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### *Minutes of the June 19, 2014 meeting*



Gene opened the meeting with 24+ people and a guest, Dan Dragon of West Warwick, RI who joined the club.

Gene suggested that the club send out an email and request all members having club equipment or material to respond in writing with what they have, in order to establish a club inventory. Gene spoke to Henry Allsworth to find out the location of the clubs video recorder. Henry thought that it was probably at Mike Murray's place (Mike was away so that lead was not followed up).

Gene proposed a number of ways that the club might raise \$\$ for club activities and let the community know of our existence. The funds raised could be a source for funding our pen projects. It seems complicated to arrange space at Keeseh far in advance for a possible "name" demonstrator. A committee to work out an approach to the subject would help but no one volunteered to head up the project. Here are some of the ideas mentioned:

-members were urged to donate bowls, or other items, to be sold for club revenue at craft fairs.

-a 50/50 raffle could raise funds

-members were asked to contact a local tree service company for wood for our wood swap program.

-put on a demo at a fire station or boys club, allowing hands on by the young people. Ken Guarneri spoke about a demo that the Connecticut club he belongs to recently put on at a fair. In addition to demonstrating woodturning, they had parents and kids lined up to turn pens.

Bernie told of a club that put on a demo “making pepper grinders”. At the conclusion of the demo the club handed out 12 pepper grinder kits for the members to take home, make into a pepper grinder, and then return the finished grinders to the club for the club to sell at a craft fair as a fund raiser.

Member were reminded to have their pictures taken for our newsletter and file. Garet Holcomb and William Smith {of Little Compton} had their picture taken.

Members were asked to prepare to bring in some of their jigs for a future meeting on the topic of jigs. Pictures of the jigs could be sent to Bernie or Gene for possible posting on the club website.

Gene mentioned that he was given a Jet joiner/planer and the reviews were very poor, plus, when he took off the front plate, he could not affix it after a half hour. He latter contacted Jet technical with poor results and was told that since he was not satisfied with it he should return it were it purchase (Burns Tool). It took the Burns Tool worker 20 minutes to secure it back in place. The seller was reluctant to accept the return, but after a call to jet, return for credit was issued. Gene is still looking for a 6” joiner/planer.

Finally, Gene learned that Bob O’Connor was still in poor health. He needs his barn repaired this fall and the members were solicited, and nine members signed up to help.

Bob Hopkins was away so no report of our treasury balance was made.

Wayne Collins, Bob Hopkins, Mike Murray, and Earl Randall were off to take a woodturning class with David Ellsworth.

Lincoln Park Project– Wayne sent in 36 pen blanks that he prepared from some of the Lincoln Park roller coaster wood. The plan is that 4 sets of blanks will be handed out per interested turner at the next meeting. The turner keeps 2 finished pens and returns 2 finished pens to the club for use by SWQ (the company providing the wood). The turner is supposed to furnish their own pen kit mechanisms. The returned pens will be auctioned off on Ebay to raise funds for the Boys and Girls Club of Greater New Bedford. There is more lumber available for cutting up into turning blanks. Garet Holcomb took 8, Susan Sparks took 4, William Smith [of Little Compton] took 8, Tom Powell took 4, and Bob Desrochers took 4.



John Chakuroff offered to make some pens for the club if the club provides him the mechanisms and he will supply the wood. The finished pens will be given to Gail for the Pens for Nurses project.

Club project is on hold while George Lough works out some mechanism designs. One suggestion made was that perhaps, instead of horses on a carousel, we make an amusement park ride of cups and saucers, or something else that involves more members turning and less woodworking and woodcarving. Ed Keenan was planning on meeting with Angelo after the meeting to review the CNC generated horse he made.

## Demonstration

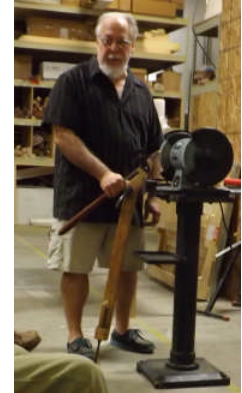
Angelo Iafrate – reviewed sharpening woodturning tools



Angelo explaining the proper shape of a skew cutting edge



Freehand setting up a long bevel on a gouge while Lorraine Hilton and Garet Holcomb look on



Setting up an original Jerry Glasser sharpening jig

Some notes from the demo -

Angelo handed a few copies of sketches showing the woodturning tool edges and typical sharpening angles. These sketches, similar to many in woodturning tool catalogs, may turn up on the club website. He suggested making a cradle to hold a round sided skew flat while sharpening its edge.

Reviewed some old tools that were brought in –

- a mortise chisel with a Bedan edge grind (but lacking the tapered cross section of a Bedan)

- a hook tool – similar to a ring/termite tool

- a Woodcut tool (also similar to a ring/termite tool) but with a gap cover to restrict the size chip it could make.

The angle of a skew point should be 70 degrees from the long point to the short point.

Spindle gouge often has a 30 degree bevel, bowl gouges are often blunter

Demonstrated setting up an original Jerry Glasser jig for gouge sharpening that came with many pages of instructions.

Many people now use Oneway Wolverine jigs for grinding.

His grinder is setup with 54 and 120 grit 1” wheels which are balanced. Uses a Oneway Diamond dresser to keep the wheels flat and free of metal particles. A Harbor Freight grinder was setup which had lots of vibration – might be due to loose mounting bolts, unbalanced ¾” grinding, wheels, or??? – Harbor Freight sells a 6” grinder setup for \$30 and a metal stand for \$30. Woodcraft sells a Rikon slow speed grinder with 8” wheels for \$130.

You can tell if a tool is HSS or Carbon by looking at the sparks generated while grinding. The HSS sparks look like comets, while the carbon steel sparks look more like fireworks.

Towards the end of his talk members were encouraged to try sharpening their tools under Angelo’s guidance.

## Show and Tell



Gene Amaral – showed a pepper mill grinder and a glued up lamination for a future segmented bowl  
Gene has been getting help from Paul Tavares for the laminating idea and from Chris Horn for the steps in making a Pepper Grinder.

Chuck Petibon – showed a Buckeye Burl vessel that he turned from wood that Angelo provided with some help from Jeff. It has one coat of Danish oil on it.



Charlie Hockenson – showed a small Apple bowl finished with Lacquer, and a large segmented bowl with an inlaid set of strips based on an article from Fine Woodworking on cutting boards.



Joe Doran – brought in a basket weave cradle complete with “infant” showing another craft that he has been doing for years. He has also made over a dozen full size cradles.

Gail Collins – showed a large Nantucket basket weave “combination” mirror & tray. Cherry molds, and other basket making supplies, can be gotten from <http://www.delsnantuckets.com/> in East Freetown, MA

### Next Month Meeting -7 PM, July 17, 2014

Wayne Collins, Bob Hopkins, Mike Murray, and Earl Randall will show what they made, and what they learned, at a woodturning class with David Ellsworth

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