

# One Good Turn

# **Coulee Region Woodturners**



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Duane Hill brought us his wisdom on sharpening in May. It's not really as hard as it looks. Maybe. Thanks, Duane for all your help. We have a venue change for our June meeting. Look for directions to Jim Frank's later in the newsletter.









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# From a Knot in The Board...

Friends of the wood lathe.

Summer is here. We have had 80-degree days by now. Gardens and plants are going in. By the time you read this, school will be out and we will be hearing those happy voices biking, running and going all about. The pools will be busy and so maybe all of us with children and grandchildren about. Vacations, weddings and graduations will be among our weekend plans. How about making a gift instead of buying one? Several of us are turning a bowl or making a pen for those special occasions. A nice one of a kind gift.

This month we will be going to Jim Frank's house for our demonstration and picnic. The Board has decided to have a potluck picnic after the demonstration. John Griffiths will be showing us how to find a bowl in a board. You will need to bring a chair to sit on and a dish to pass. The Board will be providing Brats and Hamburgers, plates, silverware and napkins. Jim's Address is: W7329 County Road Z Onalaska, WI. He has a ¾ million-dollar view of Lake Onalaska. We will have coffee and donuts are always welcome. Wives and friends are invited. If they want to come for the picnic have them be there at 11:00.

We have three opportunities to demonstrate our skills and offer items for sale coming in late June and early July. Look at the calendar. We can use your help and participation.

There is more information in this newsletter of the Jimmy Clewes visit in September. I won't repeat it here. Look at the calendar and article.

The Board is looking into inviting Alan Lacer or Steve Sinner to be our professional demonstrator in 2020. Have an opinion or alternate let us know.

Look at the challenges set up for you. June's challenge is short and fat. Is that a platter? A bowl? A tea light holder? Or something else? Surprise us.

Look at the updated calendar in this newsletter.

Isn't it wonderful.

Be Safe, Keep Sharp

Adrian

Jimmy Clewes is coming to Coulee Region Woodturners LLC on September 21, 22, and 23. The Board is asking Jimmy to focus his presentation on:

Saturday - September 21 from 9 to 4 at the Onalaska Community Center - cost \$35.00 includes lunch Back to Basics Bowl Turning showing Tool and process Technique

He describes it as "I explain and show you how I turn a bowl. I will show you a very simple way of how to get a curve every time! Remember it's hard to refine a curve unless you have a curve in the first place! My method of hollowing seems logical to me but very few people use it. Again, all will be explained in the demo but I am sure you will learn something for even the seasoned bowl turners." We will be asking Jimmy to continue beyond the basics as he has time.

Sunday – September 22 from 9 to 4 at Aline Tools - cost \$135.00 includes lunch

### Natural Edged End Grain Vase

He describes it as "Another favorite of mine. There is just something so therapeutic about wet wood. It's a great way to improve your tooling technique also. This End grain Vase, will be turned thin and even so the wood does not split when drying. A light can be used when checking thickness. Another ogee curve! And a great looker." Needed – Log of wet Ash, Elm, or Native Timber approx.. 6"Dia 11"long

Monday – September 23 from 9 to 4 at Aline Tools – cost \$135.00 includes lunch

### Scorched Ash Bowl with Colored Lid

He describes it as "A simple turned Ash curved bowl with a slight turned over rim, which is then scorched and textured to emphasize grain. The lid is colored maple, with a simple handle to complement the simple curves of the bowl. I will show one of my coloring techniques."

Needed – Ash bowl blank 8" diameter 2" thick, for the lid Maple 7" diameter 1" thick, for the handle Maple 2" square 4" long

Required for hands on classes 1/4" bowl gouge 3/8" bowl gouge (or 1/2 ")

Roughing out gouge

Parting tool

Round nose scraper 3/8" spindle gouge

A Standard Chuck with a screw chuck and drill size to match

For Finishing Sanding/abrasives to 400 grit Jar of Sanding sealer or thinned shellac (50%) Can of Deft gloss spray lacquer, wax Danish/Deft oil or similar

For Monday:

Alcohol based colors/stains

Gas Blow Torch

Wood Spare pieces of wood in case of Design Changes may be advisable. Jimmy gets his wood from Craft Supplies USA, Brandon Knopp is the guy to speak to.

If you do not have the required tools many of us will share our tools just ask. The finishing can be easily shared. John Fisher is looking into providing the wet wood for Sundays Hands On Extra projects may be added as time permits.

Send your question s to John Griffiths griff@mwt.net. Payments and reservations to Jay Johnson our treasurer.

<b>Coulee Region</b>	<b>Wood Turners</b>	<b>Presents for the</b>	3
	<u>year 2019</u>		

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<u>Date</u>	Program	<u>Challenges</u>		
June 15 Fat	Picnic at Jim Frank's	Short and		
1 22	John Griffiths on Bowl in a Board	1		
June 22 July 7	Norskedalen Midsummer Fest 10 AM – 4 PM Norskedalen Art of the Farm 10AM – 5 PM at	Thrune-		
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	429 N. 7 <sup>th</sup> Street, La Crosse			
July 20	Wendell Zigler	Funnels		
August 17 move	John Fisher on CA Glue	Make it		
	Jimmy Clewes demonstration 9-4 includes			
	lunch. Preregistration needed \$35.00 your Best	Bring		
October 19	Jack Transfers to turned item	All about		
the Sphere	John Thomas - University of Dougle			
Balance	John Thorson – University of Bowls	All about		
December 21	Christmas Potluck	Ormanent		
Future plans:January Round Robin, February Basket Illusion, March Mark Palma returns				
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### Your Dues are Due!!!

If you have not yet paid your 2019 dues, please do so. Your \$36 helps the club pay our monthly rent at I the community center, brings you great demonstrators, expands our library and tool lending collection, I brews coffee, and countless other benefits. Bring your payment to the next meeting, or mail to our treasurer, Jay Johnson. His address is: 703 Granum Street, Holmen WI 54636. Checks to Coulee Region Wood Turners.



May 2019 Instant Gallery

















# More May 2019 Instant Gallery















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For sale, full size pick-up tool box. Contact John Phillips at: <u>jphillips006@centurytel.net</u>. I am asking \$100.00. Thanks, John.



#### Two Outreach events need your help

We have two Norskedalen events coming up which I mentioned at the April meeting. We had a nice turnout of volunteers for each, and a few more will be valued as well.

The first one will be at the main Norskedalen location kind of east and north of Coon Valley on June 22, it will be the Midsummer Fest. Many have done demos at a Norskedalen event, they are a lot of fun and an opportunity to sell our turned wood art for the benefit of the sellers and CRW. Also it is a very good opportunity to talk with other artists/vendors and soak up some history of the area. They put on a feed that is very interesting. The club gets some complementary tickets for the members working it, so a chance for a nice dinner as well. Can't beat that with a stick!

The second one will be at the Skimsrud-Thrune Farm at the other Norskedalen location, just west of Coon Valley on Highway 14-61, on July 7. That too is a great event. And several members have signed up; and I am also looking for a few more to volunteer. Same as above, help move equipment/set up and take down, all the rest.

I will be taking additional names by email or at the May meeting.

Turning at these events if always fun, we can make simple things to give away to the audience, or show how we make a pen or a bowl for example.

Last year Dan sold a freshly turned unfinished bowl right off the lathe. How cool is that?

So, please sign up to help at both of these event. They will both pretty memorable days. Thanks.

John Griffiths

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### "A Turn For the Better"



**Next Meeting** Saturday June 15 2019 at 9 am

Our June meeting and picnic will be held at the Jim Frank residence, W7329 Cty Rd Z, Onalaska, WI. From Hwy 35 North, just a few blocks north of the second roundabout at Mason Street, exit onto Cty Z to Brice Prairie and follow the road west to Red Pines. Jim's house is just after on the left. Parking may be limited, so car pool with someone and plan ahead. If you get lost, Jim and Karen's number is 608-781-8092.

