



IWG News

The Newsletter of the Island Woodturners Guild

May 2015



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 .

Executive Committee

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Steve Werner

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Gorden Kifiak

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The President's Turn

Well, it's not long now until the Annual General Meeting and then I'll have gone two whole years as your President without having been impeached (or even criticized - behind my back doesn't count.) Not that this is a club record or anything, but I don't believe anybody has been impeached yet although I understand there was a couple of close calls (just kidding). I have thoroughly enjoyed my time on the Executive and hope that I've given as much to the Guild as I have received from being an officer over the last three years. The advice, support and encouragement from all of you has been wonderful. Terms of office may come to an end but the friendships, knowledge and mentorships will go on hopefully for a long, long time.

It is not too late to nominate someone or have a friend nominate you, it is amazing how much pleasure being on the Executive will bring you. We have a great program of outside demonstrators for you next year and as Past President I can sit back and revel in the work that Gorden did to set it up. The new Executive will have a challenge, but will be more than up to the task of bringing you another exciting year.

We've had a great response with the lunch group meeting and almost a third of the Guild has indicated that they would like to participate. I doubt that any particular lunch will have a full turnout, but if one does we'll need a pretty big table. Hence the need to have at least a week's notice to make the reservations.

Another great response was with the Golf and T shirts. For us newer members it wasn't really fair that that the longer term members got to wear the cool shirts and wear them to out of town symposiums. The shirts have been ordered and may be available by the time you read this.

Every meeting it seems that I learn something new, whether it is from looking and then hearing about at a turning on the Show and Tell table or listening to one of our experienced members sharing their wealth of information. They are always interesting and informative, I hope you all feel the same. Last meeting we had the privilege of two members sharing their knowledge. Thanks Doug for demonstrating your vacuum box, I'll need to make one of those

President's Turn continued

now, and thanks Barrie for sharing your knowledge on filling voids. I have to admit that I don't care for mussels, so I'll need to go for a for a meal with someone who does, but doesn't intend to keep the shells.

I understand the next meeting is going to involve wrapping a turning in leather and then tooling and decorating it. I am looking forward to this and also the math involved in wrapping a three dimensional object with a two dimensional skin. Topology at its most practical.

To every season Turn, Turn Turn.

See you on the 23rd.

Steve Werner
President

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## **April Meeting**

Another very worthwhile demonstration by Barry and Doug, also very thorough. I cannot think of another material that Barry didn't include in his presentation, rice to clam shells to spices to leather, amazing, it would seem that the limits are endless when it comes to filling voids. The school teacher was very evident, Barry can even embellish the topic of embellishing when it comes to delivering a message. Doug was also very thorough as Doug always is, even to covering pitfalls and other things to avoid when filling defects. The both of them deserve an extra hand for contributing and sharing their knowledge so we can go ahead and apply what they taught to our own projects. Thanks guys well done!

As you have read in the Presidents report, Steve is finished his term as president and now fills the position as past president, he sounds happy about that, and thankfully he is still on the executive. Steve provides a lighter side to our meetings with his dry wit and colourful comments which keeps us all relaxed and not minding the long drive to his house on Ten Mile Point. Thank you Steve for stepping up and giving of your time and your house and of course your guidance as president, you have done a great job. Our next president, Gordon, has already done a tremendous amount of work arranging our demonstrators. This is a job that has to look to the future to book people sometimes two years in advance and trying to fit their schedules with ours, getting hosts and shops for the workshops. Again well done Gordon, I'm sure you will be as excellent a president as you were vice.

The May meeting will include our AGM, an event that is necessary and really not too painful. A few reports, finding out where all your money has been spend, what to expect for the future, and then a chance for all of you to stand up and contribute of your time to help our guild be everything that it can be. That sound exciting or what! Don't be shy, I'm sure that most of those still on the executive will be happy to step aside and let others have the wonderful experience of serving their guild. Look at me, I get to write to you every month, its like having my very own blog, never knowing if anyone is even reading this. I know, sarcasm is never very funny.

**April Meeting** continued

Also at the May meeting we will have Ray Franklin, a very sound turner with lots of experience and his friend, Keith Blaber, who will be showing us how to combine wood and leather. Sounds intriguing to me, see you all next weekend.

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Show and Tell Table from April

Be sure to check out all the show and tell pictures on the IWG website..
http://www.islandwoodturners.ca/documents/show_and_tell.html

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**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.

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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.

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For Sale

Delta 28-475X Bandsaw. In as new condition. Includes the wheels option, an upgraded Kreg Fence, resaw guide, upgraded tires and wheel brush. Complete with several blades, a couple unused. This is the model that came with a lifetime warranty and is engineered accordingly.
\$500.00.

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