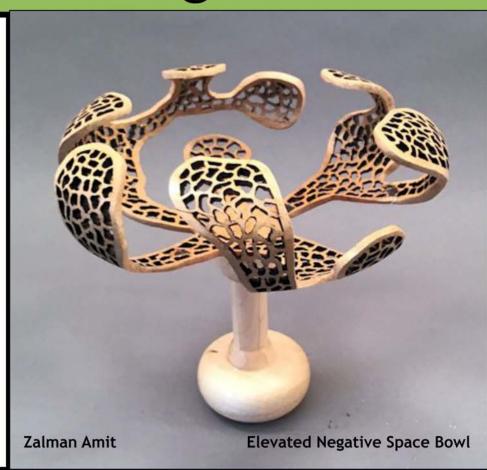


The Turning Point

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The next meeting of the Nova Woodturners' Guild is

Online via Zoom October 19, 2020. 6:30 p.m.

The next meeting will feature

Zalman Amit

On

The use and sharpening of carbide tools.

The President's Workshop Oct. 2020

Gary Landry

Well we are into a new meeting season albeit via the Zoom platform rather than face-to-face. The AGM went off pretty well but due to the format an audit of the books was not possible. However, auditors were recruited from the attendees and the process will be carried out and reported on in the near future.

In spite of my intentions to make 2019-2020 my final year as President and because nobody volunteered to be nominated I agreed to stay on for one extra year. So you are stuck with me for another year. The Guild's Officer positions were all filled by incumbents and a couple of committee chairs are left to be filled as the need for their duties arise.

As I write this note **Dave McLachlan** is recording **Zalman's** demo for display at our October meeting on the 19th. This format, using Zoom, has the distinct advantage of allowing a pause in the demo to answer questions or expansion on the information presented without interrupting the flow of the demo and distracting the presenter while actively working.

All those who have not yet paid their dues (\$40) to **Dave McLachlan** by e-transfer or by mail should do so as soon as possible. If you are a returning member and none of your information has changed from last years Membership Form you can just let Dave know that you authorize last year's form to be effective for this year as well. If you are a new member or if there have been changes please download a copy of the Membership Form from our website (under 'Documents'), fill it out sign it and email a scan of it or mail a hard copy of it to Dave along with your dues.

The Executive will be meeting by Zoom soon and coming up with a list of demos that we will then try to arrange with suitable demonstrators. There may also be a discussion about paying for a well known turner to present a dedicated demo for us by Zoom outside of a scheduled meeting and the process for paying for it (i.e. Guild pays, attendees pay or some combination of both).

That is about it for now.

Stay safe, stay well and turn some wood.

Gary Landry – President

There may also be a discussion about a well known turner to present a dedicated demo for us by Zoom

AGM Notes Sept, 21, 2020

Calum Ewing, Secretary

Guest Speaker

Zalman Amit with Don Moore Care and Use of Carbide Cutters



To be presented online via Zoom and presided by Zalman.



Stills from the upcoming video 'Care and Use of Carbide Cutters'

No Photos by Chris Palmer.

So don't blame him, it's not his fault.

Calendar of Events

Date	Subject	Location
September 21, 2020	AGM	Online via Zoom
October 19, 2020	Zalman Amit with Don Moore Care and Use of Carbide Cutters	Online via Zoom
November ?, 2020		
December ?, 2020		
January ?, 2021		
February ?, 2021		
March ?, 2021		
April ?, 2021		
May ?, 2021		
June ?, 2021		

The Raffle Booth

Norm Jolivet / Yogi Gutz

Christmas tree ornaments.

In the hope that we can all get together at **HSH** or where ever we will need a couple ornaments for the wreath raffle and a couple for the ornament exchange from each of you. More is better. If we can get together under one roof, then we each have a contribution to the festivities. If not, you have a bunch of gifts to hand out to friends.



If you need inspiration just Google 'wood turned Christmas ornaments' click Images.

Daniel Vilarino has a video if you need something to match your skills. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uXcuwzhoXLo

Check out Alan Strattons challenge. (Page 6)

Here's looking forward to better times, Your Raffle Master.

Ornament Challenge

We have a challenge, should we choose to accept it.

I offered up a reminder last month that we should look forward to getting together at Christmas for a, no-doubt modified, get together. Perhaps at **Halifax Specialty Hardwoods** (with luck). To that end we should start making tree ornaments for the occasion.

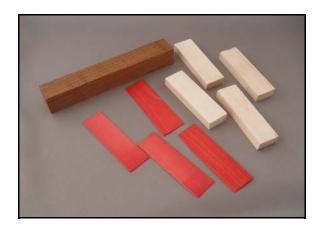
Lo and behold, what shows up in the Guild mail box but a challenge from **Alan Stratton**. You know him from his As Wood Turns YouTube videos. I'll let him explain it.

Forwarded message
> From: <aswoodturns@gmail.com></aswoodturns@gmail.com>
> Subject: Club Benefit & Opportunity
>> To: Club President & Leaders
>
> I am Alan Stratton . I host a Christmas Ornament Challenge every year. Coming up is the 9th annual
challenge.
>
> I would appreciate your help in spreading the challenge. And, there is something in it for the club.
> To enter, all the participant needs to do is:
> Complete a Christmas holiday ornament. Ornaments from other faiths are also welcome.
> Take or compose one still picture featuring the ornament.
> Enter their information and upload the picture at www.AsWoodTurns.com/challenges during the month of
November. The challenge closes when November 30 closes.
> Do something good with the ornament.
> We have a process for selecting winners.
>
> This year, we will ask for a club affiliation. For the clubs with the most entries to the challenge. I will offer an interactive remote demonstration at no charge.
>
> More details are at www.AsWoodTurns.com/challenges
>
> The challenge is a lot of fun and a great way to help celebrate Christmas.
>
> Thank you
> Alan Stratton
> www.AsWoodTurns.com
>> End of message

Well, let's get to it. Send the pics to me too so I can select a few to put in the newsletter. Norm the Editor newsletter@novawoodturnersguild.com

Ornament Ideas — Norm volive

This assumes stock of 3/4 x 3/4 x 5 1/2 inches.(i.e. pen blanks) Select 2 pieces of stock of contrasting colors.



Mark end centers of the main body with a center punch. Mark off 1/2" at one end for the chuck.

Cut the other piece in half both in length and crosswise. These form the scales.

Prepare for glue up by sanding all 4 sides of the main body smooth and one side of each of the scales. Sandwiching veneer in the glue line is optional.



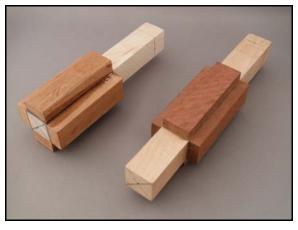
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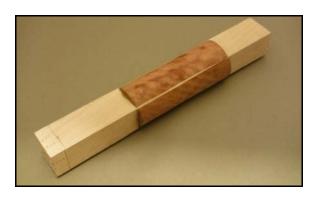
Glue and clamp one scale on each side with its end even with the bottom of the main body.

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Mark a line 1 1/4" from the bottom end of the main body. Continue on all 4 sides

Glue and clamp one scale on each side with its end on the line. The scales should be near centered.





Grip the 1/2" portion in a chuck and using the tailstock, turn to a smooth form between centers

Turn the ornament to a pleasing teardrop shape. Sand and finish as desired. Something shiny is nice.

Part off at the headstock. Sand ends as required.

Choose one end as the top and using a 1/16" drill, form a hole. Glue in a brass hanging loop.

Nova Woodturners' Guild - 2020/2021 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

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