



IWVG News

The Newsletter of the Island Woodturners Guild

April, 2013



About the IWG:

The [Island Woodturners Guild](#) meets from 1:00 - 4:00 PM on the 4th Saturday of each month (except for July and August) at the Central Saanich Senior Citizens' Centre, [1229 Clarke Road](#), Brentwood Bay, BC.

Visitors are welcome.

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President's Turn

April 2013

I was very pleased to see that a number of turners managed to submit entries to the Pacific Brant Carving and Art Show at the Mary Winspear Centre in early April. Congratulations to the winners and it was really nice to see a good variety of wood turnings out on the table though I think our monthly Show and Tell Tables have a larger collection of pieces these days. Maybe next year we can start taking over more tables in this show and having more of our expert turners submit entries, we certainly have the talent to show off. I talked to a number of folks at the show who knew nothing about woodturning and they were most interested in some of the techniques, particular in the segmented turnings and the use of inlays so I think we could probably show off more than we have in the past. We could probably run a wood turning demonstration to complement the other demonstrations that the wood carvers put on, just a thought.

On another note, there has been considerable e-mail traffic in the past couple of months about the issue of Insurance for woodturning guilds and the concern that our coverage that we had through the AAW was not sufficient. Your Executive investigated the matter, looked at several options and has decided to join the BC Crafters Guild for the purposes of obtaining insurance. Unfortunately this will cost us and so we have to increase our membership dues for the upcoming year (2013-2014) by \$10 a person. This will not cover the actual cost but will reflect that we are going to have to increase membership fees slowly to ensure that we can maintain and improve upon our offerings and service. To increase the dues requires that the membership vote on the change and we will be doing this at the AGM in May.

Do not forget that on April 27th we have Jimmy Clewes coming to demonstrate and it will be a full day 9.00 am to 4.00 pm demonstration. Please have your \$35 handy for Doug when you come (exact change makes it much easier for him) and come early so that you get a good seat.

Mark Taylor

March Meeting Notes

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At our last meeting we had the privilege to have Donald Porter doing a demonstration on inside out turning. This is an interesting method which produces a unique design which can be done with 2, 4 and even 24 pieces. The basic principle is to glue two identical pieces together turn them, split them apart, glue them together again and turn . Donald gave a good description of the process as well as some of the problems which might occur while turning. The nice thing about Donald is he isn't afraid to make mistakes which gives a great opportunity for all of us to learn. Thanks for your time and contribution to our group.

Next meeting we have the pleasure of having Jimmy Clewes doing a full day demonstration. I have not had the fortune to see Jimmy but everything I have heard is great, there are many reviews which are very positive regarding his methods and delivery, this extends into his numerous DVDs as well. Originally from the UK he is described as " a renegade a free thinker and not within the stereotypical image of a woodturner". With an early interest in design and engineering he has 22 years of experience and has demonstrated in the Uk, Europe, Canada, Norway, Finland, New Zealand, Belgium,Australia and USA. He is a sportsman and an adventurer and loves to wonder in the desert around his home in Las Vegas where he has a workshop and teaching area. Just looking at his bookings he appears to be full for 2013 and has many bookings already for 2014. I am sure that we will enjoy our time with him and I hope most of us will be able to attend next meeting

John Gayfer

Future Meetings

This month meeting will feature a demonstration by the well known turning artist **Jimmy Clewes**. The following was lifted from his web site: <http://www.jimmyclewes.com>.

"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.

Jimmy is on the Register of Professional Woodturners in the United Kingdom and a member of the American Association of Woodturners. He has over 22 years of experience in woodturning and woodworking. The demand for his services as a freelance demonstrator and teacher takes him all over the world including his homeland of the United Kingdom, Europe, Canada, Norway, Finland, New Zealand, Belgium, Australia."

We are lucky to get Jimmy and expect to have a lot of fun. There will be two 1-day workshops following his demonstration and space is filling up rapidly. Please contact Steve Werner at stevewerner@shaw.ca to put your name on the list. Please advise if you prefer Sunday or Monday or if you don't care. We expect the costs to remain at \$35.00 for the demonstration Saturday only or \$150.00 for Saturday plus a workshop.

Steve

Work by Jimmy.



Show and Tell Table from March.

Be sure to check out all the show and tell pictures on the IWG website..

[Show and tell web gallery.](#)

http://www.islandwoodturners.ca/documents/show_and_tell.html..

Some Examples of Lathe work from 100 years Ago

Courtesy of

“Cassell’s Cyclopaedia of Mechanics”

Circa 1900- 1910



Reminder times two:

1. You can still bring items for the show and tell table, even though there might not be a tell portion, it is good for our demonstrators to see the type of work we produce.
2. Don't forget about the May challenge " something in the kitchen" (not your wife).

Library Materials Return

Thank you to those who have searched their libraries and found and returned items to the Guild Library. There are still quite a few items not accounted for so please keep looking. The Library listing on the website details those items that are AWOL. As this months meeting is a full day, the Library will be open from 8:30 AM to 8:55 AM.

Parting Off

Thanks to Stew Carmichael for taking photographs for the newsletter. Thanks also to Hew Lines for running the website. And of course thanks to our hard-working executive for their hard work and creativity.

All the best,