Multnomah Arts Center in **February 2022**. **Jimmie Allen** aka 'the Boxmaster' who you might recall had been planned as our demonstrator for April 2020, prior to the Covid shutdown. Jimmie will be back turning for us, and I am sure he will show us how to use negative rake scrapers and many other tools he sells. The pictures below are from his gallery.



In **March** next year, **Eric Lofstrom** will be our demonstrator, giving us a condensed version at our Thursday evening meeting of what he will do in hands-on classes or all-day demonstrations on Friday and Saturday following our Thursday meeting. Eric is an excellent teacher and demonstrator, and a lot of fun to watch and learn from. Below are a few of the items from his gallery.



Jimmy Clewes, another great and well-known turner, will be here for three days in **May** starting with a Thursday meeting and then hands-on and all-day classes Friday and Saturday. *"Jimmy is not your ordinary woodturner. Upon a first meeting, one would think of him as a renegade, a free thinker and not within the stereotypical image of a woodturner. His charming British style, unending wit, creative mind and magnetic personality are only some of the attributes that make him popular in the woodturning demonstration circuit."*

Plan now to attend both these high energy demonstrators for three-day events in **March** and **May** next year.

2022 will be a great year, and many more demonstrations are in the planning stages. Stay tuned!

—Kevin

NWWT OPEN SHOP • SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

NORTHWEST
WOODTURNERS

OPEN SHOP

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2021

9AM - 12PM

DAVE WOOD'S SHOP

24250 SW 65TH AVE, TUALATIN OR 97062

TOPIC: SHARPENING



Open Shop will take place on **Saturday, October 9 from 9AM to 1PM**. Dave Wood will again open his shop to NWWT members to spend some time turning together. This is a chance for those of you new to woodturning to have questions answered, learn new techniques or address problems you might have encountered.

Open Shop is directed toward the new turner but **all are welcome!** Bring a project you want help finishing. Bring questions about methods. There will be six lathes available to use. Bring your own tools and wood, or you can also buy wood there.

- Admission is free.
- Bring your own tools and face shield.
- Proof of Vaccination and Masks are required at all times.
- If you have any COVID related symptoms, please stay home.
- Coffee and donuts will be provided.
- Portable toilet will be on on-site.
- If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dave Wood or any other NWWT Board Member.

Location: 24250 SW 65th Ave
Tualatin, OR 97062 [[map](#)]

Contact: Dave Wood
NWWT Education Coordinator
503-880-1349

SIGN UP FOR BOWL AND SPINDLE TRAINING COURSES NOW!

Our Fall 2021 training course schedule curriculum is now posted on the NWWT website and class slots are open for registration. As in the previous sessions, our capacity is 6 students per class. And, as in the past we will be conducting these classes with all due Covid precautions. *New for this season is NWWT's requirement for proof of full vaccination for in-person events, in accordance with the Oregon's OHA guidelines.*

Training will take place in Dave Wood's shop where we have plenty of fresh air flow and lathe station spacing. The instructors are all NWWT members who will provide hands-on assistance throughout the day. Bring your tools, bring your lunch, and bring your smiling face. We'll take care of the rest of it. And yes, there will be coffee *and donuts!*



Here's what we are offering:

Saturday, October 23: Bowl Turning Basics

This is our beginner (or refresher) level course for bowl turning. We cover woodturning safety, the basics on equipment and tools, proper preparation and mounting of a blank on the lathe, and cutting techniques for shaping the inside and outside of a bowl. This course runs from 9am to 3pm.

Sunday, October 24: Spindle Turning Basics

Also a beginner (or refresher) level course, this class gets you started turning spindle projects such as tool handles, honey dippers, or spinning tops. If you want to make a "dibble" – sign up! "What's a dibble?," you ask. Come and find out. You'll learn how to cut coves, beads, and the transitions joining them. This course runs from 9am to 3pm.

Saturday, November 6: Intermediate Bowl Turning (new course from NWWT)

We take bowl turning to the next level in this fast-paced all-day session from 9am to 5pm. This course requires a higher skill level on your part. This is not a beginner level course. You will learn how to evaluate a piece of wood for function and design potential, advanced finish cutting and scraping, and an introduction to embellishment techniques such as beading, texturing, and coloring.

Saturday, December 4: Advanced Sharpening (new course from NWWT)

"Advanced Sharpening" will go to the next level beyond our basic "Sharpening Lathe Tools" course. We will focus on hand-sharpening techniques, a comprehensive discussion of tool sharpening systems and options, how to re-configure a tool by changing the shape, how to get the sharpest and most effective burrs on scrapers. This course runs from 9am to 3pm.

On behalf of the NWWT Instructor Corps, we are excited to welcome NWWT members, old and new, to our training courses. Our goal is to advance the woodturning skill levels of all our members.

Feed your woodturning passion and sign up today to raise your skills to the next level!

—Dave Wood
Education Coordinator

NWWT EDUCATION NEEDS YOU ! • DAVE WOOD

NWWT membership ranks have grown significantly in the last two years, probably as a result of Covid cabin fever, and more of us Boomers entering retirement with restless hands and minds and the need to create. Woodturning more than meets that need for us. It's great fun and stimulates our imagination, creativity, and physical dexterity. There is no limit to the learning potential because there is always another level of expertise to which we can aspire.

With so many new members, many who are also new to woodturning, we saw increased demand for training at the beginner level. And our longer-term members are always looking for more advanced classes in bowl and spindle turning as well as tool sharpening. To that end, we created and conducted "Basics" courses twice in the last twelve months and will hold them again before year-end. Our new Intermediate Bowl Turning, Intermediate Spindle Turning and Advanced Sharpening courses will be held this quarter and in the first quarter of 2022. Check the NWWT website for exact dates and class registration.



So, here is the part where NWWT needs you – *WE NEED INSTRUCTORS* from the membership.

Each class has a Lead Instructor, an Assistant Lead Instructor, and two or three General Assistants. Our goal is to have as much one-on-one help as possible. With six students per session, this staffing level has proven to be a good balance. An important long-term goal in this approach is to build an "Instructor Corps" within NWWT that will meet immediate needs but also cultivate new instructors up through the ranks.

Any teacher will tell you that *"the best way to learn is to try to teach what you think you already know to someone else!"*

If you would like to become an Instructor, Assistant Instructor, or General Assistant, please contact me any time. I encourage you to seriously consider this opportunity to help other NWWT members advance and hone your skills at the same time!

Feel free to call me with any questions.

Dave Wood
Education Coordinator
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NWWT STORE NEWS • JOHN SUTTER

The club store will start offering 2" and 3" diameter sanding arbors that work with the hook and loop backed sanding discs that we sell.

They should be in stock for Open Shop on Saturday, October 9.

They are from Kingspor's Woodworking Shop and are of the highest quality!

—John

2" arbor



3" arbor



2022 NWWT BOARD ELECTIONS

Below are the volunteers for 2022.

Our bylaws require a 30 day advanced notice of the board.

Voting will occur at the November meeting.

—Roger

2021 Officers

President: Roger Crooks

nwwt.rogercrooks@comcast.net

Vice President: Kevin White

kevin.white@northp.com

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mjmeredith23@gmail.com

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kevinjesequel@msn.com

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Lynne Hemmert

Jim Schoeffel

Richard Hall

Barbara Hall

Staff Volunteers

Newsletter: Bill Karow

Photographer: Jim Schoeffel

Store Sales: John Sutter

Library: Lynne Hemmert, Alex McDowell

Web: Roger Crooks

Raffle: TBD

AV Backup: TBD

NEED INSPIRATION? • ROGER CROOKS

Need some new ideas of what to turn on that special piece of wood or looking for ideas on how to embellish your piece? You can turn to Pinterest for ideas OR you can look at what your fellow members are doing.

Maybe you saw something at Show & Tell but don't remember the details. Check out our website's [Gallery](#). All the photos that are submitted for each meeting and the pictures taken by Jim at real meetings are/will be posted on this page.

If you need to contact the maker, check with Bill and he may be able to give you the member's name.

—Roger

September 2021 Show-n-Tell & Monthly Challenge

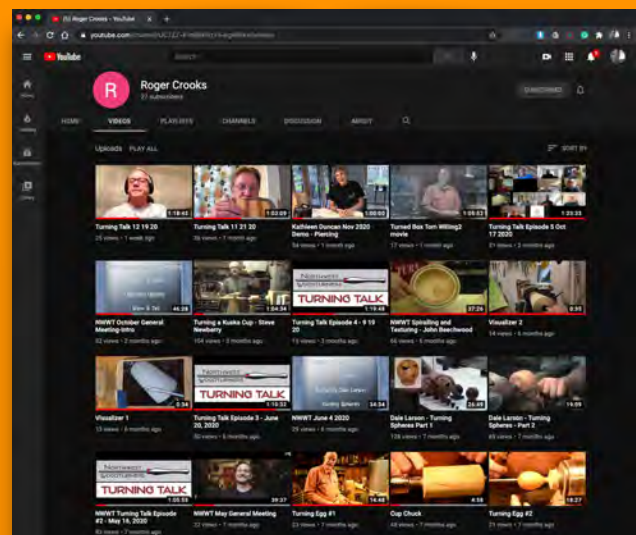


RECORDED MEETINGS & DEMOS

Our monthly meetings and Turning Talks are available for viewing. Remember, to view past meetings, go to the NWWT Calendar.

Recorded meetings are highlighted in **orange**. Click on the meeting to get the link.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	Oct 1 6:30 PM October Meeting Speaker: Newberry! Nulka Cup	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 9:00 AM NWWT - Turning Talk



SEPTEMBER CHALLENGE • OVAL BOWLS

Kevin Jesequel



Bill Karow



Jason Goodrich



SEPTEMBER SHOW-N-TELL

Tammi Connolly



Phil Lapp



Jeff Littman



SEPTEMBER SHOW-N-TELL (CONT.)

Kevin Jesequel



Kevin Jesequel



SEPTEMBER SHOW-N-TELL (CONT.)

Roger Crooks



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SEPTEMBER SHOW-N-TELL (CONT.)

Roger Crooks



David Perez



Bill Karow



SEPTEMBER SHOW-N-TELL (CONT.)



SEPTEMBER SHOW-N-TELL (CONT.)

Bill Karow



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NWWT MEETINGS & DEMONSTRATORS



DUE TO THE COVID, MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE ONLINE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

DATE	PROGRAM	MONTHLY CHALLENGE
2021		
Thursday, January 7	Mike Meredith — Chainsaw Maintenance, Sharpening and Safety / Tool Swap	Holiday Presents
Thursday, February 4	Michael Alguire — Intricate Hollow Forms	More Holiday Stuff
Thursday, March 4	Betty Simnitt — Basket Illusion Technique	Piercings or Round Wheels (or both)
Thursday, April 1	David Ellsworth — (Need we say more!?)	Basket Illusions (or similar pyrography)
Thursday, May 6	Roger Crooks — Square Plates	Natural Edge Bowl
Thursday, June 3	Greg Gallagos — Podlets	Square Items
Thursday, July 1	Dale Larson — Oval Bowls	Hollow Items
Saturday, August 7	BBQ Picnic & Auction!!!	N/A
Thursday, September 2	Dale Larson — Finishing a Twice Turned Bowl	Oval Bowls (any size)
Thursday, October 7	Kirk DeHeer - Demystifying Cuts and Catches	Dale Larson-inspired Utility Bowls
Thursday, November 4	Bill Karow — Bleaching / Fuming / Ebonizing	TBD
Thursday, December 2	No Meeting	Happy Holidays!
2022		
Thursday, January 6	TBD	TBD
Thursday, February 3	Jimmie Allen	TBD
Thursday, March 3	Eric Lofstrom	TBD
Thursday, April 7	TBD	TBD
Thursday, May 5	Jimmy Clewes	TBD

BULLETIN BOARD

In July, we had a sale at Bob Espen's place in Toledo. We sold some of the wood and tools. Here is what is left for sale. If you are interested call Teresa Espen and work out a time. 360-269-3886

- Woodfast lathe M910 long bed asking \$1400
- Stronghold chuck \$200
- Axminster chuck with extra jaws \$250
- Stewart hollowing system with extra curved hollowing pieces \$150

She also has lots of roughed out bowls and hollow forms, mostly figured Big Leaf Maple and lots of hand turning tools including gouges.

—Dale



Past Cascade member Vince Nance is "retiring" from woodturning and selling his equipment. He has sold one lathe and some other equipment. Here is what is left for sale. Vince lives in inner SE Portland. If you are interested, call Vince and set up a time. 503-719-5316.

- General Lathe M160, 110V, capacity 12", variable speed, asking \$600
- Clean Stream dust collector 2 bag, 1 1/2hp, 110/220 asking \$150
- Grizzly table saw 3hp 10" asking \$300
- Makita miter saw LS1000 10" \$50
- Delta drill press 17-968 asking \$350

—Dale



OTHER WOODTURNING CLUBS • MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

Please check individual club websites for current information regarding their monthly online meetings.



WOODTURNERS OF OLYMPIA
woodturnersofolympia.org

2nd TUESDAY of every month @ 6:30pm
 First Baptist Church of Olympia
 904 Washington St. SE, Olympia, WA 98507 [\[map\]](#)



CASCADE WOODTURNERS
cascadewoodturners.com

3rd THURSDAY of every month @ 6:45pm
 Willamette Carpenters Training Center
 4222 NE 158th Ave, Portland, OR 97230 [\[map\]](#)



PACIFIC NORTHWEST WOODTURNING GUILD
woodturningguild.com

2nd WEDNESDAY of every month @ 7:00pm
 MWA Architects
 70 NW Couch St, Portland, OR [\[map\]](#)



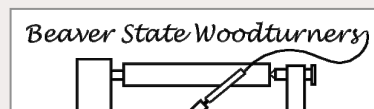
SW WASHINGTON WOODTURNERS
southwestwashingtonwoodturners.com

4th WEDNESDAY of every month @ 7:00pm
 Friends of the Carpenter's Center
 1600 W 20th St, Vancouver, WA 98660 [\[map\]](#)



WILLAMETTE VALLEY WOODTURNERS
willamettevalleywoodturners.com

2nd THURSDAY of every month @ 6:30pm
 Center 50+ Senior Center
 2615 Portland Rd, NE Salem, OR 97303 [\[map\]](#)



BEAVER STATE WOODTURNERS
beaverstatewoodturners.com

4th THURSDAY of every month @ 6:00pm
 Coburg Community Charter School
 91274 N Coburg Rd, Coburg, OR 97408 [\[map\]](#)

VENDOR SPONSORS ARE KEY TO OUR SUCCESS!

A key component of our financial stability as a club is our vendor sponsors. Our vendors provide periodic gift certificates for the raffle and our annual auction. In addition we receive product donations from some of them. If that were not enough, some also give individual discounts to club members. All this contributes to our financial health. We encourage all of you to patronize our vendor sponsors. It is good for you, good for them, and good for the club.

—————  *Click on each logo to go to their website*  —————



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Special note regarding Northwoods Figured Wood: Northwoods is evolving into a slab supplier and will no longer be in the turning blank business. We are sorry to see them go. They were a huge sponsor for us. We thank them deeply for their historical support and wish them the best in their new endeavor.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Past newsletters can be accessed from the NWWT website [here](#).

If you don't have internet access, provide me with your mailing address, and I will print out a copy, lick a stamp and mail a copy of the newsletter to you via U.S. Postal Service.

If you do not receive a courtesy email from me by the beginning of the month indicating that a new newsletter is available online, please send me your current email address.

Submissions to the newsletter are due by the last Thursday of the month.

Articles, tips, web links, classified ads and other woodturning-related items are welcome! Send them to [me](#).

For other business inquiries, contact Northwest Woodturners at:

Northwest Woodturners
P.O. Box 1157
Lake Oswego, OR 97035


NWWT membership has benefits!

Show your NWWT Membership Card to receive a discount off your purchase at
Gilmer Wood, Rockler, Woodcraft, Woodcrafters, Crosscut Hardwoods and Milwaukie Hardwoods.

