



May 2007 Edition

Meeting date is:

14 June, 07



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 –June 07</u></p> <p>Christiaanse, Issak, Lightfoot,Maynard, McMath, Monkman Niehaus</p>	<p><u>Wood Rotation –</u></p> <p>Anyone who can spare some Good Wood</p>
	<p><u>Cleanup Rotation –June 07</u></p> <p>Armour, Birtch, Buron, Byron</p>	

BOWRIVER PRESIDENTS ‘THEME’ CHALLENGE

June – something with a handle
 A turning that went oops

June Meeting – Betty Sager – Wood Carving

Presidents Corner

The woodturning year is nearly behind us. When you look back at what you have done and learned about the craft of woodturning, can you say that growth has happened? Have you practiced a few new techniques. Are you doing things differently now than a year ago. These are questions we need to ask ourselves. Its been said that if its not growing its either dead or dormant. Our guild is all about learning and growing.

For myself I have come up with a few new platter designs that seem well proportioned. I have a new respect for many of the hardworking members of the guild. And I don't plan to stop during the summer. There is the AAW Symposium and my basement is cooler than the rest of the house. So why sweat it out on the deck when I can keep cool in the basement? I have also set some personal targets for gallery submissions. If I don't nothing seems to happen.

Looking ahead to next year, the planning is already underway with the new executive. If you have any ideas for demos then email us. We want to be doing the things you want to learn about. Were looking at a re-design of the focus on fundamentals, a new program schedule with a repeat of some of the more successful sessions. Then there is the summer croquet match and tree identification at Hougan Park, near Watcom Road. Abbotsford. This is an opportunity to build your own mallet and possibly the ball and try it out in a fun game with others. There is some BBQing happening afterwards for those you who like to eat. We will email you the details. I think we can come up with an award for most unique mallet.

Thanks for a good year.

Murray Sluys
President

New ads or events

AAW symposium early registration ends May 17. The president hopes to see at least 4 members take advantage of this world class event that comes our way every 6 years. see www.woodturner.org/ So far we have two members planning to attend.

19th Annual 'Art of the Carver Competitions

Woodturners People's Choice Winners

<u>Expert</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Turners Name</u>
1st	712	Walnut Platter	Murray Sluys
2nd	712	Burl Vase	Murray Sluys
<u>Advanced</u>			
1st	711	The Offering Bowl Held in Hands	George S. Berkenpas
2nd	711	Cup & Saucer	Colin Delory
3rd	711	Spalted Natural Edge Birch Bowl	Herb Reeve
1st	712	Hollow Turning Maple Burl Natural Edge	Herb Reeve
2nd	712	Walnut Bowl - Leave all around	George S. Berkenpas
3rd	712	Fluted Vase - Desert Flower	George S. Berkenpas
<u>Intermediate</u>			
1st	711	Stick Bowl	Bill Cowan
2nd	711	Maple Vase	Wayne Cunningham
1st	712	Segmented Vase	Geoffrey Burton
2nd	712	Turned & Carved Bowl	Bill Holgate
3rd	712	Maple Turning	George Geurts
<u>Novice</u>			
1st	711	Bowl	Roger Kovaltsenko
2nd	711	Maple Goblet	Gerald Blenkarn
1st	712	Manzanita Bowl	Ross Johnson
2nd	712	Manzanita Bowl	Ross Johnson
3rd	712	Manzanita Bowl	Ross Johnson

WEBSTER'S CORNER: Club Website: <http://www.fvwg.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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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.

June - Mounting systems, Jam Chucks, Cole's jaws, Glue-ups to face plates, Mandrels

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

CLASSIFIEDS

Woodturning Classes, taught by Murray Sluys are held the third Saturday morning of every month at 49950 Patterson Road, Chilliwack, BC. Next one is June 16, 9am-12pm. Natural edge bowls; July 21. 9am-12pm, Spindle turning short cuts; August 18, 9am-12pm, Turning and hollowing a beautiful vase. Please see www.murraysluys.com for details.

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.

End Sealer. The Guild is offering wax end sealer to its members and friends as a fund raiser. It will save a lot of green wood from cracking and the price is substantially lower than anywhere else. A cost at \$17 for 4 litres and \$10 for 2 litres. This effort was supported by Bow River Specialty Woods. Call Murray at 604-794-3108 or email mjssluy@shaw.ca

2006/2007 PRESIDENT'S "THEME" CHALLENGES

June 07 – something with a handle on it

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

14 Jun	Thursday	FVWG Meeting	
16 Jun	Saturday	GVWG Swap Meet - Sapperton Pensioners Hall – 318 Keary St, New Westminster, BC	
30 Jun	Saturday	Shop Crawl (10am to 2pm)	Allan Cusworth – 7305 – 198 th Street, Langley, BC Colin Delory – 19251 – 76 th Avenue, Surrey, BC
29 Jun – 01 Jul	Friday-Sunday	The 2007 Symposium of the AAW – Oregon Convention Center, Portland, OR	
28 Jul	Saturday	Field Trip	Live Tree Identification & BBQ – Hougans Park, Abbotsford
25 Aug	Saturday	Shop Crawl (10am – 2pm)	Bruce Campbell – 3228 Harwood Ave, Coquitlam, BC Rich Schmid – 2832 McBride Ave, Crescent Beach, BC Larry Stevenson - 6151 Brantford Ave. Burnaby, BC
3-4 Nov	Saturday/Sunday	Artisans Sale - Fort Langley Community Hall, Fort Langley, BC	

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 new DVD's for rent.

West Coast Roundup Symposium- Just a quick reminder that the early bird discount for our local symposium expires June 30, so be sure to register early.

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>

A new pen dealer. William Wood-Write Ltd, located in Cambridge, On. Online store www.penblanks.ca They will offer any of our members a 10% discount on their first order. All you need to do is call 1-877-585-0403 for a coupon **before** you order online.

West Coast roundup Woodturning symposium.

Plans for this local symposium are well under way now and you can see the details including the rotation schedule at www.gvwg.ca/Symposium2007.htm

Remember that the early bird discount expires June 30 and space is limited so it is advisable to register early.

There will also be hands on classes (workshops) with some of these world class woodturners offered to symposium attendees. If you are interested email Art Liestman at artliestman@shaw.ca to express your interest and get your name on the list.

These symposiums are really enjoyable and a great way to learn from the experts. So don't miss out. Register early.

Colin

QUICK TIPS

To reduce dust buildup on your faceshield, wipe a dryer sheet (like Bounce brand) that has been used just once, over your faceshield. The anti-static chemicals help prevent dust.

If the bare wood feels cool to the touch, it is still wet.

Use the tailstock as much as possible for safety and stability.

COMING UP EVENTS

The Southern Alberta Woodworkers Society (SAWS) is calling for entrees for 2007 Fine Works in Wood Exhibition. web site www.saws.ca check it out. It is a juried exhibition

SUMMER EVENT 2007

To be held at Hougen Park "East Abbotsford" by rest area off highway # 1, July 28th 2007 from 3pm to 6pm. Weather will be dry, 28 degrees, sunny with cloudy intervals, with a slight breeze from the south.

This year we are trying something a little different for a fun summer day get together. How many of us have heard wood referred to as silver maple, Manitoba maple, etc. etc. etc. However we are unable to identify the tree from which it came. This year we plan on having a tree identification field trip, a Croquet game and a BBQ. Murray Sluys will identify different trees at the park and pass on some information about each one.

Every one who wishes to participate to bring a Croquet mallet and ball which they themselves have turned on the lathe, or bought(sizes are not important). The idea is to have some fun turning the mallet and playing the game.

Murray and Gerry will bring the BBQ's, so those wanting can cook up their own hot dogs, hamburgers, or what ever.

Members should bring their own chairs, refreshments(no booze) meat, buns, plates, cutlery, glasses, napkins. Brings your kids or someone else's, anything else to make this a fun enjoyable, informative day.

DIRECTIONS: Heading east from Abbotsford get off the freeway at exit 99 (rest area), follow the road a short distance past the rest area to Hougen Park. If coming from the west get off at # 3 road at exit #104, cross over the freeway and take the south parallel road heading west towards the rest area and Hougen Park.

The weather is reserved for us, the park and trees are there for us to enjoy, bring your turned, or bought, croquet mallet and ball, lets make this a fun filled day to remember.

New Executive/Committee 2007/2008

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At this time I would like to send a special thanks for jobs well done to Sam Nelson, Bill Olsen, Ross Paterson and Brian Murphy.

From: [Bruce Campbell](#)

To: mjsluys@shaw.ca

Sent: Friday, June 08, 2007 12:07 PM

Subject: GVWG Swap Meet

Hi Murray

Just a quick note to let you know about our Swap Meet on Saturday June 16th at the Sapperton Pensioners Hall. This is just a quick 1/2 day event to help everyone clear out any "stuff" they do not use anymore. I sent the following reminder to all our members recently....

Just a quick reminder of the GVWG Swap Meet at Sapperton Hall on Saturday June 16. Here is an ideal chance to convert some of the things you no longer have a use for into cash or other "stuff". And if you are looking for "stuff" this should be a great event for you too.

*8:30 Doors open for setup - vendors fee is \$5.00 each****

*9:30 Doors open for buyers - entry fee is \$1.00 each****

9:30 - 11:00 Selling, buying and swapping

11:00 Sales end and clean-up begins

12:00 Doors close and we go home.

There is no restriction on what can be sold but please be reasonable. Messy, heavy, or large items should be left on the vehicle you brought them in - put out a sign in your space. Each vendor is responsible for clearing out and cleaning up their stuff afterwards.

**** (money used to pay the rent on the Hall)*

Please share this information with the FVWG members and invite them to participate both as seller and buyers. If you want more info please give me a call.

I hope to see you there

Regards

Bruce

604-944-3028

FVWG Executive Meeting – 29 May, 07

1. The new members of the executive were introduced. A brief discussion on what happens at the

Executive meeting took place

2. Feedback on our May meeting, the shop crawl and Woodcarvers Show, was discussed. It was generally felt that the Kids night and Egg race was very successful. It was determined that the kids night should continue, but should be Called Youth Turning Night. The Woodcarvers show was also discussed. There were 32 entries. It was moved that we should go to only one category in each level.

3. Planning for the June meeting was discussed.

4. Planning for the Summer Event as to final location and date was discussed. It was agreed that it should be held on the 28th July, at Hougden Park in Abbotsford.

5. Round table reports were given.

6. It was passed that we should purchase MS Publisher for the newsletter, not to exceed \$100.

7. Sam Nelson stated he would like to thank the people who supplied lathes and captains for the Hands on Turning nights.

8. The meeting was attended by Gerald Blenkarn, Don Caffrey, Adam Christiaanse, Wayne

Cunningham, Colin Delory, George Guerts, Marioan Minard, Lamce Murphy.
Sam Nelson, Ed Pretty, and Murray Sluys.

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Have a great summer



John Bees Award winner – Herb Reeve



*Henry Goosman Award winners
Bill Olson & Colin Delory*



