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The Turning Point

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Ornaments by
Ralph Kennedy and
Gary Landry
Photo – Ted Monk

MEMBER SINCE 2012

The next meeting of the Nova Woodturners' Guild is at

Lee Valley Tools

100 Susie Lake Crescent, Halifax, N.S.

January 18, 2016. 6:30 p.m.

The next meeting will feature

Accenting With Surface Techniques
Part 1 - Texturing
With Ted Monk

The President's Workshop

Dianne Looker

NWG President's report January, 2015

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and were able to spend time with those close to you, and also to get a bit of a chance to relax. I did both.

In late November I was sick with that horrid cold/flu that was going around, and it knocked me out for the better part of two weeks. That meant was there was no way I could possibly make all the things I had mentally planned to make as one of Santa's elves. So, I gave myself permission to not feel I had to make something for absolutely everyone. You'd have thought I'd have figured this out years ago, but apparently I am a slow learner in some areas. I hope you long ago learned to only make those things you enjoy making and have time to make, while still enjoying other things in life.

Our December social was a success; thanks again to **Halifax Specialty Hardwoods** for hosting it. It is always a treat. We had the now usual: ornament exchange, Don's "card draw" for the Halifax Specialty Hardwoods gift certificates, and show and tell. And of course, lots of wonderful food! The raffle for the bowl by **Binh Pho** was done with a flurry that I know left some mystified. But despite confusion about the process, everyone seemed fine with the outcome ;-) Before leaving the social festivities, many took advantage of the sale prices Halifax Specialty Hardwoods offered that night. So at least some of us went home laden with yet more wood.

Our members were very generous in their gifts to Kent as a "thank you" for letting us use their facilities for so many years. Thanks to all those who provided them, especially **Gil Pacheco**. And **Harold McLellan** and **Trevor Edis** made a lovely plaque to present to Kent. Heartfelt thanks to them for that work. **Dave McLachlan** took the gifts and plaque to Kent later that week and they were much appreciated.

The big news for January is, of course, our move to **Lee Valley.** That will make things a lot easier for several people for whom the stairs at Kent were a challenge. Thanks again to **Gary Landry** for all his work around making this an option, and to **Dave M** and **Jim** and others who helped with the move.

And as we move into 2016, we are thinking about the future, and who will be doing what to keep our Guild vibrant. I am definitely stepping down as president, but am happy to stay on the executive in some other capacity. There will no doubt be some other vacancies, so please think long and hard about which positions you'd be willing to fill.

In the next few months we are looking forward to a number of very interesting presentations – several by **Ted Monk** on surface treatments, a demo by **Harold McLellan** on the use of the skew and related techniques, and a presentation by **Richard Ford** on his infamous "ten minute pen".

We will remind you again closer to the date, but remember that our April meeting is early this year – April 11 – so you can bring in your pieces for the competition, which will wind up with award presentations on April 23. Having a somewhat later competition allows us more time after the holiday flurry to plan and turn our competition items. I'm already starting to plan mine.

All the best for 2016!
Dianne Looker,
President

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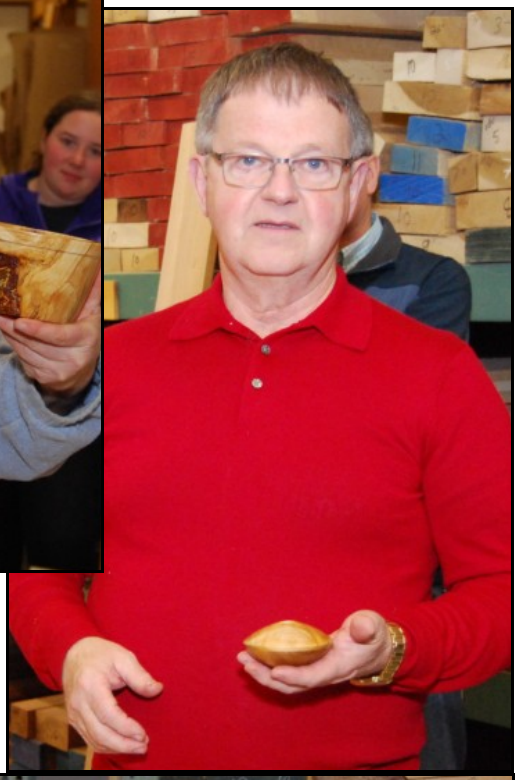




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Thanks to Chris Palmer for the photos.

DON'S WOODTURNING TOOL RAFFLE

Fellow Woodturners, I have been given permission to "Raffle" some of my remaining woodturning items at our monthly Guild meetings.

This Triton Respirator will be the first this coming meeting on Monday January 18th, at LV…

The plan is to sell 30 tickets at $10.00 and then have the draw. I will sell tickets for two meetings if necessary and if all of the tickets are yet to be purchased ,the draw will take place at the second meeting regardless . . . or if someone wants to purchase this unit outright, I have lowered the asking price from $325.00 down to $300.00.



This helmet was unfortunately seldom used and as you can see in the photo, I still have the box it came in.

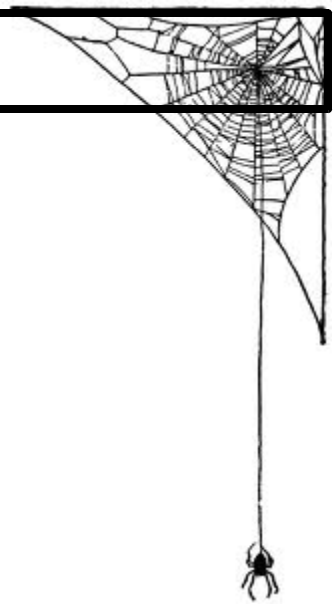
The next Item will be a "Dust Collection System"
Thanks for your interest,
Don

Library Report

Richard Ford

17 Feb. 2014	David Barry	50BU	Decorative Techniques for Woodturners - Hilary Bowen
17 Mar. 2014	Dave McLachlan	49BT	The Craftsman Woodturner - Peter Child New Revised Edition
20 Apr. 2015	David Barry	46BP	Carving on Turning - Chris Pye
20 Apr. 2015	David Barry	80BB	Woodturning Masterclass - Tony Boase
20 Apr. 2015	David Barry	83BE	Woodturning A Source Book Of Shapes – John Hunnex
20 Apr. 2015	David Barry	99BW	Understanding Wood Finishing – Bob Flexner
2 May. 2015	Dianne Looker	90VT	Binh Pho Surface Design - Binh Pho
11 May. 2015	Lowell Jenkins	76BX	The Woodturners' Workbook - Ray Key
20 Jul. 2015	Trevor Edis	78BZ	Woodturning A Foundation Course - Keith Rowley
26 Oct. 2015	Harold McLellan	100BX	Woodturning – Klaus Pracht
16 Nov. 2015	Leo Westhaver	38BF	Faceplate Turning: Features; Projects; Practice - Woodturning Magazine
16 Nov. 2015	Leo Westhaver	56BA	Master Woodturners - Dale L. Nish
16 Nov. 2015	Chris Palmer	96BT	Woodturning Design: Shape, Proportion, and Decoration - Derek Hayes

Letters to the Editor



Cryptoquote – Dave Duggan

One letter stands for another. Clues are in size of words and letter patterns.

TPOPOCPT: LERAMRF ML JSP BMTLJ LJEFP GB

BMRMLSMRF RGJ JSP HELJ LJEFP GB LSEKMRF.

ERGRVOGZL

Last months answer:

IF SOMEONE TURNS A LOT DOES THAT MAKE THEM A LATHY PERSON?
DAVE DUGGAN

Upcoming Events

Events Committees

Submission Deadline	Event Dates	Event Details
Apr 11, 2016	April 11-23, 2016	Annual Competition at Lee Valley .
Apr 11, 2016		5:00 pm drop off deadline at Lee Valley.
Apr 11, 2016		8:00 pm drop off at regular meeting.

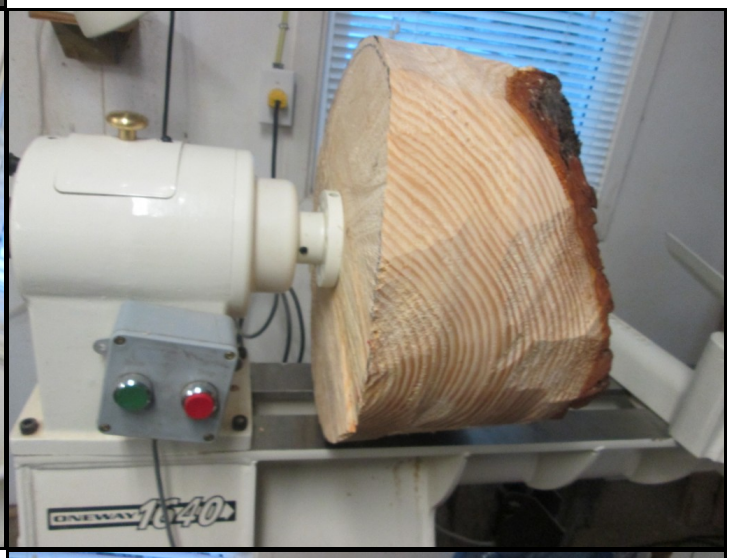
Lowell Jenkins - PINE LOG INTO A COWBOY HAT



A neighbour of Richard Fords had to cut down a pine tree on his property. Richard knew I was looking for a large piece to try my hand at turning a cowboy hat, so got this for me.

16-18" wide x 16" long



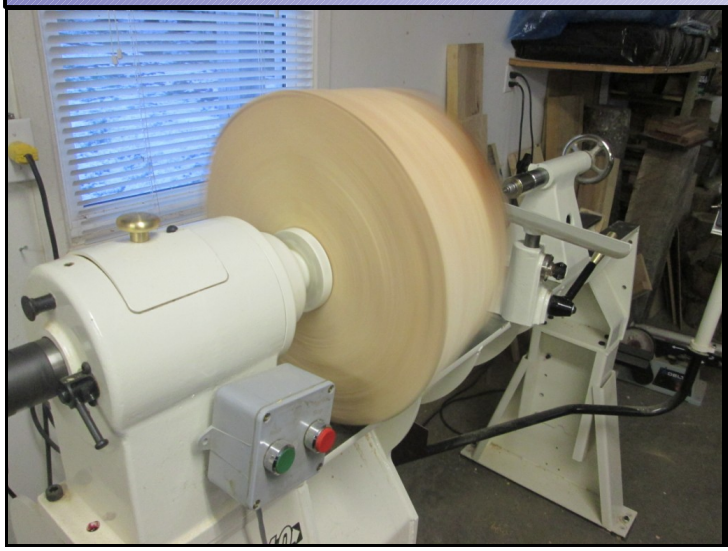


All trimmed up, on the lathe and ready to go.

Weight: 56 lbs.



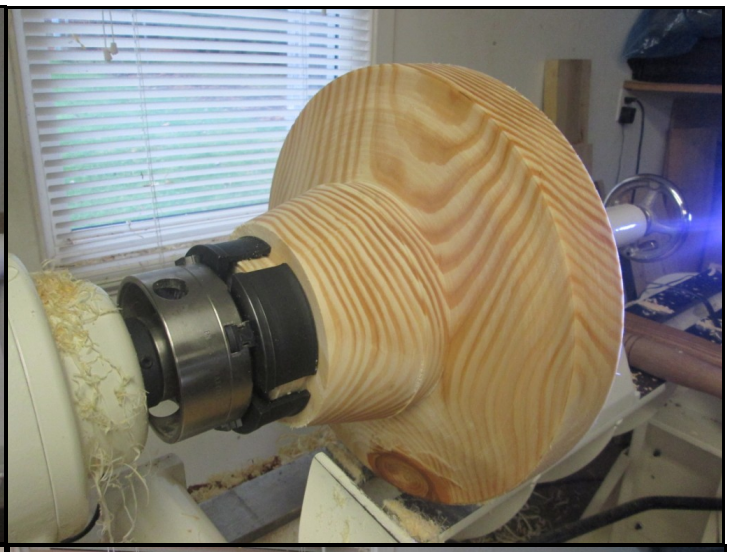
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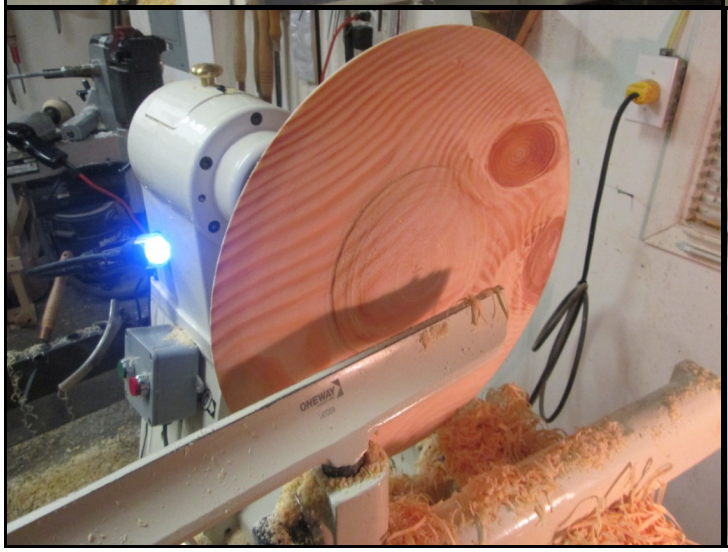


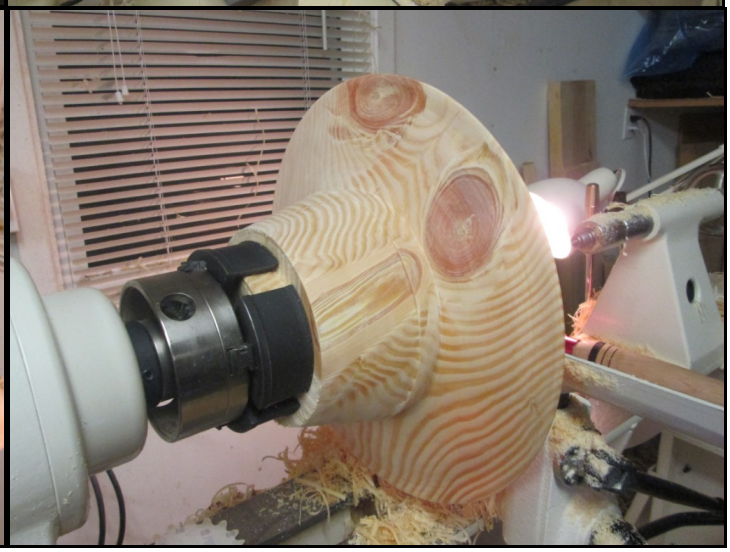


After the first few turns. Dec. 2, 10:00 a.m.
The next several pictures are of it starting to take shape and looking like a hat!

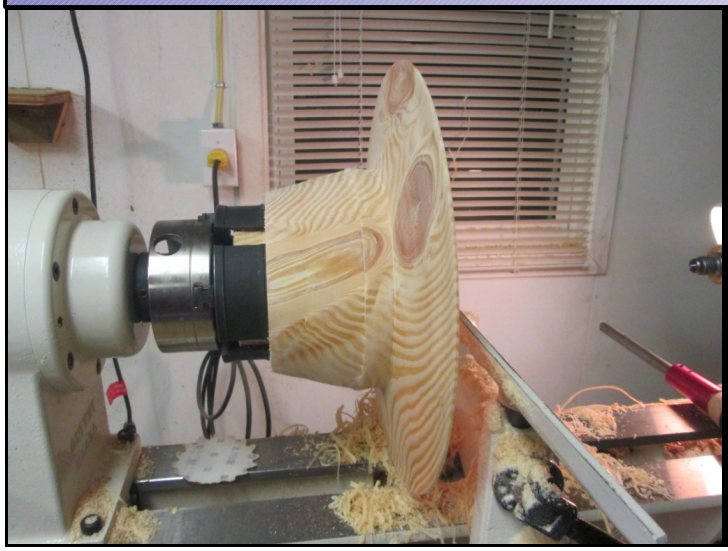






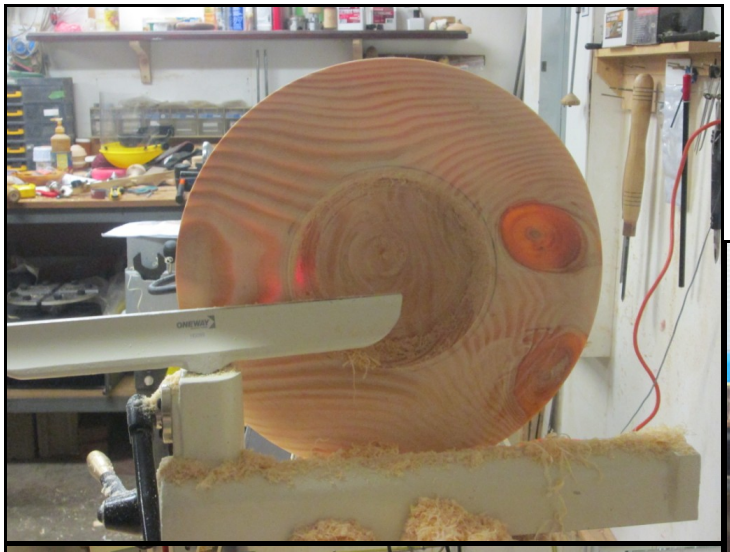


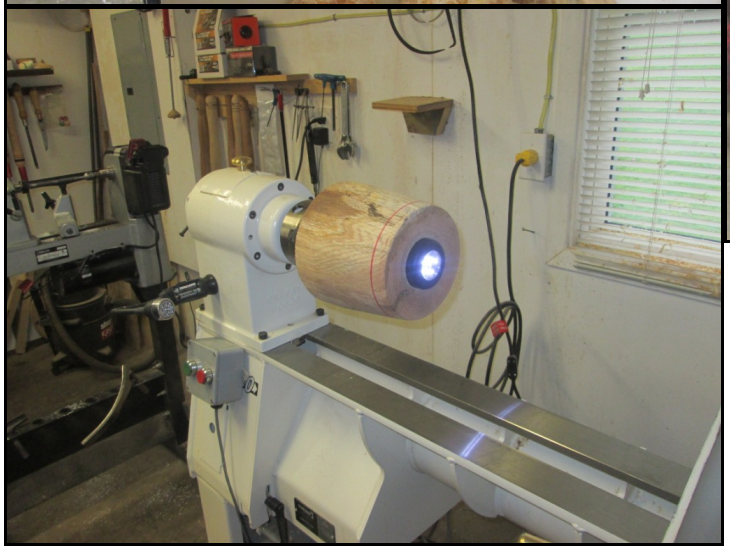
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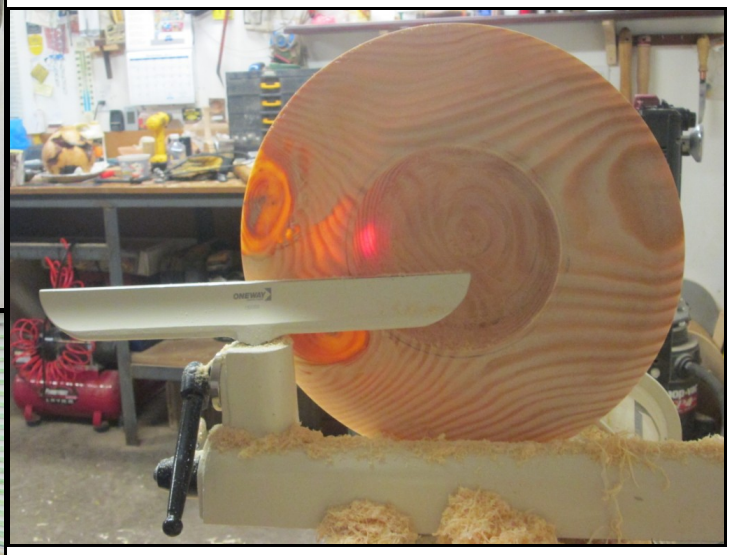


The hat, plus this pile of shavings, is what is left of my original log!





These last 2 pics above were taken around 6:30 pm Dec. 2nd. You can see how thin the wood is now as the light behind it shows through quite clearly.



A Jam Chuck with Light was used to finish the top of the hat. This enabled me to more easily judge when the piece was getting close to thin enough

PINE LOG INTO A COWBOY HAT







After the turning was complete, hat was removed from lathe and inserted in this stand/frame made for this particular project. Elastic bands were joined and stretched across the hat brim and anchored down at the bottom of the frame. While the elastics are pulling the brim down on the sides, the clamped frame (seen under the brim) is tightened gradually to push the wet sides in. The plan is for this to cause the hat brim to bend slightly as it dries to give the standard 'cowboy hat' shape.
Finished up around 10 pm Dec. 2, with only one short break for lunch around 3 pm.

Unfortunately, one never knows what will be found in the wood when you start turning, and as can be seen in the pictures, this piece has two big knots and quite likely they will split when drying. Will just have to look upon it as a learning experience for when I get that perfect piece of wood to make another hat.

My inspiration to try a Cowboy Hat came from seeing a few at various Woodturning Shows in Florida over the past few years and was interested in doing something a little different. Found some good instructions online and went from there.

Photos courtesy of Lowell Jenkins and Wilma Jenkins

Magazine Library Report

Jim Diamond

Hi everyone, it has been a long time since I sent out an overdue magazine list. As part of the move from Kent to LV, I brought all of the magazines home and did a full inventory. The magazines listed below fall into three categories: overdue, missing, and really missing. (I know that almost everyone in the Guild will say "I don't have any of those", but some of you are mistaken! :-))

For those of you who don't like to see your name in print, my apologies.

Magazine overdue list [what, (who, when borrowed)]:

AAW Journal Jun 2010	(Dave Barry,	Oct 2013)
Woodturning Design Feb 2011	(Dave Barry,	Feb 2014)
GMC Woodturning Winter 2013	(Ron Hunt,	Nov 2014)
GMC Woodturning Jan 2014	(Ron Hunt,	Nov 2014)
GMC Woodturning Sep 2001	(David MacLaughlin,	May 2015)
GMC Woodturning Jun 2014	(David MacLaughlin,	Jun 2015)
GMC Woodturning Dec 2013	(Calum Ewing,	Sep 2015)
GMC Woodturning Feb 2014	(Calum Ewing,	Sep 2015)
AAW Journal Aug 2013	(Calum Ewing,	Sep 2015)
GMC Woodturning Mar 2014	(Peter Nicholl,	Oct 2015)
AAW Journal Oct 2013	(Edmund Benoit,	Oct 2015)
The Woodturner Nov/Dev 2001	(Peter Nicholl,	Oct 2015)

Aside from those, there are some other magazines which are apparently hiding.
The person who took these out swears up, down and sideways that he doesn't have them.
By any chance, do you? If so, and you bring them back, there will be general jubilation.
GMC Woodturning Oct 2001
GMC Woodturning Jul 2002
GMC Woodturning Dec 2005

Regrettable, the following magazines have gone walkies since the last time I did a full inventory.
Did they follow you home, wagging their tails and looking at you with big brown eyes?
If so, please bring them back, no embarrassing questions will be asked.

GMC Woodturning Aug 2005
GMC Woodturning Jun 2007
GMC Woodturning Jun 2011
AAW Journal Dec 1996
AAW Journal Feb 2011
Woodturning Design Apr 2011

While I won't be bringing the library to the Christmas social, I will accept returns of magazines and tools.

Finally, I would like to thank members who have donated magazines to the Guild over the years.
Of particular recent note is **Darrell Eisner**, who has donated multiple magazines over the last few months. In that spirit, as well as my obsessive-compulsive desire to "collect the whole set", if you happen to have any of the above missing magazines (or GMC Woodturning Feb 2007 which was lost by a former member) and would like to get them out of your house, there is a nice spot in a filing cabinet which could be filled.

Thanks.

Jim Diamond

Calendar of Events

Date	Subject	Location
September 21, 2015	Diablo Box shape challenge (really, really!) Bring in a'useful' item you have turned.	Kent Building Supplies Mic Mac Mall
October 19, 2015	Christmas Ornaments - Don Moore demo	Kent Building Supplies, Mic Mac Mall
November 16, 2015	Segmented Turning - Gord Marshall (Shape challenge presented)	Kent Building Supplies, Mic Mac Mall
December 14, 2015	Christmas Social	Halifax Specialty Hardwoods, 112 Bluewater Rd. Bedford
January 18,2016	Accenting With Surface Techniques Part 1 Texturing – Ted Monk	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
February 22, 2016	Using the skew and examples with kits Harold McLellan (Shape challenge result)	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
March 21, 2016	Accenting With Surface Techniques Part 2 Pyrography & Branding – Ted Monk Fun Turn results	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
April 11, 2016	Accenting With Surface Techniques Part 3 Paint, Dyes and Stains – Ted Monk	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
April 23, 2016	Awards Day Lee Valley	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
May 16, 2016	The "10 minute pen", and various techniques – Richard Ford	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent
June 20,2016	AGM	Lee Valley Tools, 100 Susie Lake Crescent

The Raffle Booth

Norm Jolivet / Yogi Gutz

A raffle was held for some draw bags.Some people won.
Some other people won Don's card game for gift certificates for **Halifax Specialty Hardwoods.** Nobody took notes because everyone was having a good time



Nova Woodturners' Guild – 2015/16 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	**C**hairperson?
EXECUTIVE	executive (sends the message to all positions on the list)		
President	president	Dianne Looker	
Vice President	vice-president	David McLachlan	
Secretary	secretary	David Barry	
Treasurer	treasurer	Brenna Swinamer	
Members at Large	members-at-large	Gary Landry	
COMMITTEES			
Library	library	Jim Diamond Richard Ford	**C**
Web Site **Website Forum**	webmaster	Ian Scott Norm Jolivet	**C**
Membership & Promotion		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**