



*CUMBERLAND WOODTURNERS
ASSOCIATION*

A Chapter of the AAW

NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2006

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Vice President: John Lucas

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The Cumberland Woodturners met on August 30 at the workshop of Bill Westerbeck. President Jack Semelsberger called the meeting to order at 6PM. There were 26 members and 2 visitors present.

PREZ PAGE

We had our meeting as usual in Bill's shop, unfortunately Bill was unable to attend because of his recent operation. Our prayers are with him and we are looking forward to seeing him again at the next meeting.

Best wishes from the club, Bill!



Raffle: This was the first meeting since I've joined the club that we had NOTHING for the raffle. This is a very important part of our meetings. The various woods we normally get help the members with turning stock and are a source of our club's funds. Members, please bring in turnable items, extra wood from your shop, check out your neighbors for fallen trees, trimmings, etc.

MONTHLY PROGRAM

We did not have a scheduled demo for this meeting, but instead had a discussion on various finishing techniques.

John Lucas kicked us off with another excellent report. John discussed the end effect of various grits of sandpaper from about 220 to 1500, with the general conception that 600 grit was fine for most woodturning projects.

The discussion went on to compare the merits of the various finishes themselves including gunstock finish, lacquer, walnut oil, oil & varnish, pure tung oil, and spar varnish. Almost too much information to absorb.

Jim Bentley discussed the "old" method of using beeswax and mineral oil.

Bobby Clemons gave us some pointers on salad bowl finishes

Larry Cowles mentioned "French finish", a mixture of shellac and mineral oil.

Marion Randolph distributed a handout on Oil-varnish finish, which included pros & cons, formula and general installation procedure.

Some general points: You'll never achieve a good finish unless you sand to the proper level. Quality sandpaper does make a difference. What the piece will be used for will help determine what finish to

use – repairability (new woodturner word) may be a factor.

Have problems with the superglue cap sticking to the container? Quit using the cap, the glue with stay liquid with out it.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

September Randy Trentham – Wobble vessel
October Tool Auction

INSTANT GALLERY



TREASURER'S REPORT

Ken Warrick gave the Treasurer's report as follows for May:

Previous Balance	\$2,338.81
Income	\$ 228.00
Expenses	\$ 300.00
Ending Balance	\$2,266.81

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

The challenge this month was for a natural-edge bowl, won by Jake Niedling.



UPCOMING CHALLENGES

September Goblet
October Hollow vessel

WOOD O' THE MONTH

The wood of the month was brought in by Jon Reiver.

MEETING REFRESHMENTS

September Rod Smith
October Bob Cummings

NEXT MEETING

WHEN: Sept. 27 @ 6PM (Social hr @ 5PM)
WHERE: Bill Westerbeck workshop
PROGRAM: Wobble vessel – Randy Trentham
CHALLENGE: Goblet

PHOTOS

Nick Cook Demo Day



Nick Cook demo pieces



Jake with Challenge winning bowl



Jon with segmented hot air balloon



Marion explaining finishing technique



John with "yet to be named" turning

