

# The Turning Point

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**Texturing  
with Doug McGuire  
May Meeting**

**Annual General  
Meeting and  
Shape Challenge  
Pieces Due  
June Meeting!**

**Remember  
Mom!**



**The Next NWG Meeting is May 21st**

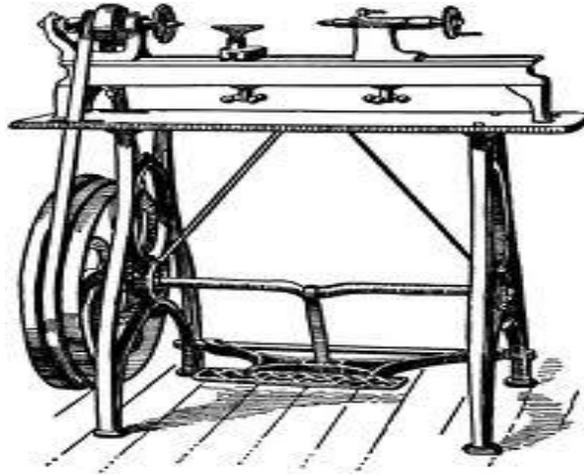
**The next meeting of the Nova Woodturners' Guild is**

**May 21st at Kent Dartmouth at 6:30pm**

**Go to page 9 for more info on the meeting topic!**

## From The President's Workshop

Don Moore



This month we will have Doug McGuire giving a lecture/demonstration on "Texturing", it is always interesting to attend a session presented by Doug. Unfortunately, I will be away fishing in Northern Quebec at the time of our May meeting. Doug recently completed a course with world-class turner, Steven Kennard and will be sharing some of the insights he acquired during this course, as well as Doug's personal spin on texturing. This is one area that I will have to improve my own techniques, as I turn solo again. Perhaps I'll get a chance to spend some one-on-one time with Doug at a later date.

While demonstrating last month, I quickly became aware of the need of some TLC for our Delta Lathe. Once we have the parts required, I will do a little maintenance on our lathe. Your Executive is currently discussing the feasibility of securing a larger lathe and resolving all the issues that this would entail. It would be nice if last month's demo has led some of you down the avenue of eccentric turning. If so and you need further assistance, please feel free to speak with me and if I can, I will provide you with more information.

Two more meetings and another season will be completed. It is hard to believe where the time has gone, yet when I look back and see all that was accomplished, this is as equally amazing. The past two years have been very challenging to me and at times, very rewarding too. I am looking forward to setting up my new workshop and expanding my horizon in woodturning.

I'll see you next at our Annual General Meeting where we will form next year's Executive and Committee members, voting on becoming a Chapter of the AAW and compiling topics of interest for next seasons agenda.

This is your Guild, "Ask not what your Guild can do for you, but what you can do for your Guild"

Keep your bevel rubbing,  
Don

*"Two more meetings  
and another season  
will be completed"*

## The Secretary's Quill

Ted Monk

By the time you are reading this I will probably be in the Rockies of Alberta or in the Kootenays of British Columbia. In addition to being here to visit our son, my wife and I are taking a much needed vacation. Our plan is to fly into Calgary, spend the night in Banff and then on to Jasper for a couple of days. Then we'll drive through Kicking Horse Pass into Golden then to Cranbrook, Creston, up to Belfour, through Nelson to where our son lives. Basically we're taking five days to travel 8 hours. ☺ On our way back to Calgary we'll take the southern route through the Crowsnest Pass. We have already been to most of these places but we can never get too much of the mountains!

Once at our son's place we are going to help him install a brick patio. We told him to come up with something to keep us busy. ☺ Seriously, we're looking forward to this. We haven't done this kind of work since we did our own about eleven years ago.

While there I also have a play date with woodturner, Ted Crosfield, whom I met last year when we visited. Ted has played with all the 'big names' and visits Emma Lake each year. You can see some of his work here: <http://www.tedcrosfield.ca>. We hope to get more turning done than talking this time. ;)

See you all when we get back. Have a great meeting!

## The Editors Desk

Ted Monk

This month's issue of the Turning Point includes all the staples like the Executive reports and meeting notes. There are also the announcements for both Stuart Taylor's and Don Moore's huge wood sales coming up soon (mark your calendars!). Enjoy!

Likewise, to the above, I will not be at this month's meeting either ;) so if you have any questions regarding joining the Newsletter Committee please feel free to send an email. I hope to have Internet access periodically throughout my trip. Unfortunately I have not received any inquiries yet (none for Secretary either). I hope that this is because those that are interested feel comfortable with assuming these roles and it's not because there isn't any interest at all. Obviously, this will be disappointing for all members if that is the case. ☺ More information on both these positions are in last month's newsletter.

*"There are also the announcements for... huge wood sales coming up soon..."*

## Annual General Meeting – June 18<sup>th</sup> 2012

The Guild is in need of a President, a Secretary and members for the Newsletter, Events and Membership Committees for the 2012 – 2013 season.

If you have an interest in any of these positions please contact the present position holders or Jim Diamond for more information.

Please get your nominations in to Jim Diamond ASAP!

Folks, please give this some serious thought.  
We obviously need these positions filled!

## Financial Report

Dan Graham

Financial Report:

Very brief report for the April Newsletter - as off the 31 March 2012

Chequing account : \$ 1527.32

Saving account : \$ 2102.69

Total \$ 3630.01

Uncleared cheques 1 for \$ 38.00

revised balance : \$ 3592.01

As we come close to year end there are no major expenditures planned so the Guild should end the year on very good financial standing.

D J Graham  
Treasurer

## Events Committee Report

Robert Atkinson

As far as the Events Committee goes we are somewhat in relax mode now that this year's Competition and our post competition meeting with Lee Valley has been done. I must say I am somewhat in withdrawal without our meetings accompanied with the culinary delights, which sometimes seems to be the reason for the meeting.

Our one piece of business left for this year is getting one more person to join the Committee for the upcoming year 2012/13 for the AGM in June. If you are interested in volunteering for this committee or finding out more about it, you can contact me by email [rhatkinson@eastlink.ca](mailto:rhatkinson@eastlink.ca) or phone 758-3685 or see me at the May meeting.

Robert Atkinson  
Events Committee Chairman

*“Our one piece of business left for this year is getting one more person to join the Committee for 2012/13”*

## Library Report – Books & Videos

Richard Ford

NWG Books & Video issued as of April 16th 2012

- 19. Apr. 2010 - Alan Hunt - Turning Wood with Richard Raffan
- 16. Apr. 2012 - Bill Fisher - Segmented Turning - Curt Theobald
- 17. Oct. 2011 - Calum Ewing - The Art of Turned Bowls - Richard Raffan
- 16. Apr. 2012 - Calum Ewing - Beneath The Bark – Dale Nish
- 16. Apr. 2012 - Chris Palmer - Turned Boxes 50 designs - Chris Stott
- 19. Mar. 2012 - David Duggan - Turned Bowl Design - Richard Raffan
- 16. Apr. 2012 - Ian Scott - Fun at the Lathe - R. C. Bell
- 19. Mar. 2012 - Jim Diamond - Fixtures and Chucks - Clarence Green
- 16. Apr. 2012 - Peter Nicholl - Multi-Center Woodturning - Ray Hopper
- 16. Apr. 2012 - Ralph Kennedy - Understanding Woodturning - Ann & Bob Phillips
- 16. Apr. 2012 - Ralph Kennedy - Woodturning Design - Derek Hayes

## The April 2012 Meeting – Eccentric Turning

Guild Vice-President, Dianne Looker, opened the meeting.

Jim Diamond, speaking as Chair of the Nominations Committee, told us of the need for a President, a Secretary and members for the Newsletter, Events and Membership Committees. These positions need to be filled for the 2012-2013 season.

Dianne Looker announced the latest Shape Challenge which is to be an egg with an optional egg cup. Templates are available here: <http://tinyurl.com/d5rjqa2>. This challenge is due at the June meeting.

Dianne Looker spoke about her recent visit to the Greater Vancouver Woodturners Guild and presented a three-pointed bowl that she had been given in various states of completion to show how it is made. Though a unique style of bowl several members had made these in the past and agree that they are challenging but very doable!

Show and Tell items included Dan Graham showing stylized candle holders, Gordon Marshall showed us four different segment turnings, Dianne Looker showed us her pieces from the Competition and some textured pieces that she did at a recent Hosaluk workshop, Glenn McCarron brought in a Red Maple salad bowl and Ian Scott brought in a Maple Bowl and an Aromatic Cedar Bowl.

The feature presentation of the evening was Don Moore's presentation on eccentric, off-axis turning. Don obviously has the years of experience in a myriad of options for off-center woodturning and he took the time to walk us through each of them, from expensive commercial chucks to simple, homemade solutions. Using several of his own pieces, in particular one, a stylized bird, as examples he talked in detail on how to mount the piece to achieve different effects. He also demonstrated some of these techniques by turning an off-center candlestick! Thanks, Don, for a great presentation!

The raffle winners were Ted Monk who won a block of Lacewood, Calum Ewing who won a block of Cherry, Dan Graham who won some pen blanks and Edmund Benoit and Jim Diamond who each took home a Busy Bee bag.

There were 22 members in attendance.



*Don Moore*



*Several Interested Onlookers*

The April 2012 Meeting – Eccentric Turning ...continued



*Multi-Axis Turning*



*Off-Center Candlestick*



*More Interested Onlookers*



*A Wobble Chuck*



*Sorby Set*



*Custom Made Chuck*

The April 2012 Meeting – Eccentric Turning

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Show & Tell – Dan Graham



Show & Tell – Gordon Marshall



Show & Tell – Dianne Looker



Show & Tell – Glenn McCarron



Show & Tell – Ian Scott



Show & Tell Pieces

## NWG Meeting Calendar 2011-2012

Date	Subject	Location/Time
September 19, 2011	Multi-Axis Eccentric Turning - Don Moore Shape Challenge III Introduction - Dianne Looker Show & Tell	Kent Dartmouth 6:30-8:30
October 17, 2011	Bandsaw Epoxy Technique - Dianne Looker Show & Tell Fun Turn Wood Pickup	Kent Dartmouth 6:30-8:30
November 21, 2011	Stuart Taylor - Hollow Turning Show & Tell	Kent Dartmouth 6:30-8:30
December 12, 2011	Christmas Social Shape Challenge III Show & Tell Show & Tell	HFX Specialty Hardwoods 6:30-8:30
January 16, 2012	Woodturning Safety - Dan Graham Pen Turning 102 - Ian Scott Show & Tell	Kent Dartmouth 6:30-8:30
February 11, 2012	Annual Nova Woodturning Guild Competition	Lee Valley 1:00-5:00
March 19, 2012	The Annual NWG Fun Turn Competition Entries Show & Tell Show & Tell	Kent Dartmouth 6:30-8:30
April 16, 2012	Woodturning Techniques - Don Moore Shape Challenge IV Introduction - Dianne Looker Show & Tell	Kent Dartmouth 6:30-8:30
May 21, 2012	Texturing - Doug McGuire Show & Tell	Kent Dartmouth 6:30-8:30
June 18, 2012	Annual General Meeting Shape Challenge IV Show & Tell Show & Tell	Kent Dartmouth 6:30-8:30

More information on each meeting will be in the preceding month's newsletter.

### Important Dates

- June 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> – American Association of Woodturners Annual Symposium in San Jose
- June 18<sup>th</sup> – Annual General Meeting and Shape Challenge IV pieces are due
- September 17<sup>th</sup> – The 2012-2013 NWG meeting season begins!
- November 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> – The Moncton Woodshow

## The May 2012 Meeting – May 21st

### Texturing with Doug McGuire

Guild member Doug McGuire plans to demo a chatter tool followed by an opportunity for members to try it on the lathe. Then he will demo a “Decorating Elf” from Henry Taylor Tools followed by a chance for members to try their hand. If time permits he will touch on Sorbys Texturing tool.

This will be a two person demo with Robert Atkinson handing the tools and Doug making the presentation.

**With the opportunity to try out these tools it's not to be missed!**

### Meeting Show & Tell

**You are encouraged to bring along a piece or two that you recently completed, something you are having a problem with, a new tool, a handy jig, a tip or anything that would be of interest to the other members.**

**We love to see and hear what you have been up to!**

There will also be more great items for the Raffle! Remember to bring a loonie or two!

Also, if you have any items to donate to this great cause please bring them in!

**The April 16th, 2012 Guild meeting is at Kent Building Supplies 6:30 – 8:30**  
Kent is located at 35 Mic Mac Blvd. Dartmouth, NS B3A 4Y8.  
A map is located here - <http://goo.gl/maps/dZG8>

***It's going to be another great one. See you all there!***

**The Wood Sale Of The Year!**

Don Moore

**ALERT !!! All Woodturners!****"SALE" \*\*\* Huge Savings \*\*\* Rain or Shine**

On **Friday June 8th, Saturday 9th, and Sunday 10th**, I will be holding a clearance SALE at my farm in Upper Kennetcook of all of the woodturning wood that I have collected over the past fifteen years, or so .

**\* \* \* Everything must go \* \* \* Moving Sale . . .**

The larger Burls will be \$10.00 and the small burls and everything will be sold at \$5.00 and under a piece.

The sale will start at 8:00am, (yes I know this is in the morning) and will conclude when everything is sold, or end at 6:00pm Sunday evening, whichever comes first.

It will be first come, first serve and will be **cash only!**

**Location: 5619 Highway 236, Upper Kennetcook, NS**

Take exit 8 for 214 toward Windsor > Turn left at Hwy 214 > Continue onto HWY 214 > Turn right at Hwy 214 > Turn left at Hwy 14 > Slight right at Hwy 202 > Continue onto Cross McCarthy Rd/HWY 354 > Continue onto Hwy 236 > About 6kms past the High School > 1 kms past East Coast Service Station > Home on left > 8ft log mailbox > Long driveway up hill > Grey house with barn

**GPS Coordinates: N45° 12.167 W63° 38.899**

We can easily accommodate large trucks and/or trailers at the farm.

**This is the wood sale of the year!**

## Shavings

### Yet Another Wood Sale Of the Year!

As per Guild member Stuart Taylor:

I'll be having my **Annual Wood Sale on Sunday May 27th, 2012**

I have a selection of **Cherry Burls** and 4" thick green Maple for bowls up to 14" in diameter.

Also, a selection of dry Maple in various thicknesses and many odd pieces of dry Nova Scotia species.

As usual, good prices, Rain or Shine, sale starts at 8 a.m.

Stuart Taylor

11 MacIntosh Road

Middle Sackville

Map here: <http://g.co/maps/kxebd>

Call 865-8355 for directions if necessary

**Mark Your Calendar NOW!**

#### Gallery of Wood Art

Here's all the exhibits, current and past, at the AAW's Gallery of Wood Art, and many with downloadable catalogs.

[galleryofwoodart.org](http://galleryofwoodart.org)

Happy Drooling!

#### PEI Woodturners

All are welcome to the P.E.I. Wood Turners Guild meetings, which are held on the last Wednesday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. Locations alternate between the Holland College's Centre for Applied Science and Technology in Charlottetown and Holland College's Slemon Park campus in Summerside. For more information, contact guild president Glen Pye at: [glen.pye@pei.sympatico.ca](mailto:glen.pye@pei.sympatico.ca) or call 892-7144.

#### Woodturning Videos of the Month

Lathe Height, Stability and Space For You

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n3LbLiFzp1g>

Beyond Wood... Portrait of an Artist

<http://www.youtube.com/user/bernardbla>

John Lucas Video Turning Beads 2

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bjYehUsMdB4>

#### Safety Tips For The Woodturer

<http://tinyurl.com/c5m5pgh>

<http://tinyurl.com/cnltu7c>

*Do you have any 'Shavings' that you'd like to share? How about a cool woodturning website or video that you found? Perhaps you have something for sale that the other Guild members would be interested in? How about a humorous anecdote or a turning tip? If you do, please send them along to [tedmonk@gmail.com](mailto:tedmonk@gmail.com)*

## The Turning Point

The purpose of the Official Journal of the Nova Woodturners' Guild is to keep you updated on the various aspects of the Guild, to announce upcoming meetings and to keep record of past meetings. In addition, and more importantly, its purpose is as a vehicle to share information among the Guild members.

It is through the sharing of information and ideas that the true benefit of being a Guild member is determined.

This newsletter gives the opportunity for you to do that.

Please submit articles, how-to's, photos, humour, interesting tidbits, reviews, items for sale, items wanted, helpful jigs that you've made, thoughts, ideas, observations, websites, videos and anything else related to woodturning.

We need your input to make The Turning Point a success.

Don't worry if you don't consider yourself a 'writer'. This is not about how great you can write (look what we're getting away with! 😊), it's about getting the information out there. Type it as you speak it. If it needs editing we can edit it for you. No submission is too large or too small. We'll take it all! 😊

Please send your submissions to Ted Monk at [tedmonk@gmail.com](mailto:tedmonk@gmail.com)

**The deadline for submissions for the May issue is June 1st, 2012**

*Sharing is what a guild is all about!*

*"The Turning Point is  
YOUR newsletter. Its  
success depends on  
YOU"*

**Ensure that you continue to receive the newsletter by  
keeping us updated with your email address!  
Please send any changes to [tedmonk@gmail.com](mailto:tedmonk@gmail.com)**

**Don't Forget - We're On The Web!**

**The Nova Woodturners' Guild website is a great  
place to connect between meetings!**

**It offers message forums, a member photo  
gallery, hints and tips, links and more!**

**<http://novawoodturnersguild.com>**

## Your 2011-2012 Guild Executive

**President:** Don Moore

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**Secretary:** Ted Monk

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**Treasurer:** Dan Graham

[djgraham@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:djgraham@ns.sympatico.ca)

**Past President:**

Bill Luther



*“...to encourage and promote the art and craft of woodturning”*

**Members At Large:**

Ian Scott

Gary Landry

Gordon Marshall

Doug McGuire

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## Committees

### Library

Jim Diamond

Richard Ford

### Website

Ian Scott

Norm Jolivet

### Membership & Promotion

George Price

Gary Landry

### Fund Raising

Norm Jolivet (Raffle Master)

Bill Luther (Competition Prizes)

### Newsletter

Ted Monk

### Events

Don Moore

Robert Atkinson

Dan Graham

Gordon Marshall

Peter Nicholl

Ted Monk

### Insurance

Alan Hunt

Don Moore

Darrell Eisner

### Constitution & By-laws

Dianne Looker

Jim Diamond

### Guild Photographer

Chris Palmer

*“We would love to see your name here! Contact any member of the Executive with your interest.”*