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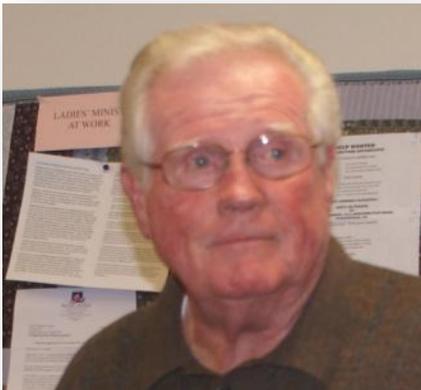
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GCW Newsletter Brief:

The August meeting had a relatively low turnout with 19 members and 4 guests. 2 of our guests, Gale Hight and her son Dominick, joined the club. Welcome to the club Gale and Dominick. I guess the summer smoke, heat, vacations and pandemic hangover are still keeping members from attending. Basil Borkert could not make the meeting so Rich Schwerin filled in and managed the Show-N-Tell action. We had 5 members presenting in the meeting Show-N-Tell segment. Our raffle segment, managed by Dave Boutcher, had many items, including some contributed items that attracted a high level of participation. There are 6 project submissions presented in the newsletter August Projects Submissions section. We have 3 members posting messages this month including, an estate sale and a request for woodworking help to flatten a workbench.

Correction: Note our new member Gale Hight was incorrectly list as Gale Dominick in the original newsletter publishing.

Presidents August 2021 Message:



Dear fellow CGW members.

Mark Butzler was the featured speaker at the August 10th Meeting. He gave an outstanding presentation on how to begin Segmented Bowl turning. He included shortcuts on cutting, paper handouts on the geometry of each step, and basically made it simple enough that even I could understand it! I was glad to see other bowl turners add remarks on how they solved the same problems which added to our knowledge. This is the benefit of our GCW club. We help each other expand our areas of expertise and even supply mentors on all facets of woodworking. Come to our next meeting on Sept 14 and join in not only the “how to” of woodworking, but the fellowship of our good members.

Warm Regards:

John Brideson

GCW President

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August Meeting:

The August meeting was a lot of fun as all our main events provided the members present a great experience. It's unfortunate that the turnout was so low as, I'm sure many more members would have gained much by attending.



Our Show-N-Tell was very interesting, among the projects we had 2 members presenting their venture into the world of CNC woodworking. As in the case of John Roberts (picture left), he is using his new “CNC toy” to take the pressure off his arthritic hands and shoulders.

The following 5 members presented in the Show-N-Tell: 1) John Roberts described his new 3 dimensional CNC machine. It allows him to do laser engraving/cutting, CNC routing, and 3D printing. 2) John Cope described his CNC router and its capabilities. 3) Micky Dupper showed 2 turned green apple wood bowls. 4) Ron Sexton showed a turned Maple Tureen and a Walnut plate. 5) Mark Butzler showed a rolling pin with a Celtic knot, a cutting board (mostly end grain), and a Celtic knot cutting jig.



Following the Show-N-Tell we had a presentation by Mark Butzler on what it takes to get started in segmented turning. This was a well prepared and informative presentation. With the aid of a handout and some simple drawings plus examples he was able to provide clear step by step instructions on how to design, prepare, cut and assemble a segmented project. The interest level amongst our members was really high prompting much member participation, questions and suggestions. During the break Mark was quite busy with follow up interest from our members. The presentation handout is attached to the email distributing this newsletter. If you missed this presentation you missed a good one.

Announcements and News:

Club dues: Club Dues are \$10 for the balance of 2021 (July – December). As we have reported, our new GCW year starts January 1, 2022. **New** members will still have dues prorated based on the month they join.

Project Information for future newsletters: We encourage our members to share their woodworking craftsmanship at our meetings Show-N-Tell period. Also, we encourage members to submit their projects even if they miss a meeting for inclusion in the club newsletter. Those members submitting projects including those that presented at the GCW meetings please send in photos along with the related project information. Those that choose to not submit projects will not be included in the newsletter. Please send project submissions to gpcwoodwk@gmail.com.

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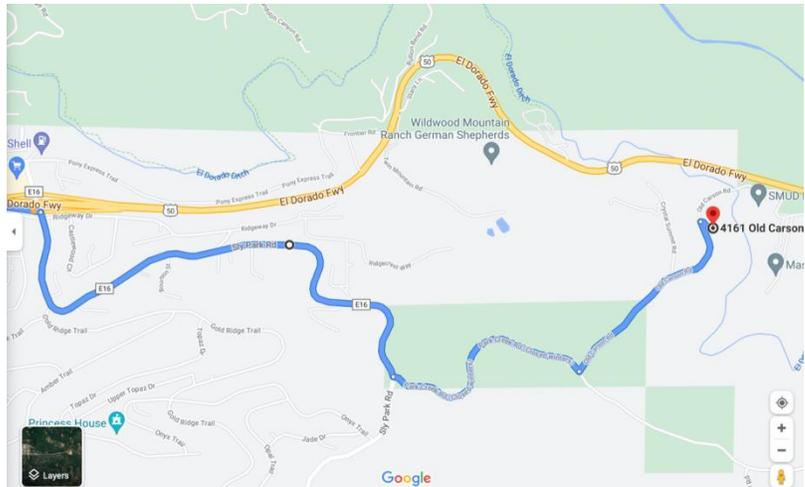
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Badges: Members, when coming to meetings, please be sure to pick up your badge from the badge box at the door and wear it prominently. At the end of the meeting be sure to drop your badge in the “badge bucket” **not the badge box**. If by chance you take your badge home, try to bring it to the next meeting.

Members Message Corner:

Jerry Preston: Estate Sale. As has been announced we are relocating to Colorado. As a result we are having an Estate Sale Friday, 8/27/2021, through Sunday, 8/29/2021, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Most of my tools will be in the sale. The address is our current residence, 4161 Old Carson Road, Pollock Pines, CA. Note that GPS and Google Maps may take you via Fresh Pond and over a dirt road between Fresh Pond and our house. For paved roads, the directions are east on Highway 50 to Sly Park Road (exit 60), right 1.6 miles to Park Creek Road, left 0.6 miles to Old Carson Road, Left 0.6 miles to our house on the right. Please refer to the adjacent map. If there are question I can be reached by email. jbpreston437@gmail.com



Note.. Please check that the roads are open before heading out. The Caldor fire may still be an issue.

Micky Dupper: The Caldor fire is scary and too close to home. Several of my friends have lost their homes in Grizzly Flats. Roy Carter and his building partner lost a home they were building in Grizzly Flats. Many more are evacuated from Pollock Pines and Camino. Everybody please stay safe.

Tony Barela: I am building a new workbench and need to flatten the top; it's bowed. I have a jack plane, but I am a novice and have zero experience working with a plane this way and do not want to mess it up. I was hoping someone out there may have experience and be able to help. I have attached a photo. Any help would be appreciated. Thanks. Email: hmchicken@sbcglobal.net



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August Project Submissions (6 Members):

Ron Sexton



I found this Lidded Tureen box on a website and liked it so I decided to turn it. I used some end grain Maple as the original was of fruit wood and light in color. My goal was to replicate down to the cracks and color plus make it look old. I did modify the lid some because I didn't like the way the original was turned. The original is for sale on website for \$1295 and was made in the 1800's. By the way Tureen means a deep covered dish from which soup is served. I'll sell mine for \$1295 if anyone is interested. Check, out the website, 1stdibs.com.



I bought a piece of Claro walnut some years back. It was about 3' long and was from the outside of the tree. It had lots of beetle holes and their dust. I finally got around to turning it on the lathe and because of the beetle holes I had to turn it really thin. The result it ended up about 10.25" diameter by 1" thick and 3/16" on the edge. I had to consult with Harvey to get some help on this one. Claro Walnut is valued for its dark figure that runs through it, and grows in Northern Calif.



Ron

Max Lee



Here is a whirligig I made just recently. This is me apologizing to my wife (I think I have more hair).



Max

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Ed Woodards



This carving project was done from an Intarsia pattern (left picture). I broke it up into three different sections: the oval frame, the palm tree and then the individual birds. The palm tree and the oval frame are from a darker woods Mahogany and I believe some Oak. The birds were made from Basswood and hardwood. Tools used were a band saw, sanders and hand carving chisels. All items were glued together with normal glue and finished with a semi-gloss.

Ed



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Micky Dupper



It was good to see everybody at the meeting. Mark's presentation on segmented bowls was very informative. One day I will have to give that a try. Here are my latest green apple bowls that were shown at the August meeting. They were finished with clear Bullseye Shellac. The deeper bowl was my first End grain turning. There was lots of sharpening involved in hollowing this bowl as compared to others. Let's all appreciate Gail's effort in creating the newsletters. I know myself and my wife and friends enjoy seeing everybody's projects, no matter what they are. So let's see more sharing.

Micky



Roy Carter



Here is my latest Totem. It is about 3 feet high and 3 feet wide at the wingtips. It is an Eagle coated with TWP wood preservative. I will be painting many of its features soon.

Roy

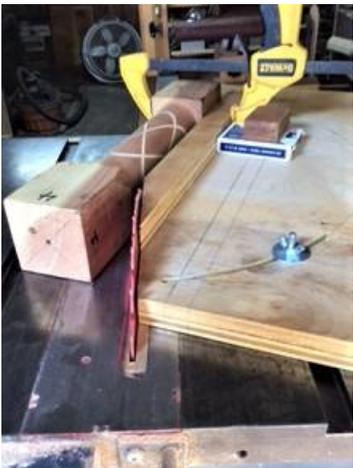
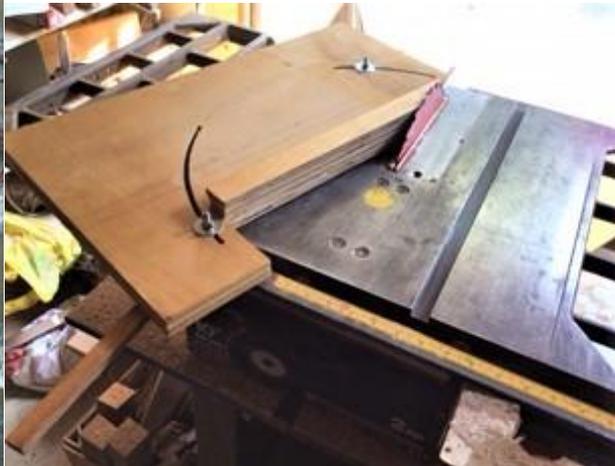


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Mark Butzler



Hi all

Here I'm presenting a jig that I use to create the Celtic Knot on round projects like a rolling pin. The jig is designed to take a 3" square blank 24" to 30" long that allows you to cut glue ready slots any place along the blank you desire. The largest diameter spindle you can cut with a 10" table saw is 2 3/4" diameter. The average diameter of a rolling pin is 2". The jig is very accurate and quite easy to make. The trick is to NOT cut completely through your square blank. That allows you to glue in the inlaid blanks without the blank shifting during the glue up process. Examples of rolling pins I have made incorporating the Celtic Knot are shown in the picture top left. The next picture shows the jig I made mounted on the table saw. It is a sled that consists of a piece of plywood with an attached fence and an adjustable miter guide. The miter guide position is set and locked (wing nuts)

dependent on the angle you need for your specific project. The radius for the miter guide adjustment on this jig is 10". In my rolling pins the angle is somewhere around 30 degrees. Note, the picture, far right, shows a blank already turned to show the Celtic Knot. All cuts are made on a square blank. The blank can be clamped with shims to create wider inlay slots using playing cards or wood. To create parallel slots wider spacers can be used. Making projects incorporating the Celtic Knot is a lot of fun. If anyone would like more information or suggestions on how to get started I would be happy to help. I can be reached by email at mbutzler49@gmail.com



Mark

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Businesses that support GCW: Be sure to stop by Woodcraft Supply Sacramento, Pro Builder Placerville, The Paint Spot*, or the Rockler Woodworking* store in Rocklin. Please let them know how much Gold Country Woodcrafters appreciates their support. * ***Businesses offering GCW member discounts.***

Membership Dues:

Dues for the balance of 2021 (July through Dec.) were due in July and are \$10. Our annual dues will be \$20 starting January of 2022. If you have not done so please bring your \$10 for 2021 to the next meeting.

Notice to members: If your contact information has changed since joining please let the club know. Just send any changes you may have to the email address used to send out the newsletter. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

Gold Country Woodcrafters Meeting Place: GCW meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month unless otherwise notified and are at the Park Community Church meeting hall, 3901 Wild Chaparral Dr. Shingle Springs, Ca. exit 37 off highway 50. A map is provided on the home page of the GCW website.

Regards and happy woodcrafting.

Gail Cone

GCW Newsletter editor



I would like to acknowledge my Wife, Karen, for taking the time and effort to proof read the newsletter each and every month. Believe me it makes a real difference making me look good.

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