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The F.V.W.G. meets every **2nd THURSDAY** of each month of the school year at 6:30 p.m. We meet in the woodwork shop at the Yale Secondary School in Abbotsford (Old Yale Road & McMillan). **Next meeting is May 13th, 2004.**

Focus on Fundamentals: Jim Peardon will demo Basic Cuts 3, Level 3-2. Start time 6:30 p m

<p><u>Goodies – May 13th</u></p> <p>Thorn, Tucker, Wiebe, Nancy Anderson, Duane Anderson. Asdal and Bennett</p>	<p><u>Wood Rotation – May 13th</u></p> <p>Meier, Monkman, Munshaw, Brian Murphy, Lance Murphy, Niehaus, Nelson and Olsen Please write the species on the donated Good wood.</p>
<p><u>Goodies – June</u></p> <p>Berera, Berry, Bernier, Blenkarn, Don Bowes, Greg Bowes and Briggs</p>	<p><u>Wood Rotation – June</u></p> <p>Paterson, Peardon, Pilchak, Pitts, Pretty, Radke and Reeve.</p>
<p><u>Cleanup Rotation – April</u></p> <p>Termehr, Thorn, Tucker and Wiebe</p>	

BOWRIVER PRESIDENTS "THEME" CHALLENGE

This month is a Spinning Top. This would be a great toy that could be donated to the Fraser Valley Toy Makers.

WEBSTER'S CORNER: Club Website: <http://www.fvwg.ca> <<<<<< **NEW ADDRESS**

Check out our interesting sites. Click on [LINKS](#) and check them out. Looking for Woodchuckers website? Ask John to mail you a catalogue. Website: <http://www.woodchuckers.com>
The education page is always looking for more woodturning articles. If anyone has articles he or she would like published, e-mail a copy to Colin at: cdelory@telus.net or mail him a copy. His address is on the paid members list.

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All classifieds or articles must be in my possession no later than the **30th of each month** to be published in the next consecutive newsletter. Thank you.

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2004 PRESIDENT'S "THEME" CHALLENGES

May: Spinning Top
June: A Bell that rings or a Rattle that makes noise and is shaped like a Bell.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May: Laura Friesan from the Wood Co-op on Granville Island will discuss Marketing techniques. How to sell your wares.
June: Scot Belway will talk about sanding, finishing techniques, different finishes and waxes.

GENERAL NEWS

Don't forget to sign up for the next KMS Demo days, which will be **May 15th, 2004 at the Abbotsford Store.** 30824 South Fraser Way, Abbotsford.

The Vancouver Woodturners Guild is having a Woodturning Symposium, namely : West Coast Roundup, September 10th, 11th & 12th, 2004. Held at the Sheraton Guildford Hotel in Surrey. Early registration will be at a cost of \$225.00 for the 3 days. Deadline date for pre-registration is July 1st. For more information contact Marco Berera at 604-274-7594 or check out our website for the contact links and download the forms. This is going to be a fantastic opportunity to watch and learn from some of the Worlds best Woodturners. **Don't miss it.** The Woodturners are going to be: Richard Raffan, David Ellsworth, Lyle Jamieson, Jacques Vesery, Michael Werner, Vernon Liebrant, Joe Fleming and Martin Thorne. This event will cater to all levels of turning enthusiasts. **If you are considering going to this event, please mail in your cheque A.S.A.P., space is filling up fast.**

Elections will be held at our May Meeting. Please consider volunteering for any of the positions, other than Past President. Please review the Executive/Committee List on Page 2 and decide on which one of these positions you would like to volunteer for. Don't be shy.

We had one new members join our Guild at the April meeting. Welcome to: Dewey Devries

There is a new woodturning magazine now published in the States. Details can be found at www.woodturningdesign.com .

C F V Wood Carvers Competition. Congratulations to:

Wayne Cunningham who placed 1st and Best of Division in Novice for his Acacia Wall Sculptor and a 1st for his Maple Burl Bowl.

Brian Murphy who placed 1st and Best in Division Intermediate for his Segmented Vase and 3rd for his Walnut Platter.

Margaret Eisenman who placed 2nd for her Maple / Mahogany Vase.

Ted Lightfoot who placed 1st in Intermediate for his Chainsaw Carved out Bowl.

FRIENDS OF FVWG:

These fine retailers have donated items for our monthly raffles: space for meetings and/or equipment for demonstrations. They deserve our consideration when we make purchases that they can supply.



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CLASSIFIEDS

Wanted:

KMS Tools Store in both locations (Abbotsford and Coquitlam) are looking for Woodworking Items to be sold on Consignment.

If you have any Items, please contact Coquitlam at 604-522-5599 or Abbotsford at 604-853-5598 to make the arrangements.

CALENDAR OF MEETING DATES FOR:

MONTH	Fraser Valley Woodturners Guild Thursday	Fraser Valley Woodworkers Guild Wednesday	Vancouver Woodturners Wednesday	Fraser Valley Woodcarvers Wednesday
May	13 th	5 th	26 th	12 th & 26 th
June	3rd	2nd	30th	9th & 23rd
	Meetings are held in the Woodwork Shop at Yale Secondary School in Abbotsford. (Old Yale Road and McMillan) Start Time: 6:30 PM	Career Technical Centre 2272 Windsor Street, Abbotsford Demo's start at 6:20 PM Start Time: 7 PM	Meetings are held at the Sapperton Hall, 318 Keary Street, New Westminster Start Time: 6:30 PM	Meetings are held in the Woodwork Shop at Yale Secondary School in Abbotsford. (Old Yale Road and McMillan) Start Time: 6:30 PM

Letters to the Editor:

BOWLS FOR CHARITY

by: **Stan Clarke**

Twenty five woodturners, from both woodturning clubs, donated fifty bowls to the Loving Spoonful Charity, which provides nutritional food for men, women and children with HIV and AIDS. I attended the "Loving Spoonful" function and here is what happened to your donated items.

Those bowls intended to hold food were wrapped in tissue paper to disguise them. As patrons entered the hall they were given a wrapped bowl of either wood or ceramic. There were six food "stations" around the hall, each with a different food, one was African food, another Irish Stew, and so forth (I went African) so your small bowls were used for food, then washed and became the property of the guest.

The woodturning donors would have been so pleased to see their work being fondled, caressed, and admired by those people lucky enough to get them. Rachele Chinnery, one of the leading potters in the area came to me with a big smile to show me the "beautiful wooden bowl" she had been given. When we turned it over it was marked "Don Hoskins, Cherry".

The larger pieces or those not suitable for food were sold at either the active or silent auction. In the live auction, there were items of pottery, glass and turned good (and one painting) and the prices bid were staggering. Pieces that would normally sell for \$80.00 were selling for \$235.00, some pieces were bid up to over \$500.00, but the silent auction was a mystery to me. Some pieces that I thought were exceptional did not bring the high prices I would expect, while others were the opposite. A pair of small turned bowls that normally should have sold for \$80.00 went for \$160.00.

Bob McConnell and I were the only woodturners in the crowd and we received a great deal of praise for the quantity and quality of the work contributed by the woodturners, which we were to pass on to you.

Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on April 26th, 2004

1. Gerald Blenkarn e-mailed our Bank Balance.: \$1156.96
2. Wayne Cunningham advised that \$141.00 was collected from the raffle ticket sales. Our next major ticket sales and draw date will be at the C.V. Woodcarvers Show.
3. **Sam Nelson requested that any persons who have specific questions for Laura, in regards to Marketing, pricing, etc., to write them down and give them to Sam at the next meeting. He will give them to Laura, who will address these questions during her presentation.**
4. **Elections, Elections, Elections.**
5. Don Derry's demonstration and courses cost the Guild approximately \$3400.00 Cdn. The two day courses brought in \$1100.00, so the actual cost for Don Derry was \$2300.00.
6. Thank you cards are to be purchased and brought to the next meeting for signatures. These will be presented to KMS Tools, Abbotsford for providing the Space for our all day Demo and Courses, and Jack Bothwell who did the electrical work at KMS Tools so that we were able to use the facilities for the 12 Lathes that were used.
7. Question: Is there going to be a BBQ this Summer???? Members will be asked this question at the next Meeting.

Attended by: Wayne Cunningham, Sam Nelson, Bill Olsen, Margaret Eisenman, Ian Fulford, Paul Wiebe, Murray Harris and Perry Niehaus.

SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

Don't forget: Club Members are invited to enter their Turnings in the annual Richmond Carving Show coming up on May 15th/16th weekend at the Steveston Community Centre, 4111 Moncton Street, Richmond, B C

The Fraser Valley Toy Makers are always on the look out for new people to make toys. The toys can be of the persons choosing, or ideas can be given if needed. (yo-yo's, baby rattles, round jewellery boxes, to name a few). Materials & hardware (or most of it) is supplied.

Before Christmas, these toys are given to the Community Services throughout the area, where the volunteer toy makers come from. (Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Rosedale, Hope, etc...)

Anyone interested can contact Sam Nelson at 604-854-6638

We are having ourselves a symposium in Surrey in September. According to my dictionary a symposium is: "a drinking party: among the ancient Greeks a convivial meeting usually following a dinner for drinking, conversation, and intellectual entertainment". Unfortunately this type of symposium was a little before my time. The symposium item goes on to say "also a meeting or conference for discussion of some subject". This will be our kind of symposium. The subject will be "woodturning" and we will have "Intellectual entertainment".

Although I have been turning since the early 80's, it was 1990 before I could attend a symposium, This one was produced by Ian Waymark and held in the Yale Secondary School in Abbotsford. It featured Rude Ozalnik, Bonnie Kline, Jason Marlow and Dale Rouleau and what an eye opener it was. Turning procedures that had been difficult, became easy (or at least manageable) and each session was an inspiration. Rude Ozalnik taught me to loosen up, relax and enjoy turning.

Ian produced another symposium in 1991 featuring Michael Hasaluk (before he became famous) Mick O'Donnell (from Scotland) and again Marlow and Rouleau. Mick spent a good deal of time on tool sharpening, something I really needed. Each session was a great experience. Then I realized that I was also learning a hell of a lot by talking to other woodturners during coffee and lunch breaks. Some of these turners became life long friends.

I have attended seven symposiums (or symposia if you prefer, both are legal) three of them AAW. Some have been damned expensive when you consider registration fees, travelling (like to California) and three or four nights in a hotel, but to come home with new ideas, new techniques and new enthusiasm, they were well worth it and as long as I can hobble from session to session, it is something I will continue to do.



My next one is the "West Coast Roundup" held in the Sheraton Guildford Hotel in Surrey, September 10th, 11th and 12th. I am sure I can scare up \$225.00 and it will be worth that just to see David Ellsworth and Richard Raffan again, and I am looking forward to seeing the presenters IO haven't seen before. I know I will learn a lot, enjoy the company of other woodturners and just have fun. If I wasn't so bloody ancient, I would volunteer to help out, which would add to the fun, but I will leave that to you younger (under 70) guys.

SHOW AND TELL



Don Derry Demo

At the Yale Secondary School Guild Meeting and at KMS Tools in Abbotsford.

President's Challenge	Competition Entries
 <p data-bbox="155 848 932 1041">Assortment of Wine Stoppers</p>	 <p data-bbox="992 932 1455 1041">Novice 1st Place and Best of Division - Wayne Cunningham</p>

 <p data-bbox="155 1537 789 1684">Intermediate 1st Place and Best of Division – Brian Murphy 2nd Place – Margaret Eisenman 3rd Place – Brian Murphy</p>	 <p data-bbox="829 1537 1503 1684">1st Place Intermediate - Ted Lightfoot</p>
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