



Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

October 2016

General Meeting
Tuesday, October 4th 7:00 PM
Hillcrest Lodge
1717 South 13th Street
Mount Vernon

Take I-5 to Exit 226 (Kincaid Street Exit). Go East up the hill. This is Broadway Street. Continue on Broadway to South 13th Street. Turn right onto South 13th Street and go about 6 blocks. The park is on your right. Turn into the park. The parking lot is in front of the lodge.



John Miller

October Program

The October speaker is John Miller, an owner and manager of Cascade Joinery, in Ferndale, WA. He has spent his entire career in construction and cabinet making, working first in cabinet shops and later in 3 timber frame companies. John helped start Dreaming Creek Timber Frame Homes in 1991, where he spurred its growth from creating timber frames with portable power tools to Computer Numerical Control (CNC) machines. John came to Cascade Joinery in 2006, where he is able to work in the field as well as the office for clients up and down the west coast, including Alaska and Hawaii. John has been active in national organizations, such as the Timber Framers' Guild and Timber Frame Business Council, including terms as President of both. John will be speaking about Cascade Joinery and the process of timber framing. He will cover the materials used and how they are prepared. He will talk about using hand, power tools, and (CNC) Machines to cut large scale joinery and will also cover the process of timber frame projects from shop drawings to installation. The talk will wind up with a slide show of completed projects. If you're interested in the beautiful art of timber framing or how to create joinery measured in inches, rather than eighths, this is the program for you.

Learn more about Cascade Joinery at www.cascadejoinery.com

NCWA General Meeting Notes

September 6, 2016

- President Charley Drake convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Hillcrest Lodge in Mt. Vernon.
- President Charley Drake gave a report on the working display set up at the Anacortes Arts Festival. We got a lot of foot traffic for our first time showing at the Arts Festival. We also got \$300 from the festival organizers for our efforts. Generally a successful event with a lot of areas where we can improve for next year.
- President Charley Drake gave a report on the picnic at Val and Laura Kilmer's place. A good time was had by all. If you didn't go, you should think about attending next year.
- Charley gave a preview of the programs to come for the next few months.
 - October meeting will have a presentation by Cascade Joinery. This is a Ferndale business that has been successful in home construction and cabinetry.
 - The next Shop Tour will be on October 15 in the Anacortes area. More details will be forthcoming.
 - Jay Smith will present a program on Saturday, October 22 on building a Viking Ship. Signup list is in the back.
 - The NCWA will have a display at the LaConner Arts Alive show on November 5th and 6th. More details will be coming soon.
- President's Challenge. Charley challenged the association to show different methods of tool storage.
 - Charley Drake displayed a really nice sandpaper cabinet.
 - Dennis Lindsay showed a great holder for a marking gauge.
 - David Shull wowed everybody with a beautiful walnut hand tool cabinet that had striking holly and cherry details.
- Bring & Brag
 - Norm Grossman showed us a beautiful tantalus complete with a decanter and glasses.
 - Greg Koenker showed us a unique six-sided box that had a hand crafted wooden hinge. The box was made out of maple and madrone.
 - Dale Brandland displayed a box with a beautiful figured top.
 - David Helm brought two really striking boxes. One was made out of Maple Burl with a black walnut burl top. The other was a Claro walnut box with a live edge maple burl top.
 - Gary Weyers showed us two pens with unique denim fabric inlay.
 - Bill Rawls showed us a beautiful table top that could double as a wall hanging. It was made out of madrone and purpleheart.
 - Phil Humphreys showed us a really nice walnut table.
- Tool Raffle – John Braun won the drawing for the Bosch Variable Speed Trim Router.
- Dale Brandland and Jerry Anderson outlined the Education Committee's program for the coming year. They highlighted a number of classes that are going to be given to include:
 - Measuring and Marking
 - Flat, Straight & Square

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Meeting Notes Continued:

- Routed Bowls
 - Block plane maintenance & tuning
 - Clamping & gluing
 - Mortise and Tenon joints
 - Sharpening & using card scrapers
 - Router basics
 - Box making
 - Bandsaw tuning & maintenance
 - Pocket screw & biscuit joinery
 - Making wooden plane
- Jim Bucknell outlined the new woodworker's class for the membership. It will cover the basics of safe operation for tools like the table saw, bandsaw, jointer, planer, and router as well as wood characteristics and joinery.
 - Andrew Pellar outlined the Instructor Development Process which helps and encourages all of us to be instructors and mentors for newer woodworkers.

VIKING ERA BOATBUILDING



On October 22nd NCWA members have the opportunity to visit the boatyard of Jay Smith in Anacortes. Jay is a builder of traditional Viking boats. He is working on 3 of them at this time, ranging in size from 56' to about 30'. Jay has been doing this work for many years. He has an amazing collection of hand woodworking tools that a shipwright from 1500 would recognize. He also has a full range of power tools but many of the jobs to be done on his boats are done quicker and very accurately with the traditional hand tools. His wood supply will make you drool with envy. Alaska yellow cedar 16" wide, 30+ feet long with no knots and lots of it is typical. There will be a sign up sheet at our next meeting on the 4th. Right now there are 16 people with a 30 person limit. We will also offer a tour in the spring. Hope you take advantage of this opportunity.

Help Wanted

Greg Robinson is looking for a partner to work with him in a coopering project. He is looking for an experienced mentor but is willing to try it with someone who can bring enthusiasm to the project. Contact Greg at (360) 941-0005 or cerjor@hotmail.com

Greg is also looking for a place to move in the Bellingham area. He and his partner are looking for something around 1000 sf with dry work space. Minimum requirement is 600 sf living area with 500 sf garage/shop space. Anyone that has a lead on such a space in or close to the Bellingham area please contact Greg at (360) 941-0005 or cerjor@hotmail.com.

Bring & Brag

Marking Gauge Box



Dennis and Gauge



NWCW's Booth

Box by Dale



Greg's Box



David's Cabinet



Inside Arrangement



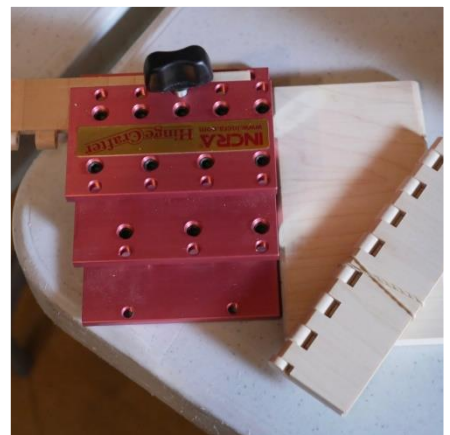
Box Lid



Norm's Tantalus

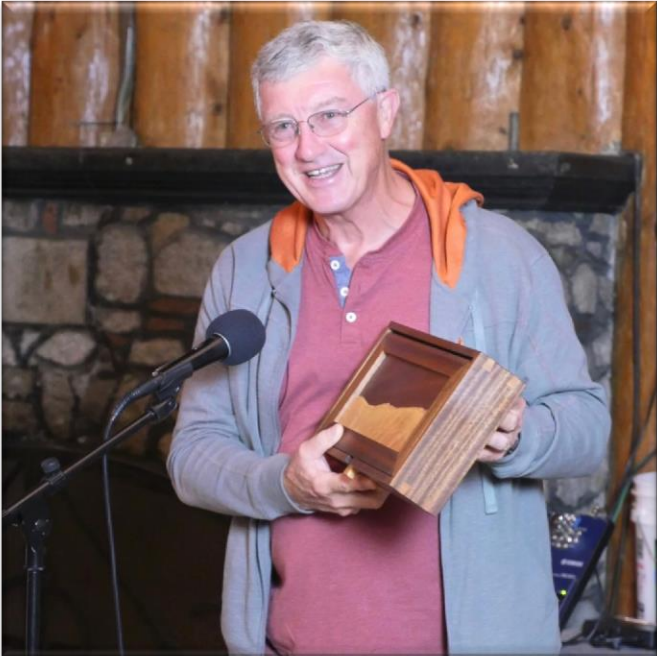


Hinges



Bring & Brag

Excellent Bring & Brag this last month!



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES - 2017

Still only \$30.00

Yes, it is that time again – time to renew your membership for 2017!

Benefits of membership include:

- NCWA woodworking classes,
- Discounts from our vendor support group,
- Library books and CDs,
- Shop tours
- Monthly membership meetings
- Special events (Woodfest, Anacortes Arts Fest, etc.), and
- The opportunity to associate with the best group of woodworkers in the Northwest.

You can pay your dues (cash or check) at one of our regular meetings (the October meeting works) or you can mail your check payable to: NCWA, c/o Al Ashley, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. Dues are due by the end of January and membership cards will be available at the February meeting.

TOOL SALE TABLE TRIAL

REMINDER

The NCWA is conducting an informal trial period to determine if we should set up a tool sale table at each general meeting. Members can bring new or like new tools for sale and display them on the table along with their sale price and contact information. Please do not bring very large tools or tools needing significant work.

Fall Shop Tour

Just a reminder that our Fall Shop Tour will be Saturday, Oct 15. We'll be in the Anacortes area and have some great shops lined up to see. There will be more info available at our Oct general meeting and all members will receive an e-mail with tour information and directions. The tour will be in the morning and be followed by a light lunch. Plan to come.

Help!

There is one vacancy in a leadership position. Please consider stepping up!

Programs and Shows Chair

This is how we have great presentations every month, special presentations outside of the regular monthly meetings and shows to the public. This year is almost covered. It is not at all too early to start planning for next year, as some major events take extra lead time. The committee is full of people with good ideas and lots of energy. That makes the chairman's job a lot easier.

October Raffle

Raffle News

For our last tool raffle for 2016 we have Lee Valley Low Angle Block Plane. Bring your NCWA tag and get a ticket to the meeting on Oct. 4th and you may just walk away with a new plane. Also it might be a good idea to bring along your check book and re-up as a member for 2017. Get that business out of the way early.

See you on the 4th. The low angle plane is the one on the right in the picture.



EDUCATION COMMITTEE

NCWA WOODWORKERS CLASSES

Hello from your education committee!

The fall class schedule is listed below.

Please contact Carol Osterman to register at carol@akylafarms.com or by phone 360-941-1533

Remember, classes are \$10.00 each, which is payable in cash to the instructor at the time of the class.

Date	Class	Instructor	Spaces Status
Oct 1	ROUTED BOWLS –	Jerry Anderson	FULL
Oct 8	BLOCK PLANES –	Andrew Pellar	1 SPACE LEFT
Oct 15	SHOP TOUR – NO CLASSES		
Oct 22	CLAMPING & GLUING –	Jim Bucknell	4 SPACES LEFT
Oct 29	MULTIPLE METHODS OF MORTISE & TENON JOINERY –	George Knudson	6 SPACES LEFT
Oct 29	SHARPENING & USING CARD SCRAPERS –	Bill Pierce	5 SPACES LEFT
Nov 5	ROUTER BASICS –	Jim Hickey	1 SPACE LEFT
Nov 12	BOX MAKING W/ DOVETAIL CORNERS –	Jerry Couchman	FULL
Nov 19	BANDSAW TUNEUP & MAINTENANCE –	Charley Drake	2 SPACES LEFT
Nov 26	THANKSGIVING WEEKEND, NO CLASSES		
Dec 3	POCKET SCREW & BISCUIT JOINERY –	Jim Bucknell	6 SPACES Available
Dec 10	CARD SCRAPER SHARPENING & USE –	Bill Rawls	6 SPACES Available
Dec 17	MAKE A WOODEN PLANE –	Val Matthews	3 SPACES Available
Dec 24	CHRISTMAS EVE – NO CLASSES		
Dec 31	NEW YEARS EVE - NO CLASSES		

President's Challenge for December Party

This is your chance to make something for the holidays. You have wanted to make a gift by Christmas anyway so why not do it now? The product could be a tree ornament, something for a table or mantle, or even a toy. We will use what you bring to help decorate the Hillcrest building for our Christmas party. Have fun making sawdust!

BUILDING A MIRROR FRAME CLASS

Tom Dolese will be offering a hands-on class:
"Building a Mirror Frame Class"

The class is scheduled for November 12th at his shop in Bellingham. Tom will supply all the wood (Sapele) and the mirror. The class will cover processing the wood, making a stepped dado, cutting the miters, splining on the mortiser and clamping & glue-up. Cost is \$225.00. There are currently openings for two or three more.

To register or if you have any questions please contact Tom direct at 360-393-7577 or email him at dolesejt@msn.com



WOODEN BOAT BUILDING

Do you want to build a cedar strip rowboat? Some of you may have noticed the pictures in last month's newsletter of my rowboat at the Anacortes Arts Festival. It is a Cosine Wherry, a sweet rowing, tried and true mid 1980s design. The hull is made of 1/4 inch thick cedar strips, fiberglassed inside and out. The hull is built upside down on a series of MDF molds mounted on a wooden strong back. Building and fairing the molds is a bit of hassle and, since I have the molds already made, I have been hoping someone else might use my molds to make themselves another boat. If any NCWA member wants to build one, I will set up and true the strong back and molds in your shop. The rest is up to you. Since I recently went through it, I would also be willing to give advice on the building process. This is not a quick and easy boat to build, so never mind unless you want to spend a bit of time on it. I am retired and it took me four months to build, staying steadily after it. It could probably be done quicker. I tried to make everything look pretty good so I didn't cut many corners. The boat is 14 feet long by 4 feet wide and you need at least a 12 x 20 foot open area to build it in, with a solid floor of some kind and good light. In the winter the space really needs to be heated if you don't want to wait forever for epoxy to set.. If you think you are interested, call me, Jim Redding, at (206)307-4553 to discuss it.



NCWA Board of Directors Meeting

September 14, 2016

- President Charley Drake convened the meeting at 7:55 p.m. at the Farmhouse Restaurant in Mt. Vernon.
- Members present: John Braun, Dave Strauss, Jerry Anderson, Tim Wynn, Jim Redding, Charley Drake, Phil Choquette, David Shull, Al Ashley, Gary Danilson
- Treasurer's Report (submitted verbally at meeting with follow up hard copy).
 - Total cash on hand in checking and savings is \$4,371.42 as of 9/14/2016.
 - Total paid members – 192. This includes 29 new members this year.
 - The annual BBQ cost \$530.24 of which half will be reimbursed by the Turners.
 - Al noted that he would start collecting dues for AY2017 at the October meeting.
- Charley Drake led an after action review of our participation in the Anacortes Arts Festival. There was a general consensus by the BOD to participate again next year with improvements to the displays and demonstrations.
- Charley Drake led a discussion on the BBQ. Tim Wynn indicated there were a total of approximately 75 individuals at the BBQ. This number included NCWA members and guests as well as Turner members and guests. This would suggest that the NCWA probably had 20-30 actual members present. Was this a good use of NCWA resources? After extended discussion, the BOD unanimously agreed that the event was worth the resources expended and should be repeated again next year.
- The Shop Tours on October 15 at Anacortes were discussed. Special thanks to Gary Danilson and John Bellinger for arranging the tour.
- Jerry Anderson gave a report on the new members' class. This has started out very well. The participants are very enthusiastic about the program. The class catalogue is being finalized and will be distributed in the near future. Very special thanks for Jim Bucknell for taking the lead as principal instructor.
- Charley Drake announced that NCWA was still on track to participate in the LaConner Arts Alive festival on November 5th and 6th. More details will be forthcoming.
- Charley Drake led a discussion on the nominating process for officers for the new year. Dave Strauss current V.P. agreed to be nominated as President. Al Ashley agreed to continue serving as Treasurer. Tim Wynn agreed to continue serving as Secretary. The Nominating committee will meet to see if they can find candidates for program chair, membership chair, and Vice President.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



Vendor Support Groups

Hardware Sales	2034 James St.	Bellingham	hardwaresales.net	360-734-6140
Bellingham Millwork Supply	3879 Hannegan Road	Bellingham	Bellinghammillwork.com	360-734-5700
Stockton's Paints	1413 Railroad Ave.	Bellingham	stocktonspaint.com	360-733-5630
Targo Woods	1405 "E" Street	Bellingham	targowoods.com	360-738-9140
Windsor Plywood	1208 Iowa St.	Bellingham	windsorplywood.com	360-676-1025
WEST				
Sebo's Hardware	1102 Commercial Ave.	Anacortes	sebos.com	360-293-4575
SOUTH				
Martin Lbr/True Value	2730 Broadway	Everett	martinlumbereverett.com	425-259-3134
Arlington Hdw & Lumber	215 N. Olympic Ave.	Arlington	arlingtonhardware.com	360-435-5523
CENTRAL				
Karl's Paints	1515 Freeway Drive	Mt. Vernon	karlspaints.com	360-336-2855
Mt. Vernon Bldg Center	815 Roosevelt Way	Mt. Vernon	mvbc-online.com	360-424-9073
Cedar Creek Lumber	950 B Fountain St.	Burlington	cclumber.com	360-757-6343
Sherwin-Williams Paint	1526 Riverside Drive	Mt. Vernon	sherwin-williams.com	360-428-3775
EAST				
E & E Lumber	201 W. State Street	Sedro Woolley	eelumber.com	360-856-0825
SPECIALTY				
Edensaw Woods	211 Seton Rd.	Port Townsend	edensaw.com	360-385-7878
Hartville Tool	Website only		hartvilletool.com	800-345-2396
Rockler Woodworking	832 NE Northgate Way	Seattle	rockler.com	206-634-3222
Woodworker's Supply	Catalog only		pro.woodworker.com	800-645-9292
Woodcraft	5963 Corson Ave.	Seattle	woodcraft.com	206-767-6394

Officers and Chairpersons 2016

President	Charley Drake	(425) 785-2994	Programs & Shows	Charley Drake	(425) 785-2994
Vice President	Dave Strauss	(360) 391-6367	Education	Dale Brandland	(360) 961-0102
Past President	Bill Rawls	(360) 387-2993	Librarian	Gary Danilson	(360) 540-5768
Secretary	Tim Wynn	(360) 739-0515	Newsletter	Jane Wynn	(360) 224-7001
Treasurer	Al Ashley	(360) 474-9711	Membership	Tim Wynn	(360) 739-0515
Board at Large	David Shull	(360) 393-7926	Toys for Tots	John Braun	(360) 708-0055
Board at Large	Jim Redding	(206) 307-4553	Webmeister	Mike Titus	(360) 525-4131
Board at Large	Phil Choquette	(360) 675-8320			

The 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. Location is announced in the newsletter. Dues are \$30 per year, payable to NCWA, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. Newsletter submissions are welcomed and are due the 3rd Saturday of the month. Submit by email to janekirstine@comcast.net with subject line as NCWA Newsletter.

Future Events

October 4	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting
October 12	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
October 15	Saturday	Newsletter Deadline
November 1	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting
November 9	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
November 19	Saturday	Newsletter Deadline



NCWA NEWSLETTER