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Minutes of the May 21 meeting

Because of traffic delays the meeting started with the demonstration followed by the business meeting - There were 34 people at meeting

Demonstration Bill Smith

Turning several wood bowls built according to the principles of the golden ratio
(from the Internet :

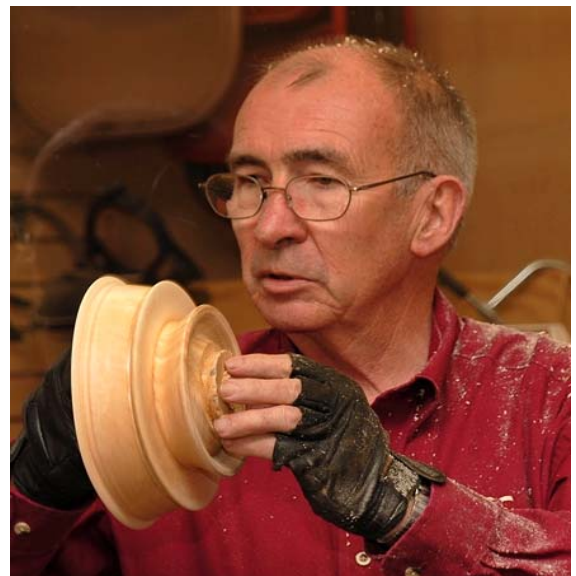
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Golden_ratio is large article explaining the [golden ratio](#) which is worth reading and seems to be what woodturners and others use)

Bill showed a large piece of cherry (that was later auctioned off) and discussed how to get symmetry with green wood so the bowl will give even cupping. He recommended tightening lag bolts in face plate several times during process. He suggested spraying the wood blank with water if stopping the turning process and wrapping it in plastic if the turning is interrupted for awhile. It is important to make a proper tenon. One should take classes from mentors whenever available. Bill uses bowling wax for finishing

To make it easier to turn the bowls, Bill leaves a tenon on the inside and outside of the bowl.

When returning bowls that had been roughed out and dried over time they usually warp. One should try to balance long sides and short sides [similar to balancing natural edge bowls] when you are re-truing up bowls for finishing

A small maple bowl with tenons still on the bottom and inside.
It is a three way "golden ratio"



Calipers made by Curt Mason for easily setting or finding the "golden ratio" (1.618 to 1) and used to calculate the bowl dimensions



Bowl held with extended live center against padded circular plywood which is face plated with lag bolts



One member suggested getting Henley's : Twentieth Century Book of Recipes, Formulas, and Processes by Gardner Dexter Hiscox, 780 pages , published 1905, available online at Google and in used book stores. The book is a source for making wax's, finishes, etc.

Business Meeting

Larry Dunklee conducted an auction of material that Bill Smith used in his demonstration with the proceeds going to the Ocean Tides School in Rhode Island
Cherry block of wood 6x12x12 for \$30 to Tony Scuncio
Turned cherry wood bowl for \$25 Randy Jorgenson
Turned mimosa wood bowl for \$30

The members voted on making a \$100 donation to Ocean tides and a \$50 donation to the Arc of Northern Rhode Island

Bill Smith asked if presenters got \$50 for demonstrating. People remembered that there had been a discussion about presenters getting an honorarium for demonstrating in the past but no one remembered if, or how much, club members would get if they demonstrated.

[From the minutes of the July 2008 meeting](#)

["A discussion was held about whether the Ocean Woodturners should offer local demonstrators coming to demonstrate at our club, an honorarium to cover their gasoline costs to get to our meeting.](#)

[A motion was made and passed that the "President will decide whether an honorarium is offered to demonstrators"](#)

It would appear that any honorariums to presenters should be decided prior to a demonstration

Wayne announced that the Black Ash Burls he had ordered have all been sold. The club decided to pass on making a bulk order for Manzanita burls at this time until we hear from other customers of that supplier that deliveries are happening.

There was a request to distribute copy of membership list to members

Wayne brought up the subject of club collaborative work and challenges to encourage members to expand their skill set by making something new

Rich Lemiux spoke about a wood web site (<http://www.woodturnersresource.com>) which sponsored a combination challenge and exchange. They had about 25 participants, a minimum and maximum size was defined for making a box, a finishing date was nominally defined (extra time was given for a few), once all the boxes were made, photos were sent to the web site and a moderator/coordinator drew names for pairing

Wayne suggested that members bring in an unfinished bowls (6 – 8” in size) and another member could complete the bowl. (An unfinished bowl might be one that was roughed out and set aside to dry for several months)

Bernie Feinerman showed a birdhouse turned out of a log section as example of possible club challenge (shown in Show&Tell). The birdhouse was a project in the May 2009 of the English Woodturning magazine.

SHOW and TELL

Bob Hopkins – miniature bowls and ornament turned from Tagua nuts



Bernie Feinerman – offset hollow forms and birdhouse





Richard Rinkhaus showed his homemade roughout tool, similar to the one that Gene Amaral showed at the last meeting. He used Grizzly #H7319 carbide tool bit (14mm x 14mm, sold in a 10 pack for \$25)



Wood Swap

Mike Murray brought in about 20+ box elder wood blocks from Ken Dubay for the wood swap which made for an exciting wood swap --

Angelo Iafrate brought in several bags of different wood.

Next Month Meeting

Thursday June 18, 2009

Woodcraft Store 1000 Division street

East Greenwich, RI

**Angelo Iafrate, Rick Sousa, and Tony Scuncio
will demonstrate coring Black Ash Burls**

Coming events

Pot luck picnic September 19, 2009

Cold Spring Senior Center N. Kingston, RI