BAWA BBQ  August 10th!

Location: Pleasant Hill Park, Area #3, 147 Gregory Lane

Time: 10:00 – 2:00

Pack a plate, bring a tool, finish that croquet mallet and prepare yourself for another great day of BAWA BBQ fun. Social festivities start at 10 am followed by show-and-tell, the famed tool swap, mallet awards and then a fabulous lunch. The event will run until we eat everything, swap our tools and crown a victor in the first annual croquet challenge.

Rumors of performance enhancing drugs, corked wood and excessive pyrography are already being reported in preparation of the croquet challenge. Miniatures to monsters, mallets and balls - build something creative and bring it along.

The tools swap is a great way to make room for more tools in your shop. We all have a few tools that have not been used in the past year, so bring it along and swap it for something you might use or just looks really cool:)

The club is providing burgers and condiments so members should bring salads, desserts or drinks to share. Please help with set-up or clean-up – if we all pitch in it goes really fast. We also need a hand at the BBQ - it’s a great way to meet all the members! Please contact Bill Mellberg to sign-up.

See you Saturday!  If you volunteered to help, see page 4. If you didn’t volunteer, it’s never too late to sign up!!!

Directions to Pleasant Hill Park

Coming from north 680:
Exit onto Gregory Ln.,
Travel approx. .4 of a mile,
Destination will be on the right.

Coming from south 680:
Take Monument Blvd. exit,
Turn left onto Monument Blvd.,
Turn right onto Contra Costa Blvd.
Turn left onto Gregory Ln.,
Travel approx. .3 of a mile,
Destination will be on the right.
The Bay Area Woodturners Association is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Our purpose is to provide a meeting place for local turners to share ideas and techniques and to educate the general public regarding the art of turning. The Association usually meets the second Saturday of each month. The Association periodically sponsors exhibitions and demonstrations by local and internationally known turners.

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**Club Meetings**

Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month unless otherwise noted.

8:30 doors open for setup, use store and library, swap ideas, view displays

9:30—12:30 meeting and demo

*Meetings will be held at the PHEC Woodturning Center, 1 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill, CA.*

See [www.bayareawoodturners.org](http://www.bayareawoodturners.org) for directions and club information.

**BAWA Officers Meeting** -
Officer meetings are open to all members. Contact Bill Mellberg if you would like to be on the agenda.

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**2013-2014 Event Schedule**

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BAWA’s third professional demonstrator of 2013 is Mike Mahoney on Saturday September 7th, which is the 1st Saturday of the month. Mike has been a professional woodturner since 1989 and specializes in production salad bowls, nested bowl sets, hollow forms, burial urns, lidded containers and thread chasing. As an instructor Mike has demonstrated and taught woodturning on various levels in classrooms across the world and has produced several instructional videos to help woodturners of all skill levels. His clear methods, step by step techniques and concise explanations help fellow woodturners to appreciate and create beautiful works on the lathe. Mike also manufactures and sells his line of fine finishes, signature tools and DVD’s, as well as roughed out bowl blanks.

Mike recently moved his family to the Sacramento Area, returning to his roots from Utah, where he lived for many years with his wife Jenni on a small farm. Mike built his reputation specializing in production turning utility pieces made from local timber, mostly reclaimed from landfills and tree surgeons. He is well known for his skill with the McNaughton coring system, and was the first to create natural edge nested bowl sets. More recently Mike has focused on technical works which have been on the drawing board for many years. The majority of his work is sold wholesale to American Craft galleries, but you can also buy on his website: [http://www.bowlmakerinc.com/](http://www.bowlmakerinc.com/)

Mike’s demonstrations include many options from which to choose, including: coring nested bowls with the McNaughton system, his “Heirloom” salad bowls, hollow forms, burial urns with threaded finials, lidded canisters, platters and calabashes. The demo topics have not yet been decided upon, but Mike will certainly have something new from those in October 2010, the last time Mike was at BAWA.

Again, remember that Mike’s demonstration is the first Saturday in September (the 7th) and starts at 10:00 am and ends around 4:30 pm. The demonstration is free to BAWA members, as well as students 18 years or younger. The general public and visitors are welcome and encouraged to attend, but an entrance fee of $25 does apply for the day.
Brad Adams: July Demonstrator

Club member Brad Adams was our featured demonstrator at the July meeting and once again did an excellent job describing his approach to turning a bowl. Brad turns professionally and was able to easily convey the skills, tools and techniques he uses to produce exceptional quality work.

Beginners to experts in the room all picked up tips that will help us improve our work around the lathe. Unfortunately time ran out so we could not finish the presentation so next time we will book Brad for a longer session to take full advantage of his presentation.

Thanks again Brad – your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Volunteers

Cook Volunteers
1. Jim Abreu
2. Jim's Helper

Set-up Volunteers
1. Andrew Baxter
2. Gene Wagg
3. Arturo Gomez
4. Cindy Navarro

Clean-up Volunteers
1. Please Sign-up!

Croquet Judges
1. Corwin Jones
2. Need a member!

Pot Luck Food

Salads
1. Mike Vergino
2. Corwin Jones
3. Carol Buttrum
4. Kim Barker
5. Cindy Navarro

Deviled Eggs
1. Larry Dubia

Deserts
1. Michelle Brooks
2. Greg Ketell
3. Jim Campbell

Drinks
1. Fred Deadrick
2. Mark Hannan
3. Jim Abreu

BAWA Summer Bar-B-Q at Pleasant Hill Community Park
Saturday August 10, 2013
Eccentric Turning on a Budget

For all of us who have thought of venturing into eccentric turning, but have been reluctant because of having to purchase a specialized, expensive chuck, here are a couple of low budget ideas from Bob Gerenser:

Without making any mention of animal cruelty, let me just say that there’s more than one way to get the job of eccentric turning done. I’ve used two different methods for producing an off-center turning without any special equipment. Method one, is to attach your turning to a faceplate waste block, do the initial turning, and then remount the waste block slightly shifted on the faceplate.

The second method employs a waste block held in a standard chuck. In this case the waste block becomes the faceplate. Drill an off-center shallow hole that matches the tenon on a previously turned piece, into this faceplate. Screw the faceplate to the tenon and now it’s easy to turn an eccentric feature.

I’m certain that there are numerous other ways of accomplishing this. You’ve all heard the old nugget, “It’s not the destination, it’s the journey”. Well, as I see it, that applies here. I think you might enjoy the challenge of figuring out how to try a new technique as much as the actual turning.

By Bob Gerenser
Courtesy of Silicon Valley Woodturners

Method #1

Method #2

President’s Message
August 2013

Bill’s on vacation.
No message this month.
Mark Gardner to visit BAWA in November

Mark Gardner's Demo Topics:

1. Turn hollow forms without the hollowing. Cut it in half.

Hollow forms turned through a small opening were always a challenge for me to turn. In this demo I'll show how I make hollow forms, using green wood, much like you make lidded boxes only I'll glue the lid back on. Not only is there less risk of turning through the side of your vessel but it is also easier to gauge the wall thickness as well as remove the shavings from the inside. I'll focus on techniques for making a precise joint to help insures that the piece stays together as it dries. Time will be spent demonstrating various ways to then hide the seam in your vessel. This vessel will also have handles.

2. Surface embellishment for your turnings.

I will demonstrate the various techniques and methods I use for embellishing my work. I'll start by showing how I layout geometric patterns on my turned vessels. Some of the techniques I'll cover include, carving with hand and power tools, engraving, and even some textures done on the lathe. I'll show how I use milk paints and dyes to enhance the carved patterns and lastly how I sharpen my carving tools using a simple homemade MDF strop.

3. Turn a square bowl using three different axis.

In this demo I will illustrate my own take on the idea of a square bowl. Not only will I use three different axis to turn this bowl but I will also hold the bowl on the lathe using 2x4's, masking tape, hot glue and drywall screws. This demo will help to illustrate my approach to turning and the use of the lathe as a tool for shaping wood, not just for making it round.

Mark your calendar for November 9th

CRAFT SUPPLIES 13% DISCOUNT ORDER

The 13% discount applies to any published price (including sale items, close-outs, etc.) and there are no tax or S&H charges. You can find full details on the Craft Supplies Club 13% Discount Program in the April 2012 newsletter.

Craft Supplies has a new catalog that includes new items, and there have been some price increases as well. Look on-line to pick your loot and check prices.

Orders are placed with Norm Robinson by e-mail: (normrobinson@hotmail.com)
- Fill out an electronic order form which Norm can e-mail to you
- Send Norm the pertinent information.
- Catalog item number, catalog page number if possible,
- Item description
- Quantity ordered and the total price before 13% discount. Please don’t use old catalogs as the prices will be incorrect
- Call Norm (415-420-3492) to place an order and follow up with an e-mail to confirm all the information required.
- If you have already placed an order you might send Norm e-mail reminder.
**July Show and Tell**

- **Yew Bowl by Tony Wolcott**
- **Corwin Jones’ Samples from the Mike Jackofsky Class.**
- **Hollow Forms and Bowl by Ed Steffinger.**
- **Joe Morgan made this nice earring holder for his wife’s business.**
- **Decorated Pens by Jim Rodgers**
- **Maple Burl Hollow Form by -E-**
- **Spalted Bowl with Penny Dater by Mark Hannan**
- **Bill Walzer's Redwood Burl Bowl**

Mark Knize’s wobbling top—he makes the end flat instead of pointed.
Dublin Woodcraft - BAWA 3% Rebate for Member Purchases

Dublin Woodcraft provides a valuable service to our membership and the community, so please consider them for your next purchase or turning class!

Your purchases at Dublin Woodcraft also help the club! Did you know that BAWA gets a 3% rebate on all purchases made by BAWA members? For this to work we need you to bring your receipts (or a copy) to the next meeting. The rebate is only good for recent purchases - we can only turn in receipts if they are less than six weeks old! So be sure to bring in your current Wood craft receipts (or a copy) and place them in the Woodcraft Receipt Box on the membership table!