

The Turning Point

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*The next meeting of the Nova Woodturners' Guild is at
Lee Valley Tools
100 Susie Lake Crescent, Halifax, N.S.
March 20, 2017. 6:15 p.m.*

**The next meeting will feature
A Don Moore Demomonstration and
Kevin Power on dustless sanding technologies
offered by Mirka Ltd**

The President's Workshop

David McLachlan

President's Message March 2017

With the Annual NWG Wood Turning Competition just around the corner now is the time to think about what you might want to enter into the competition from this year's creations you have made. Haven't got around to making that special item for the competition, there is still time to get those creative shavings flying off the chisel tip. April meeting is the deadline for getting your pieces in for the competition. With this our 20th Anniversary of the Guild, it would be great if we could get an increased number of entries into the competition to really showcase the turning abilities of the Guild membership. And don't forget, there is a new Master Class division in the competition, which is there to showcase the best artistic work of our membership.

Starting in April and going forward to June the American Association of Woodturners is offering AAW membership / subscription at a 50% reduction to first time subscribers who belong to AAW Chapters, including those in Canada. If you have ever thought of becoming an AAW member, now is the time to apply. A General membership is only \$30 USD and an Online membership is only \$25 USD. Annual memberships in the AAW operate on an anniversary cycle, whereby your membership will start with your join date and continue for one year. Learn more about the AAW and the benefits of membership at <http://www.woodturner.org/page/JoinAAW/Join-the-AAW.htm>

The March meeting on the 20th will feature a presentation from **Kevin Power** on dustless sanding technologies offered by **Mirka Ltd.** (<https://www.mirka.com/en-CA/cal/>), the creators of Abranet sanding disks. This will be a most informative, must see presentation on the latest Mirka technologies applicable to woodworkers.

The pre-meeting demo will be by **Don Moore** demonstrating the tools developed by **Alain Mailland**, which the Guild has a set for loan to members. These tools allow the creation of unique turned shapes and artistic possibilities. This should be a very informative demo, especially for those who did not see the demonstration session given by **Alain Mailland** a few years ago to the Guild.

For those members who have prepared talks and discussions around tool hacks and jigs; we will try to get these discussions in during the Show and Tell this month and next month for any overflow. We are sorry to have had to reschedule the sanding presentation to the March time slot which we had previously devoted to tool hacks and jigs but we felt that in the interest of getting the sanding presentation in this year this was the only feasible time slot available to us.

Keep on Turning,
David McLachlan

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Dave Barry

NS Wood Turners Guild Meeting at Lee Valley 27 February 2017

Premeeting Demo

Dave McLachlan at our premeeting demo showing the making and the use of Corian faceplate rings.

Dave McLachlan opens up the meeting and welcomes any new members present in which no new members are present but Bill Luther was welcomed back from Nfld as a returning member.

Dave McLachlan informs the members present that **Gary Landrys** mother-in-law had passed away today. also that **Doug McQuire's** wife Jacquelyn passed away Feb 13th and the memorial will be in the spring, the date yet to be announced.

Dave pointed out that the Guild has now been having our meetings at **Lee Valley** for one year and that has gone by quickly for sure and again our thanks to LV.

In relation to the AAW, you can now sign in as a guest for a two month period and Dave McLachlan handed out the required membership forms. See Dave if you require one. Some of the members present at the meeting this evening were asking about the benefits of joining the AAW.

It now opens up as a business meeting in which all members were sent the motions via email and **Calum Ewing** handed out, again, the same forms relating to an amendment of changing a rule in relation to the distribution of prizes i.e competitions. **Calum Ewing** motions and **Harold McLellan** seconds. Calum Ewing then moves the motion be carried.

Dave McLachlan reads out a comment by **Don Moore** to the present members and **Dianne Looker** speaks also and clarifies that the said rule can not be found in the minutes. **Jim Diamond** also spoke in relation to past competitions. In theory the new rule should work for all members. Again more comments were made in reference to this new rule by various members present and after a brief discussion all present were in favor and the motion was carried.

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Calum Ewing then spoke to the members in relation to the second piece of paper that was handed out regarding the Master class and again time was allocated to the members present to clarify and ask any questions. One question that popped up was in relation to who insures the pieces that are on display during competitions and the like and this question is being worked on. **Calum Ewing** motions to adopt and **Dianne Looker** seconds, all are in favor and the motion passes.

Featured Speaker



Our demonstrator for the evening was our own **Richard Ford**. Richard covered the basics of hollowing then led us on his journey of deep hollowing. The development of tool supports, both to prevent the strain of controlling the tool vertically but also to counteract rotational forces.



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Wall thickness gauges were considered. Richard, at the moment, has settled on a soft spring that is adjusted to the desired wall thickness. When the spring stops rubbing on the turning, the right thickness is achieved. Less cumbersome than lasers and lights.

Edge profiles were discussed along with other tips. If the profiled cutter is mounted upside down on the cutting bar (screw on the bottom), it brings the cutting edge closer to the centerline of the work. If the whole thing gets too hot, a cooling spray of water and dish soap cools and lubricates.

Show and Tell



Look what the wind blew in!

Dianne Looker pursuing an idea in the form of a small bowl

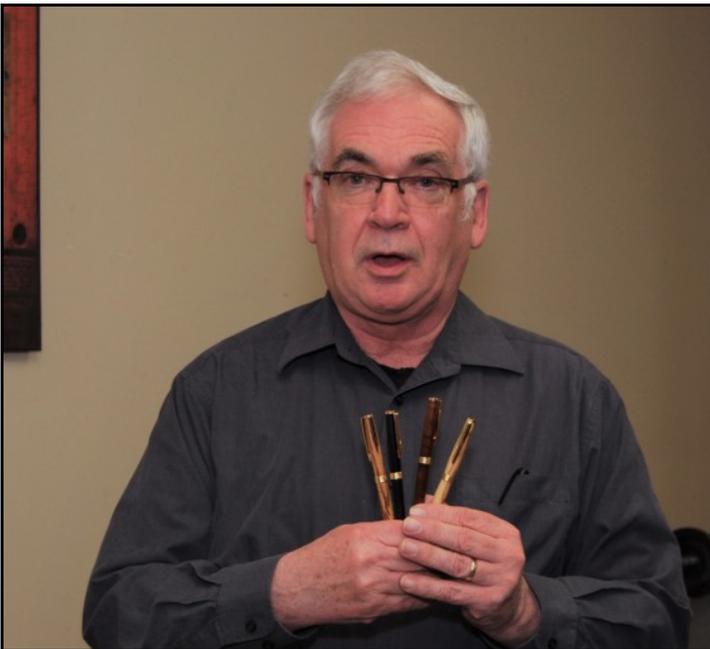


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The Show and Tell Gallery once again shows the diversity of intrests and skills of our members.



Photos by Chris Palmer

Library Report

Richard Ford

ISSUE DATE	NAME	ID #	DESCRIPTION	AUTHOR
17 Mar. 2014	Dave McLachlan	049BT	The Craftsman Woodturner - Peter Child New Revised Edition	
27 Feb. 2017	Brian Sharp	055BZ	Illustrated Woodturning Techniques - John Hunnex	
27 Feb. 2017	Dianne Looker	096BT	Woodturning Design: Using Shape, Proportion, and Decoration - Derek Hayes	
27 Feb. 2017	Leo Westhaver	034BB	The Art of The Lathe - Patrick Spielman	

Upcoming Events

Events Committees

Calum Ewing gave us an update.

NWG Annual Competition critical dates

Submission drop-off April 4 thru 10 (regular meeting April 10)

Setup April 11

Competition April 12 thru 29

Awards April 29, 1pm.



Events

The second meeting of the nascent **Valley Woodturners** met on Feb 19, in Gaspereau.

One new person showed up - a local weaver who also turns drop spindles for her wool. She had spindles of all different types of wood to show us. Others talked about ways of chucking the wood - including using hot glue to add a spigot for chucking.

Dianne showed some of her recent bowls. There was also discussion of using resin in molds to make shapes out of different materials. There is jewelry made from dyed and glued up strands of heather, so we mused on whether one could do the same with wool. The imaginings ran wild...

The next meeting will take place on April 23, since most of the key players are unavailable until then. The participants have been encouraged to submit pieces to the upcoming NWG competition."

Dianne Looker



If you use a bandsaw, you owe it to yourself to watch this video.

A Band Saw Clinic with Alex Snodgrass (35 min.)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wGbZqWac0jU>

Calendar of Events

Date	Subject	Location
September 19, 2016	Membership dues and Bravery Bead box presentations.	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
October 17, 2016	Celebration of the Guild's 20 th anniversary	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
November 21, 2016	Accenting With Surface Techniques Part 4 Inlays - Ted Monk	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
December 12, 2016	Christmas Social	Halifax Specialty Hardwoods, 112 Bluewater Rd. Bedford
January 16, 2017	Pen turning demonstration and general discussion	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
February 13, 2017	Deep Vase Hollowing – Richard Ford Fun turn wood tonight!	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
March 20, 2017	Kevin Power on dustless sanding technologies offered by Mirka Ltd.	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
April 10, 2017	Aspects of Safety for Turners Submissions for NWG Competition	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
April 29, 2017	Awards Day Lee Valley	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
May 29, 2017	“Finishing and Finishes” with Robert Atkinson	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
June 19, 2017	AGM	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent

The Raffle Booth

Norm Jolivet / Yogi Gutz

Steve Parsons recieved a Richard Raffan book.
Edmond Benoit took some bowl blanks.
George La Fontain took bowl blanks too and
Yogi Gutz accepted some bocote and acrylic pen blanks.

Thank you all and lets do this again!



Nova Woodturners' Guild – 2016/17 Executive

Our e-mail now reflects a more consistent method of communicating with the various offices in the Nova Woodturners' Guild. The recipients will change as the need arises but a note sent to the president will go to who ever is president at that time. All the following addresses should be followed by @novawoodturnersguild.com to send mail to that person

Position	<address>@novawoodturnersguild.com	Name	Chairperson?
EXECUTIVE	executive	(sends the message to all positions on the list)	
President	president	David McLachlan	
Vice President	vice-president	Harold McLellan	
Secretary	secretary	David Barry	
Treasurer	treasurer	Brenna Swinamer	
Members at Large	members-at-large	Dianne Looker	
COMMITTEES			
Library	library	Jim Diamond Richard Ford	C
Web Site	webmaster	Ian Scott	C
Website Forum		Norm Jolivet	
Membership & Promotion	membership-chair	Gary Landry Norm Jolivet	C
Newsletter	newsletter	Norm Jolivet	C
Events	events	Brian Sharp Dave McLachlan	C
Competition		Calum Ewing Edmund Benoit Harold McLellan	C
Guild Photographer		Chris Palmer	
Fund Raising		Norm Jolivet (Raffles) Yogi Gutz	C
Nominating			C