



November 2006 Edition

Meeting date is:

09 November, 06



The FVWG meets every 2nd **THURSDAY** of each month of the school year at 6:30 p.m. We meet in the woodwork shop at the Robert Bateman School in Abbotsford (35045 Exbury Avenue-Room N-103)

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	<p><u>Goodies – December 06</u></p> <p>Hornby, Horne, Huston, Jack, Kreiger, Brian Murphy</p>	<p><u>Wood Rotation –</u></p> <p>Anyone who can spare some Good Wood</p>
	<p><u>Cleanup Rotation –October</u></p> <p>Sawyer,Soth, Sumner, Termehr</p>	

BOWRIVER PRESIDENTS ‘THEME’ CHALLENGE

November - something with a different texture on it.

WEBSTER'S CORNER: Club Website: <http://www.fvfg.ca>

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 copy to Colin at: cdelory@telus.net or mail him a copy. Address: Colin Delory, 192511 – 76th Avenue, Surrey, BC V4N 3G5

EDITORS CORNER:

If you have any articles, **Wanted or For Sale Ads**, that you would like published in the next Newsletter or any future Newsletters, then e-mail to gerthebear@hotmail.com or phone 604-858-9162

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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CLASSIFIEDS

Woodturning Classes, taught by Murray Sluys are held the third Saturday morning of every month at 49950 Patterson Road, Chilliwack, BC. Please see www.murraysluys.com for curriculum and registration details.

Nova DVR-3000 Lathe for Sale. 1 ¼ HP, electronic speed control, swivel head, 16” over bed, 22” between centers (extendable) \$1500.00, Contact Colin at 604-576-1172 or cdelory@telus.net

For Sale: Lathe with ¾ HP motor, belt drive. 61/4” over the bed so can turn 12” piece. 27 ½” between centers. Comes with: face plate, spur drive, live center, stand. Asking \$100.00. Call Cody at 604-575-0345.

Note: We have added a Want Ads page to the web site so any guild member wishing to buy or sell a tool etc. may list it for a 30 day posting by emailing Colin at cdelory@telus.net.

Focus on Fundamentals

Focus on fundamentals will be in place for the meeting 6:30-6:58. The course was designed by the Vancouver Woodworking Guild and will be taught by local Guild members that make themselves available for this.

Topics covered will be the application of the roughing gouge, spindle gouge and parting tool. Mounting work between centers and on a face plate.

- November – Starter Tool Set, Roughing gouge, Spindle gouge, Parting Tool
- December – Roughing Gouge and Skew
- January - Fingernail gouge, grinding Jigs
- February - Basic Cuts – Bowl gouge and scraper
- March - Open
- April - Mounting between centers, faceplate
- May - Mounting systems – Chucks and screw centers
- June - Mounting systems, Jam Chucks, Cole’s jaws, Glue-ups to face plates, Mandrels

Members are reminded that dues are due at this meeting.

\$35.00 for Adults and \$10.00 for Students. 80 years young – no charge, with proof of age.

The membership form can be downloaded off our Website: <http://www.fvwg.ca>

2005/2006 PRESIDENT’S “THEME” CHALLENGES

- November 06 – something with a different texture on it
- December 06 – something thin
- January 07 – nice pen
- February 07 – lidded container
- March 07 – an object with a natural edge
- April 07 – egg or ball
- May 07 - goblet
- June 07 – something with a handle on it

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- November – Tool Sharpening – Bruce Campbell
- December – Hands On Turning a Xmas Decoration
- January – Decorating & embellishment – Art Leistman
- February – Frank Sudol – club meeting , short demo, hands on workshop
- March – Hands On Turning
- April – Wood identification – Murray Sluys
- May – Hands on Turning & Kids night
- June – Carving on Turnings

Due to unforeseen Circumstances our Calendar of Events is Subject to Change.

GENERAL NEWS

There is a new Woodturning Magazine now published in the States. Details can be found at <http://www.woodturningdesign.com>

Our Library now has a subscription for this Magazine.

Check out this website. It is quite an interesting site. It gives you the names of the different wood species from light to dark coloured. If you click on a specific species it will open up to show a picture of the wood and a description of it. <http://www.woodworking.org/WC/woodsamples.html>

Island Woodcraft offers a wide range of Turning Classes in their new state-of-the art facility at #6 – 145 Schoolhouse in Coquitlam. Contact them for a Schedule. Call 604-525-1031 to register or for more information.

Check out a new Website <http://www.thewoodworkingchannel.com>

FRIENDS OF EVWG:

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.



Rona Home Centre's 34530 McConnell Rd., Abbotsford, BC



www.kmstools.com

110 Woolridge St., Coquitlam, BC and 30824 South Fraser Way, Abbotsford, BC



5750 – 203rd St, Langley, BC Phone: 604-530-7355 and 8455 – 162nd St, Surrey, BC Phone: 604-597-0098

Bow River Craft Woods 604-795-3462 www.bowrivercraftwoods.com or email: bowriver@cwk.imag.net
address: 11443 McSween Road, Chilliwack, B C

Laser Valley Technologies Corp. (Langley) www.laservalley.com
Supplier of our paper and printer toner so that our Newsletter gets printed every month.

Neufeld Hardwoods - 1700 Cameron Road, Agassiz, BC phone: 604-796-0771, fax: 604-796-0775

Mohawk Western Finishing Supplies, 10 – 942 SW Marine Drive, Vancouver, BC phone: 604-324-6787

Reimer Hardwoods , 31135 Peardonville Road, Abbotsford, BC phone: 604-850-9281

Summit Tools, 3905 E. 1st Avenue, Burnaby, BC 604-294-1799 www.summit-tools.com

Royce Sales – www.sandpaper.ca or e-mail address info@sandpaper.ca

New Meeting Address for the Fraser Valley Woodworking Guild is 35045 Exbury Avenue, Abbotsford, BC
Room N103

Coming up Events:

As part of the Fall 2006 membership drive, the AAW will be giving away a free Powermatic 3520B lathe to one lucky member who joined/renewed ONLINE. You can see and learn about this lathe at <http://www.wmhtoolgroup.com/shop/index.cfm?navePage=4&iid=605637>. Or for more information, visit the AAW website at <http://www.woodturner.org/>

West Coast Roundup – Woodturning Symposium, Richmond BC, 7-9 September 2007

GVWG is having a Demo Saturday 02 Dec 06 by Dale Larson. To be held at the Saperton Pensioners Hall 9:30 to 4:00. Cost \$25.00.

President's Corner

Improving Your Skill and Enjoying the Craft.

It was once said that "If you're doing the same things you used to do, you can expect the same results you used to get. "Well, if you're learning a new skill like woodturning, how do you get better at it?"

I went to a master turner about 20 years ago with a problem I had ... can't even remember what it was. What I did remember was his response... "Make 50 more of those items and you will get it." I thought he would show me a quick little trick but it was just practice, practice, practice.

The first real quantum leap in turning skill I experienced was watching a video by Del Subs on bowl turning. A lot of light bulbs went on during that "teaching session". It was a lot better than those early woodturning books; it was like a one on one lesson. The lesson here is to watch someone who knows what they are doing. It will save you hours of doing it the hard way. Take advantage of the times when a master turner is brought into our area by one of the guilds. Check the local guild newsletters. If you spend time with the master you will become like the master.

The large woodturning symposiums are an infusion of information, inspiration and ideas on tools, techniques and design. Woodturners far and wide meet to watch world class masters for a two or three day extravaganza. It's like taking a drink from a fire hose. There are three symposiums coming up worth mentioning: the Utah Woodturning Symposium at Provo in June, the AAW Annual Woodturning Symposium at Portland, Oregon in July, and the Westcoast Round up Woodturning Symposium in Richmond in September. I hope to see a good representation from our guild at some of these. My goal for the guild is for 20 members to attend at least one of these.

Every once in a while you get into a rut and want something fresh to make. Maybe you're tired of that big stash of maple in your garage. Try a new and exiting wood - something with a different density or color and smell. When you need new ideas, try researching books and the internet on pottery, carving, form ideas and gallery examples. Then look for ways to transfer those ideas to your turnings.

Then there are those times when you have an idea but no means to get to the finished product. This is where research and experimentation comes in. Keep an arsenal of catalogues handy. Someone may have already solved your problem and you just need to buy their solution. Then there are those times when you need to invent your way out of the problem by designing new tools and jigs that will help you reach the goal you have in mind for the project. Frank Sudol from North Saskatchewan will be coming in February 2007 and may tell the story how he invented the boring bar to hollow 42" vessels to 1/8th inch thick. His specialty is humor. Don't miss it.

Focus on Fundamentals for November is "Starter Tool Set" - roughing gouge, spindle gouge and parting tool. led by Bob Burke.

Schedule for "The 5 Minute Finishing Tip" - A fast paced useful tip/demo to give you more finishing options and results.

November Shellac tips

December Beal buffing system

January Salad bowl finishes

February Aniline dyes

March Sanding tools and tips

April Sand paper types

May Water based finishes

June Oil and wax finishes

Minutes of Executive Meeting 02 Nov 06

1. Last meeting evaluation and feedback was very interesting and a positive meeting
2. The surplus video camera were discussed. It was suggested we find from the owners if they would like them back, if not we would auction them and other surplus equipment off.
3. It was determined that the Guild should have an Asset or Inventory List.
4. Planning for the November and December meetings was discussed.
5. An update on funding ideas was reviewed.
6. Focus on Fundamentals schedule was reviewed.
7. A report on the Wood show was reviewed.
8. George submitted a new budget for this year.
9. It was request that each member to make a toy and to be Donated to the BC Wood & Toy Makers Society. These toys to be given to Sam Nelson, Bill Olsen or Colin Delory by the December Meeting.
10. The Shop Crawl to start in January 07.

Attended by Gerald Blenkarn, Wayne Cunningham, Colin Delory, George Geurts ,Lance Murphy, Sam Nelson, and Murray Sluys.

The Greater Vancouver Woodturners Guild
is pleased to announce the

West Coast Roundup
Woodturning Symposium 2007

An International Woodturning Symposium
to take place September 7 - 9, 2007
at the Richmond Hotel and Convension Center (Richmond, BC)

Featuring :

**Richard Raffan, Bonnie Klein, Al Stirt, Betty Scarpino, John Jordan,
Molly Winton, Dave Schweitzer and Martin Thorne**

Letter of Appreciation

Dear Dave, Wayne & Ashley:

I guess first of all I'd like to thank you all for this wonderful gift. I felt it fitting that this letter be with your pen and I hope that it will find its way to paper on many more missions while I'm deployed.

The workmanship that has gone into this pen is extremely impressive, the idea of this project you are all involved with is a credit to it's organization.

My name is Chris and I am a Electrical Generation Systems Technician (EGS tech). I am part of the Military Engineers based in Trenton On. I deployed to Kandahar Afghanistan in Feb of this year & I'm due to go home in Oct.

Being a proud serving member of the Canadian Forces for the last 21 years, I've seen many of our comrades killed in action. Trust me it's not something any of us here has taken for granted. Watching the news from time to time (when we get a chance) seeing the mixed feelings back home about us being here is somewhat disturbing. Whether people believe in this mission or not, it's the soldiers that are here, see the real changes that have been made to date. We believe in what we are doing for the benefit of all Afghans & Canadians. People & organizations like yours make it all worth while.

I'd like to end by saying thank you for your kind gesture. This pen will always be a keepsake from my tour here in Afghanistan. As I tell my son "I'm here for your safety."

MCpl Chris Philpott

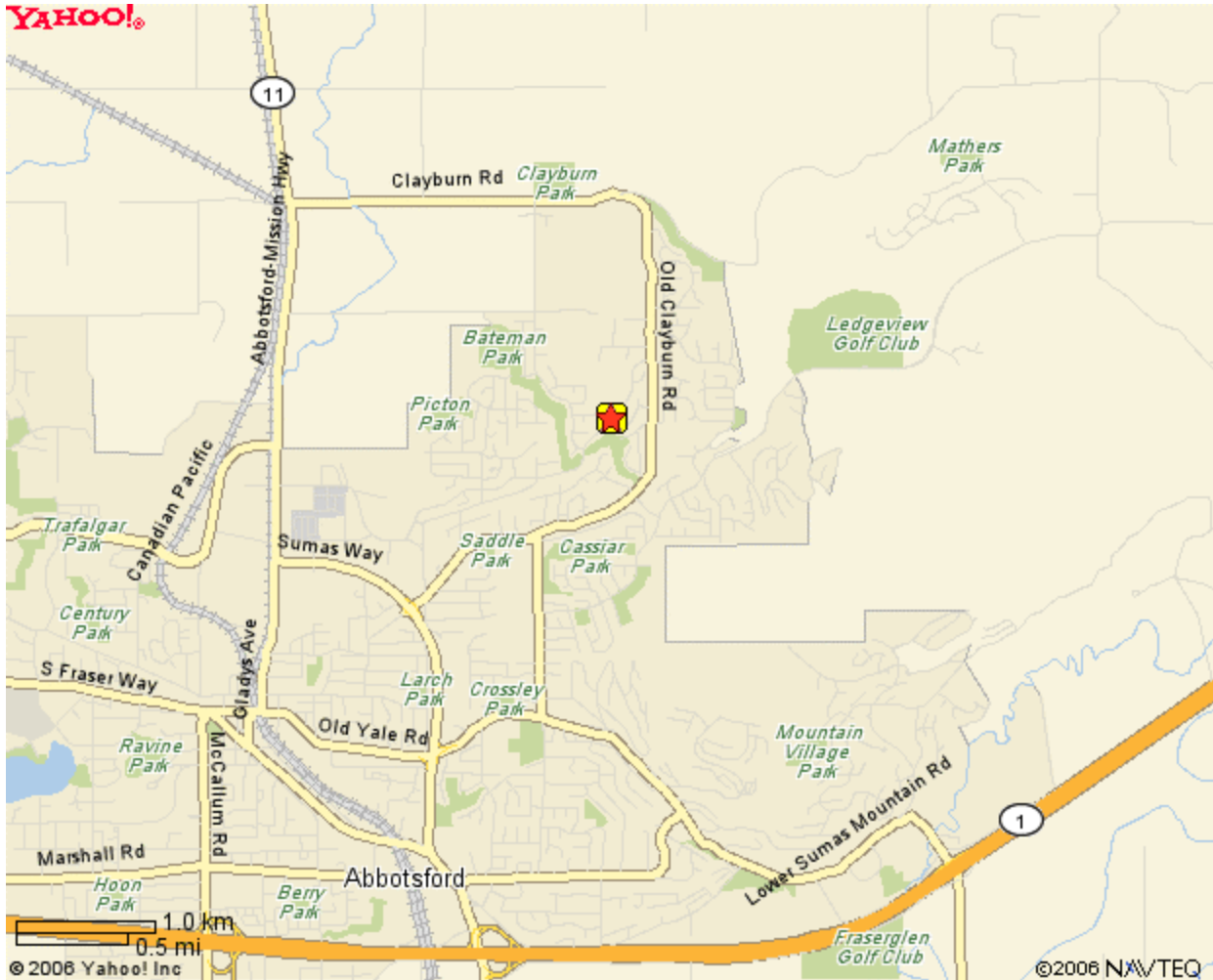
The 7th Annual West Coast Woodturning Competition

Congratulations to all winners and to our members:

Ross Paterson – 2nd - Intermediate Class – Holey Bowl (Walnut Bowl)

Len Sawyer – 3rd – Intermediate Class – Carved Platter

Dewey Devries - 3rd - Novice Bowl



Directions Robert Bateman School 35045 Exbury Avenue

From highway #1 take the Sumas Way exit North. Turn right on to Old Clayburn Road. Turn left onto Laburnum Ave. The first right is Exbury Ave. The School is on the right

From highway 11 (Mission) turn left onto Sumas Way. Turn left onto Old Clayburn Road. Turn left onto Laburnum Ave. The first right is Exbury Ave. The school is on the right

