

September/October Newsletter

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PRESCOTT AREA



WOODTURNERS

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President's Message



I'm happy to report that our club's first Interactive Remote Demonstration (IRD) by a professional woodturner went well during the August meeting. Pat Carroll gave an excellent demonstration of turning a square box with a lid and finial. His videography was very good, he explained well what he was doing and why, gave safety pointers, and answered questions. All of this was done in real time via the internet from his shop in Ireland. Things are great when the technology works!

We had 28 people participating in the demo on the screens at YEI and 8 more members participating via Zoom. Pat has a professionally edited recording of this demo available on his website for any member that wants to view it again. If this is representative of what we can expect from other IRDs (and I hope it is!), then we are in for some very good demonstrations from professional woodturners in our future. Don't miss the IRD with Mike Mahoney in September and with Trent Bosch in October.

We collected 112 bowls at the August monthly meeting as donations to the annual Empty Bowls food bank fundraiser in September. It is great that our members are so generous with their donations of some outstandingly beautiful bowls.

We also collected 22 items at the August monthly meeting as donations to the annual Kiwanis Auction fundraiser that supports youth programs in the Prescott area. These donations represent some of the more artistic items that our members create. Again, it is wonderful that our members make items to donate to local organizations for the benefit of our Prescott area community.

Looking ahead, it is time to start making some Christmas and Holiday ornaments and items for the two club sales events coming up. The Holiday Sale in November has always been a good time to sell items to customers looking for some great Christmas gifts. The Stocking Stuffer Sale in December is the time for people to buy last-minute holiday gifts and all of the proceeds directly benefit the club. Please consider making and selling items at both of these events.

Keep on Turning!

Ken Allen

President, Prescott Area Woodturners

July 31, 2021 General Meeting & Picnic

There were changes to this year's picnic. At the last minute the venue was changed from Doug Rowe's back yard to the YEI building. The 2021 Monsoon was especially active, and reservation numbers were such that the YEI building could accommodate us.



The pot luck format brought a wide variety of delicious salads and desserts to augment the pulled pork sandwiches provided. We ate well!

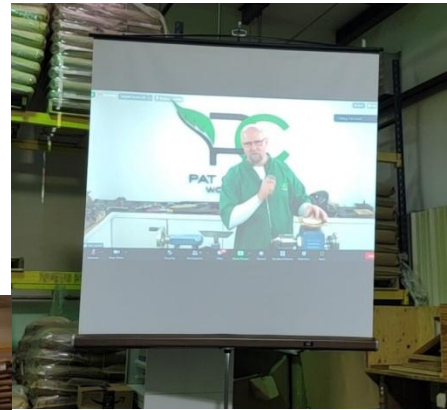
An added treat was this table full of Show & Tell pieces.



August 28, 2021 General Meeting

This meeting was our first experience with Interactive Remote Demonstrations, and it proved to be a success! Both those who attended at the YEI site and those who watched via Zoom were impressed with Pat Carroll's presentation.

This is the room during the presentation:



And this would have been the view from Pat Carroll's perspective:



Show & Tell was an important part of the day. First, because it is always



anticipated by the members, but today it was moved up on the agenda as a way to fill the time Pat Carroll needed to correct technical difficulties on his end.

Today was the final collection of bowls donated to the **Empty Bowls** event.



Also collected this day were these pieces donated to the **Kiwanis Auction**, which this year will take place in September. Shown are some of the artists.



Tuesday Breakfasts are an informal gathering of PAW members who chat over good food. Topics range from current projects (perhaps with examples) to problems or new-found solutions. Breakfast goers can be found at the Back Burner Restaurant in Prescott Valley at 8:00 a.m. (show up at 7:30) on Tuesday. Contact Barry Walter for more information.

Mid-week Chats (Chips & Grits)

Because COVID restrictions kept many members from gathering in person, President Ken Allen initiated a "meeting" via Zoom, at which members can chat informally. Subjects are provided as a jumping-off place. Conversations can, and do, range far from there.

Even though COVID restrictions have eased, and folks are comfortable meeting in person, participants said they want to continue with this discussion group since it serves a different purpose as a skill development session with comments from beginners to advanced turners.

Chips and Grits meetings occur on the second Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. Watch for an e-mail with the ZOOM information and suggested topic.

[Kathy Allen takes minutes at each of these meetings. The Chips and Grits pages are now live on the website. When you are on the site click the calendar arrow and you will find the link to the page. From the page, click on any of the date titles and it will take you to that meeting page.](#)

PAW IS GENEROUS

Kiwanis Auction

This auction is a piece of Prescott history that has been watched and listened to by generations of Prescotttonians. It's a tradition for the folks in the Prescott area to tune in and bid on items, not so much for the deal, but to be part of this annual event that raises money for the kids of our communities. PAW members have donated pieces for this auction for many years.

Empty Bowls

Empty Bowls is a fundraiser for local food banks, for which local ceramic and wood artisans donate "empty" bowls. In 2020 the event was done as a drive-through. PAW contributed more than 100 bowls and was mentioned in the Daily Courier article printed on November 1, 2020, recapping the success of the event. Empty Bowls donated \$2,000 to St. Vincent DePaul, a charity that our Dennis & Carolyn Egan support by delivering meals every Monday. PAW donated 112 bowls in 2021. Bowls donated for this event are collected at every PAW meeting.

Beads of Courage

Beads of Courage, Inc. is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to improving the quality of life for children and teens coping with serious illness, their families, and the clinicians who care for them through an Arts-in-Medicine Program.

Patients are given a bead for each procedure undergone; sadly, some children have enough beads for a string longer than they are tall. PAW members create unique lidded containers that are given to patients in this program, to be used to store the beads they earn. It is our hope that the child will fully recover and keep their BoC box for display in their grown-up home.

The pandemic has made visits to patients difficult, but we will receive pictures of the recipient and her/his special box as soon as visits can resume.



Shown are the bowls awaiting delivery as of April, 2021.

2021 Club Meetings and Events

Programs are subject to change as necessary. Notices will be sent prior to each meeting.

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| • January 23 | Doug Rowe – resin accented bowls |
| • February 27 | Gary Frank - wave bowls |
| • March 27 | Barry Walter - fabric pens |
| • April 24 | Gene Perryman - using resin in bowls & salt & pepper mills |
| • May 8 & 9 | Sale on Courthouse Square |
| • May 22 | Roger Harlow - segmenting |
| • June 26 | Tool Sale |
| • July 31 note date | PAW Pot Luck |
| • August 28 | Pat Carroll via IRD* - Platter w/texture |
| • September 25 | Mike Mahoney via IRD* - Quartersawn Oak Platter |
| • October 23 | Trent Bosch via IRD* - Decorative Utility Bowls |
| • November 13 | Holiday Sale at Grace Sparks Center |
| • Nov. 20 note date | Dean Humphrey - Captured Hollowing Systems |
| • December 6 | PAW Holiday Party at Redwoods Grill in Dewey |
| • December 18 | Stocking Stuffer Sale at Grace Sparks Center |

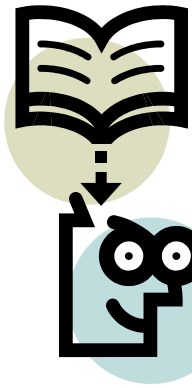
*Interactive Remote Demonstration

VENDORS WITH CLUB DISCOUNTS:

Note: You should show your current Membership Card when asking about a discount.

If you don't yet have your card, check with Jay Loden at the next meeting.

- Artisan Woodworking, Prescott 10%
- Carter & Son Toolworks, 10%
- Craft Supply, 13% on orders of \$1000 or more
- Hartville tools, 10%
- Klingspor, 10% (excludes anything mechanical)
- Northwest Figured Woods, 15%
- Rockler, 10%
- Wood Carvers Supply, 10% over \$400 or \$500
- Woodcraft, 10% (exclusions apply - ask at desk)
- Woodworkers Source, 10%



LIBRARY NEWS

Prescott Area Woodturners maintains an extensive library, consisting of books, magazines and DVD's with ideas and instructions useful to woodturners.

You will find it in tubs at the back of the meeting area. Management of this resource has been assumed by Kathy Allen. At each meeting you will find her near the tubs that comprise the Library. She will be happy to check out your choice and/or to check it back in again.

PAW Library News

The recent remote demonstration by Pat Carroll provided an outstanding step-by-step view and narrative of his process in making a square box with a finial. I was glad that he allowed our club members to review it again by providing a short-term link to the demo.

I want to share a list of materials in our PAW library that can give suggestions for creating a variety of boxes or lidded containers. When you are looking for ideas, consider checking out any of these books or DVDs when you're at the next meeting.

Books:

- 'Turning Boxes with Friction-Fitted Lids' by Bill Bowers
 - 'Turned Boxes: 50 Designs' by Chris Stott
 - 'All New Turning Projects' by Richard Raffan
 - 'Shapes for Woodturners' by David Weldon
- (Other books may also have chapters on lidded containers)

DVDs:

- 'Special Boxes' by Malcolm Tibbetts
 - 'Turned Boxes' (2 different DVDs) by Ray Key
 - 'Boxes, Goblets and Screwthreads' by Dennis White
- (Some other DVDs have multiple topics and include lidded containers.)

Craft Supply has added this video on the basics of turning a box to their free series: <https://blog.woodturnerscatalog.com/2021/08/woodturning-101-video-8-turning-a-box/>.

The next IRD (interactive remote demonstration) will be given by Mike Mahoney at the October meeting. Our library has three DVDs by Mike that could be checked out if you want to learn more from him. Those are:

- 'Heirlooms: Making Things That Last'
- 'Nested Madrone Bowl Set'
- 'Mike Mahoney Trio: Bowl, Plate, Hollow Form'

The library will be available before the remote demonstrations at the next few meetings. Thank you for using the PAW library materials.

Kathy Allen, Librarian