



Fundraiser Reception

We had a great turn out for the Fundraiser Reception - far more people than we had expected. All of our members, except one, were in attendance. In addition to that, there were close to a hundred family members, friends and guests who made an appearance. I want to thank everyone for coming together to make this a special event. I also want to congratulate the 36 lucky winners.

Our Club members are to be commended for getting behind this fundraiser and making it the success it was. We also want to recognize Debbie Adamson -- Slices, Kelly Hughes -- Library, Aaron Brown -- Lamar Arts, Sherri Ellington -- Herald Gazette; Karen Cox -- Lamar Arts, all our members' wives for their contributions, and, a special recognition to Fred Morris for being the driving force behind our successful fundraiser.

I also want to thank Frank Bowers for his contribution. His demonstration was, as usual, outstanding. He is to be commended for presenting such a high level demonstration considering the atmosphere of our reception. I cannot imagine how hard it must have been for him to maintain his concentration with so many spectators milling around, back and forth from the display table to the food tables. But, even under these circumstances, he managed to present a high level, professional demonstration that was enjoyed by everyone who I have talked with. He is a true woodturning ambassador. His suggestion that we auction off the piece he turned at the demonstration and let him take it home to finish and mail back to the winner exemplifies this. The auction brought in \$125.00, that, plus the \$240.00 that was placed on the bowl that he donated to our raffle made him a \$365.00 contributor to our fundraising effort. We are grateful.

Bill Bulloch

Fundraiser Reception Pictures submitted by Ron Biffle and Bill Bulloch





The Wood Yard
1516 A-1 Kalamazoo Drive
Griffin, GA 30224
770-468-8588
www.thewoodyard.com

Hardwood Lumber and finishing supplies
The Wood Yard sponsors our Membership Participation Rewards Program by providing the Quarterly and Annual rewards to the members with the most participation points.

The Wood Yard is moving to Concord in April. Rick said he found a building in Concord that would allow him to double his floor space. This means he can carry a larger inventory. He'll be moving during the last two weeks of April, but will probably only have to be closed for a couple of days. He'll provide us with more details about the move when they are firmed up. The new address will be: 122 Main Street, Concord, GA 30206. Same phone number: 770-468-8588.

Ask Don submitted by Don Yost

Question from Sally Sapwood - What's all the fuss about C B N wheels?

Sally, if you are interested in sharp tools, here are some pros of CBN wheels.

1. no dust
2. no dressing
3. hardly any sparks
4. runs true and balanced
5. tools are extremely sharp

There are also some cons:

1. pricey
2. sounds funny

I have had my CBN wheel for 6 months and love it. Ask a friend who has one to let you try it. You will be surprised at the edge you get

Shop around, there're getting cheaper.

Sent from my wood pile - Don

If you have a question about woodturning, you can submit it to Don at the following email address: dkyost40@yahoo.com

April Meeting submitted by Bill Bulloch



Jimmy Clewes will be the featured demonstrator at our April Meeting on April 8th. In order not to cut in on any of Jimmy's time there will be no Wood Raffle or Show & Tell at this meeting. We will, however, announce our Participation Rewards winners and present their rewards. Remember the "Tops for Pups" project and bring your tops to the meeting.

About Jimmy (From his Website: www.jimmyclewes.com)

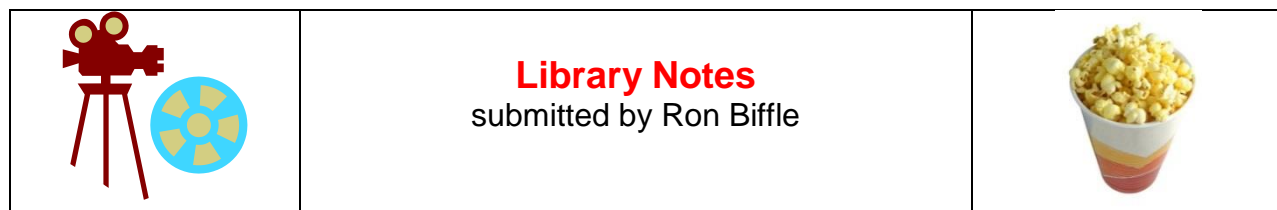
Jimmy is not your ordinary woodturner. Upon a first meeting one would think of him as a renegade, a free thinker and not within the stereotypical image of a woodturner. His charming British style, unending wit, creative mind and magnetic personality are only some of the attributes that make him popular in the woodturning demonstration circuit.

Jimmy is on the Register of Professional Woodturners in the United Kingdom and a member of the American Association of Woodturners. He has over 22 years of experience in woodturning and woodworking. The demand for his services as a freelance demonstrator and teacher takes him all over the world including his homeland of the United Kingdom, Europe, Canada, Norway, Finland, New Zealand, Belgium, and Australia.

It was not long after leaving school at the age of 16, Jimmy attained an apprenticeship in engineering and decided to further his studies by attending Manchester Polytechnic in Manchester, England. He received a 2:1 Honors Degrees with special emphasis on learning 3-Dimensional Design. With that focus, he began to specialize in designing and making furniture, which was influenced by Japanese tools and design.

It was during his time in college that his interest in woodturning was rekindled. The combination of his college education, his limitless imagination and his professional skills was a perfect fit for Jimmy to pursue his creative abilities as a woodturner and to take that ability to the next level.

When asked what drives him, he shares, "My energy comes from those around me. When I can stir the creativity of one's mind, that for me is very satisfying. As with any art form, expression is only limited as one's mind and I want to 'raise the bar' and create an awareness of the art form that has been virtually unknown to most people."



We have a Library Committee! Thanks to Lee Dale, Dick Hyatt, Charles Jackson and Gary Kostick for serving.

I am posting some very simple Check-Out and Check-In procedures on the inside doors of the DVD storage cabinet just to serve as reminders. Our honor system is very simple and we want our membership to use this great resource even when one of the Library Committee members is not there to assist. Let me encourage you to take a second at the next meeting to see if there is a DVD available which would be of interest to you.

Our collection is growing in size and in quality! If you have DVDs you would like to donate to the club, we would be happy to process those and make them available to the membership.

We have found that some of the DVDs are damaged and will not play or freeze at some point in the presentation. If you check-out a DVD and find it damaged, please give that to me for inspection, cleaning or discard. We need to cull those out and where possible get a replacement or make the space available for new DVDs.

I want to recommend DVD #9 – Ellsworth Signature Gouge – to all who are signed up for the David Ellsworth workshop in April. I believe that viewing this DVD ahead of time will help each of us get the most out of our day with one of the great icons of woodturning.

Activities Committee:

The Activities Committee recently met at Hunters Restaurant. Ronny Yates, Committee Chairman; Don Yost; Lee Dale and Bill Bulloch were present. The activities for the rest of the year were laid out. It was decided that we would have only one extra activity per month. This year we will have two Saturday Workshops, two Tuesday Workshops, two Club challenges and two Turning Exchanges. The Tuesday Workshops will follow the demonstration/question and answer structure that we followed in our last Tuesday Workshop. The structure for the Saturday Workshops, however, will change. They will follow the Hands on structure like the Pro Workshops do. Accordingly, they will be limited as to the number of attendees. This number will be determined by the number of lathes we have available for the workshop. The specific activities for each month are listed on the Calendar of Upcoming Events.

Tops for Pups
submitted by: Fred Morris



We have a great opportunity to give back to the community for their support in our Fundraiser effort, by turning spinning tops to raise money for the 'Dolly Good Puppy' program.

'Dolly Good Puppy' is a Lamar County program to rescue, spay/neuter dogs in the county. The County has used the city pound for years and is working on establishing their own facility. Euthanizing has been reduced by about 70 % in the last few years because of the Dolly program. They receive no funds from the County. The state Agriculture Department does, however, work with them to spay and neuter at reduced prices.

Debbie Adamson "Slices" is a strong supporter of Dolly and has a fundraiser scheduled for April 12. I have offered to turn "Tops for Puppies" for their fundraiser. Debbie will sell them at Slices and at the fundraiser and all the funds will go direct to the Dolly Good Puppy Program.

As you know Debbie and the community was a very strong supporter of our fundraiser and this is our opportunity to pay back. Accordingly, I solicit the support of the all our club members in turning as many tops as possible for the Dolly Good Puppy Program”.

Dust Collection

I'm having trouble breathing!

Woodworking can be a very enjoyable hobby, but working with wood can also be very dangerous. Wood dust is a known carcinogen and long term exposure to fine dust can cause a loss of respiratory capacity (COPD). The best solution to this problem is to collect the dust at the tool with an efficient dust collector or cyclone. It's also helpful to use a good air cleaner and effective personal dust mask.



Saturday Workshop submitted by: Bill Bulloch

Our Saturday Workshop was held on March 15. There were ten members and one guest in attendance. We talked about ways to mount our work on the lathe. Bill opened the workshop by showing various chucking methods including different jaws for the chuck; jam chucks, eccentric chucks, collet chucks and mandrels. Rick Ruark presented a different style of collet chuck and the special mandrel he uses for mounting game calls on the lathe. Steve Mellott showed us a chucking method for hollow forms. Ron Biffle showed us a quick change drive center with extra strong holding power that he uses on his natural edge turnings and Lee Dale offered more in the line of jam chucks. We all had a great time. Mel Williams brought Moon Pies for everyone, but no RC Cola.

New Members submitted by: Bill Bulloch

We would like to welcome three new members to the club.

Nick Neel. You all probably know Nick from The Wood Yard. He has been turning for about six months. So far he has been turning Duck Calls and Pens, but is getting drawn deeper into the vortex and is ready to try other things.

Bob Pedrotti: Bob has been a sporadic woodturner for the past 12 years, but now that he is retired he is ready to get serious.

Garth Forster: Garth is a returning member. He has been away for a few years, but has returned to the fold. He is also the Pastor of the Barnesville First Baptist Church. Welcome back Garth.

Classifieds

For Sale: Steel Tool Cart With Locking Drawer - List \$99.00; on sale \$74.99; asking \$65.00; Not beat up, only a few months old

<http://www.harborfreight.com/large-steel-tool-cart-with-locking-drawer-90428.html>

Charles Jackson 678-787-2861

For Sale: Rigid Radial Arm Saw - \$150.00 If someone will take this saw off my hands we will have room for two, maybe three more chairs at the meeting. Fred Morris 770-358-6500.

For Sale: Craftsman Radial Arm Saw, comes with stand and 4 extra blades - \$100. Steve Mellott 404-642-3222

If you have something you want to sell (or buy) contact Steve Mellott at srmellott@hotmail.com

Board Members and Other Volunteers

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Library

Ron Biffle - Chair
Lee Dale
Dick Hyatt
Charles Jackson

Mentor List - (Call Bill to add your name to the list)

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Louie Bickett	Juliette	478-972-1207
Rocky Davis	Bonaire	478-987-1190
Lee Dale	Jackson	770-775-0895
Niall Mathieson	Barnesville	404-444-2671
Fred Morris	Barnesville	770-358-6500

Newsletter Ideas and Articles

If you have ideas or articles for the next Newsletter, contact Steve Mellott at smellott@hotmail.com

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Apr 4-6	<p>Southern States XIV Woodturning Symposium</p> <p>http://www.southernstatesymposium.org/</p>
Apr 8	<p>Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's</p> <p>Jimmy Clewes will be the featured demonstrator</p> <p>No Show and Tell this meeting Bring your spinning tops for the "Tops For Pups" project.</p>
Apr 25	<p>David Ellsworth all day workshop (waiting list only)</p>
May 13	<p>Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's</p> <p>Mike Peace will be the featured demonstrator</p> <p>Tuesday Workshop - 3p.m. Fred's Shop Theme: Hollowing Tools Demo</p>
Jun 10	<p>Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's -- Demonstrator to be announced</p> <p>Turning Exchange -- bring your turning exchange in an unmarked bag</p>
Jul 8	<p>Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's</p> <p>Steve Cook will be the featured demonstrator</p> <p>Club Challenge: Turn something from a 2 X 12.</p>
Aug 12	<p>Monthly meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's-- Demonstrator to be announced</p>
Aug 16	<p>Saturday Workshop 9 a.m. until ?? at Fred's</p> <p>This is a hands-on workshop covering Spindle and Faceplate turning. Class will be limited.</p>
Sep 9	<p>Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's</p> <p>Ray Keys will be the featured demonstrator</p> <p>Turning exchange -- bring your turning exchange in an unmarked bag</p>
Sep 19-21	<p>Turning Southern Style XX Woodturning Symposium</p> <p>http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=9atcwjab&oeidk=a07e765b6w5078a4c7c</p>
Oct 2-12	<p>Georgia National Fair</p>

Oct 14	Monthly meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's – Demonstrator to be announced Tuesday workshop 3 to 5 p.m. at Fred's – Texturing demo
Nov 11	Monthly meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's – – Demonstrator to be announced Club Challenge – Turn a piece of Fruit (turnings will be raffled off at the Christmas Party)
Dec 9	CHRISTMAS PARTY