



# Thames Valley Woodturner

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## Turning events, Wood shows, and competitions in our region and farther afield

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## Treasury and Dues

We have ~\$5800 less rentals as of late November.

Membership dues are due by Dec 31, and cover the full year 2013. Dues remain at \$35. Cheques may be made out to the **Thames Valley Woodturners Guild** and given to **Bob Fenn** during the meeting or mailed to him at 49 Susan Ave, London, N5V 2G1.



## Interesting new or updated web sites

Google, Yahoo and MSN host newsgroups that cover virtually any topic you can imagine. Try typing your query as a question into the Google box and see the breadth of info you can find.

- For those who follow Beall Tools progress here is a link to their latest catalog containing lots of product info: <http://bealltool.com/pdfs/catalog.pdf>



## New Members

We have three new members to report for September and October. Please welcome Dave Hudgel, Dave Ladore, Brandon Smith.



## Name Tags and planned Photo Roster

Please wear your name tags. It is easy to remember faces, but it helps to know the names that go with the face. If you drop the name tag on the table at night's end it will be here for you next meeting. If you don't have a name tag or have lost it, please write your name on the provided sheet.

To help us all remember the many names and associate them with the correct face we plan to develop a Photo Roster of our members. We plan to begin taking photos at the January meeting. This could also be included on our web site if the members are interested. Any not wishing to participate in either aspect may abstain or ask not to be shown on the website.



## November meeting

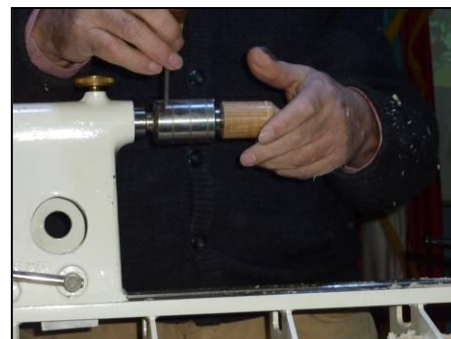
November's meeting was to consist of two demos on Christmas decorations, one of our presenters took sick at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour and Mario Moran carried the demo by turning a birdhouse decoration. Mario's demo follows in a photo series.



The target



Mario takes a few minutes to set-up the lathe



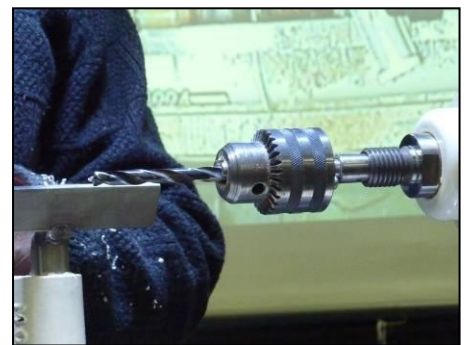
A self made threaded cone fits on the live center



The body of the birdhouse is turned



Using a colored pen he colors the body and will apply carnuba wax as a finish



Drill bit used to drill the bird's entry hole (some prefer to drill the hole in the square stock before beginning)



A tenon is turned in the roof block to fit the body of the bird house



Final shaping of the roof



Drilling a small hole to accept a self made eye.



Again, application of color by pen and a carnuba wax finish



Bottom finial detail is completed and sanded before applying color and wax



Final assembly using CA glue



Ready for a tenant



Nice job Mario!







Decorations - Alan Hamil



Paddle  
Paul  
Clothes tree turner unidentified



rack -  
Jackson,

Walking stick and stand – turner unidentified



Small box – Gary Miller



Small box with design on top – Gary Miller



Mr and Mrs Clause – Bernie Hrytzak



Pendants with rose engine designs - John Calver



Bottle stoppers – David Bell



## December meeting

Our December meeting was our social evening with mountains of Goodies, a 3" x 3" x 5" challenge and an ornament exchange.

The slides showing during the meeting were not from the WOW site as normally shown, but rather were Show and Tell items by Guild members from 2010 – 2012. Hope you enjoyed them.

As a matter of interest to many members Bob demonstrated his EggBot CNC Lathe's ability (or lack of it) in engraving Glass Christmas balls.

### The 3" x 3" x 5" challenge

The 3" x 3" x 5" challenge was anything turned that would fit within the test box. All entries fit, although many wondered at Bernie's marbled platters only to see him fold them up and indeed put them in the box – rubberized foam!.

There were 10 entries, all open class with the ribbons as follows:

**John Calver 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Gary Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Jackie Morningstar 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Doug Magrath HM**

Congratulations to all who entered for rising to the challenge.

### The 3" x 3" x 5" challenge



John Calver, 1<sup>st</sup> Open\*



Gary Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup> Open



Jackie Miller, 3<sup>rd</sup> Open



Doug Magrath, HM Open



Adam Hamill, Open



Mario Moran, Open



Bob Fenn, Open



Gary Miller, Open



June Simpson, Open (a miniature)

\*Photo by John



Joe Wallace, Open



Bernie Hrytzak, Open (rubber foam approx. 10" x 10", it fits if folded)



Winners of Challenge. John, Jackie, and Gary (Doug is absent)



## In the News



Bernie's wooden egg-like creatures were featured in the Chatham newspaper recently as exhibited during the Eye For Art at the Thames art Gallery in Chatham..



## December show and tell





Mario Moran's decorations



Mario Moran – walnut shells and epoxy



Bob Fenn's boxes



June Simpson's miniatures in acrylic



Bernie Hrytzak, rubber foam turned and marbled



Bernie Hrytzak, rubber foam turned and marbled



Paul Jackson - The world's largest turned Christmas tree ornament? Well, in London for sure! \*

\*Photo as noted by Bernie. Ed



**December's ornament exchange**



Paul and Kathy exchange decorations



Bob and Mario



Neil and Joe



Scott and John



Geoff and Bob \*



Jackie and Eric



Scott and Doreen



Nick and Alan



Bob and Gary

\*Photo as noted by Bernie. Ed



## The EggBot

I demonstrated my CNC lathe called the EggBot . The EggBot is a small computer driven machine that can engrave spherical items such as Christmas balls, eggs, golf balls, ping pong balls, or stone using a diamond engraver. It will also draw using colored ink pens (Sharpie fine points). This device is powered by two stepper motors in the X and Y axis. The software that drives the EggBot is Inkscape a free community supported drawing program for vector graphics. The EggBot comes as a kit and takes a couple of hours or less to put it together. For the faint of heart, there is no soldering, the electronics are complete and pre-tested.

The EggBot was created by Evil Mad Science of Sunnyvale, California <http://evilmadscience.com/productsmenu/tinykitlist/171-egg-bot.to> see more info on this and other products.



## Visiting turners

For the interest of members we continue to list future seminars and visiting turners scheduled at neighbouring Guilds as we learn of them. These are the demonstrators that WGO, GHWG, TVWG and other area Guilds have either scheduled or are making arrangements for. The Guilds have generally said that members of other clubs are welcome to attend, space permitting. If you wish to attend make your wishes known as early as possible. Please let Gary Miller know for out-of-town sessions. Gary will verify that there is space and confirm the fees. Carpooling may be arranged if there is sufficient interest, co-ordinate with Gary Miller. For sessions held in London see Bob Hewson to sign-up and or buy your ticket(s).

Guest turner	Date	Sponsor	Fee	Contact	Comments
We have no featured turners on the immediate horizon.					This is a perfect time for members ideas as to their preferences or specific turners

					they would like to see as we build the new 2013 schedule.
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## Something new and different “Hands-on drop-in night” November 22

- Hands-on drop-in nights is exactly as implied,
  - Drop-in, no agenda, talk, discuss ideas or techniques;
  - Hands-on, again you do it, try it, show it, and ask for help if needed.
  - Chat about turning
- We will have at least 3 lathes plus the sharpening center available.
- Coffee and soft drinks will be available.
- Who is invited? The membership (you can bring a visitor, but hands-on is for members only due to our insurance regulations).
- Tools? Bring your own tools and get some tips on sharpening too...
- It is felt that some casual less structured hands-on time between members of various skills levels and members, with techniques to learn and share, would be beneficial to all.

If the “Hands-on drop-in night” proves successful we will plan further sessions during the 2013 season.

*There was a better turn out for the 2<sup>nd</sup> “Hands-on drop-in night” and the consensus is to do another in the new year. Ed*



***From your 2012 Executive***

**A belated Merry Christmas  
and a  
Happy and Prosperous New Year  
for You and Yours**



2011-2012 season scheduled meetings and other events. There may be changes as the year progresses. Your input is valued in the development of our program.

Date	Meeting or events	Shows/events/comments	
October 4	Monthly meeting	Ruby Cler will demonstrate airbrushing turned wood	
October 21, 2012	Cancelled	<del>Multi-media mini hands-on symposium with five rotations. Topics finalized as colorization, pyrography, texturing, airbrushing, piercing, and carving—David Bell's casting techniques for use with "bad" wood will be a demo feature at the symposium. Cost \$30 (\$10 deposit when you reserve your place) includes lunch. Limited space, so sign-up soon!</del>	
November 1	Monthly meeting	Three sample ornaments to be demonstrated	
November 22	Woodturners "Drop-In" Night	Bring your own wood, bring your tools to sharpen, practice and use. Free to members and ANYONE is welcome. Members only may turn, not guests.	
December 6	Monthly meeting	Christmas social and ornament exchange	
January 3, 2013	Monthly meeting	Eric will replace John as demonstrator, floor style candle sticks made with storyboard(s).	
February 7	Monthly meeting	Gary Miller on lost wood technique/process	
March 7	Monthly meeting	Paul Jackson - on architectural turnings	
April 4	Monthly meeting	Dave Bell will demonstrate bottle stoppers and his use of Alumalite	
May 2	Monthly meeting	John Calver turns his winning treen challenge scoop will defer this to a later date	
June 6	Monthly meeting	Pres challenge? A pair of "somethings" - based loosely on Eric's duplication/storyboard demo in January.	
	Program ideas and suggestions for guest turners. Member input is always welcomed by your committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Hand thread-chasing.</li> <li>-Guest turners or seminars.</li> <li>-Design? What makes a "good" turning into an "outstanding" turning?</li> <li>-Metal spinning</li> <li>-A safety night (discussion/panel)</li> <li>-Future challenge ideas: a pair of</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"something",</li> <li>-A seed pod turning.</li> <li>-Shear scraping</li> <li>-Turning a ring</li> <li>-Inlace</li> <li>-Basic drying of wet wood</li> <li>-Wine stoppers</li> <li>-Make a home drying cabinet</li> </ul>

Note: Meetings start at 7:30, doors open at 7:00. The open period from 7:00 and 7:30 is a great time to discuss problems or successes at the "Show and Tell" table. Raffle tickets, the library, and the Round Table critique are available between 7:00 and 7:30.



### Items wanted and for sale

Ads are free for members and run until you sell your item or withdraw your advert. To run an ad or to remove one, call or email Bob at 519-457-6555 or [66.bobhewson@rogers.com](mailto:66.bobhewson@rogers.com). Members can support other members by **buying: good deals and at good prices!**

**Please note:** The Guild provides a means of connecting buyer and sellers through these ads. It is up to the buyer to ensure the item offered is as stated and the two parties should agree between them as to warranty/guarantee.

We print on a non-date-specific schedule, generally every two months. Our newsletter can be found on the internet at <http://www.thamesvalleywoodturners.com/> for viewing in glorious **colour**.

#### **Custom work:**

I Have a vertical mill & metal lathe to make different turning tools (cutters, sharpening jigs, supports etc.) you name it, similar to the Hunter Tool for hollowing in two different sizes 1/4" & 3/8" round, also a square end cutter (all carbide cutters).

-If you want a curve put in rod it can be done too. You will have to make a drawing if you want a bend put in the rod. Price: \$50 straight, \$70 bent or curved.

-Aluminum handles to accept the tool is also available (you choose the size).

-See my sharpening jigs at the next guild meeting or call me.

-**New item** Custom vacuum chuck \$95

-For any custom work, please see me.

**Call:** Al Johnston at 519-679-8718

#### **For sale:**

This is a list of tools belonging to Gord Woods, he is clearing out his workshop and most of his tools appear to be in good shape.

Radial Arm Saw, 10" Dewalt	\$175.00
Trademaster 16" floor model drill press	\$130.00
4" steel vice	\$40.00
Mastercraft orbital sander	\$20.00
Craftsmen 10" compound miter saw with laser (new)	\$120.00
Kreg jig & clamp	\$50.00
B & D worm drive Skilsaw	\$35.00
Root-Zip	\$45.00
Mastercraft rotary tool kit	\$90.00
7 1/4" Skilsaw	\$15.00
B&D 1/4" router	\$15.00

**Call:** Gord Woods 519-376-2826 prices are estimates, offers will be considered.

#### **For Sale:**

Good morning Bob: I would like it if you could post these items on the turning web site for me as I now have these items for sale.

DeWalt Heavy Duty 5" Random Orbit Palm Sander/dust bag..... \$ 65

Mastercraft 10" Dual Bevel Laser Sliding Mitre Saw/stand is brand new....\$175

The router/table is not new but, works well.....\$ 40

**Contact:** Kathy Boyce,

Phone: 519-284-1765, or email [smile\\_n\\_nod\\_3@gmail.com](mailto:smile_n_nod_3@gmail.com)..thank



#### **For Sale** CA Glue and Log Sealer for Wood Turners

**EM-02 VERY THIN, INSTANT CURE**, Able to penetrate between parts, very thin viscosity, allows up to .002" gap fill capability

**EM-40 MED-THIN, FAST CURE**, General purpose, thin viscosity, allows up to .004" gap fill capability

**EM-150 MEDIUM, MEDIUM CURE**, Broad use adhesive, medium-thick viscosity, allows up to .006" gap fill capability

**EM-600 MEDIUM THICK, MEDIUM CURE**, Heavy duty adhesive, medium thick viscosity, allows up to .008" gap fill capability

**EM-2000 THICK FILLER, SLOW CURE**, Allows maximum time for positioning fixtures. Use to bond fibrous and porous materials. Flowable thick viscosity, allows up to .010" - .020" gap fill capability, excellent for filling large open cracks, gaps and holes. Use as a general manufacturing and repairing tough and uneven materials.

All are available in 2 1/4 oz. bottles bottle which includes 5 detachable long nozzles and an extra top with spout and cap.\*

Price: \$15.00 (taxes included)

(\*EM2000 does not include the 5 detachable long nozzles because it is too thick for the nozzles)

Additional long nozzles are priced at 5/\$0.25.

**ACTIVATOR** Instantly cures adhesives. Contains no CFC's. Mist Pump Sprayer

Price: \$10.00 (taxes included) 2 oz. bottle

**DE-BONDER** Required to un-glue items (example: fingers accidentally glued together)

Price: \$10.00 (taxes included) 2oz. bottle

This is the most superior CA Glue on the market. Manufactured by the company that invented CA Glue over 30 years ago

**Log Sealer for Turners** I have an inventory in 4 liter jugs of log end sealer on hand.

Price: \$25 which includes the sales tax.

Please call: prior to the club meeting. That way I can bring your order to the meeting and save on any shipping costs.

Call: Fred Rodger 519-858-2558 or email at [frederick.rodger@sympatico.ca](mailto:frederick.rodger@sympatico.ca) (Fred will bring it to the meeting for you)

**For sale:** I make and sell cutters for the Stewart system and or boring bars. They are made of hi-speed steel. Available in three sizes, prices are \$15, \$20, & \$25.

Call Mario Moran at 519-336-0550, or see him at the Guild meeting or email [mario.ada@sympatico.ca](mailto:mario.ada@sympatico.ca)

#### **For Sale:**

-Taig miniature lathe designed for small jobs. (Can also be converted to a small metal working lathe).

-Woodworking version with motor

-Set of 8 high speed turning tools

-Micrometer.

Available through Lee Valley the above are valued at \$549.50

**Price:** \$300.00

**Contact:** Bruce Cooper at 519-433-3385 or [bml.cooper@sympatico.ca](mailto:bml.cooper@sympatico.ca)

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