



Woodturners of the Virginias Mount Jackson, Virginia

a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



September 2024

Treasury Report:

From Our Treasurer Peter S: The club continues to maintain good fiscal standing with \$ 1846.25 in our account. The good news is all our bills are paid, so we continue to be in good standing. Peter can assist any member with dues and payment for purchase items or fiscal matters. He is available at most meetings.

Safety Minutes:

Hank presented this months' safety subject "Sharp is Safe, Dull is Dangerous". He spoke about how properly sharpened tools are safer to use than tools with dull or damaged edges. Hank's safety presentation was a lead in to this month's demo on sharpening.

Announcements:

John opened the announcements with a reminder that the Virginia Woodturning Symposium will replace the November meeting. Tickets are available online now or at the door. The location is Augusta Exposition and Entertainment Center (Expoland).

279 EXPO Road
Fishersville, Virginia 22939-2309 United
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Pre Registration at www.virginiasymposium.com will save you some \$\$\$

Pre-Registrations Rate

2 Day Registration \$85
1 Day Registration \$60
2 Day Family Member \$50
1 Day Family Member \$40

At The Door

2 Day Registration \$95
1 Day Registration \$65
2 Day Family Member \$55
1 Day Family Member \$45
Sat. Half Day (after 1:30) \$40
Sun. Half Day (after 12:00) \$20

(Pre-registration will end on October 25, 2024)

If you are planning on going please let it be known as we are planning some carpool opportunities.

The club is considering purchasing the Mike Sorge sanding kits for members who are interested. We can purchase these for \$100 dollars but we must buy in lots of 4. So if you are interested please let the club know.

The demos at the Shenandoah County Fair went well. Thank you to all those who helped make this possible.



At October's business meeting we will show a video by Carl Jacobson on bottle stoppers as our demonstration.

Skills Sessions: Please remember to sign up for the sessions you want to attend. This helps us with planning.

September 21st – Pen turning: “Turning for the Troops Project”

October 19th – Pizza cutter

November 16th – Christmas Ornaments

December 21st – No Skills Session

Empty Bowl Project: We will be participating in the empty bowl project and hope to donate – bowls this year. Our donations for bowls last year were an overwhelming success. Thank you to those who were able to give. You are welcome to donate other turned items that will be auctioned off to help raise funds for the organization's work.

Pens for Troops:

Okay! Let's spin up those lathes and show our service members we support them. They keep America Strong. Pen kits are available through the club. Please ask if you are interested.

Demo: Sharping

Hank led a discussion about the tools we use and discussed the bevel angle on each tool and how that relates to the cut we receive from each. He explained both the safety and benefits of maintaining and using sharp tools.



Show and Tell:

Here are some pictures from our show and tell activity. Unfortunately, I do not have the sign in sheet for this month's activity, so we are lacking the fine points but wanted to share some photos. Everyone is invited to bring in their work and share with the group. Sharing helps to give us ideas, and the opportunity to showcase our work. We do want to see what you are doing so please bring in those turnings.



Dale shared that he created a bowl using an actual bowl gouge. We support expanding our skills so if you want to try something new or different you may want to plan on attending a skills session. Our mentors are happy to share skills and the club has many tools and learning opportunities for everyone. See you at the next session.





You may have noticed that some of the photos have motion blur. It would be helpful if each person stopped moving as we get clear pictures of your work. We desire to show your work in its best form.