



# Thames Valley Woodturner

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

**-Thames Art Gallery, Chatham:** Bernie Hrytzak is showing his turnings from April 9 to May 16.

**-Also coming is the AAW Symposium** in Pittsburg, and while not until June 25, hotels fill quickly and it is not too early to book. Check at;

<http://www.woodturner.org/?page=2015Pittsburgh> .

During the last meeting we learned that we will have 4 guild members making multiple demos during the even. Not bad for the TVWTG!

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Any member wishing to contribute content to the newsletter in the form of articles, tips, or want-ads PLEASE contact Bob Hewson (Photos, articles, photo-articles).

For a Guild info/policy sheet or mentors list, call or email Bob Hewson at [66.bobhewson@gmail.com](mailto:66.bobhewson@gmail.com) or refer to our web site at: <http://www.thamesvalleywoodturners.com/>

## \*FYI

This is issue #90 of the newsletter over a 17 year period, about 2 years less than the Guild's existence.

During this time our Guild home has been in five different locations. Initially we met in Doug Magrath's shop which we soon outgrew, then Mike Markel's barn just east of London, the Wood shop at Medway High, the larger Music Room at Medway High, and lastly our current home at the Air Force Club.

It has been a fun ride for the membership.



## Treasury

Our treasury report shows a balance of \$3819 at the time of the March executive meeting.



## 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. I will also try to include appropriate web sites that may be related to meeting demos. Most references are hotlinks, click them and go directly to the site if you are on the net.

- And now for a little different turning technique check this out <https://vimeo.com/63765015>
- Some neat ideas this month in <http://www.woodturningonline.com/index.php>
- Detroit Woodturners website. Please note too the special events upcoming in April and May. This site has lots of interesting info, handouts, etc. Well worth spending some time exploring. This club meets in Pontiac, Mi the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month <http://detroitareawoodturners.com/special-events.html>
- Want a source for a low cost vacuum setup? (see Bill's advert on sale page at the end of the newsletter [www.FrugalVacuumChuck.com](http://www.FrugalVacuumChuck.com))
- Have some old tools needing re-handling? Check out this Lee Valley feature <http://www.leevalley.com/en/newsletters/Woodworking/1364/Article1.htm>

- Gary Miller's handout on the twisted box. <http://www.thamesvalleywoodturners.com/docs/TwistedBox.pdf>

Also, see Michael Hosaluk's site at <http://www.michaelhosaluk.com/>



## 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 as well as planned events in London.

These include 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.

Turner	Date	Location	Fee	Confirmed
Michael Mocho <a href="http://www.mmocho.com/">http://www.mmocho.com/</a>	October 18, 2015	Golden Horseshoe guild. Perhaps interested members could travel to GH in Burlington	\$45 est	Confirmed
Just letting you know that Detroit area woodturners will be hosting Rudy Lopez and Betty Scarpino at their club in April and May Rudy is April 25th and Betty is May 16th. Details: <a href="http://detroitareawoodturners.com">http://detroitareawoodturners.com</a>	April 25, 2015  May 15, 2015	Meeting in Pontiac, Mi	\$40US (Rudy) also A workshop is being held, see website.  \$45US (Betty)	

Please let Gary Miller know if you want to attend out-of-town sessions, he will verify that there is space and confirm the fees. Carpooling may be arranged if there is sufficient interest for out-of-town seminars, co-ordinate with Gary Miller. For sessions held in London see Jackie Morningstar to sign-up and or buy your ticket(s).

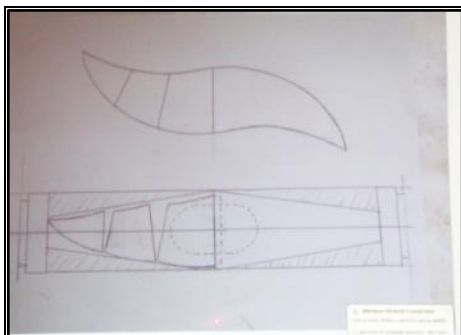


## February Meeting

**“Twisted Box (a la M. Hosaluk) by Gary Miller “.** This was the title of Gary’s presentation to the group and was a demo on how to create a tuning like his powder horn which goes beyond turning and involves creative reconstruction of the tuned form. There are several photos that follow and which when viewed in conjunction with his handout or on our website will give you a idea of the process <http://www.thamesvalleywoodturners.com/docs/TwistedBox.pdf> .

The 1<sup>st</sup> photo below is a screen grab showing the intended form at the top and the turned form at the bottom which will be cut apart as noted, reassembled as indicated at the top, and further shaped by hand.

First the wood is turned to a cylinder, the box separation point determined and cut, remounted and the cavity turned, then the outer shape turned as close as possible to the final shape. The pieces are then further cut and reassembled for final shaping.



Screen grab



Turned portion with box cavity, ready to be sawn. Use care and use a support to lessen danger as you saw the pieces apart



Reassembled pieces in new configuration

For more of Hosaluk’s turnings please go to <http://www.michaelhosaluk.com/>



## Box Challenge

Turnout for the box challenge was the best challenge ever both in quantity and more gratifying was the quality of the entries! Congratulations to all the entrants for a job well done!

Open winners were: Ruby Cler 1<sup>st</sup>, Gar Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>, Geoff Miller 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Novice winners were: Geoff Scott 2<sup>nd</sup> and HM, Jonathan Brown 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Congratulations to all!





John Calver, Open



John Calver, Open



Jonathan Brown, 1st Novice, cherry, Tung oil and carnuba wax



Ruby Cler, 1st Open



Turner unidentified



Gary Miller's powder horn, the basis of the meeting demo as well



Eric Deckert, Open (See other side, next photo, which is spalted)



Spalted side



Turner unidentified



Bob Fenn, Open. Beyond natural edge to natural exterior



Geoff Miller, 3rd Open curly maple with a cherry burl inset



Joe Wallace, walnut with tung oil finish, Open



Paul Newton, Open, maple with insert and burned bands



Gary Miller, 2nd Open



Geoff Scott, Novice



Turner unidentified



Turner unidentified



Walnut bowl with interior piece, turner unidentified



Satin smooth, turner unidentified



Geoff Scott, Novice HM



Geoff Scott, Novice 2nd



Jonathan Brown, 3rd Novice, oak, Tung oil and carnuba wax





## February Show and Tell



John Calver, Fountain pen for a desk



John Calver, blackwood, with a silver inlay



Jeanne Corey, Walnut bowl with laced rim



Joe Wallace, Natural edged walnut bowl with edge sanded and sealed, Tru oil finish



Jeanne Corey, 1st bowl on new lathe with woodburned details "Maple leaf forever"



Sorry, out of focus - info unreadable



Ruby Cler, exterior fluting applied by router



Ruby Cler, Scandanavian style bowl



Walnut form experiment by Doug Magrath



Walnut fom with bleached sapwood experiment by Doug Magrath



"Ducks" by Ruby Cler, playing with off-center turning, maple gloss finish, poplar satin finish



Dave Bell, a tall dyed maple pepper mill



Jonathan Brown, mystery wood, can you identify it?



## March meeting

Our March demonstration was by Dave Hudgel and covered “Non-Spindle Multiaxis Turning”. Dave actually brought some order into a somewhat mystifying form of multi-axis turning.

I have often marvelled at those strange forms of woodturning that defy logic as to how they were turned by a lathe. Dave has brought some order from chaos. The purpose of his demo was to talk us through the possibilities and show how home-built jigs and fixtures will help to accomplish the seemingly impossible.

Dave has followed several of the specialist in this type of turning Michael Foster, Bruce Wood, Robert Longhurst, and Betty Scarpino. To see some of their work check out these sites: Michael Foster <http://breezyhillturning.com/> , Bruce Wood <http://www.sawg.org.nz/sawg/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Wood-2-pages.pdf> , Robert Longhurst <http://robertlonghurst.com/> , and Betty Scarpino <http://www.bettyscarpino.com>

I have published Dave’s PowerPoint slides as an attachment to this newsletter as they show and explain better than I can.



Scott helps Dave hold and explain the off-center holding of this jig.



The lathe holds the “multi-axis holding” jig. It is important to stress safety and secure fastening as well as full safety gear for this type of experimental turning! If you aren’t sure don’t do it, rethink it!



Under power there is an incredible amount of ghost image, watch your clearances!



Removing wood with a Foredom grinder



## March Show and Tell



Box, but too late for last month's challenge,  
turner unidentified



Dave Bell, maple burl and Alupalite resin salt  
mill, Circa 1812 and beeswax finish



Dave Bell, clear Alupalite with small cast fish



Joe Wallace, walnut, tung oil finish



Geoff Miller, 15" OD, sugar maple, linseed oil  
and beeswax finish



Johantan Brown, Tung oil, ~13"x6", wood  
unknown



Johantan Brown, salad bowl oil, ~13" x 1 1/2  
dia, various woods



Bob Fenn, 6 cornered box (design  
opportunity)



Dave Bell, pen with homecast polyester resin  
body



Bob Fenn, maple branch rounds make simple  
jewelry



Bob Fenn, maple branch rounds make simple  
jewelry necklaces



Ruby's heraldic shieldr





2014-2015 season scheduled meetings and other events. There may be changes as the year progresses, if in doubt check our website for current meeting info as scheduled time draws near. Your input is valued in the development of our program.

Date	Meeting or events	Shows/events/comments	
September 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2014	Monthly meeting	A turning from a <b>2" x 4" x 8 ft construction grade spruce</b> challenge. A bangle/bracelet and demo of his detail cutters and piercing jig by John Calver. Please bring a recent turning for the "Show and Tell"	
October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting	<u>Note date change</u> due to Wood Show. Ruby Cler will (tentatively) demo eccentric turning.	
November 6 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting	Ornament demos (short/quick demos by Bob Fenn, Carl Durance and Joe Wallace)	
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Woodturners' "Drop-In" Night	<b>Cancelled due to bad weather</b> Bring your own wood, bring your tools to learn to correctly sharpen, practice and use. Free to members and ANYONE is welcome. Members only may turn, not guests.	
December 4 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting	Christmas social and Christmas exchange of turned items	
January 8 <sup>th</sup> 2015	Monthly meeting	<u>Note date change due to New Year holiday, and we continue from here as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.</u> Paul Newton will turn a lidded 3 sided box (off-center turning). PDF handout on website.	
February 12 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting	A twisty box by Gary Miller. A "Box" Challenge.	
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting	Dave Hudgel will demonstrate an off-center/multi-axis turning.	
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting	Paul Guilbault will demonstrate his paper/cardboard bowl turning technique.	
April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Woodturners' "Drop-In" Night	<b>Rescheduled</b> Open 7:00. Bring your own wood, bring your tools to learn to correctly sharpen, practice and use. Free to members and ANYONE is welcome. Only members may turn, not guests. ( <i>Scott will be the go-no-go guy, phone 519-681-5565</i> )	
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting	Paul Newton will turn a 4 sided bowl.	
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting	Mario Moran will demonstrate his walnut "nut" bowl techniques. Spinning tops challenge, (rules to be announced). Bar may be opened.	
June <b>Cancelled</b>	Visiting turner	Bruce Wood's demo was unable to be scheduled.	
July - August	Summer break	Summer break	
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting		
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting		
November 11 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting		
December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly meeting		
Ideas	Program ideas and suggestions for guest turners. Member input is always welcomed by your committee	-Guest turners or seminars. -Design? What makes a "good" turning into an "outstanding" turning? -Metal spinning -A safety night (discussion/panel) -A seed pod turning.	-Shear scraping -Inlace -Basic drying of wet wood -Wine stoppers -Make a home drying cabinet -Chuckling and holding

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 and converse with other members. Raffle tickets and the library, are available between 7:00 and 7:30 and the break period.

Please wear your name tags so fellow members match more names to faces.





### 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!**

Commercial "business card" type advertisements are available on this newsletter for \$50. Insertion in 5 - 6 issues per year.

**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.

Members are welcome to set up a "sales" table in the bar section/room available before the meeting starts.

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**.

**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:**

##### **Panasonic/Lumix DMC-ZS3**

digital camera, a case, battery and charger, 2gig hi-speed SD card, manual, software.

This is the camera I have been using to take pictures for the newsletter. My reason for offering it for sale is that I received a new Lumix for Christmas.



**Features are:** Leica lens, wide angle/telephoto lens (equivalent 25mm – 300mm), 12X Zoom, Macro and macro zoom, Stills and Video, 3" LCD monitor, hi-speed burst for photos, ISO 80-6400, great metering system, microphone/speaker built in, electronic flash, 4:3, 3:2, 16:9 aspect ratios available, Picture files size from 640k to 10 megapixels, AVCHD or motion JPEG video. Use in totally automatic operation, one of numerous specific presets or manual setups.

This is my 4<sup>th</sup> digital camera and without a doubt the best one to date. I have been totally satisfied with it. For more details <http://shop.panasonic.com/shop/model/DMC-ZS3S> also look on-line for product reviews.

Original cost was sale priced at \$379+tax + memory +case

**Sale price: \$100**

**Contact:** Bob Hewson 519-457-6555 or [66.bobhewson@gmail.com](mailto:66.bobhewson@gmail.com)

#### **For Sale**

-Sears Craftsman 13" 5 speed drill press. \$200.00

15+ years old but in excellent condition.

-Craftex 7"x8" metal lathe. \$600.00

Less than 3 hours use.

Upgraded with quick change tool post.

This lathe can be used for woodturning.

-Contact:: John Calver, phone (519) 455-6998

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