

July Demo

Brad Adams Presents: From the Final Cut To the Finish

Brad took up woodturning as a hobby in 1999, trading a sailboat for his first lathe (a Shopsmith) to turn table legs. He soon moved up to a Record CL3, and now turns on a Oneway 2436. In 2004 he moved his shop into the Benicia Industrial Park and started turning full time.

Brad cranks out hundreds of pieces a year, primarily utilitarian bowls, but also a few art forms. He sells at local art shows and craft fairs, and through the “Arts Benicia” Gallery. He turns mostly from local trees that have succumbed to wind, disease, or urban expansion, but does admit to buying a couple tons of maple and madrone burl every year. He is known for his attention to form and finish, being able to find the beauty in an ugly chunk of firewood.



“My demo is to intended to help beginning and intermediate turners achieve a professional looking form and finish while significantly reducing sanding time. It presents tips and techniques not typically presented in other demos. It covers:

Fine tuning the form with tricks to find bumps and flat spots.

Sharpening and using a negative rake scraper, a convex bowl gouge, and a cabinet scraper.

Finishing cuts that minimize the amount of sanding needed.

Proper sanding tools and techniques.

Finish choices and finishing methods.”





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LOCAL CHAPTER AAW

Club Meetings

Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month unless otherwise noted.

8:30 doors open for setup, use store and library, swap ideas, view displays

9:30—12:30 meeting and demo

Meetings will be held at the PHEC Woodturning Center, 1 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill, CA.

See www.bayareawoodturners.org for directions and club information.

BAWA Officers Meeting -

Officer meetings are open to all members. Contact Bill Mellberg if you would like to be on the agenda.

2013-2014 Event Schedule

July 13th	Brad Adams - "From the Final Cut To the Finish"
Aug 10th	Summer Bar-B-Que
Sept 7th *Note Date*	Mike Mahoney— Bowls and Hollow Forms
Oct 12th	Christmas Ornaments and Gifts
Nov 9th	Mark Gardner
Dec 14th	Christmas Party
Jan 11th	Jim Rodgers

The Bay Area Woodturners Association is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Our purpose is to provide a meeting place for local turners to share ideas and techniques and to educate the general public regarding the art of turning. The Association usually meets the second Saturday of each month. The Association periodically sponsors exhibitions and demonstrations by local and internationally known turners.

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Members Share Ideas at June Meeting

Our June BAWA meeting was a resounding success! Members gave fantastic ideas and feedback across a broad range of topics which will provide the Executive Committee direction for new initiatives. We covered membership ideas, special interest groups (SIGS), mentoring, member support, website development, social media and many more topics. Below is a summarized list of main points Taree Klausner was kind enough to compile:

- Encourage Younger Demographic to Enter Woodturning/BAWA
- Market BAWA (Examples Sources: Youth clubs, Diablo Adult)
- (Marketing Tools: BAWA Cards, liaison at Craft Shows, use of Social Media, Incentives, Pairing)
- Set up SIGS (Examples: Women , Pens, Embellishments)
- Set up Bio of Members easily available to other Members
- Set up geographical location of members perhaps by map for other Members
- Develop better ways to engage new members (Suggestions were pairing and involvement)
- Develop a Mentor list by location (Suggestion Identified on Membership Map)
- Develop a system for better coordination and consistency across platforms
- Develop a successful process for more involvement by members
- Develop a process for Q and A Time
- Address variations in Skill levels in membership
- Require Handouts by Professional and Member Presenters (Examples : tips, order of operation, tools and suppliers etc)
- Program Additions (Example: Finishing, Tips and Tricks, Safety, Q and A)
- Consider Use of social Media (example facebook/ Google group)
- Better interface with Newsletter
- Develop useful Apps
- Swaps and Silent auctions with more frequency (Suggestion 2-3 Xs yr)
- Available video of Presenter for members for a select time period (EX: 30 days)
- Monthly Challenge



The leadership team will work with these ideas and report back to the membership on how we will implement many of these excellent suggestions. Thank you again to everyone who joined in the discussions.

~John Cobb~

Master Classes at Pleasant Hill

Elizabeth Lundberg



Elizabeth Lundberg shares some of her techniques and processes to an engrossed audience during her Master Class on July 1-3.

Mike Jackofsky

Mike Jackofsky's masters class runs from July 8th to 11th. Over those four days, 15 people are expected to go through over 150 blanks which is a significant amount of semi green wood to source.

Tony Wolcott and Joe Dahl each contributed significant time and chainsaw skills delivering a trove of blanks. Not only did they deliver directly to the MDAE campus, they worked through 100 degree heat to get the job done.

Thank you Tony and Joe, your volunteer efforts are greatly appreciated!

Annual Club BBQ in August

One of the highlights of our upcoming BBQ in August will be our Tool SWAP and Shop Sale. This is a great opportunity to clean out your shop and sell or trade any tools, gear or wood that you have with other BAWA members. Last year, I scored big time, lot's of great bargains that I have enjoyed using throughout the year. This year, I hope it will be even better—you never know what someone will bring to the tables to sell. So now is the time to start going through your shop and pulling together treasures to sell or swap.

~Joel Albert

The location of next month's BBQ is:
Pleasant Hill Park, Area #3, 147 Gregory Lane

Read more about the BBQ in President's Message.



Bob Nolan & Fred Deadrick having fun and getting good deals at the 2011 Bar-B-Que

President's Message

June 2013



I personally want to thank all who attended the June meeting and provided us with valuable input on the direction you want the chapter to grow. It has been 9 months since we left CVHS and the BAWA Board of Directors recently made a long term commitment to MDAE to make this our new home. This month BAWA will be a co-sponsor with the Woodturning Center at MDAE, two Master Classes that Jim Rodgers organized and that will be attended by BAWA members who will gain new woodturning skills from Elizabeth Lundberg and Mike Jackofsky.

If you went to the Alameda County Fair this year, you would have seen several beautiful turned pieces and a woodturning display from both Jim Rodgers and Bob Nolan that each won very high honors from the judges. The reason I mention this is that one idea from the June meeting was “to get info about BAWA out to the public”. There is no better way to advertise who we are and what we do than to have our beautiful turned pieces displayed in public places with references to our web site or contact numbers.

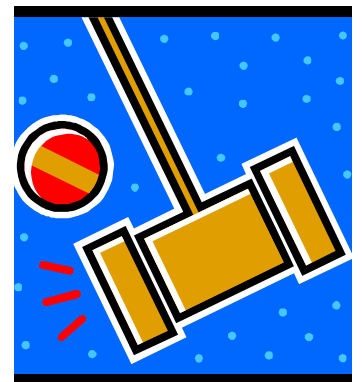
In June there were a lot of good ideas on how we as a group could communicate better using technology. There were some good ideas on how we could make our website better and also improve our newsletter as a source of information and serve as a portal for getting advice from members on technical questions. One idea I really like is a section called “Tips & Tricks”, that could be included in the newsletter, website or done live at a regular meeting. Some of you have solved a woodturning problem with a modified tool or a home made fixture that allows you to complete a task more efficiently, create a new design or generate a unique surface effect. Sharing these ideas with the club allows each of us to benefit and grows the creative thinking that keeps the art of wood-tuning moving forward. I propose we add a section to the website and newsletter called “Tips and Tricks” that will appear on a monthly basis. There is no limit on the number of ideas submitted for inclusion. If you have an idea that enhances your turning experience and are willing to share it, please consider bringing it to the club so we can feature it in August.

Speaking of August, I need some volunteers to help with the BBQ this year. I'm looking for some skilled cooks to man the food preparation; I also need some shoppers to purchase the meat, buns and drinks. This will be a pot-luck lunch, so members will bring salads and deserts to complete the meal. Another member's idea was to have “more member involvement,” so I propose we have a Presidents Challenge at the BBQ that involves members in a Make Your Own Croquette Mallet or turned ball for a friendly match on the grass adjacent to the BBQ. We can expand the challenge to those members who wish to make a “pretty boy” mallet, a “big berth” mallet, or any other theme you want as long as you bring a self made mallet. This goes for the ball makers as well, you decide on the theme and color; sizes need not be “regulation”, remember this is for fun, not a true lawn competition. Remember the club is always looking for new ideas on how we can do better, so your input is welcome year round not just on a hot summer day.

Respectfully,

Bill Mellberg

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BAWA Members Help Support Local Garden

In late 2011 a group of BAWA members volunteered to support the Ruth Bancroft Garden fund raising efforts and their efforts have generated \$3500 to date. At that time a rare Chilean Acacia tree had to be felled at the Garden, located off Bancroft Road in Walnut Creek and Dave Morris saw an opportunity for our members to create saleable items and share the proceeds with that charity.



Chilean Acacia

More than 50 items have been sold to date and others are still available at the Garden office. The rich, reddish brown wood was a delight to turn into platters, bowls, vases, wine stoppers, rings and other items. In addition to Dave other participants included Mark Knize, Don White, Joel Albert, Dean Adkins and Jay Holland.

Wood Raffle Donations

Larry Dubia--Redwood burl, Manzanita, oak
Walt Deardorff--Cork oak
John Doyan--Deodar cedar, English Walnut
John Lawson--Carob
Bill Morris--Birch
Ros Harper--Juniper
Bob Satby--Black acacia, Walnut, Madrone



Dublin Woodcraft - BAWA 3% Rebate for Member Purchases

Dublin Woodcraft provides a valuable service to our membership and the community, so please consider them for your next purchase or turning class!

Your purchases at Dublin Woodcraft also help the club! Did you know that BAWA gets a 3% rebate on all purchases made by BAWA members? For this to work we need you to bring your receipts (or a copy) to the next meeting. The rebate is only good for recent purchases - we can only turn in receipts if they are less than six weeks old! So be sure to bring in your current Woodcraft receipts (or a copy) and place them in the Woodcraft Receipt Box on the membership table!



BAWA Silent Auction

The first BAWA Silent Auction is a resounding success and we raised \$591 which will go to help support the club's events and presenters. We had a great turnout and a lot of interesting donations. Corwin Jones' donation of a *Private mentoring session on Sphere making for 1-3 people* brought the highest bid of the day at \$90. Many thanks to him and all of the other donors who made this such a success:

Andrew Baxter	Jim Rodgers
Bill Mellberg	Joel Albert
Bob Nolan	John Cobb
Bob Saxby	Larry Dubia
Corwin Jones	Mark Hannan
Don White	Mike Vergino
Ed Steffinger	

In addition, I would like to thank everyone who bid, won and paid up—without your enthusiasm, this event wouldn't have happened!

~Joel Albert



Website of the Month



Here's one that I really like. I subscribe to a magazine, "Woodturning" from the UK. It's one of a few woodworking magazines as part of the Woodworkers Institute. The overall website is www.woodworkersInstitute.com once there, just click on carving, woodworking, woodturning, etc.. Here's a link to the turning section, <http://www.woodworkersinstitute.com/page.asp?p=4>. Lots of searchable and printable information for techniques and projects.

~Submitted by Dennis Lawrence

Do you have a favorite website you think BAWA members would find interesting and informative? If so, then please send us the website name, address and a few sentences about why you think the website is cool!

Newsletter Articles

Got a great idea you want to share with your fellow Woodturners? Whether it is a turning tool, turning technique, finishing process or anything at all related to turning, your BAWA newsletter can always use an article. If you have pictures, all the better. If you need help writing it up or taking pictures, we're here to help. That's what our club is all about - sharing.

Contact either club president
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BAWA Classified Ads



We want members and others with items to sell or trade, services to render or if you're just looking to find a specific item from fellow BAWA members. Please send ads to Louie Silva at banjohead@comcast.net.

You can't beat the price...FREE!!

I have a Walker Turner 12 inch variable speed lathe I would to sell (all cast iron with cast iron support stand), I have extra tool rests and other thing that go with it. I would like to sell for \$500.00.

Michael Vergino
925-997-3229

CRAFT SUPPLIES 13% DISCOUNT ORDER

The 13% discount applies to any published price (including sale items, close-outs, etc.) and there are no tax or S&H charges. You can find full details on the Craft Supplies Club 13% Discount Program in the April 2012 newsletter.

Craft Supplies has a new catalog that includes new items, and there have been some price increases as well. Look on-line to pick your loot and check prices.

Orders are placed with Norm Robinson by e-mail: (normrobinson@hotmail.com)

- Fill out an electronic order form which Norm can e-mail to you
- Send Norm the pertinent information.
- Catalog item number, catalog page number if possible,
- Item description
- Quantity ordered and the total price before 13% discount. Please don't use old catalogs as the prices will be incorrect
- Call Norm (415-420-3492) to place an order and follow up with an e-mail to confirm all the information required.
- If you have already placed an order you might send Norm e-mail reminder.

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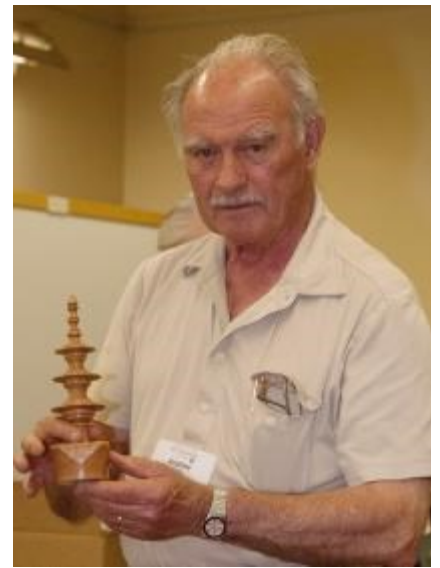
June Show and Tell
Photos by Joel Albert



Ros Harper's turning
In the Style of Doug Fisher



One of three hollow forms
turned by John Cobb



Andrew Baxter's Ring



Carob bowl with finial by Corwin
Jones



Marion Roberts Maple
Burl Bowl



BBB—Bob Bean's Bowl



Three Redwood Burl Bowls by Larry Dubia



Basket Illusion Miniatures by Jim Rog-
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