



CUMBERLAND WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION

A Chapter of the AAW
NEWSLETTER JUNE 2005

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The Cumberland Woodturners met on May 25, 2005 at the workshop of Bill and Jackie Westerbeck. President Jim Bentley called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

The club welcomed new member William Basham.

PREZ PAGE by Jim Bentley

The May meeting sure proved the old adage "a club's strength rests in its members"! The meeting started off with a strong turning demonstration by our own Randy Trentham showing how he turns hollow forms.

That was followed by members bringing entries for the monthly challenge and the instant gallery. Then, plans were made for member participation in Depot Days and a Saturday "Back to Basics Day". Then, a member volunteered to put on a workshop on making a Longworth face plate chuck. Nearly every member participated in some way.

The meeting was a good one because our members are good ones!

MONTHLY PROGRAM

Randy Trentham conducted an excellent demonstration on turning a narrow mouth hollow vessel, about 7 inches tall. He shaped the entire outside with a roughing gouge, leaving the bottom half thick to support the vessel better while hollowing, then finished the bottom half later after completing the inside.



He used a 3/16 inch cutter mounted to home made tools to hollow the inside, and finished the inside with a small scraper. He stressed the importance of cleaning the shavings out of the inside frequently to prevent catches. He finished the bottom by re-mounting the vessel using a reverse jam chuck.



Randy's notes for his demonstration are attached at the end of this newsletter, and are also on the club website.

Randy said the hollowing video by John Jordan was excellent, so if you're interested in seeing more demonstration of hollowing technique, please check out the club video library.

Thank you, Randy!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

June John Lucas/Jim Bentley: Design Theory
July Tool Auction

WOOD O' THE MONTH

The wood o' the month was won by Joe Zarnitz. He received a nice bowl from Jon Reiver, and a poplar log.



MONTHLY CHALLENGE

This month's challenge was a hollow turning. George Groom won with a nice spalted pecan piece. Unfortunately, a photo was not available.

UPCOMING CHALLENGES

June Laminated hollow turning
(using 1+ pieces of wood or plywood)

WEBSITE NEWS

www.cumberlandwoodturners.com

Please submit your biography and pictures of your work for the Member Profiles and Gallery on the website, if you haven't already done so.

The club library listing of magazines & videos is now on the website. Also, we have a Special Events Calendar, For Sale section, Links to turning websites, and Tips & Techniques. Please submit your entries for these areas to any club officer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bill Westerbeck gave the treasurer's report as follows:

Previous Balance	\$1,102.61
Income	\$ 82.00
Expenses	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$ 1,184.61

SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

June 17-18: Depot Days club booth

Help needed; details below

July 9: Longworth chuck workshop

8:45-Noon @ Bill Westerbeck's shop;
details below

July 16: Larry Hasiak demonstration

Cost = \$20/person, Location TBD

August 13-14: TAW Symposium, Nashville

Also, Wood Turning Expo

August 20: Summer Social Outing

@ Jon Reiver's farm

(rescheduled from August 13)

Group Outing to Asheville, NC club meeting

Led by John Lucas, Date TBD.

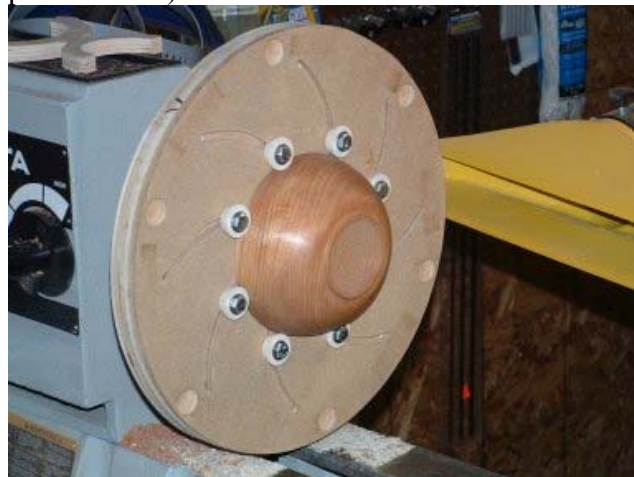
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DEPOT DAYS

Demonstrators and help are needed for the club booth at Depot Days June 17-18. Setup will be at 6pm on June 17 at the Depot. Please contact Bill Westerbeck or Jim Bentley if you can help.

LONGWORTH CHUCK WORKSHOP

During the May meeting, Jack Semelsberger showed the club members the Longworth faceplate chuck that he recently built. It is a chuck to be used to hold bowls and platters while finishing the base or foot of the turning. (see photo below).



A great deal of interest was shown and many members wanted one just like it. Jack agreed to do a workshop on the chuck. Eight members have signed up so far. Please contact Jack by June 18 if you're interested to participate.

The workshop is planned to be held on July 9th, beginning at 8:45am at Bill Westerbeck's shop. We hope to be finished by noon (the same day).

Jack is planning to have us build the chucks on a production line basis with all attendees doing one particular activity on each chuck.

Participant requirements:

- * Verify attendance with Jack by June 18th (see membership list for phone or email).
- * Bring a small face plate that will fit your lathe spindle. It should be one that you can dedicate to your chuck.. It should have threads either 1" x 8 or 1 1/4" x 8.
- * Bring \$15.00 for all the hardware and materials that will be provided. (there may be a refund after all the expenses are figured)
- * Let Jack know the diameter of the chuck you be making. (20" diameter max) (16" preferred)

TAW SYMPOSIUM

The Tennessee Association of Woodturners will hold their annual symposium August 13-14 at Belmont University, Nashville.

Featured demonstrators are Johannes Michelsen, Christian Burchard, Rolly Munro, Alan Lacer, Pat Matranga, and our own John Lucas. Information is available on the TAW website, www.tnwoodturners.org.

OTHER NEWS

Mike Elder found an excellent source of pre-rounded, kiln dried bowl blanks: Don Baily at roughoutbowls.com.

A beginners, used lathe for \$250 is available at Metal Craft Tools, exit 320 in Crossville.

John Lucas reported on the excellent Southern States Symposium. The Symposium donated \$10,000 to the Willard Baxter Fund at J.C. Campbell Folk School. The school released the below comment about the donation:

"This wonderfully generous \$10,000 gift from the Southern States Symposium is not only the

largest single contribution toward the Willard Baxter Woodturning Studio Fund received thus far, but also an exciting moment in our fundraising for the new building. We have now surpassed the halfway point, having raised \$56,000 of our \$100,000 goal."

MEETING REFRESHMENTS

June – Mike Elder

July – Randy Trentham

NEXT MEETING

WHEN:	June 29 @ 6PM
WHERE:	Workshop of Bill Westerbeck
PROGRAM:	Design theory
CHALLENGE:	Laminated turning

HOLLOW TURNING INSTRUCTIONS

Demo by Randy Trentham

1. Turn block between centers. Turn basic shape and tenon for chuck or faceplate.
2. Place in Chuck, turn outside shape. Leave plenty of wood at bottom of shape to add to strength (this will be cut down later). Use the tailstock with this step. Predetermine bottom by marking with a parting tool.
3. You can sand at this point if you wish. However, when you cut the rest of the bottom shape, you'll have to sand again.
4. Remove tailstock. Drill hole about 1/4" to 3/8" from predetermined bottom. (Mark the drill bit for a stopping point.)
5. Hollow with hollowing tools. Use shoulder step method.
6. Shape bottom to fit contour of the vessel.
7. Part mostly off with parting tool. Cut waste block with hand saw or on bandsaw.
8. Make jam chuck. Turn and finish bottom.

