



## *The Official Journal*

### *Nova Woodturners' Guild Season 8! Monday April 14, 2003*

The eighth meeting of our eighth season will be **Monday April 14 at the Carpentry Shop, NSCC, ( 5685 Leeds St. - Halifax, NS) , at 7:00 pm.**

## March Meeting



For those of you who unfortunately missed our March Meeting, we had a spectacular visit with **John McNab** in his shop/studio, located close to Pier 21. One has to see John's creations to comprehend, as he uses a three-story vertical lathe with elliptical gears to create

exotic flame like sculptures.

He glues up hollow forms, either in staves or in segments, to make rough shapes.

Then he modified a patternmaker's lathe with gears and a leadscrew and put an industrial router on the toolpost, this causes the router to cut spirals, much like the ornamental lathers of Victorian times..

The patternmaker's lathe was too small so he built a vertical lathe that will allow him to make spirals twenty feet long. His gear train now includes elliptical gears, that he made himself, to get ever more exotic shapes.



Coordinator: **Don Moore**



### April Meeting:

Topic: Shop Safety and Ergonomics

We will have a talk on shop safety and ergonomics. **Steve Zweerling** will talk on the hazards of dust in woodturning. His wife **Isabelle**, a physiotherapist, will speak about ergonomics and proper posture when turning. **Chris Palmer** will demonstrate

how to turn a circular frame for decorative ceramic plates .

### May Meeting

Next Meeting: May 12 at the regular location.



Topic: "**Fun Turn Show-N-Tell**" - All members are encouraged to pick up a piece of wood at our April meeting and then you will have one month to turn it into something spectacular! **Bob Hamilton** will be in charge of distributing the wood, however if you are unable to attend the April meeting, please contact Bob and make arrangements with him.

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