



Central Connecticut Woodturners

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**June CCW Meeting-
Tuesday, June 27th
2023**

**Berlin Fairgrounds,
430 Beckley Road,
Berlin CT, at 6:30pm.**

**Directions on last
page of newsletter.**

**The demo will be
“Finials”**



President's Note

Hello woodturners,

We had a great time at the Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center event. Thank you to Lynda, Corrie and Rob and Dayton.

We had 3 lathes and helped folks turn about 30 pens and whistles, worked through lunch again, and would have been turning until dark if Lynda hadn't said something. At first it was slow as we were in competition with the fluffy bunnies, and then suddenly we had a line waiting. Unfortunately, we were too busy to take photos; maybe next year.

Simultaneously, our friends in the Eastern club were at the Lebanon Historical Society. Mike and several Joe's looked busy. Hopefully next year the events will be on different dates.

Have any of you been to a craft school for a weekend or a week long class? I know it can get expensive. My experiences have been wonderful and well worth it. There are a few alternatives like CVSW, Brookfield Craft School and Snow Farm, all close enough to make the daily trip and save on housing and food. The classes are usually small and the instruction you get from a pro can really help. If you've been to one in the past, please share your experience with us at our meeting.

See you Tuesday,

John Webber

CCW Meeting minutes May 23rd, 2023

Approximately 14 members were present.

Meeting called to order at 6:55PM

President's welcome

President John Webber introduced the current officers... Kip Lockhart absent.

Treasurer's balance March 31, 2023 \$3,715.19; Received \$70 in membership dues, and paid \$550 for insurance; balance at end of April 2023 = \$3,235.19

Minutes from last meeting: Rob Robinson made a motion to approve; Joe Garofalo 2nd ; no one opposed. Unanimous approval.

Note: Currently, the newsletter is not on Facebook.

Badges....The CCW club used to have a box; now each member has to take care of their own. John checked with the man who used to make them, but hasn't heard back. John has wood to make them. If he hasn't heard within next couple weeks, he'll do them. Joe Garofalo has xtool, and will make badges for the club. Emery suggested making a nice membership card that will serve as a badge. Discussion ensued.

CCW Picnic...sometime in August 2023....Location will be Dan and Joanne's house in Eastford CT; not sure of date. Date will be announced at next meeting.

AAW symposium is June 1-4th 2023 in Louisville Kentucky. Also doing it online. You can pay and watch for a month. Emery went last year. Awesome but expensive to go.

Pen turnings-2 on the same day...June 10th 2023 Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center in Wethersfield 10am-3:00pm. Let John know if you are going. Club decided yes on tip bowl or "donations accepted" bowl. AND also on the same day, pen turning in Lebanon Historical Society in Lebanon CT, hosted by Eastern club 10am-4pm.

Next CCW meeting Tuesday June 27th 2023 at Berlin fairgrounds 340 Beckley Road. Building is green. Gate 5. Rob Robinson will put up signs.

Large roughed-in bowls donated to the CCW club from a lady who had a lathe, sold lathe, sold tools. Has more 12-14 inch size bowls. Large 25 inch-all from Kentucky, one way chuck also, and a large set of calipers, and bin of different grades of sandpaper. What to do with bowls that were donated to club. Discussion ensued. CCW members bought them at the meeting. Next month, there will be jaws sandpaper and chuck.

Introduction of new members...

John Wilson-This is his first meeting... from North Granby CT....turns bowls and platters....has Jet lathe. Turning since he was a kid. 18 years ago, got back into it. Found CCW during registration on AAW website....Needing an affiliation, he checked CCW off.

Chris from Maine...now Portland CT. Working at summer camp teaching kids how to work in a shop. Had job doing machine shop metal work for Navy. Has not turned any wood yet. Found us thru AI. Moment of Safety (see further down newsletter for more info)- Faceplate screws...What type to use? No hardened screws. Use machine screws. Solid shank with no threads NOT GOOD. Use largest screws, and as deep as you can go. Put your rough screw in the chuck. Some lathes have shut off. Woodturners Worldwide Symposium is online—You pay \$70-\$80 and are able to watch for a month. Meeting adjourned 7:45pm.

No tool sale at this meeting, as Lynda Z did not make it to the meeting. Wood sale was held, then show and yell, then demo by John Webber "Turning Handles"

A MOMENT of SAFETY

May's "Moment of Safety"
Faceplate mounting and screws.

There are many types of screws that can be used to mount faceplates depending on your faceplate style. The head types are usually panhead or countersunk and come in a variety of screwdrives, phillips, torx, square drive, straight slot, hex head and in a variety of strengths. The recommended types are for construction, metal, wood and concrete. Sheetrock screws do not have much sheer strength and are not recommended. Metal screws are fully threaded and some are self-tapping. Wood screws are not generally threaded the entire length and the threads are more coarse. Softer woods can be held with more coarse threads, harder woods can support finer threads.

In general, a good quality screw from a quality manufacturer that fills the size of the faceplate hole and then filling all of the holes in the faceplate would be a good choice. Screw length is based on the size of the blank you are mounting. Some faceplate holes are chamfered on the blank facing side so when the fibers are raised as the screw is tightened the faceplate will still be flush. The wood surface should be flat or slightly concave and use the largest faceplate size you can for the size of the blank.

The advantages of using a faceplate are less vibration as the wood is closer to the headstock, a more secure mounting and less time forming a tenon or recess and you do not need to buy a chuck and jaws. The disadvantages are you may need to waste more of the thickness of your blank or having to use a glue block. It is always recommended to use a set screw to lock it on the spindle.

Considering you are using these screws to hold a heavy unbalanced chunk of wood spinning at several hundred RPM's, it might be a good idea to make sure the ones you are using are up to the stresses you are putting them under. Most manufacturers have a website with the shear specs of their screws.



MAY 23RD 2023 SHOW & YELL:





MAY MEETING'S DEMO -- TURNING HANDLES BY JOHN WEBBER

Some helpful information:

There are sales on handle kits around May-June.....Note: A seamripper is a pen blank.
Ice-cream scoop -- Turn between centers. Or make a piece to put on lathe so you can finish the end.
Pie server- has threaded insert. Ruth Niles also makes insert (universal) for bottle stoppers.
John finishes the handles with couple coats of outdoor oil.
Wood River makes the ice cream paddle.
Peach Tree has pointed ice cream scoops.
Can also order from Crafts supply USA and Wood Craft.
Penn State-has the squeeze scoop.

Can get A-11 out of Windsor Steel as opposed to ordering online.









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Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center CCW pen turning event



Lebanon Historical Society pen turning with Eastern Connecticut club



CCW meeting June 27, 2023 6:30pm at Berlin fairgrounds

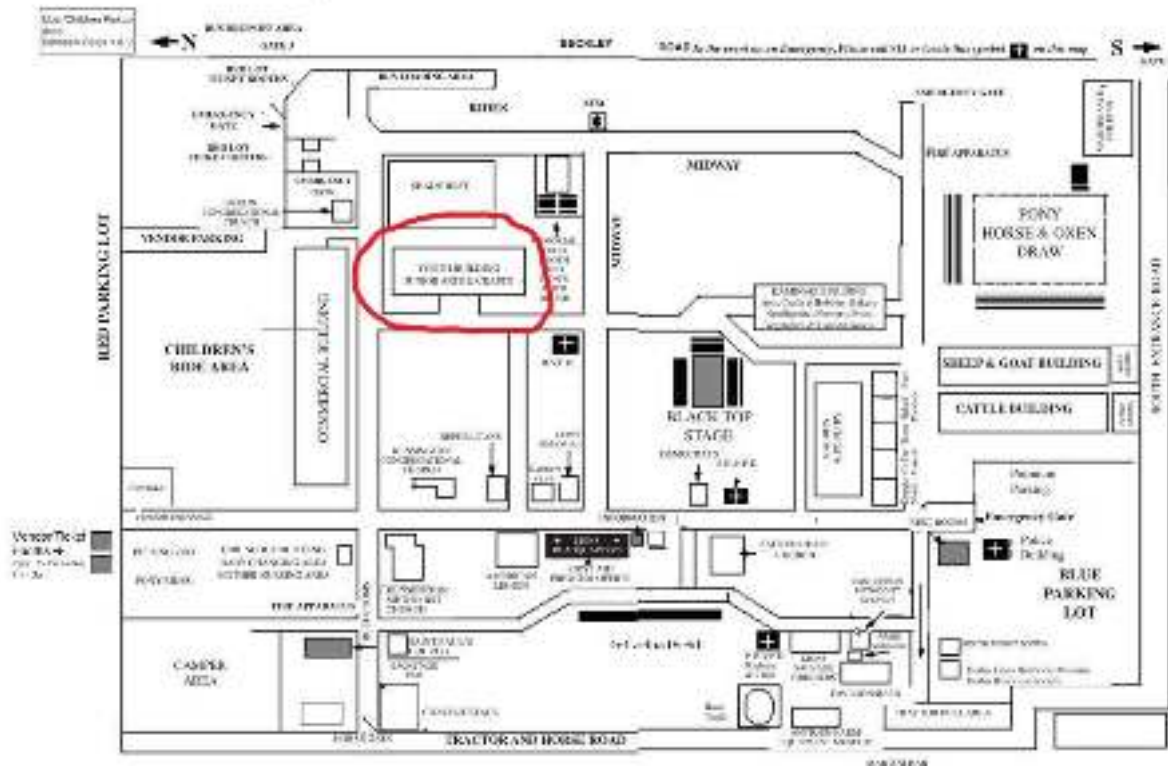
Below are directions and a map of the fairgrounds with the building circled.

From 91 N/S take exit 22 N to merge onto Rt 9 N toward New Britain. Take Exit 31 (first exit) for Rt 372, end of exit stay left, turn left, proceed to first traffic light turn left, take another left (1st left) onto Beckley Rd. Follow Beckley Rd approximately 8 tenths of a mile. You will go over Rt 9 Gate 5 to Fair grounds on your left (right past large ranch house). Once on Fair grounds take first right, go up the hill, go straight thru intersection, past buildings on right and left, you will see a Green building on your right that says YOUTH.

From Rt 9 S, take Exit 31 toward Rt 5/15 south, Take left at traffic light (end of exit), go under Rt 9 bridge, take first right (Mill St) (Rt 372), go to 2nd traffic turn left, take another left (1st left) onto Beckley Rd. Follow Beckley Rd approximately 8 tenths of a mile, you will go over Rt 9 Gate 5 to Fair grounds on your left (right past large ranch house). Once on Fair grounds take first right, go up the hill, go straight thru intersection, past buildings on right and left, you will see a Green building on your right that says YOUTH.

You can park on the driveways around the building or the grass (it doesn't hurt the grass).

Address is 430 Beckley Rd, but I think the GPS will bring you to gate 2 of the fair grounds.



And here's your little dose of "humor?" for the monthly newsletter.....

One should NEVER ride your lathe

