



CHINOOK WOODTURNING GUILD NEWSLETTER

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Hello June, May turned out to be a hectic month for your executive. A sawdust session, 2 executive meetings, a Membership meeting, and A demo and hands on with Stew Bremner.

Thank you to Roger McMullin for sharing his expertise on how to embellish your turnings. He demonstrated the use of Burning tools, Different dyes for coloring, as well as demonstrating the use of a woodcarver. Several tools were on hand including accessories.

Stew Bremner was a great success both at the all-day demonstration and at the two-day workshop. Pictures on the following pages.

Thanks to all our members for making this 2025-2026 session successful. I appreciated your participation and your expertise. One cannot help but notice the camaraderie and willingness of members to offer help with projects or how to advice.

I am offering the guild membership an opportunity to become part of the executive in September. I am withdrawing my name as I have served a three-year term and feel someone else with new ideas should offer to be President. Your executive members are beyond helpful and can be relied on for support.
Remie

MEETINGS ARE HELD AT CASA

230 8th St South, Lethbridge

JULY 3, AUGUST 1, SEPTEMBER 5 2026- Sawdust Sessions at Casa. 10 am – 12 PM

Guild SOCIAL JUNE 18, 2026,

GUILD AGM. SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

Sawdust Sessions: 1 st Saturday of each month,

Tool sharpening should be done as necessary. The grinder will be set up and ready to go. If you have any questions as to how to accomplish any task, bring your materials and ask for help. Someone will surely know how to help you.

Remember, the best part is sharing some quality time with friends of like interests. Bring something you have made.



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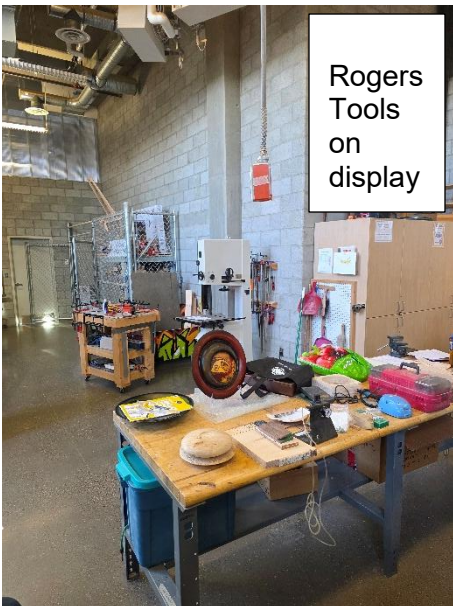
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Roger McMullin addressing members on May 21. Describing the different types and tools that could be used to enhance a turning. The methods described involved different dyes, texturing tools, wood carving tools, and wood burning. Many members had a wood burning tool. There was much interest in the use of the wood carver. Roger had several brands and demoed a reciprocating wood carver manufactured by Ryobi.



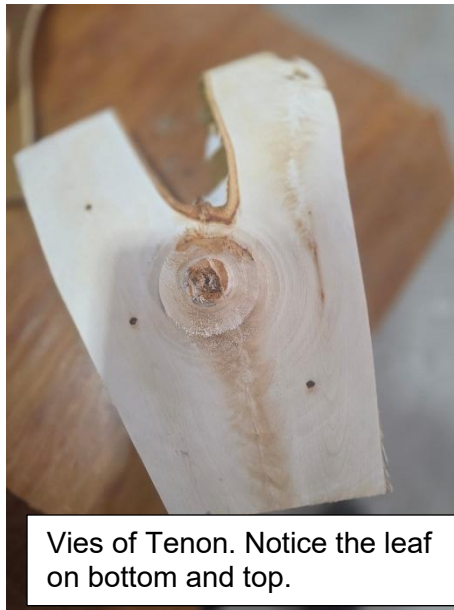
Thank you to the guild members who attended the May 30 demonstration at Dan Michener's shop in Picture Butte. You can't help but notice the American Beauty Robust Lathe. Dan was willing to let Stew use it for his demo on turning a log crotch. Everyone was interested in the approach for turning this piece. Workshop attendees tried to copy the turning at the Sunday Demo, I succeeded in making some flying wings. Not much is left of the actual piece.



An artistic opportunity. Almost got Dan with the flying wing.



Top view of the wing bowl



Views of Tenon. Notice the leaf on bottom and top.



Made from a 5-inch diameter freshly cut Birch tree crotch. Stew is demonstrating how to choose which side is best for the tenon. He follows up with the process for forming the shape of a wing bowl shown on the left. According to Stew you only need to sand to 80 grits before applying an epoxy finish. Those present got the proof of touch this.

You may notice the leaf design left after turning.



Stew demonstrating the art of applying UVPOXY epoxy. The amount of epoxy required is about 2 oz. Apply with brush and turn on the inventive tool made by Bert Delisle and Stew Bremner, pictured below. The Bowl is rotated a slow RPM. If I remember about 10 to 15 rpm. It takes overnight to set and then a second and third coat are applied.





Stew is demonstrating a wing bowl using a 3D printed chuck as shown on the left. The top is cut in such a way as to save a block for making the lid. The bowl is hollowed.

On the table is a display of epoxy coated turnings that Stew has completed.



Great Demonstration and a very full Day. Thank you S

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June 2 Sawdust Session. Steve demonstrated making Christmas Bell ornaments. He used an old bed post piece about 5 inches long and 2.5 in square. John turned a Bell. Those who attended chose to share and visit. Just a reminder that starting your Christmas ornament donation for our yearly Christmas Tree at the Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation.

Message From Newsletter Contributor André

This month rather than going to the web, take a few moments to explore the list of books titles available in our library. These books are from the Guild, and many are new additions given to us from Richard Shelson's library. You can borrow any books and CDs from the library by registering them in the library logbook. Hopefully, you may enjoy signing out some books at the regular meetings or sawdust sessions. Of historical interest are two books reprinted from 1846 and 1884. Loans are generally for one month. There is also a new (to us) CD on sharpening Woodturning Tools from the Australian turner Mike Darlow. Interesting document.

Please stay safe while you are in your shop.

André

Books		
Author	Title	Year
Anderson, Steve et al.	Woodworking The complete Step-by-Step Guide	2005
Anthony, Paul	Working with Power Tool	2007
Christensen, Kip & Burningham, Rex	Turning Pens and Pencils	1999
Cliffe, Roger W.	Table Saw Techniques	1997
Collective	Turning for Amateurs	1884/2000
Collective	The Handbook of Handturning	1846
Collective	Safety for Woodturners	2013
Conover, Ernie	The Lathe Book	1993
Darlow, Mike	The Fundamentals of Woodturning	1997
Darlow, Mike	Turned Chessmen	2004
Darlow, Mike	Woodturning Methods (2)	2004
Dresdner, Michael	The New Wood Finishing Book	1999
Duginske, Mark	New complete Guide to Band Saws	2014
Gibert, Vicenc & Lopez, Josep	Wood Turning	2000
Gilbert, Vicenç & Lòpez, Josep	Woodturning	1999
Grotz, George	The Furniture Doctor	1983
Hogbin, Stephen	Hogbin on Woodturning	2013
Hylton, Bill and Matlack, Fred	Woodworking with the Router	2002
Johnson, Bruce	The Weekend Refinisher	1989
Klein, Bonnie	Classic Woodturning Projects	2005
Lincoln, William A.	World Woods in Color	1986
O'Donnell, Michael	Turning Green Wood	2000
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Raffan, Richard	Turning Wood	2001
Raffan, Richard	Turning Bowls	2002
Raffan, Richard	Turning Boxes	2002
Register, David	Basic Woodturning Techniques	1993
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Rosendahl, Robert R.	The Router	2001
Rowley, Keith	Woodturning A Foundation Course	2000
Sears/Craftsman 929117	Bench Power Tool Know How	1989
Sing, Dick	Turning Ornaments and Eggs	2002
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