



Newsletter

Next General Meeting - September 3rd at the Mount Vernon Christian School

ANACORTES ARTS FESTIVAL

Check out photos
and a recap!

WOODWORKING NEWS

Info about the Annual
Wooden Boat Festival

MEETING MINUTES

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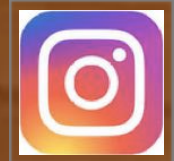
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President's Message...

As a busy August starts winding down, it's good to look at what the club accomplished this month. First was the Anacortes Arts Fair earlier this month. The new location given to us by the organizers definitely seemed to have reduced the number of people that came by the booth, but luckily the impact wasn't as significant as we were afraid it might be. Other than that, it was a big success, made possible by the volunteers who donated their time and skills for giving demonstrations and greeting visitors. A big thanks to all of you! John Braun deserves a special shout-out for all the time and energy he devotes to the Toys for Tots program and its volunteers year-round, as well as manning the Toys for Tots area for the entire fair. The guy is a machine . . .

And of course, last weekend we had the annual picnic with the woodturners, which was another success for the club. Again, it was all the volunteers that pitched in and helped out that made it work. I'd like to call out a few folks who went above and beyond to make sure everyone had a good time. Thanks to George Knutson who was one of the first on the scene and last to leave, as usual. And a huge thank you to Charley and Ann for slaving over that hot grill and keeping the

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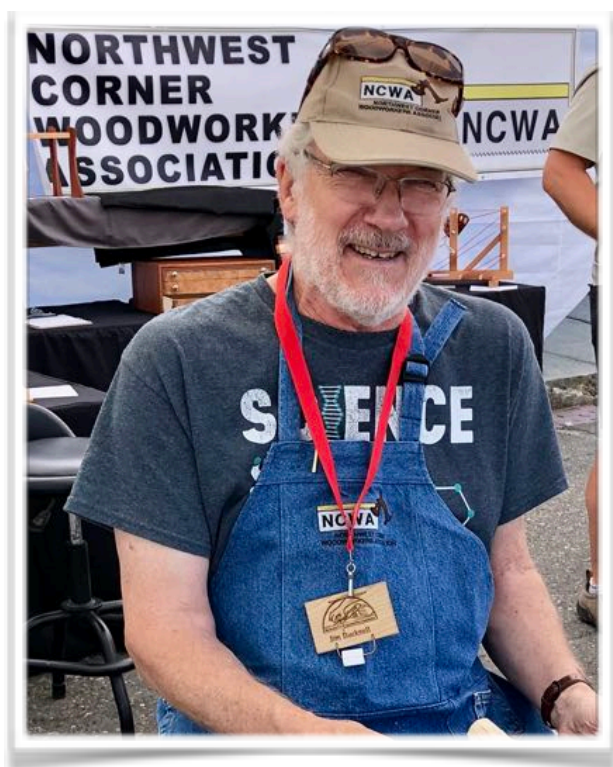
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food coming. Last, but definitely not least, I want to thank Brannon and Kate for all their efforts that lasted from the very beginning of the picnic until the very end.

Now I'm looking forward to a quieter September where we'll have more time to turn money into fun and sawdust. Thanks to everyone for making this club special!

-Nick Pederson, President

September General Meeting Presentation



Cool Tools and Jigs

Past-President, and long-time member, Jim Bucknell, will host a presentation showcasing various unique tools and jigs that are favorites in the shops of some of our members.

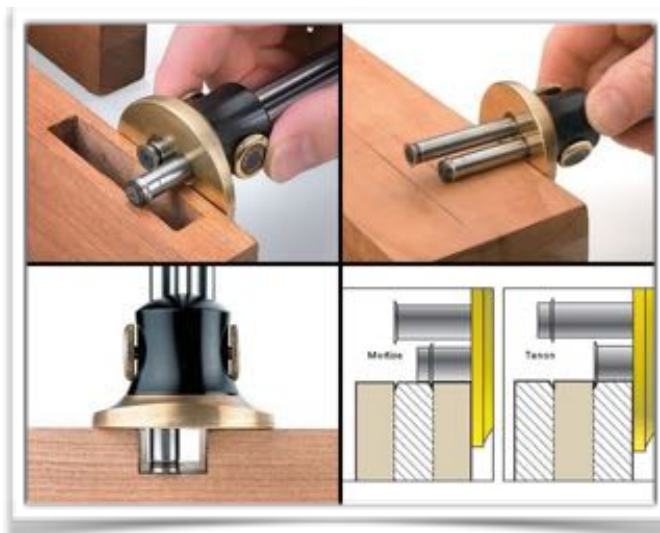
You may want to be prepared to take notes because the presenters will provide the name of the tool or jig, and information about the price and where to get it, or, if shop-made, how to get plans, etc. This will be a chance to see some handy tools and jigs that you might want to add to your shops. Great ideas to make things easier and solve those woodworking problems that have been troubling you.

September Raffle

The Lee Valley Veritas Dual Marking Gauge will improve the accuracy of your joinery!

Value \$66.

Don't miss our September meeting for a chance to win this useful tool. **Raffle tickets are free!**



2024 Anacortes Arts Festival Highlights

Despite our new location for the booth at this year's Anacortes Arts Festival, we had a lot of visitors and connections. A special thank you to Jerry Couchman and John Braun who were there all four days from dawn to dusk. And a huge thank you to all of the volunteers, greeters and setup/tear down workers.

Also, a special note to all our demonstrators. Joan Mann who demonstrated her Intarsia all weekend and King Dahl doing a wonderful job demonstrating and tuning the Marimba while providing instruments for visitors to the booth to showcase their own musical talents. We had Mark Lindenbaum with his beautiful Kumiko lattice demonstration, Jerry Couchman with his fantastic fan and segmented Inlay demonstration, George Knutson with his Inlay butterfly process work and greeting all weekend, Earl Kessler with his hand plane demonstration and examples, Greg Koenker doing continuous grain box making using a shooting board and shooting plane, David Shull with some striking string Inlay, Jim Bucknell showcasing how to use the Domino and, Peter Ghatt on fish carving. Steve Wagoner, Jim Bucknell, Ray deVries, and others on the shave horse.

John and team as always making kids smile and providing cherished toys for kids of all ages, all weekend. Thanks to all the supporters- some of which were- Christi Brua, Bob Laufenberg, Ann Osborne, and Steve Johnson. – *Submitted by Mark Kraus*



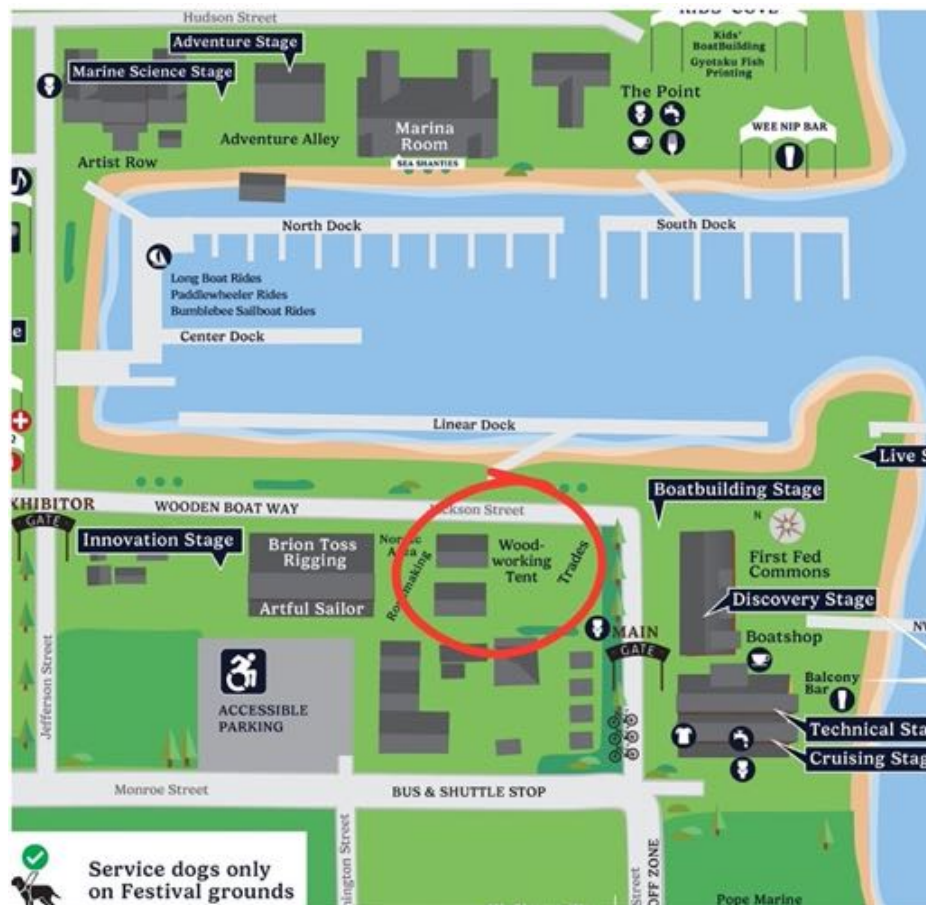




Woodworking News

ANNUAL WOODEN BOAT FESTIVAL

The annual Wooden Boat Festival in Port Townsend will be held on the weekend of September 6-8. Also at the festival there will be a booth for the Port Townsend School of Woodworking. For more information, see [Wooden Boat Festival - Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival](https://woodenboat.org) (<https://woodenboat.org>).



Class Announcement

Mark Kraus will be teaching a class on building a Shaker end table on Oct. 19, 26 and Nov. 2, 9 (four class sessions). This is a great class to introduce mortise and tenon joinery and tapering skills in this classic end table project. Full size plans, cut list and access to Tom McLaughlin's video series on this project are included (\$47). The instructor will demo and build a table and assist the students with building their own tables using wood of their own choosing

Meeting Minutes

Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association Board of Directors Meeting August 15, 2024

Attendees

Barry Tonkin
Nick Pedersen
Al Ashley
Christi Brua Weaver
Andrew Pellar
Peter Gantt
John Braun
Don Mason
George Knutson

Call to order: 7:04 pm

Anacortes Arts Festival Recap

- Saturday - traffic wasn't as heavy as past years but still was a good experience, exposes non-woodworkers to us, able to have better interactions time with visitors
 - Farmers market helped with traffic, but things slowed down after it closed at 2pm
- Sundays are always slower
- Would like more signs directing traffic toward working artists booths; would also be helpful to have more vendors on the side street leading toward working booths
- Traffic of children at Toys for Tots table was more manageable than in past years and donations were higher
- Suggestion to talk with Wood Turners to see if they have the same concerns; maybe can jointly address with organizers

Treasurer's Report - Al Ashley

- See Al's report for details
- About \$2,500 more in the bank than at this time last year
- 253 members (233 last year); 40 new members this year (23 in 2023)
- Prorated dues went into effect, \$20 through September 30
- 2025 budget initial review will be next month, approval in October

- Toys for Tots account
 - Prior to 2018, donations were turned over to Toys for Tots with the Marines
 - Since then, club has kept donations to purchase supplies, currently \$1,530.28 earmarked for Toys for Tots (\$880.50 brought in this year)
 - New south Toys for Tots group is going strong but north group hasn't met in a few months; John may start up a group at his shop, several members have expressed interest
 - Donations will not be earmarked for a specific north/south group; Toys for Tots committee members should submit for reimbursement

Picnic - Nick Pedersen

- Several volunteers are purchasing food and will report cost to Nick and submit receipts to AI
- Nick will track leftovers to help plan better for future picnics; historically there has never been an RSVP but turnout has never been high (fewer than 100)
 - Leftover uncooked burgers are sometimes sold to offset cost
- Will look into improving process/reducing waste for future years by having a postmortem with Woodturners after the picnic
- Peter and Nick will pick up grill tomorrow, other volunteers are picking up supplies, cooks are lined up

Education Committee - Andrew Pellar

- Talking with teachers and getting dates, working on new class to build a hand plane
- Should have more classes with assistants that are able to handle more people
- Barry is interested in teaching a plant stand class

Programs - Peter Gantt

September - Jim Bucknell MCing a program on unusual tools members have in their shop

October - Loren Seeks, furniture maker from Port Townsend

November - Bob Behnke - Titebond glue chemist

December - Year in Review

January & February - has a few leads on possible programs

2025 President

- Nominations will be brought forward in November and elections in December

Adjourn: 8:17pm

Preferred Vendors offering DISCOUNTS to NCWA Members:

NORTH –

[Hardware Sales](#)

[Bellingham Millwork](#)

[Hardwoods to Get](#)

[Windsor Plywood](#)

[Village Books](#)

WEST –

[Sebo’s Hardware](#)

SOUTH –

[Martin Lumber/True Value](#)

[Stormo Hardwoods](#)

CENTRAL –

[Ekrem Hardware](#)

[Stockton’s Paints](#)

[Mt. Vernon Building Center](#)

[Cedar Country Lumber](#)

[Sherwin-Williams Paint](#)

EAST –

[E & E Lumber](#)

SPECIALTY –

[Edensaw Woods](#)

[FASTCAP](#)

[Klingspor Woodworking Shop](#)

NCWA is open to all interested woodworkers, and was formed to promote high standards in woodworking, woodworking education and showcasing local woodworking. Meetings are generally held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Dues are \$35 per year, payable to NCWA, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. Submit newsletter articles by email to kingdahl1@gmail.com.

NCWA 2024 Board of Directors:

President – Nick Pederson

Vice President – Barry Tonkin

Treasurer – Al Ashley

Secretary – Christi Brua Weaver

Members at Large – Peter Gantt, Chuck Barnett, Don Mason, George Knutson

Committee Chairs:

Programs Committee – Peter Gantt, Chuck Barnett, Craig Edwards

Library – Bill Pierce

Education – Andrew Pellar

Membership – Jerry Couchman

Shows – King Dahl

Shop Tours – TBA

Toys for Tots – John Braun

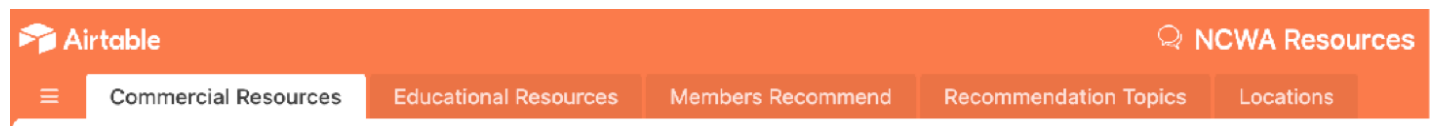
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NCWA Resources

Click this link – [NCWA Resources](#) – for our user-friendly database serving the purpose of storing information about recommendations from NCWA members.

There are 5 tables (1 tab for each) across the top, you can click each one to see its contents. This page is evolving and being updated in real time, so there will be new additions frequently.



The screenshot shows the Airtable interface for 'NCWA Resources'. The navigation bar includes the Airtable logo, a search icon, and the title 'NCWA Resources'. Below the title are five tabs: 'Commercial Resources', 'Educational Resources', 'Members Recommend', 'Recommendation Topics', and 'Locations'. The 'Commercial Resources' tab is currently selected.

- **Commercial Resources:** list of companies (incl website and phone #) and what people recommend them for
- **Educational Resources:** online resources for different topics, grouped by topic (this doesn't have to be limited to videos, we can have books and other stuff too)
- **Members Recommend:** This table is automatically generated by the first two, and keeps track of who's recommending what
- **Recommendation Topics:** This is another automatic table, and lists commercial resources (the first table) grouped by topic
- **Locations:** a final automatic table that lists which commercial resources (again, the first table) are located in which cities, so that it's easier to see what's near you

Let Tony know, or post on NCWA-Chat, what you think. This has the potential of being a super convenient, user-friendly database for all members.

