

Feb. 2009



President's Corner

Lets have a good showing for the gallery this month. I know more of you are making things because of the tough questions. There are lots of new people that want to see how we make things. The fancy stuff is more basic items like..... Well... you fill in the blank and bring it in. I'll say lots of nice things about on how you made it. Sound like a deal?

We had to make a few quick changes to the Demos for this month's meeting. Ed and myself are sorry about the sudden cancelation of the Rose Engine Lathe topic. Harry, our scheduled demonstrator had some other things we plan to reschedule him to June. Ed's been practicing his spheres and has a good system going on a hollow form with home made hollowing tools. This way Ed will have something to contact you are bringing their hollowing systems to show some options in this hollow art. Hopefully we can get the works best.

Next month I will be talking about our some opportunities available on our leadership team. These are the elections in May.

In 5 weeks our all-day Saturday Turning Instruction Event with Eric Lofstrom is happening and it is on the 14. Mark it on your calendar.

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*Eric Lofstrom
Woodturner*

*March demonstration and seminar, see
inside for more details.*

Calendar of Events

	Event	Details	Contact
February 14th	Malcolm Tibbetts Demo hosted by the GVWG http://www.tahoeturner.com/	World class demo on segmented turning. Feb 14, 9am Sappertons Pension hall	Art Liestman
March 12 Thursday night & March 14, Saturday 9-4:30pm	Demos By Eric Lofstrom from Washington State	Making a winged bowl Thin walled turnings Use of the bowl gouge Sharpening your tools	Murray Sluys
May 9, Saturday	Art of the Carver Show, Abbotsford	Annual show for carvers and Turners	Wayne Cunningham
Saturday July 25	The Woodturners of Olympia WA 2009 "Creativity in Woodturning" Symposium-	Click on the website for more details.	

Classifieds

Roughed out bowls. Over 120 to choose from ranging from 6" to 12" Maple, English Walnut, Acacia, Plum, Cherry and Box Elder. All are ready for turning. \$1 per inch of diameter. Contact Colin at 604-576-1172 or cdelory@telus.net

Craftsman 10" contractor style table saw. Cast aluminum table with steel extensions. Good condition. \$125.00 OBO

Delta 10" table saw and jointer. These tools are on a common 110 volt motor so they must be sold together. The table saw is tilt table. Both are older, very

commercial units. \$500.00 OBO. I can deliver if needed. Contact Ed Pretty at 604-888-5967.

Woodcut TRUGRIND Sharpening Jig for Turning Tools (List price \$139.95) do me a Reasonable offer. Phone Adam Christiaanse (604) 855-4252

Guild Lathe Rental The Guide has a Mini Lathe that members can rent. Cost \$20.00 per Month. See the Librarian Don Best for details.

Large and small **black walnut bowl blanks** for sale. See Murray 604-794-3108

We are trying to find out who has the Guild lathe. If you know contact Don Best, mail4best@shaw.ca

Turning Classes, Saturday 9-12, Feb 21- "Turning and Hollowing a Beautiful Vase. Contact Murray Sluys for more details 604-794-3108. Maximum three people.

For Sale: New Nova DVR, comes with chuck, live center, set of forrester tools and wood cut sharpening Jig, \$2500 Terry- 604-217-4973

Focus on Fundamentals with Ed Pretty

A basic program for those new to turning—meets 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Feb. Meeting

This month Ed will do a question and answer period. He will be setting up for the sphere demo, so hang out and ask him anything, bring a problem, get some advice... Personally.... HEY ED, what the heck is that in the picture... It looks like it is mounted on a lathe.

Picture is thanks to Terry Scott, for more info on this check his website at http://www.timberly.co.nz/terry_article_s.htm



Registration

Please ensure that you are up to date with your annual dues.

Dues:

Adults - \$35.00

Students \$10.00

80 Years Young—No Charge

Please see the registration Desk

Editor's Corner

The School is looking to have the guild show the students some examples of wood turning for inspiration.

Derek has offered to make a DVD for this purpose, If you have anything specific you would like to have used let him know.

Webster's Corner

Guild Website: info@fvwg.ca

Check out our interesting sites. Click on LINKS and check them out.

The education page is always looking for more Woodturning articles. If anyone has articles he or she would like published, e-mail copy to Derek: www.info@fvwg.ca

Feb. 12 Meeting

Focus on Fundamentals: Question and Answers.

Fundamentals Gallery: A copied turning, bring two spindles the same.

Presidents Challenge: Vase.

Demo Topic: Turn a sphere, Ed Pretty , Turning Hollow forms, Murray Sluys

Goodies: Perry Niehaus, Don Nelson, Sam Nelson, Mike O'Leary, Bill Olsen.

March 12 Meeting

Focus on Fundamentals: Jam Chucks

Fundamentals Gallery: Show your faceplate turnings.

Presidents Challenge: Rolling Pin

Demo Topic: All sorts of stuff with Eric Lofstrum.

Goodies. Ross Paterson, Bill Peetoom, Roger Pitts, Ed Pretty, Harvey Radke.

Dear Members of the Fraser Valley Woodturners Guild and friends;

We are bringing up from Washington State, Eric Lofstrom who is a High school teacher by day and a great woodturning community member the rest of the time. Eric uses a combination of self made videos and live demos to explain step by step the process of bowl turning and sharpening. His voice is clear and strong.

I am quite sure that if you come out you will learn something and be pleasantly surprised. Bring along someone you think has an interest in this. This is for new turners and experienced bowl makers.

When: 9am-4:30pm Saturday March 14, 2009

Cost \$25 , Students \$15, pay at the door

Location: Saint James Catholic School, 2767 Townline Road, **Abbotsford BC**

More info:<http://www.fvwg.ca/FVWG/FVWG%20Special%20Event%20-%20Eric%20Lofstrom.html>

Contact name: Murray Sluys (reply to this e-mail or call 604-794-3108)

Door prizes: four \$25 gift certificates for KMS Tools

Lunch: bring a bag lunch or buy a slice of pizza at the school, coffee will be brewing

Some topics that will be covered:

1. Sharpening Skills - bowl gouges and scrapers using jigs and freehand
2. Bowl Gouge Techniques - Basic bowl turning
3. Thin walled bowls - in-depth, square and rectangular wings, and sampling of embellishments

Woodturning Instruction and Demo Day with Eric Lofstrom

Fraser Valley Woodturners Guild

March 14, 2009
Cost \$25

Saturday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm
Location TBA (Abbotsford area)



Eric Loftstrom is driving up from the Tacoma area for a Thursday/Saturday to demonstrate some skills that many of us use and others would like to understand and improve on. I saw Eric in July at a one-day event in Washington State. Of the four instructors, he stood out as a young gifted communicator using video to illustrate detail and break the process down into steps. This was followed by a live demo of the complete process. I was not surprised to discover that he was a professional teacher



Saturday's line up:

1. Sharpening skills (bowl gouge & scrapers using jigs & freehand)
2. Bowl gouge techniques (basic bowl turning, understanding the possibilities of this versatile tool & biomechanics)
3. Thin walled bowls (bowl turning techniques applied to going thin/translucent)

Woodturning Instruction and Demonstration Day– Eric Lofstrom

There is nothing more powerful than being inspired by an idea and having the confidence to create that one-of-a-kind piece on the lathe...this is what woodturning is all about!- E.Lofstrom

I stumbled upon turning in October of 2001 at a woodworking store in Sumner, WA. Attending a free woodworking demonstration on turning pens and letter openers was all it took to hook my curiosity. Creating shavings on a lathe consumed my thoughts for the next few weeks as I wrapped my brain around how a finished piece could emerge from rough materials so quickly! After hearing all the details (several times), my wife pursued this spark of excitement and set my woodturning journey in motion with a mini lathe and tool set for Christmas. Years later, my woodturning enthusiasm continues to grow.

Like many turners, my woodturning adventures began with scraps of 2x4s and “factory sharpened”

tools. Several startling catches in the first few projects quickly focused me on the why and how of creating curls instead of settling for sawdust. Gaining tool control and improving my technique became a personal quest. Whether creating a fitted lid box or multi-axis turning, a translucent or winged bowl, a hollow form or exploring surface embellishments, I enjoy projects which stretch my skills and creativity.

In fall of 2002, I became a member of the South Puget Sound Chapter of the AAW and have served on the board of directors since 2005. I enjoy representing our club at woodworking shows and regularly mentor other turners at our monthly sawdust sessions. I began monthly demonstrations and teaching woodturning classes at local woodworking stores in 2006. The constant exposure to other turners continues to transform my awareness and understanding of turning fundamentals. I am increasingly conscious of the importance tool



control plays in creating pieces. I believe it is not only important to know *which* techniques work but also *why* they work.

As a passionate teacher and woodturner, I hope to impact the world of woodturning by helping others build confidence in tool control and developing their own voice in woodturning!

Editors note:

Links of interest:

http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2007/photos/day_minus_one/JapaneseBowls.pdf

Last months Demo:



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Woodturning Mentors

These people have made themselves available to new turners that may have the odd question about a tool or process. A short conversation or demo by an experienced turner can save you many hours of frustration.

Be respectful of their time. This service is not intended to take the place of woodturning lessons.

Jim Peardon(Abbotsford)604-852-1645	Joel Elder (Pitt Meadows)604-460-0992
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