

President's Letter June 2020



Welcome to June, a partial reopening of New York on Pause, and some beautiful weather. I've been able to find some much needed outdoor time with the warm weather and sunshine, and after so long indoors, it feels great! Recently, the American Association of Woodturners (AAW) – we are a chapter of AAW, for those that weren't aware – announced their first-ever three-day Virtual

Symposium, scheduled for July 10-12, 2020. You can read more about it here:

woodturner.org/Woodturner/2020-Virtual-Symposium/2020

Demonstrators will include Trent Bosch, Cindy Drozda, Rudy Lopez, Glenn Lucas, Mike Mahoney, and Craig Timmerman. The cost? A whopping \$20.20. If you are an AAW member, this is the best deal you'll find online, and if not, this is the best reason ever to join today.

Last month I demonstrated on Working with Burls. It was my first time delivering an IRD, and I had a blast! I hope you all enjoyed it as well. The replay is available on our Web Site – be sure to log in to be able to see that one, and other demonstrations from the past.

This month Jeffery Cheramie will demonstrate making a yoyo without a kit. I am looking forward to it, as I've never turned a yoyo before, and I do have some grandchildren, nieces, and nephews that would appreciate one—something new for me to try – perhaps for you as well.

We also had a great Super Show and Share this month – Cliff Weatherell, David Gilbert, and Bruce Trojan provided a great view of their respective projects, and Bruce Impey shared a video. David showed how to take the OneWay

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coring tool to a whole new level, and Bruce Trojan talked about his time and thoughts in creating an exciting piece of artwork. Bruce Impey gave us a birds eye view of turning the handles he showed last month, Cliff Weatherall showed a segmented turning he crafted after viewing a demo by Dan Meyerhoefer when we were meeting live.

I understand from Jeffery that there is a lot of interest in people presenting at future S3 events, but there is always room for more.

As New York starts to open, we are beginning to bring back some of the perks of membership. By now, you should all have received an email describing library operations – borrowing both books and tools – as well as purchasing sandpaper and Anchorseal.

Finally, we will be restarting the “silent” auctions soon –on our website. To bid you will need to create a login to access the 'Members Only' area of the Finger Lakes Woodturners website. If you have questions, please reach out to Terry Lund (terry.lund@gmail.com).

I have been in my shop this past month exploring multi-axis turning, and explicitly exploring deeper the wave type forms on crossed axes as described by Barbara Dill. What have you been trying that is new to you?

Working with Burls with Phil Rose

by Bruce Impey

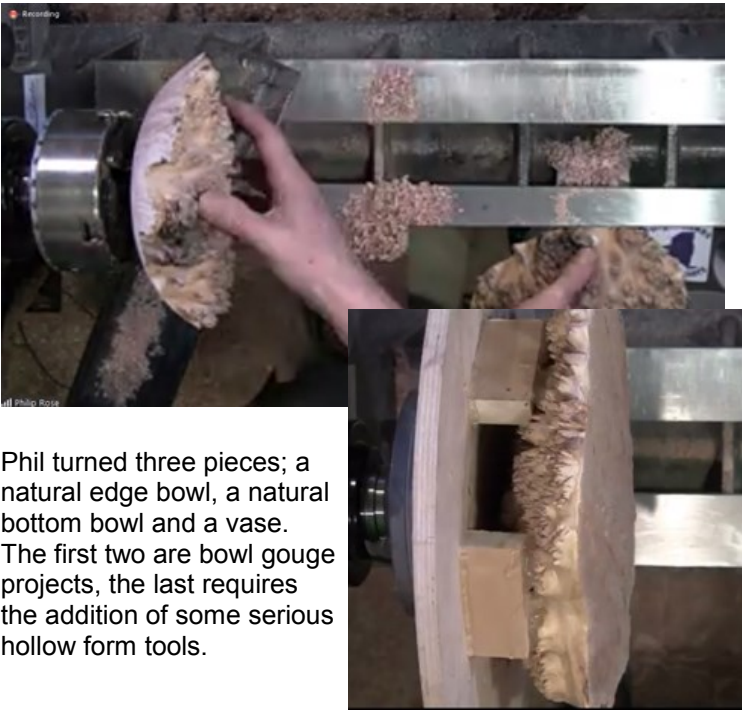
Phil gave us a May Virtual Meeting Demonstration, working

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video gear and video format. He showed us what he's been doing with burls, and some of what he finds interesting in other's work.



Phil explained that the Big Leaf Maple burl is a spinning saw blade, the cautions are obvious. Face shield of course, maybe gloves and control where your hands are. Turning off center, he will add counter weight. It's also pretty easy to stick the tool into the air gaps and knock off a bit of the material.



Show & Share



Pandemic Boxes by Michael Sullivan



Cake Decorations Gary Russell



Ash Bowl - Gary Russell



Spalted Maple - Gary Russell



Cleaning out dovetails on the frame of a cherry bookshelf. Making a small run of two, but they still take a long time. Here's a finished walnut one. David Barnet.



Maple Dish - Gary Russell

2019-20 SCHEDULE AND MENTOR CONTACTS

Jun 18	Jeffery Cheramie – Turning a One Piece Yoyo
July 16	Alan and Lauren Zenreich – Pendants and other Jewelry
Aug 20	Joe Wiesnet – Bottoms Up – Foot First
Sept 24	Trent Bosch – Topic(s) TBD NOTE: This is <i>not</i> the normal 3rd Thursday date
Oct 15	Cindy Drozda – Remote Demo – Topic(s) TBD
Nov 19	Donna Gould – Surface Embellishment
Dec 17	Round Robin – Food, Drink, and Fun

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1. Here's a great way for you to improve your turning skills. FLWT has award winning and expert turners who, at no cost, are willing to share their expertise one-to-one with other club members. A mentoring relationship might be as simple as getting a mentor's advice in a one time conversation. Or, it

might include regular hands-on sessions over a lathe. The exact nature is up to you and your mentor. If you feel you could benefit from mentoring, organize your thoughts about your needs and contact an appropriate volunteer mentor above to determine if he or she is a match and available. ♦

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