

Tuckesse Turners

Woodturners from North Central TN and South Central Kentucky

We provide an environment to help beginning woodturners get started with minimal start up costs
Fostering the art of woodturning by providing instruction, tools, and materials to the beginner

October Newsletter

Message From the President

This is the time of year when, for most members, the temperature is just right in their shop. It's not too cold (winter) and not too hot (summer) to be comfortable. I know that I enjoy this time of year as well as any and find that I am more productive when I am comfortable.

Our October meeting was highlighted by Tom Pressler who gave us a demonstration on making candle bases.

There were several events this year that I should mention, beginning with the one in Hopkinsville, in the Bradford Square mall. It was in conjunction with the Hopkinsville Art Guild. We demonstrated with two lathes and sales were good.

The Erin event was good with demonstration and brisk sales. We had good weather and we were close to the food, so how much better can it get?

Frolic On Franklin was a successful event this year. It is always a very enjoyable event, especially when we have very good sales activity like this one

We did many monthly Market Place events. This has turned out to be a very good thing for us and Clarksville. They always have many vendors who apparently do well and such a good variety of items for sale. It is almost like a Farmers Market with lots of homemade items and fruits and vegetables.

We always do well at the Market Place. We demo and attract a lot of people who watch us turn, and many watchers turn out to be interested in our club. Sales are usually very good. We had a good year.

Thanks to all who helped with all these events.

Bob Forsythe, President

October Demonstrator

Tom Pressler

My apologies to Tom. Somehow I don't have any pictures of him during his demonstration on Turning a Candle Base. It would have been so nice to have this for a front page picture.

Tom you were so nice to volunteer to do the turn in for October and your demo was an excellent presentation. You showed us how to turn using a Scraper.

Thanks Tom.

Interview with Jack Bastin

Jim: Jack, thank you for agreeing to this interview. You are one of the most respected and well liked member of our club, so it is a pleasure to speak with you about something that is near and dear to both of us.

I will start by asking you how long you have been turning?

Jack: Approximately 12 years.

Jim: How did you get into woodturning?

Jack: I went to a Tennessee Association of Woodturners meeting in Nashville with Charlie Putnam. We saw a demonstration... someone using a wood lathe. I bought a Jet Mini lathe in the next couple of weeks.

Jim: That got you motivated and started. We both know that is just the beginning of the learning curve when it comes to woodturning. What about the rest of your training and or instruction?

Jack: I have seen a lot of demonstrations at the Nashville and Clarksville and other clubs.

Jim: I know you make a lot of ornaments, but you have such a nice variety of nice items you make. What would you say is your specialty item and do you make them because you like to make it or do you make it because they sell good.

Jack: I like to make ornaments and I sell a few of them and give away some. I don't think they sell very well.

Jim: What finish do you use and how do you apply it?

Jack: Clear High Gloss Lacquer, Spray on Mahoney's walnut oil wax, Wipe on Poly, Hut pen polish, and mineral oil.

Jim: What kind of equipment do you have and what tools do you use mostly?

Jack: I have a Jet 1220 and a Jet 1442 variable speed. I use bowl gouges, parting tool, spindle gouge, and hollowing tools.

Jim: Jack, how long have you been a member of our Tuckesse Turners club?

Jack: I have been a member since it started.

Jim: So you are a charter member. What would you like to see us do at every meeting.

Jack: Be quiet when someone is demonstrating.

Jim: I agree completely. Would you like to see the Minutes and Financial Report at every meeting?

Jack: I think that would be good.

Jim: What about a review of upcoming events and a summary of the last events?

Jack: I think Charlie does a good job with that. I would like to see him continue.

Jim: Not many people bring things to Show 'n Tell any more. What can we do to encourage that?

Jack: I am guilty of that myself, but I think it is very important. It makes you practice more to make something you are proud enough to show.

Jim: I asked Jack questions on recommended improvements, what he would like to see demonstrated, and who we should get to demonstrate. I learned that Jack, being the gentleman he is, was reluctant to make many suggestions as to what one should be doing. I respect his reluctance and thoroughly enjoyed our conversation. As I have known for a long time...you can learn a lot from Jack.

Jack is a member who can always be counted on. He has been at almost every meeting, turn-in, and demonstration events. So he has volunteered as many hours for this club as any other member. It is people like this that you can thank for what our club is today.

Wood to Share?

If you have some wood you could and would share, give us the info and we will tell the members. Some turners have trouble obtaining wood, so keep that in mind. Not everyone has easy access. I always have some that I can share. Just let me know by calling my office at 270 885 0069.

TAW Annual Woodturnig Symposium

The Tennessee Association of Woodturners (TAW) will be presenting their annual Symposium on Friday, January 27th and Saturday, January 28th, 2012. It will again be held at the Radisson Hotel at Opryland on Music Valley Drive across the street from the Opryland Hotel in Nashville. The hotel was recently renovated and includes a new restaurant.

The 2012 Symposium features some of the world's leading woodturners including Al Stirt, Dale Larson, Jennifer Shirley, Ashley Harwood, and Mark Gardner.

Prices range from \$90 for one day to \$145 for both days. A room at the Hotel, if you plan to stay, is optional and not included in the Symposium prices.

For questions or tickets call Jeff Brockett, TAW President, at 615 973 3336. Or go to their web site at tnwoodturners.org

Bob Forsythe



Gander 10" Bowl



Box Elder Cup

Chuck Webber



Cedar Chalice

Bill Zarella



Cedar Lamp



Square Black Limba



Birch 10" Bowl

Tom Pressler



Walnut Cake Plate



Twelve Inch Maple Bowl



Pecan Cake Plate (unfinished)



Eight Inch Mable Bowl

Max Harris



Large Fourteen Inch Bowl Maple



Natural Edge Dogwood



Spalted Maple Hollow Form

David Sayers



Natural Edge Walnut

Kevin Austin



Ball Bat With Offset

Jim Mason



Sugar Maple Hollow Form



Sugar Maple Hollow Form With Void



Twelve Inch Sycamore Bowl With Handles

Membership Dues for Next Year

Due by the end of the year, but we begin collecting in October.

Bruce Hensley - Wood a Big Hit

Thanks to all who purchased a ticket to win wood furnished by Bruce. We saw some very nice pieces of wood that were won by members. The proceeds went into our New Lathe Fund. Thanks again members, for stepping up to the plate.

SAFETY FIRST

We keep hearing about flying pieces of wood, bowl and vases blowing up, and tools injuring woodturners. Remember that in turning you are using sharp tools engaging in moving wood. At best, it is dangerous. So please be careful

Classified Ads

Ads for woodworking and woodturning related items are free to members. Send your information to the Editor.

Member Projects

If you have a woodturning project that you have finished or are working on and would like to have it showcased in the Newsletter, send info and photos.

Members Questions and Answers

Members are asked to submit woodturning, finishing, and tool questions to Club members...our "experts" for answers. There are no dumb questions. Someone else in the club has probably asked the same questions.

Link to the Nashville Club Newsletter
TAW November Newsletter (Best) 6.6Mb:
<https://files.me.com/randyfthompson/ibarc3>

Calendar of Events

Monday, Nov 7	November Meeting 7:00 PM at the far end of Ford Street (FOP Lodge)
Saturday, Oct 26	November Turn-in
Monday, Dec 5	December Meeting
December	NO TURN-IN IN DEC

October Visitors

Recently we have had new visitors to our club. Hope I don't miss anyone, but here are the visitors that I remember. David Davis, Greenbriar; Billy Dickens, Clarksville; Ken Ashton, Clarksville; Bill Zarella, Chapmansboro; Hank West and Kevin Austin, both from Hopkinsville. Welcome to our club. You are invited back anytime. We hope you will become members.

Auction Includes Woodworking Tools

Five Horsepower Powermatic Table Saw with
Biesermeyer Fence
Eight Inch Grissly Joiner
Thirteen Inch Delta Planer
Hitachi ½ in Plunge Router with Table
Fourteen Inch Grissly Bandsaw
Dust Collector
Floor Model Drill Press
Miscellaneous blades and tools

Also Household Items, Highboy Camper

Bellamy Auction in Clarksville is in charge if you have more interest or call Jim Mason 885 0069

U.S. Hwy 68 between Hopkinsville and I-24

Even though I don't have a lot of other details, it is a friend (golfing buddy) who is selling everything in preparation to move to his wife's home town in Canada.

Meeting of Interest

The Tennessee Association of Woodturners club, to which several of the Tuckesse Turners club members belong, hold their monthly meetings on the 1st Tuesday, usually the next day after our meetings. This month it is on the 1st and consequently is a week before ours. Their meetings start at 7:00 PM at the Tennessee Baptist Childrens Home on Franklin Road, Brentwood, Tennessee.
www.tnwoodturners.org

Symposiums of Interest

Tennessee Association of Woodturners
24th Woodturning Symposium
January 27-29, 2011, Nashville, TN
www.tnwoodturners.org/symposium

Woodturning Clubs of Interest

American Association of Woodturners
www.woodturner.org

Tennessee Association of Woodturners
Nashville, TN www.tnwoodturners.org

Duck River Woodturners Club, Columbia, TN
www.duckriverwoodturners.com

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Our Location

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Directions to Club Meeting Place

From the South: Take N. 2nd Street north onto Hwy 41A (Providence Blvd), Turn Right on Market St, Turn Right on Chapel St, Turn Left on North Ford St. About ½ mi. rd turns hard right, continue about ½ mile to the last building on the Left.

From the North: From Hwy 41A (Providence Blvd) turn left on Chapel St ¼ mi. turn left on North Ford St. About ½ mi. rd turns hard right, continue about ½ mile to the last building on the Left.