



San Diego Woodturners

Proud Founders of the Turn-Around-for-Vets (TAV) Program



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This month at SDWT:

“Turn Around”

@ Nottingham, **21 June, 2025**

(9 AM - 12 PM)

Turn Around: Or sometimes referred to as Take a Turn - An interactive event whereby you can learn something new, polish up on a turning skill/ technique, get your questions answered, and put some hands-on with a mentor. A great event. The mentors are looking forward to your participation to assist you in your wood turning endeavours.

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Sally Ault

SHAVINGS

from the Prez . . .

I hope members enjoyed my demo of making Bird House Ornaments. I hope to see a lot of them at the next instant Gallery in July. We won't have an Instant Gallery or a Raffle in June.

The June meeting will be your chance to learn. Karen has organized a "Take a Turn". We haven't done one for several years and they are fun. There will be 6 lathes set up with a member showing you how to make something. These will be small fun projects...and hopefully a lot of the things will be made from Torrey Pine to stock the gift shop at the Preserve. There will also be resin information and you can make bandsaw circle templates to make cutting blanks a whole lot easier.

If you have stuff to sell, you are welcome to come and set up a table for a mini swap meet! Bring everything! We won't be supplying tables or popups. I know you all have things you want to get rid of and there will be things that you can buy that you probably don't need but you want!!! I suggest bringing cash...very few of those selling will be able to take a credit card.

At the June meeting, please do not park in the back unless you are a demonstrator. We need to keep that area open. If you have things you need to haul in to sell, bring a cart.

By the time of the June meeting, the AAW symposium will be done and our club will have been awarded the 2025 Community Impact Award for our work with TAV. If you help in any way with TAV, give yourself a round of applause. It takes a team and we have a great team.

The fair will be underway by the June meeting as well. When you work at the booth, remember to chat with the people who come by to see what woodturning is all about. Make sure you talk about TAV. It really makes a difference in what we bring in for donations to have a conversation about TAV. If any member wants to sign up to just talk to people coming by, we can make that happen.

Don't forget to change the address of our PO Box to **SDWT 1220 Rosecrans St. #233, San Diego, CA 92106** in case you have anything that you are mailing to the treasurer or membership chairs.

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SHAVINGS Cont...

There will be no Drop in Saturday in June since the fair is on...it will resume on July 26. Come by and turn or visit!

On May 25, a group of volunteers worked at the Strawberry Festival and made over \$1000 for TAV. Thanks to Paul Simpson for organizing it, Jon Chernow for making it happen, with a lot of help from Dave John, Jim O'Grady, Mark Dusek, Jerry Ela and myself. Geri Gabriel was an incredible help with the Square and at least a third of our sales were with a credit card...it would have been more but there were so many transactions happening all over the festival that everyone was having connectivity issues. Thank you Geri!

This month's Volunteer of the Month is Steve Frick. Steve quietly just gets things done. I know you have appreciated the delicious goodies Steve makes for our meetings and you probably don't realize that he has to get to Nottingham REALLY early to get the large coffee urn ready in time for us to enjoy it. He also has been in charge of the fair for several years and makes it all work. He also helps with Drop in Saturdays. He is an extremely valuable member. Please thank him for all his hard work next time you see him.

The AAW symposium will be over soon but two more excellent symposium options are coming up. The SWAT (Southwest Association of Woodturners) symposium is August 22-24. There are usually several SDWT members in attendance. It is smaller than AAW and has a bigger trade show! Lots of exceptional demonstrators to see and they feed you lunch each day so you don't have to go out in the heat to find lunch. If you go, I recommend that you buy a banquet ticket and a lot of raffle tickets. They draw winners from the raffle tickets at the opening, at lunch each day, at the banquet and at the closing ceremony...after each drawing until the last one they put the tickets back in the hopper so you could win multiple times! At the banquet they have a large number of donated pieces by the demonstrators and other turners that are also raffled off! Yes, it is hot in Waco in August but bring a jacket to wear in the convention center. They turn the AC up to chill mode.

The Rocky Mountain symposium is in Loveland Colorado September 19-21. It's a smaller symposium but excellent. I'm proud that this year all the demonstrators are women! Trent Bosch, Kailee Bosch and Laurent Niclot are running it and it will be very much worth the trip. I hope to see you there.

Please be safe in your shop and keep making lots of shavings! **Sally**

SDWT Demonstration/Event Schedule for 2025



I hope you are all staying well. We are blessed to have such a wonderful pastime to keep us busy.

Our program schedule will continue to provide a variety of demonstrations to enhance your skills and maybe offer something you haven't tried before..

On the Horizon - **July: Joe Fleming, Aug: Doug Schneiter.**

Karen

This month,



“Take a Turn” Event Returns to SDWT

. For our June meeting we are bringing back the Take-A-Turn! It will be held at Nottingham (21 June) during our normal half-day demonstration time. What's different about this is you get to have some hands-on time on one of our lathes and learn with a mentor how to make a small project. The meeting will start promptly at 9 with some short announcements and then we're off. Here is a list of the different topics and projects.

Don Own- Casting Resin

Jeff Neff- Small Bowls

Ray Brooks- Tops

Pete Campbell- Weed Pots

Sally Ault- Mushrooms

Carolyn Jones- Peg Board Cutting Templates

Karen Freitas- Trees

If you make it you get to take it home or if it's made of Torrey Pine you can donate it to the Torrey Pine gift shop for TAV. You must be a current member of our club to use the lathes but you can watch if you are not yet a member. Come on down and enjoy the day! **Karen**

Two Class Opportunities for Sign-Up

Air Brushing Class in Woodturning by Joe Fleming



Following the July demonstration by Joe Fleming on Air Brushing in Woodturning, he will be having a class for those interested to further their knowledge and skill in Air Brushing in woodturning.

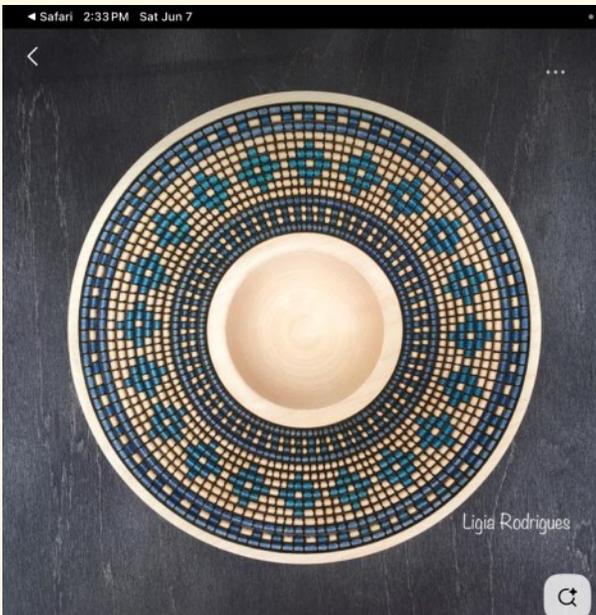
Cost is \$250 per person

Two day class: 20/21 July

Class will be held either at Nottingham or at his Shop depending on interest.

If Interested in either class, sign-ups can be made by going to our SDWT website (members Only Tab) "Class Signups"

Basket Illusion Class with Doug Schneider



You will have another opportunity to learn how to create your own Basket Illusion platter and art. Doug Schneider will be here in Aug to demonstrate the way he lays out, beads and burns his beautiful basket Illusion bowls and platters on August 16th. He will be giving a two day class BEFORE the demo on Thursday and Friday August 14 and 15. The classes will cost \$300 for both days and they include the cost of wood, use of Doug's templates, lunch and instruction with Karen Freitas as the assistant. You need to sign up on our web site (sdwt.org-members only/class sign-ups) and pay for your seat to keep your spot.

“Drop-In Saturday”



The idea behind “Drop in Sessions” for Members is to set up a shop environment of collaboration and a place to receive assistance in answering your turning questions or help with a technique.

[Bring your own tools and project material along with your PPE.](#)

Our days are typically on a select **Saturday of the Month**. **8:30 am to 12:00 pm**

San Marcos, Nottingham Arts Center.

“Drop-In”

Drop-In will return in July at Nottingham

The forthcoming June focus on support for the Fair, the Drop-In mentor team is taking a pause but will be returning in July. If you need some mentoring help, check out our Club Mentors via our Website, (Menu pull down and within About—Mentors).

Participants must be members of San Diego Woodturners Club (SDWT) in good standing. Members under the age of 18 years may participate with parental permission and a parent or guardian must be present.

Safety is ALWAYS a Priority!

Questions: Email at Dropin@sdwt.org





Turn Around for Vets (TAV) is a critical program of the San Diego Woodturners Club. All TAV activities are carried out by a dedicated, unpaid group of volunteers so that 100% of donated funds, designated for TAV, are used to purchase supplies and equipment and to support the program.



Dan Waldburger

This Month's TAV Update:

VA La Jolla: We had roughly 40 turners in the month of May. Some turned keychains, most turned pens. We lost one day because the VA maintenance staff decided to re-pour some portions of the concrete slab for tree root removal. We're currently back in business. Repaired another lathe tilt-stand, so all equipment is in good working order

Camp Pendleton: Great success with Pen turning this month with the 1 for 5 pen challenge. After turning 5 pens a segmented or colorful acrylic pen blank of choice is provided to the participant. A large number of pens were turned in for "donation" at this years Fair.

NMC - Balboa: We sold one Laguna Revo and immediately replaced it with a new Jet 1221. Also cut some "stucco-stop" trim boards to use in the ASYMCA conference room for challenge coin display.

Vista Strawberry Festival: A team representing TAV and SDWT was again at the Vista Strawberry Festival on May 25th. It was coordinated by Paul Simpson with Jon Chernow as the site lead. The team was rounded out by Sally Ault, Dave John, Mark Dusek and Jim O'Grady who spent the day turning tops. A special shout out to Geri Gabriel who came at 6:00 AM to help set-up and ensure that the credit card reader was ready to go. Over 100,00 people attended the festival, and **\$1160.00** was donated to TAV in return for numerous items turned by various club members. A good day that not only supported TAV, but increased community awareness of both TAV and SDWT.



Equipment For Sale: TAV has Laguna Revo lathes for sale (\$400 each), all in good working condition. We also have (5) Shop Fox W1704 (pen-only) lathes (\$200 each). Contact Dan if interested.

Volunteers: There wouldn't be a TAV program if not for our volunteer staff. Thank you all so much for your generosity of time, patience and knowledge. Our veterans become better turners with your guidance and input..

Del Mar Fair-2025 “Summer Pet-Tacular”



The Del Mar Fair for 2025 is almost upon us (**11 June - 6 July 2025**). I want to **thank** all who have stepped up to fill the booth shifts so far and who are assisting in setting up our booth. In addition, we want to thank those of you who prepped tops & pens for the Fair. The Fair is a busy time for all concerned and it is important that we put forth the best image possible for the San Diego Woodturners.

One of the most important points we want to make is that it is extremely important that each person who has volunteered to work one or more shifts at the Fair, fulfill their obligation. We do understand that from time to time health issues or other emergencies come up that prevent one from fulfilling a shift. We ask that if an emergency does come up that you let us know (Steve or Jon) as soon as possible so that we have an opportunity to find a substitute. You would also need to get the issued Fair tickets and parking pass to us asap. We need to then notify the Fair of these changes because of security reasons and the fact that we bring in tools.

If this is your first time volunteering you might have questions about what you should bring to your shift. We have tried to keep this simple. You will need to bring your turning tools and personal protective equipment. Please do not bring all of your tools. We are turning small objects and you should bring appropriate tools for **turning tops and pens**.

There is a break room in The Design and Wood Building for us to use. Typically water and soda are provided. The Fair administration has asked us to keep sanding to a minimum. All finishes and child safe felt pens will be provided by our club. We have prepped tops and pen kits for you to turn. Remember to wear protective equipment at all times while you are turning.

Our main objective is the promotion of the woodturning craft. However, we do have signage asking for donations for Tops and Pens for our program that serves Wounded Veterans as a secondary objective. We ask you to arrive about 30 minutes early. Traffic is sometimes a problem and we want you coming relaxed and ready to meet the public.

At the end of each day one of the volunteers will count the donations and take all but \$20.00 (leave the \$20.00 in small bills for the next day) home. This person will be asked to write and mail a check to SDWT (1220 Rosecrans St. #233, San Diego, CA 92106). We will have pre-addressed envelopes at the back of the booth for you to use. Write the date you volunteered on the check so that we can better track the donations coming in.

The parking passes and fair tickets should be arriving at your home mail boxes. Parking for exhibitors is via the **Solana Gate** (See back of passes for Map/entry point). Our booth is inside the door on the right of the Design in Wood exhibit building. If there are questions, mine and Jon's email address and phone number are in the Member Directory of our Members Only Tab of the SDWT.ORG web site.

Steve Frick - Fair Coordinator

Jon Chernow - Co-Coordinator

May Instant Gallery Displayed Items



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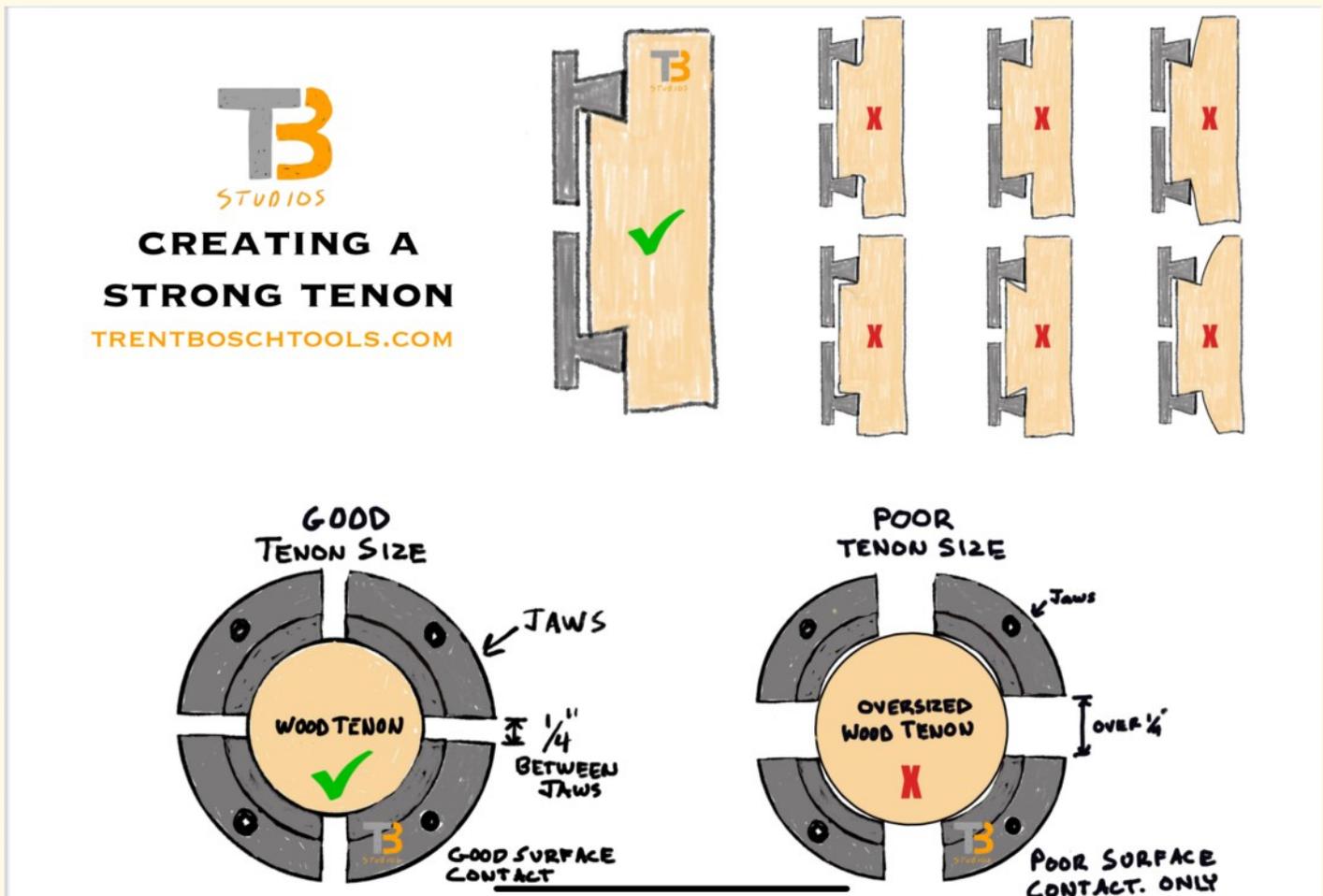
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Strong Tenon's in Woodturning



Courtesy of Trent Bosch (TRENTBOSCHTOOLS.COM) on what to look for in a proper tenon and his approach in creating a strong tenon. Go to his website (TrentBoschTools and link to Resources-Video's)) and you will find the image above and just below it will be a short YOUTTUBE video of his explanation on tenon's. Good info and if you recall from Sally's recent demo she covered similar info on making a proper tenon.

Membership

Hello San Diego Woodturners

To All:

Membership: Checks for membership (made out to SDWT (note annual Dues \$50) and mail to our new address at **SDWT, 1220 Rosecrans St #233, San Diego, CA 92106** or provide your check at our next meeting.

New Password for 2025 for access to our members only area of our SDWT website has been sent out via eblast to those who have paid their annual (2025) dues. If you're still pending with your dues payment, pls renew as soon as possible.

Similarly, If you're already a member of AAW Great! If not, consider joining AAW, if you think our resources are great, you will no doubt benefit from their pool of knowledge. Check them out at www.woodturner.org

Remember that as a paid member, you have access to the [SDWT Members facebook group](#) I hope you decide to join the group, it's a very simple way of interacting with other members of the club.

If you have any questions or you think you might be missing club emails. Let us know either in [SDWT Members](#) or info@sdwt.org

Thank you,

Questions: Contact at Membership@sdwt.org or speak with Don Wolfe/Jim OGrady (new membership committee co-chairs).



Turned Bird Houses display by Sally Ault - May Demo.



San Diego
Woodturners

A chapter of the American Association of Wood Turners



Membership Form

SDWT membership is \$50.00 per calendar year. To become a member, complete this form and send a check to SDWT. Send to the address below or bring it to any SDWT meeting, go to (www.sdwt.org) for our meeting time and location. If you have any questions, please contact

us at (info@sdwt.org)

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Our membership allows our club to hold monthly meetings, enjoy refreshments, watch expert demonstrations and participate in classes. As a member, you will have access to woodturning supplies, video library, wood resources and mentorship.

Check out our website at www.sdwt.org

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From the SDWT WEBMASTER

If you are short of time or looking for specific information, be sure to check out the "Timestamps" in the description area of all Zoom meeting videos. They allow you to quickly click and jump to the specific topics.: Plate

You will find all of this on the password required "[Members Only](#)" page under "Zoom Recordings" Latest Recordings as follows:

Sally Ault: Bird Houses

Pete Campbell: Embellishment

Don Owen/Carolyn Jones: Flowers & Reindeer

Joe Fleming: Turning Chess Pieces

Mike Mahoney: Bowl, Pepper Mill & Platter

Jeff Neff: Natural Edge Bowls

Karen Freitas: Snowmen

Dave John: Star Bowl

Chad LaVoi: Bowl Coring

Don Owen: Chuck Maintenance

Doug Buddinhagen: Wave Bowls

Sally Ault: Pewa's (Bowtie's/Butterflies) Crack Repair

Laurent Nichols: Tea Pot and Drop (Paid Demo-Access Code Required)

Tom Edwards: Fixes and Fixtures





As members of the San Diego Woodturners, you may come across an opportunity for us to add to our wood inventory and made available to our membership at nominal cost.

If you hear of anyone needing to move wood off their property please give me a call **Chad LaVoi** (see members only tab (membership directory for contact info or send an email to GotWood@sdwt.org) .



Wood Resource Update: .

I wish to thank the many who have provided and assisted with Wood Resources. It is the Club and its members who benefit in having wood resources available at a nominal cost. Always needed, but a need none the less towards help in this area for hauling wood when it becomes available and/or helping in the wood lot. Let me know if you can assist in this manner.

Chad



Stacking Wood.

Raffle



Thank You to all the members who have participated in the monthly raffle.

The raffle program is **self-supporting** with your support and ALL of the proceeds from the raffle are reinvested in future raffles and never used for any other purpose.

If you would like to see some particular item(s) included in the raffle program, let me know and I will see if I can work them in.

Be safe.

Jeff - Raffle Committee Chair.

From the DVD & Book Library

Hi All

Check out the listing on the SDWT web page of our vast DVD and Book library on various woodturning topics, techniques, and artistry. DVDs and Books will be available at our June meeting for checkout and return.

Until then, [Carolyn](#)

Be Safe.



StarBond Products (with a Club Discount) at SDWT



STARBOND CA product will be available at our **June** meeting. STARBOND has offered guild **chapter** discount on their products whereby you the members of SDWT will reap the benefit of the discounted price (approx 30% discount). Thin, Med, Thick CA along with Aerosol, and Black & Brown Filler CA will be on hand.

Mentoring Program

Our mentoring program is one of the unique benefits of our club. Our mentors can help with basic to complex turning and teach safety along the way. This is a great way to start out or hone your skills with complex tasks taught by turners skilled in specific areas of turning. Our mentors are volunteers and are dedicated to sharing information on all facets of woodturning.

Rest assured however, that all of our mentors are easy to work with. Most often the mentor opens his/her shop to the applicant at a mutually agreed upon time and schedule.

A list of mentors and their specialties are listed within our Mentor Tab of our SDWT.org website (**go to About tab and pull down menu, go then to Mentors**). Phone numbers for the Mentor you have particular area of interest is listed in the (members only area of the web site).. Upon making contact, arrange a time and place. If you have any questions, email me at the below address..



Jeff Neff – Mentor Committee Chairman (MentorChairman@sdwt.org)

“Mentors do not give you a shortcut, but they streamline the process. They invariably had their own great mentors, giving them a richer and deeper knowledge of their field. Their ensuing years of experience taught them invaluable lessons and strategies for learning. Their knowledge and experience becomes yours; they can direct you from unnecessary side paths or errors. They observe you at work and provide real-time feedback, making your practice more time efficient. Their advice is tailored to your circumstances and your needs. Working closely with them, you absorb the essence of their creative spirit, which you can now adapt in your own way.” From the Book - *Mastery* by Robert Greene



Resources

Tropical Exotic Hardwoods

2270 Camino Vida Roble site "B"
Carlsbad, CA 92008 (760-434-3030)

North County Tools

955-A Rancheros Drive
San Marcos, CA 92069 (760-743-2004)

Enviro-Safety Products (No discount)

516 E. Modoc Ave.
Visalia, CA 93292—7630
(800) 637-6606

Rockler

8199 Claremont Mesa Blvd
San Diego, CA 92111 (858 268-1005)

The Hardwood & Hardware Co

8849 Complex Dr
San Diego, CA 92126
(858 - 536-1800)

Woodworker West

PO Box 452058
Los Angeles, CA 90045
(310) 216 - 9265

Tool Depot

3464 Pickett St
San Diego, CA (619) 220 - 7111
1655 Broadway #13
Chula Vista, CA (619) 585-800

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922 Industrial Blvd
Chula Vista, CA 91911
619-20 7-4084 (sdurbantimber.com)

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Ben Matte Tung Oil can be purchased here

2243 Mountain View Dr.
Escondido, CA
(760) 743-6923

Bennett Crone Lumber and Plywood, Inc.

1202 Piper Ranch Rd
San Diego, CA 92154
619-661-0667
(Bennetcrone.com)



Recent Weed Pots on display at our May meeting.

Need some help with turning a weed pot and your need to improve upon your spindle turning skills: This month's Take a Turn, see Pete who will be showing and mentoring on turning weed pots.

Keep them coming.

AAW



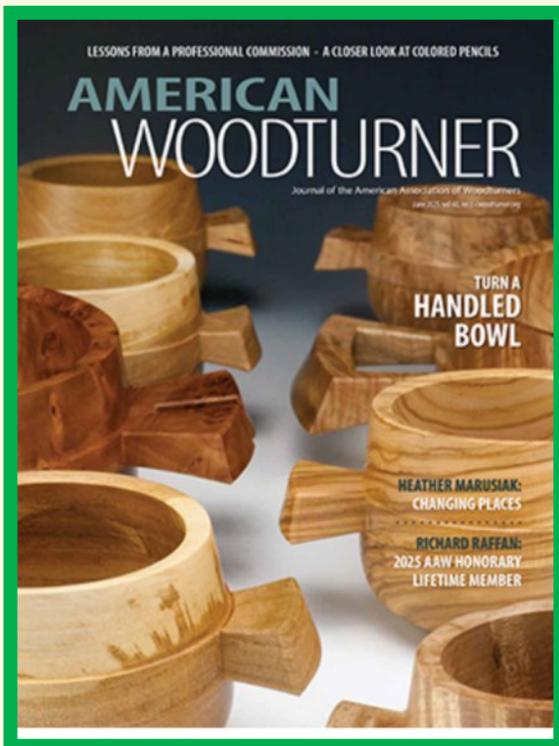
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WATCH FROM HOME!
REGISTER AT AAWSYMPIUM.ORG

If you can't make it to Saint Paul, Minnesota to experience the AAW International Woodturning Symposium in person, register as a virtual attendee to livestream 20 demonstrations or watch the high-definition recordings later at your convenience. This is the best way for woodturners of all skill levels to learn from renowned international woodturners without having to travel.

Livestreaming June 13-15, 2025
Recordings available to watch until September 24, 2025

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Good Stuff!!

All club members will receive show discounting pricing on all products and an extra 5% on airbrush starter kits.

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The Last Page - “Cutoffs”

(Odds and Ends)



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WACO, Texas - 22, 23,24 August, 2025

**Cindy Drozda • Rabea Gebler* • Nathalie Groeneweg • Ashley Harwood
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SEPTEMBER 19-21, 2025 LOVELAND, COLORADO

*Due to unforeseen circumstances, Rabea will be joining us virtually.

Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium

rmwoodturningsymposium.com for more info

NOTTINGHAM ACCESS

For access to the Nottingham Arts Center contact Terry Sullivan via e-mail (go2tms@outlook.com). Include the day and time you wish to arrive as well as the purpose of your visit. Access must be cleared with Terry with email and on-site rep, Jessie Martin.

Do not enter the Nottingham facility or grounds without prior approval or without the project leader present.

San Diego Woodturners (SDWT)

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Next Event

June 21st, 2025

Turn Around

9 AM until 12 Noon (approx)

Nottingham Arts Center, San Marcos

(In Person)