



One Good Turn

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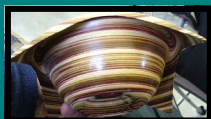
Upcoming Meetings

September – Tool Day at Denis Falch's shop. Each member will make one tool. Cost of materials will be required.

October – Jim Anderson will give a demo on methods of holding work.

November – Duane Hill will give a demo on a one board bowl

Work By Dennis Falch



August Demo – Duane Hill will be giving the demo at the August meeting. The demo will show various methods of cutting threads in wood and other materials. Three methods will be shown; threading for jigs, thread chasing and threading with a threading jig. Threading for jigs incorporates a metal tap for cutting threads to fit your headstock or tailstock. Thread chasing is almost a dying art. It was used in England in the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries to join ivory and exotic woods. The Baxter Threadmaster jig will be used to cut threads, in even soft wood. This demo will incorporate at least two lathes. After lunch, people can try their hand at threading, if so desired.

Great River Folk Festival – This year, CRW will again have a booth at the Great River Folk Festival, August 29th & 30th. The festival is held on UW-I's campus. Items may be sold or displayed at the booth. If you would like to have your pieces included in the booth, you need to either bring them to the August meeting or get them to Duane **no later than August 22nd**. All pieces need the following information: artist's name, description of piece, type of wood(s) used, finish used and cost. If the piece is not for sale, mark it NFS. 25% of all proceeds will go to the club. The remainder will go to the artist. We need a lot of pieces. This show gets a lot of people and we get some great exposure. Also contact Duane Hill if you are willing and able to either setup, tear down and or man the booth.

Monthly Tip – When you buy sanding disks, the bag they came has the grit marked on it. Chances are that the back of each does not have any grit markings. After you get the disks home, take a few minutes with a Sharpie and mark the grit on the back of each disk. This way, you will always know what grit it is. This is a great task to do while watching TV.

There will be a carpool going to Shorty's. We will meet at the west side, far side opposite the store, of Sam's Club parking lot. We will leave at 7:15, sharp. If you can help drive or want to ride out to Shorty's I'd suggest arriving around 7:00 so we can start to organize the carpool. The last car will leave at 7:15.

From the Planning Committee We are starting to look for topics and or demonstrators in 2010. We are also looking for people to lead at the meeting. If you have topics of interest, would like to demonstrate or lead, please give Duane Hill a call.

July Instant Gallery



Jim Frank



Roger Meyer



Paul Wolper



John Fisher

August Pres Sez

Hello everyone! I don't know about you, but my summer is flying by! It's hard to believe it's August already. Last month we all enjoyed Odell's demo on turning fruit. Excellent Job! Thanks Odell! I'd also like to thank Jim Frank and John Fisher for working together and bringing the cherry wood. It disappeared pretty fast and will be enjoyed by many. Thanks!

Safety Procedures Reminder! It's easy to get relaxed about our safety procedures; speeds too high, safety glasses, and face shields. Last month there was a fatal accident directly related to woodturning. An individual, in their early 50's, was turning in their shop. Either the whole piece came off of the lathe or a part of it did and hit the turner in the head. The individual succumbed to the head injuries and never woke up. Please, please, please follow the safety procedures for turning. This is a very sad tragedy.

Just a reminders; at the Sept. meeting, at Falch's, (NOT THIS MEETING AT SHORTY'S) will be the "Natural Edge" Challenge judging. We'll follow the usual "years of turning experience" categories as well as a "most creative" category. Your entry can be any turned piece as long as it has a natural edge and has been turned since Roger's demo this summer. Prizes will be Craft Supplies certificates. So keep those creative juices flowing. Also make sure you bring a chair and your appetite to Shorty's this month.

Be safe and keep it spinning! I'll see you all at Shorty's!
Greg

Open Shop Night is held Tuesdays at Duane Hill's shop, 808 Quincy in Onalaska. The topic is free format and anything applying to woodturning goes. This is a great chance to ask questions, try new techniques or just BS about woodturning. Please call, 608-783-0883, if you plan on coming over to make sure Duane will be there.



Greg Haugen



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CRW Mission Statement: *To promote, to educate, and to inspire ourselves and others in the fine art of turned wood.*

July Gallery



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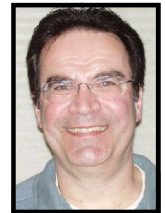


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Tool Day Information

The meeting in September will be a Tool Day and will be held at Denis Falch's shop in Winona. We haven't had a Tool Day for a couple of years. Tool Day is a chance for everyone to make a woodturning tool that you can use and take it home. Everyone will make one tool with a handle insert. You can make your own handle at home. If there is any material left, extra material may be purchased for additional tools. All tools will be ground from high speed steel blanks. No hardening or tempering required. There will be an extra cost for this to cover materials. Cost is estimated to be \$15-\$20 per person making a tool. At the July meeting, we took a vote on the tools to make. The four winners were: three point tool, Vortex tool, negative rake scraper and parallel side recess tool. Descriptions of each tool follow:

3 Point Tool - This is an old British turning tool. Very effective at turning beads on spindles or cross grain work. Three edges can be rotated. This tool can be used by all and is fairly simple to make. Consider it an intermediate project.

Vortex Tool - Developed by Stuart Batty and Cindy Drozda. Cindy Drozda describes it as a skew without a heel and a gouge without a flute. This is used for very precise spindle work for beads and coves. Great for small detail work. This is a somewhat difficult tool to grind. Used more by experienced turners. Consider it an advanced project

Negative Rake Scraper - Used by the old ivory turners to put a fine finish on a piece. This is a finishing tool. Works great with most hardwoods. Gives an excellent finish on hard, oily exotics. The included angle from top to bottom is less than 70 deg. The negative rake (upper portion) is only sharpened whenever the upper bevel disappears. Normal sharpening is done on the lower bevel. This tool is probably best used by intermediate to advanced turners and is fairly easy to make. Consider it an intermediate project

Parallel Side Recess Tool - Developed by Cindy Drozda for fitting lids to boxes/forms. This has two negative rake angles on it, one at the front and one on the side. The front edge is ground straight across, but slightly less than 90 degrees to get into corners. The side negative is ground parallel to the other side. This is used to create parallel sides for inserts, lids, etc. This tool is probably best used by intermediate to advanced turners and is somewhat difficult to grind. Consider it an advanced project.

Items Needed

You need to decide which tool you want to make and then get that information to Duane Hill **no later than Aug 22**. This is so we can order the appropriate materials.

We need 3-4 grinders with a shaping stone and sharpening stone. These will be used to grind the tools.

We also need 6-7 people to be grinding mentors. These people will be shown how to make each tool and will assist at the grinders as needed.

If you have a grinder you would be willing to bring and/or willing to be a mentor, contact Duane Hill at 608-783-0883 or wisawdust@charter.net to get on the list.

Also, everyone will need to bring either goggles or a face shield for grinding. **No one will be allowed to grind without eye protection.**

If you bring an old wire coat hanger(s), you may be able to make a surprise tool

06/16/09 CRW lathe purchase proposal

The CRW officers have been discussing the requests made by various club members to purchase a new (or used) larger lathe. We have put together the following information in preparation for the membership to vote on whether we should continue to look into the possibility of purchasing a larger lathe and any required accessories.

To move forward, we believe that we should justify the need to purchase a new lathe. We used several factors to help make that determination. While there are other factors, we chose to consider: safety, lathe demo capability, and the ability to fund the purchase.

Safety - The first priority of the club is safety. We should not allow anyone to turn on a lathe that presents an unsafe condition.

Our current mini lathes are limited by: Horse Power Swing Weight Balance Speed Belt changes

Demo capability - Our current lathes will not allow us to safely demonstrate some types of turning. These are a few projects that cannot be considered due to these limitations:

Coring Large platters/bowls Natural edge bowl demo's Off center turning Thread chasing
Ease of video taking for demo's Pro demonstrator desires Swing Horse power Weight

Funding - The club has approximately \$1,000 earmarked for this project. This allocation leaves the club with a sufficient operating budget. Additional funding will be needed prior to purchasing the lathe. Fund-raising ideas are:

Wood raffles Tool raffles Member donations EOG from AAW Other ideas????

Process - We will provide information at regular meetings and in the CRW news letter for two consecutive months. The membership shall vote at the September 19th meeting. We will need a quorum for the vote to be valid, with 75% affirmative vote to move forward with the process.

If anyone is not able to be present at that meeting they can vote via mail or email. To be counted, Mike Henderson must receive your vote prior to September 18th.

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If club members vote to move forward with a lathe purchase, the officers will research and recommend a couple of lathes. The details will be provided at meetings and in the CRW newsletter. The vote for the specific lathe will take place at a future meeting.



The photo of the day is chosen from the Forum Gallery by one of our volunteer moderators.

The turning shown here is titled "Elm 919" from the gallery of Richard Kennedy.

Description: Elm turned burned and oiled.

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SYNOPSIS OF ADDENDUM TO BY-LAWS

In the event of the dissolution, division or cessation of the operation of CRW, assets shall be disposed of as follows:

1. Schools in the La Crosse area (including Onalaska, Holmen and surrounding towns) shall be given the opportunity to receive lathes, turning tools and accessories, library materials and video equipment free of charge
2. In the event area schools are unable or unwilling to accept said materials, surrounding woodturning clubs (located in WI, MN and IA) shall be given the opportunity to acquire same in exchange for reasonable donations. What constitutes "reasonable donations" will be established by the officers of CRW at the time of the dissolution, division or cessation of CRW
3. In the event that area woodturning clubs are unable or unwilling to purchase said materials, remaining items shall be raffled to paid members of CRW



John Fisher



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Roger Meyer



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Roger Meyer



Lyle Solem



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Pam Reily



Rich Egan



Paul Wolper



Cabbage Thumper

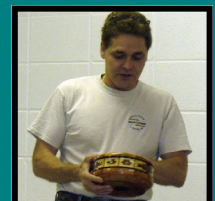
July Instant Gallery



Lyle Solem



John Fisher



Photos provided by Jim Frank



Denis Falch Story of a Wood Turner

My brother Doug and I owned the Dairy Queen Store here in Winona for 32 years. It was a GREAT JOB and we enjoyed it immensely. Doug and I both enjoyed working with wood in the winters when the D.Q. was closed for the season. I went to some of the seminars that were put on at A-Line and met Duane Hill who was demonstrating woodturning. He really sparked a interest in woodturning with me and we discussed the fact that it would be nice to have a club so we could all learn more from each other. I guess I can't be considered a Charter Member as I had to attend a wedding the day they held the first meeting. Well, needless to say I haven't missed too many meetings since and can say I really enjoy each one. I get many great ideas from all of you and I am grateful to each and every one of you for your friendship and Super Ideas.

I bought my first lathe (a Delta) in 1999. I never turned on that lathe for one year as it was shipped with a damaged bed. It took quite some time for A-Line to get a replacement to me and the D.Q. was open so I didn't really have time to practice with it until the following fall. Since we have retired in Dec. 1999 I have been making chips fly quite often. As many of you know I try many different methods of turning and seem to enjoy each new endeavor. Many of you have been able to watch my turning progress through the years. I maybe could be considered a *turning the corner apprentice* and getting closer to be a journeyman turner. That's just my opinion and I maybe way out in left field, but I know that I really have a lot of fun in my shop and to this day I can't wait to get to get out there and do some turning. Thanks to each of you for all your help and encouragement through the years. Hope we will enjoy many more together. If you are ever in town, be sure to stop in as you are always welcome.

Denis Falch

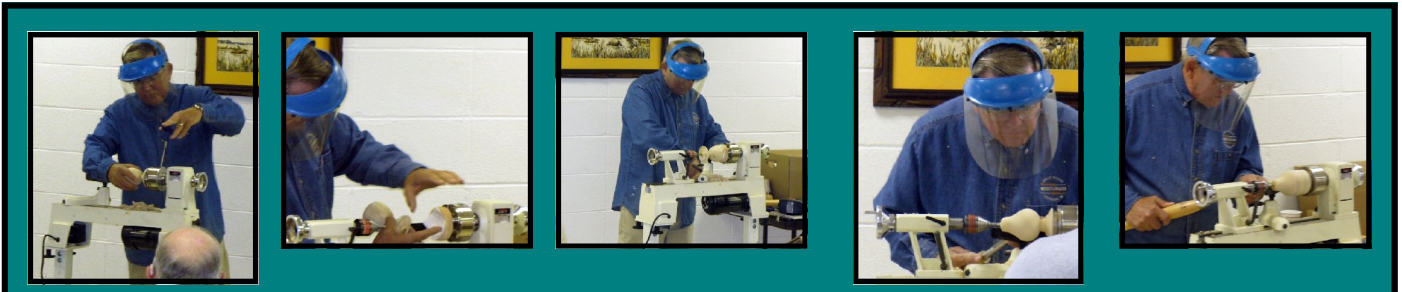
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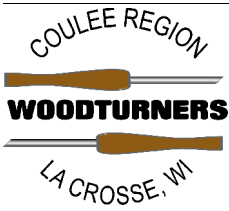
I purchased a new tool from Easytools Inc. It was an inside round carbide cutter with a very nice 16 inch handle. I was letting a friend turn a bowl and he did a very nice job on the outside (With my coaching). He used a bowl gouge to start cutting the inside and was finishing using the Easytool Inc. Round carbide cutter. He was doing fine but then let his tool sag down inside the tool. Of course it bit into the wood too much and broke the handle in half. The tool handle hit the floor in front of him and the steel part of the tool flew forward into my hands and chest. I was standing to the front right side of the lathe. If you are coaching and observing another turner, always remember never stand in line of the spinning bowl. Being to the side, I was not in direct danger, but I was able to catch the tool as it went by.

I called Easytool and explained what happened. They sent me a new tool and I sent the broken tool back.

Jim Frank

Pictures From July's Demo





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"A Turn For the Better"

Here's a map to help those who aren't sure where we meet this time—at the Shorty Miller Retreat, northeast of Alma. Address is:

Fire number 1470
County Highway S
Alma, WI 54610

It's the log cabin at the end of the dirt road at the top of the hill almost 5 miles from where the White School House used to be on Highway 37.

Look for the sign at the top of the hill on County Road S. If you get lost, God help you. There is no phone at this location.

Next Meeting is a road trip— see the Map at right. August 15

