



The Turning Point

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MEMBER SINCE 2012

*The next meeting of the Nova Woodturners' Guild is at
Lee Valley Tools
100 Susie Lake Crescent, Halifax, N.S.
January 20, 2020. 6:15 p.m.*

**The next meeting will feature
Lathe Safety - (Calum Ewing)
Dust Control - (Bill Maes)
and
Wood Toxicity - (Gary Landry)**

The President's Workshop

Gary Landry

JANUARY 2020

Happy New Year to you all. May we all have a great year, in front of the lathe and in general.

The Christmas Social at **Halifax Specialty Hardwoods** was, in my memory, the best attended party we had there. However, I am old and you may challenge my memory. I am sure **Norm** will be announcing the amount of your generosity by giving us a total of the funds raised on the raffles for the gift bags and the Ornament Wreath. Many thanks to those who contributed ornaments for that wreath. There were quite a number of them and the winner (**Louise**...I believe) took home quite a haul. And in the Ornament Exchange we saw some rather spectacular results from the donors. You are a talented bunch. We must acknowledge **Cheryl** of **Halifax Specialty Hardwoods** for once again keeping the doors open for us to have our event. The generosity shown was, as in the past, outstanding.

As some of you are aware, **Stephen Zwerling** had emergency heart surgery during the holidays. We all wish him well and I encourage each of you to send him a card (or email) of support and wishes for a swift and full recovery. As of last week Stephen was at the Halifax Infirmery site of the VG Hospital on Robie/Summer Streets.

This brings up an administrative issue. Stephen was to give a demonstration for us at the February meeting but it is obvious that that is not possible now. Please let me or one of the Executive know if you have a demo you would like to put on at the February meeting or have a topic/demonstrator in mind that you would like to see. Or perhaps this is the perfect opportunity for us to have a tips/jigs/hacks event where every one of us can present our favourite tip/jig/hack we have invented, found or purchased. What do you think?

See you on the 20th. Turn some wood and stay safe,

Gary Landry

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and I encourage each of you
to send him wishes for a swift
and full recovery.*

MEETING NOTES DEC 9, 2019

CALUM EWING, SECRETARY

The Social meeting was generously hosted by **Cheryl Borden** at **Halifax Specialty Hardwoods Ltd.** **President Gary Landry** opened the meeting at 7:10 pm; with 25 members and 6 guests present
A vast assortment of savory and sweet treats and snacks was contributed by participants and it's safe to say no one left hungry.

Announcements:

Gary Landry reminded everyone of the recent emails about:

- The chuck deal with Stockroom Supply
- The potential bulk purchase of CA adhesive
- Harold McLellan's** offer to coordinate another bulk purchase of AbraNet abrasives

Also, **Ted Monk** has acrylic blanks and razor kits available for sale at this meeting.

Playing Card Raffle:



David McLachlan introduced the playing card raffle, with several different options on how players could participate. A number of prizes have been generously donated for this year's meeting. The 'fives' are important as prizes will be awarded to the 10th, 15th, 20th cards drawn, and so on.

To start things off, 9 players were eliminated – too bad. Then **Ted Monk** won a **\$25 Lee Valley Gift Certificate** 4 more players were eliminated, "sigh"
Don Moore goes home with a **\$25 Halifax Specialty Hardwoods Gift Certificate**
4 more players are eliminated – the tension is high
Then **Diane Looker** won a **\$10 Halifax Specialty Hardwoods Gift Certificate**



MEETING NOTES CONTINUED

CALUM EWING

The long stretch to the end as 11 more players are eliminated with the final draw...

Joe Crouse takes away a **\$25 Lee Valley** Gift Certificate

But wait, there are still cards left - only a handful of players left
3 more players eliminated – dang! So close...

And with the last card (really, this time) – breath held everywhere –
you could hear sawdust settle on the floor...

Then **Glenn McCarron** scooped up a **\$25 Gift Certificate for Lee Valley**

Thanks, Dave, for another fun prize draw and thank you to the donors of the prizes.



GUEST SPEAKER

Cheryl Borden, our gracious host at **Halifax Specialty Hardwoods**

welcomed everyone and explained the discounts available to members this evening. In addition, Cheryl showed off a number of new products:

Some very nice Olive boards and blanks

Koto – or White African Mahogany, makes a great substitute for Holly

Limba – from west Africa, like walnut with a strong figure (sometimes called Black Limba)

Chechen a very hard wood from South America

Pao Ferro – HSH had sold it in the past but has been able to get it back again

Ambrosia Maple – available in long slabs and ovals – great for table tops

Mappa Burl – a type of Poplar from France with strong burl figuring

Blackwood – from Africa now available as small blanks intended for clarinet bells

HSH also has a 20” Laguna bandsaw for sale that is just 1 ½ years old. Speak to Cheryl if you are interested.

ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

A large number of people, perhaps the most ever, contributed ornaments to the annual exchange this year:

Gary Landry took home a segmented Ornament in Birch plywood, Walnut, Maple and Cherry by **Jim Kuzma**

Jim Kuzma received a segmented Ornament in Purpleheart, White Maple and Manitoba Maple by **Mike Parker**

Mike Parker received a Birdhouse Ornament in Hard Maple and Walnut by **Gary Landry**

Gary Landry received a segmented Birdhouse Ornament in Spalted Birch, Maple, Walnut and Plywood by **Jim Kuzma**

Jim Kuzma received a Whistle Ornament in Cherry by **Ted Monk**

Lynn Marie Richard received a Finial Ornament in Teak from HMCS Quest made by **Harold McLellan**



MEETING NOTES CONTINUED **CALUM EWING**



Lynn Marie Richard received a segmented ornament in Banksia Pod, Maple and Walnut by **Jean Louis Bourque**
Harold McLellan received a Spinning Top Ornament in Purpleheart and Maple by **Ross Sampson**
Jean Louis Bourque received an Angel Ornament in Maple by **Edmund Benoit**
Ross Sampson received an Icicle Ornament in Yellow Birch by **Stuart Taylor**



Edmund Benoit received an Icicle Ornament in Maple by **Lynn Marie Richard**
Stuart Taylor received an Inside-Out Ornament in Maple by **Richard Ford**



Norm Jolivet received a Christmas Tree Ornament in acrylic by **Edmund Benoit**; a Finial Ornament by **Harold McLellan** and an Icicle Ornament in Mahogany by **Lynn Marie Richard**
Edmund Benoit received an Icicle Ornament in Maple and Padauk by **Norm Jolivet**

Richard Ford received an Inside Out Lantern Ornament in Maple with a built-in battery-operated tea light by **John Ashton**

John Ashton received an Icicle Ornament in



Maple and Zebra wood by **Norm Jolivet**, and finally (finally?), **Harold McLellan** received a Finial Ornament in acrylic by **Edmund Benoit**.



Photo Credit - Chris Palmer

Show & Tell



Leo Westhaver showed off a nice segmented ornament in Ash and Walnut.

Glenn McCarron presented a stunning plate in Birdseye Maple coloured with TransTint dye.

Dianne Looker showed off her nice pizza cutter and pie slice that were made as gifts.



Stuart Taylor described different ways to cut up burls to get the best effects for what you want to make.

Meeting wrapped up at 8:25pm

Calendar of Events

Date	Subject	Location
September 16, 2019	Using Collet Chucks (Dave McLachlan)	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
October 21, 2019	Inside out Ornament Demo (Richard Ford)	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
November 18, 2019	Ford's Awesome Duplicator (Richard Ford)	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
December 9, 2019	Christmas Social	Halifax Specialty Hardwoods, 112 Bluewater Rd. Bedford
January 20, 2020	Lathe Safety (Calum Ewing) Dust Control (Bill Maes) Wood Toxicity (Gary Landry)	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
February 24, 2020	Tool Use inside an Inturned-edge bowl (Stephen Zwerling)	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
March 16, 2020	Carbide Cutter Tools (sharpening?) (Zalman Amit)	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
April 6, 2020	Turning Finials (R.Atkinson)	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
May 2, 2020	Awards Day Lee Valley	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
May 25, 2020	Turning a Goblet Stewart Taylor	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
June 15, 2020	AGM	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent

The Raffle Booth

Norm Jolivet / Yogi Gutz

Wreath Raffle

The special fund-raising raffle of a wreath filled with donated ornaments was again organized by **Norm Jolivet**. This year's wreath was festooned with 25 ornaments and was won by **Lynn Marie Richard**.

The regular raffle was held with **Joe Crouse**, **Mike Palmer** and **Chris Palmer** taking home a turning Grab Bag each.

Remember, all donations accepted and anonymously too.



Nova Woodturners' Guild – 2019/20 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?
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Executive	executive (sends the message to all positions on the list)		
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President	president	Gary Landry	
Vice President	vice-president	Bill Maes	
Secretary	secretary	Calum Ewing	
Treasurer	treasurer	Dave McLachlan	

Members at Large	members-at-large	Bill Luther	
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Committees

Library	library	Jim Diamond Richard Ford	C
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Web Site	webmaster	Richard Ford	C
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Membership & Promotion	membership-chair	Brian Larter	C
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Newsletter	newsletter	Norm Jolivet	C
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Competition		Vacant	C
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Guild Photographer		Chris Palmer	
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Fund Raising		Vacant	C
Raffles		Norm Jolivet Yogi Gutz	

Nominating		Bill Maes	C
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