

West Island Woodturners



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“Never underestimate the power of small objects”

-Paul Soldner

(on a T-shirt worn by David Ellsworth)

The newsletter is a summary of the emails, general information, and show and tell. If you'd like to contribute an article, comment, or link contact WIW or Nicole directly. Volunteers are welcome.

President's message

Our Zoom meeting of February 23, 2021 went well and had no technical glitches. Once again, this event was nicely moderated by Nicole.



Ossie's new photo set up is really working for him. Here is a natural edge vessel with a beautiful finish.

Announcements

Next live Zoom meeting

Regular meeting replaced by Eric Loftstrum demo: March 9, *7*pm (1 hour earlier than usual)

Book Reviews

Christian has offered some woodturning book reviews to the newsletter. He will send them for publication as he writes them.

Notes from the last meeting

Minutes from the zoom meeting

Nigel opened the meeting with thanks to Glen, Nicole, and Janet for all their hard work. He noted that Glen has spent a great deal of time on administering the membership renewals and compiling this year's Membership List. In addition, Nicole has continued in setting up and coordinating our Zoom meetings and in compiling our newsletter. Janet is now assisting her with the newsletter.

Ottawa Valley Woodturners club zoom meeting

It was announced that the club has been invited by the Ottawa Valley Woodturners Club to join them on March 9th in watching a remote demo via Zoom. Said demo will be performed by Eric Loftstrum, who specializes in turning and decorating small end grain bowls. The executive has already voted to pay the \$200 cost for this demo out of club funds, WIW members wishing to participate are requested to inform Nigel by email.

Wayne's spindles

Someone called Wayne has communicated with us via our email site, requesting help in reproducing some broken spindles for an antique sewing machine stand. Both Andrei and Damiano have already replied.

Zoom License

Glen reported that the club has now purchased a Zoom license, and that we were using it for the first time at tonight's meeting. This means we no longer have a cut off of 45 minutes.

Membership

Glen also reported that we have 46 paid up members and that 2 others are in the process of paying.

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Tech Report

Claude reported that he and Nigel have removed some of the club's audio-visual equipment from Point Claire and have now set up a video recording studio in Nigel's workshop. Unfortunately, Nigel's MacBook Air does not have enough input and output ports to connect to the internet. Consequently, the Executive has approved that Claude source a refurbished PC to provide us with the capability to broadcast remote live demos. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

Glen Lucas Remote demo

Michel Richard has proposed that we contract Glenn Lucas to perform a bowl turning interactive remote demo via Zoom. Given that the estimated cost is estimated at US\$400 to S\$500, further consideration is required by our club executive. Given that Mr. Lucas is headquartered in the Irish Republic, time zone coordination might also have to be considered.

Andrei's Photo discussion

There was further discussion of Andrei's offer to give training on photography and lighting. Those who are interested are encouraged to communicate directly with Andre and describe what hardware they possess along with what their expectations are for the training.

Show and Tell

Some amazing pieces of work were shown by club members. Of note were the pieces shown by our new member Jean-Yves Bergeron which were laser-engraved by means of a Laser Master II Light Burn CNC laser.

Online points of interest**Off-centre egg cup**

Video for the off-center egg cup & platter that was sent in by Michel Richard.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VbFHRZLDqQI>

Upcoming Events**Next meeting**

Jan 23 at 8pm, link to be emailed.


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Show and (don't) Tell

Notes

This week (March 9th) there will be no show and tell at the meeting. Please email a photo of your work with the phrase "WIW show and tell" in the body or as the title for easier cataloguing. If you prefer (or have an iffy video) the photo can be screen shared during the live show and tell. Otherwise you may offer the show and tell piece in your Zoom video.

Andrei		
Mike		

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Ossie



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