



Central Connecticut Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturning

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**April CCW Meeting-
Tuesday, April 23rd
2024**

**At William J. Pitkin
Community Center**

**30 Greenfield Street
Room S1**

**Wethersfield CT, at
6:30pm.**

**John Webber will do
a demo on a small
hollow
form**



President's Note

Hello woodturners,

We had a large turnout last meeting. I hope you enjoyed Dan Merlo's "Tenonectomy" reshaping and removing a tenon, and glass to vase demo. He always has some useful tips to share. Remember he issued a challenge to turn a glass lid. Hope to see what you came up with at show & yell. I picked up a few glasses at a local thrift store for \$1.00 each.

This was a fun project and a skill builder for making boxes.

We have 2 events, Fine Woodworking at Ct, Valley School of Woodworking on Fri & Sat 4/26 & 27, and a pen turning on Sat 4/27 at Berlin-Peck Library and a meeting on Tues 4/23. Very busy but lots of fun. Hope to see you there.

In the next few months we will talk about inspiration. What is it? What does it do? Is it contagious? Where can you get some? Does it cost a lot?

This should be fun and yes there will be a challenge.

See you soon

John

CCW MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 26th 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:37pm at William J. Pitkin Community Center in Wethersfield CT

28 members present

President John Webber introduced the current officers...

Guests in attendance...And some became new members!! Hugo Marchevsky from Niantic, Perry Sprague, Bruce Major from Higganum, Dennis Garrison from Canterbury, and Mark Jackman from New Hartford.

Minutes for last meeting – Mark Fields made a motion to approve; Unanimous approval.

Mark Fields gave the Treasurer's report--Balance at end of January 2024 was \$3,744.09; collected \$310.00 in dues, \$271.00 in donations; Balance at end of February 2024 was \$4,325.09. Unanimous approval.

Next meeting is here at William J. Pitkin Community Center in Wethersfield CT. At this time, demo is not decided. If anyone wishes to do a demo at a meeting, please do not hesitate to volunteer.

CCW had a great pen turning event at NEAM.

Craft Supply peppermill contest coming up; win \$100 gift card. Go to Craft Supplies USA, and follow directions.

CCW is hosting a pen turning at Berlin-Peck Memorial Library at 234 Kensington Road, Berlin, CT on April 27th 2024 from 9:30am-3:30pm.

Fine Woodworking New England Show at CVSW April Friday April 26th 2024 - Saturday April 27th 2024. CCW members can turn at this event, but don't bring a lathe.

May 23rd-26th, 2024 -- AAW's 38th International Woodturning Symposium; May 28th 2024 CCW meeting at Charlotte McDonnell's shop. She has a Powermatic 3520 for the demo.

June 1st & 2nd 2024 (Saturday & Sunday) Five Points Arts Print Festival (Big Ink) at 15 Water Street in Torrington CT.

CCW is hosting a pen turning at Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center in Wethersfield CT on June 8th 2024.

Rob Robinson made a motion for John Webber to purchase more pen kits. Dan Merlo 2nd. Unanimous approval.

CCW June meeting will be held at Berlin Fair Grounds.

July 20th 2024 CCW workshop at Dan Merlo's shop. Bring your tools. You will be taught how to sharpen your own tools.

August 2024 CCW picnic at Lynda Zibbideo's house.

Lynda Zibbideo redesigned the CCW website. She reviewed changes/updates that were made. Some things were outdated, and some things we didn't use. She rearranged top part. The "Library" was removed.

Newsletters, club office same.

Note: Amistad was a teaching ship. CCW made a lot of the wooden pieces on the ship. There are hyperlinks of CCW favorites. The newest thing on the website is the calendar. If anyone has an event, provide Lynda with all the details, and she will post it to the CCW calendar on the website. Please send Lynda Zibbideo pictures of any of your turned items. She will sporadically change the pictures up.

Show & Yell presentation – Lots of incredible items! CCW encourages all to participate every month!

There is a gentleman that has an older sawmill. Maybe 2 feet wide. Ask John Webber for info.

Moment of safety: When you use a spur center (drive center) with bark, the bark is weak and will fly off. Also, the 1st layer of wood is soft.

Use a forstner bit ,drill and then put the spur in. Or take your chain saw and trim the whole area. Always use a bam bam tool (wooden mallet) to insert your spur center.

The Totally Turning Symposium was good. There were a lot of great demonstrators. Spoke highly of .

Woodworkers show may not happen anymore. Mike Mahoney did an interactive remote demo. Derek Weidman-animal heads and human bust. Graeme Priddle and Melissa Engler-all about branding wood, high powered wood burning and texturing. Joe Larese-finials. Janice Levi-fancy box with finial. Mauricio Kolenc virtual from South America turned a really thin Ogee bowl. Chain saw artist. Matt Monaco-how to turn Ogee bowl. There weren't that many vendors. Peke Safety and Thompson Lathe Tools were there. Rick Angus won a blue ribbon for a piece.

John Webber will start doing little videos to post on the CCW page.

Eastern CT Wood turners just had a live meeting with Carl Jacobson (owns Ruth Niles Bottle Stoppers)...he demoed bottle stoppers and a handle for a pizza cutter. It was pretty good. Mark Fields suggested maybe we ask him to have a live meeting for our club.

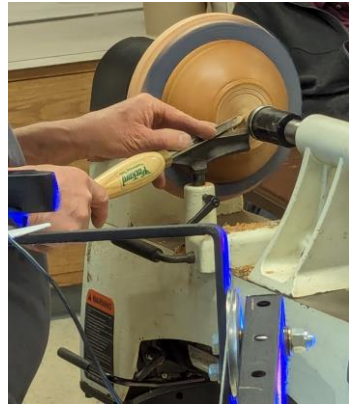
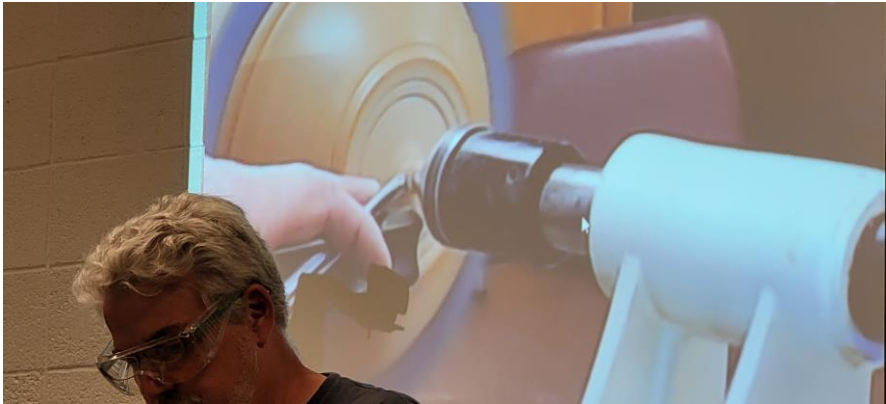
Meeting adjourned 7:40pm

Then Dan did a demo on removing tenons, and also another demo on making a vase out of a glass.

MARCH 26th 2024 SHOW & YELL:



March 26th 2024 – Tenon removal demo by Dan Merlo



March 26th 2024 – Glass into a vase demo by Dan Merlo



Don't forget to send a picture of what you make from Kevin's roughed in bowls!

