

Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

[NCWA Website](#)

December 2018

**General Meeting
Tuesday, November 6th 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 Broad Street. Continue on Broad 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.



Zurich Special Wood Stock

December Program

A look Back To The Future!!!!

2019 President, George Knutson, brings us a slide show of some of the highlights from 2018, and some of the plans being worked on to make 2019 even bigger and better. From top notch Programs, to Bring and Brag to really be proud of!! Shows and Events, Shop Tours, Annual Picnic, more great Classes and Workshops, and a BIG new venue with lots of new possibilities. There'll be several awards presented, and he'll also update us on our progress with the Strategic Plan developed earlier this year.

And, this is your chance to provide your input on what you want to see more of, and less of, in 2019. If you want to bring ideas written on a piece of paper rather than standing up at the meeting, no problem. We'll have a suggestion box at the meeting, in the back of the room. We're interested in knowing what you think we should "keep doing" as well as what we should "start doing". It's YOUR club. Speak up and let us know your opinions, and let's figure out how we can make it happen for ALL OF US in 2019!!!!

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES - 2019

\$35.00 - Annual Dues

Dues for 2019 have been rolling in. Nearly half of the membership has already renewed for 2019!

The many benefits of membership include: participating in woodworking classes, discounts from our vendor support group, library books & DVDs, excellent programs at our monthly membership meetings, shop tours, educational classes, and best of all - the opportunity to associate with the best group of woodworkers in the Northwest.

(Remember, you can only sign up for a class if you are a current member)

It is not too late to pay your dues (cash or check) at our December meeting or you can mail your \$35.00 check payable to NCWA. Please mail your dues check to:

NCWA, c/o Al Ashley, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223.

Dues are due by the end of January

Membership cards will be available at the January meeting.

NCWA Classes for Fall 2018

Hello from your education committee! The upcoming NCWA Classes are listed below.

Please contact Carol Osterman to register for classes at carol@akylafarms.com

Remember, classes have a material fee which is payable in cash to the instructor at the time of the class.

Date	Class	Instructor	Spaces Status
Dec 1	Varnishing Core Skills	Richard Gillingham	Full
Dec 8	Make a Bandsaw Box	Phil Humphries	Full
Jan 12	Introduction to Woodworking Series	Al Ashley	3 Spaces
Jan 19	Photograph your Projects	Charley Drake	4 Spaces
Jan 26	Toy Making 101	John Braun & Jerry Anderson	4 Spaces

NCWA General Meeting Notes November 6, 2018

- The meeting was convened by NCWA VP George Knutson at the Hillcrest Lodge in Mt. Vernon at 7:00 p.m.
- The meeting started out with the presentation of the toys made by NCWA members for the Toys for Tots program. Our membership contributed more than 300 toys to the Marine League Toys for Tots drive this year.
 - Those participating at Val Matthews shop were: Jerry Anderson, John Bellinger, John Braun, Jim Davis, John Ellis, Larry Forsythe, Val Gleeson, Bill Baer, Lorraine Baer, Diane Caulkins, John Grunewald, Steve Johnson, Don Moser, Steve Wagoner, Laura Matthews, and Val Matthews. The impressive list of toys were: 21 TicTacToe games, 15 airplanes, 19 spring cars, 24 bumble bee pull toys, 24 speed racer cars, 12 doll cradles 85 assorted cars and trucks, 12 cloth dolls, 12 cradle pad and pillow sets, 12 blankets and 2 chairs.
 - The members who made 43 toy cars at Jerry Anderson's shop were Bill Thisius, Don Moore, Tom Napier and Jerry Anderson.
 - Christi Brua Weaver also donated 10 stuffed animals that she made.
 - David and Sascha Vandette worked with John Braun and Jerry Anderson cutting out, sanding and assembling over 350 toy trucks that were given away at Woodfest and the Anacortes Arts Festival.
- The presentation to the United States Marine Corps Reserve was followed up by a very special presentation of an American Flag to Bill Baer's widow in honor of his service to our country.
- Announcements.
 - The December meeting will be the last NCWA General Meeting at the Hillcrest Lodge. Starting in January, NCWA will be meeting at the Mt. Vernon Christian School.
 - Jim Redding volunteered to fill out the empty slot in the Shop Tour Committee.
 - Gale O'Neil recognized five NCWA members who made cabinets for the Neo Natal intensive care unit. Those members were: Chris Richards; Val Mathews; Gene Radermacher; Jim Hickey; Andy Rudy.
 - David Vandette thanked Jim Davis for making the name tags for NCWA and solicited help for him working with Corel Draw. Anybody with knowledge/expertise in Corel Draw please contact David Vandette.
 - John Braun announced that he had some handplanes for sale in the back and also indicated that he is looking for some designs for cars for Toys for Tots. He had blank cars up front.
- Bring & Brag.
 - Greg Koenker sent in (via George Knutson) three 'Beads of Courage' boxes made out of Hemlock and Leopard wood. The Kids will love them, Greg.
 - Tom Howorth used modern technology for a Bring & Brag in a first for the NCWA. He showed his shop Workbench made out of Maple from his own backyard and also showed us an exquisite Walnut rocking chair which he made in the shop. Wonderful work, Tom.
 - Jim Bucknell brought a 'Hydroplane Pin Display Case' which was made out of Sapele, Maple, Walnut, Mahogany, and Koa Veneer. He finished it with Satin Poly over Shellac. Very, very nice Jim.
 - Greg Robinson displayed one of the baskets made in his basket class out of Cherry. Beautiful joints, Greg.
 - Roger Shimer exhibited a really striking Maple bench with Walnut butterfly keys and plugs. Nice work, Roger.
 - Jerry Couchman displayed another one of his superb creations. This one was a live edge book matched coffee table. The two sides of the Maple top were united with Walnut butterfly keys. This beautiful work is going to be a donation to the Whatcom Hospice Foundation in Bellingham for their fund raising auction.
 - Jim Redding showed some really outstanding wood block prints. The colors and textures were really striking. Beautiful work, Jim.
 - Charley Drake brought something a little bit different to Bring & Brag. They were mixed media items. The bowl was made out of Maple, Calcite, and Epoxy. The Light Catcher was made out Maple, Epoxy, Mother of Pearl, Red Mineral. He finished the pieces with Walnut Oil and Shellac.
- Program. Toys for Tots Tutorial
 - John Braun and Jerry Anderson presented two fun and instructive tutorials on making wooden toys. Jerry kicked it off by walking us through making a truck from a 2'x4'. After showing us the various jigs and the sequencing of construction, he then showed us all the variations that could be made. It was excellent. John Braun followed up by showing us how to make an 'Old Time' truck. His clear instruction made it look easy. Good job by both. Now it is up to the rest of us to start making toys!

Bring & Brag and General Program

Wonderful works shared at the meeting and program

Jim Redding



Roger Shimer



Jerry Couchman



Toys For Tots



Bring & Brag

Marine Reserve Representative



Greg Robinson



Toys For Tots



Jim Bucknell



Charley Drake



Toys for Tots



Greg Koenker



John Braun



[More pictures HERE](#)

New Club Facility

New Meeting Location in January

Our Jan 8 General Meeting will be at our new permanent location, the Mt Vernon Christian School on Blackburn Rd. The trial meeting in October went well despite a few glitches. Members enjoyed the increased space and the comfortable chairs. Our audio/visual gurus Charley Drake and Mike Chaplin will be working between now and January to make sure our club can maximize the use of the school's HD projector and sound system.

The move to our new location was approved by the NCWA Board of Directors at their October meeting. The rental cost will be higher but the school is allowing us to store items like our library books and coffee supplies on site so the club will be able to drop the rental of our separate storage unit. The Board felt that the new site represents an upgrade in facilities and will allow room for future growth and improved benefits for our club.

Thanks to Ray deVries for suggesting the school and setting up the initial contact. Thanks also to Sascha Vandette, Jerry Anderson and Gary Danilson for leading the club's facility search.

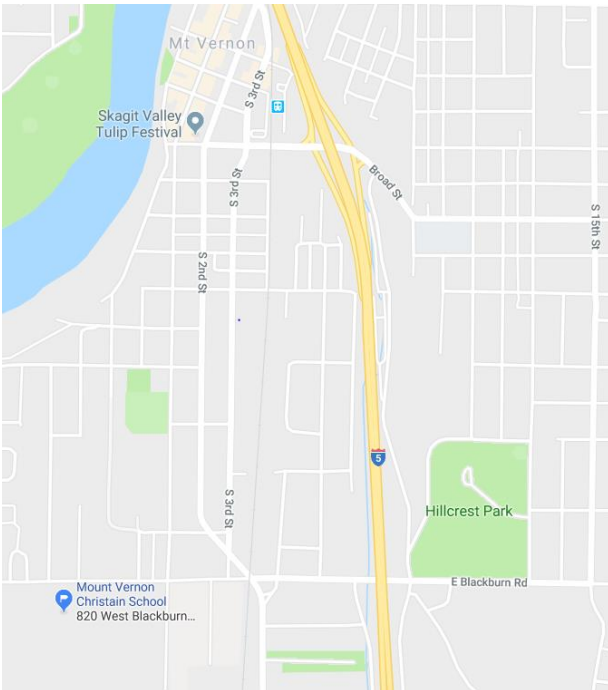
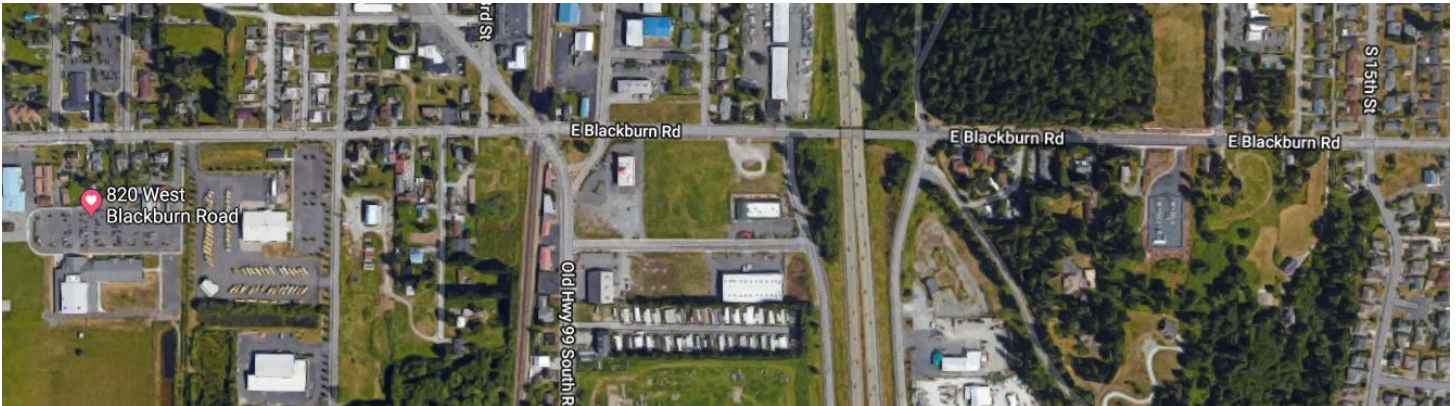


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JANUARY 2019 Meeting Location

Mount Vernon Christian School 820 WEST BLACKBURN ROAD

[Get LINK to Google Map Directions from where you live](#)



FROM WEST:

1. TAKE SR 20 TO I-5 IN BURLINGTON & TURN SOUTH
2. USE KINCAID ST. EXIT #226 & TURN RIGHT ONTO KINCAID ST.
3. GO UNDER FREEWAY TO CLEVELAND ST & TURN RIGHT (SOUTH)
4. DRIVE SOUTH ABOUT 1 MILE, CLEVELAND DEAD-ENDS ON BLACKBURN ROAD
5. TURN RIGHT ON BLACKBURN & DRIVE ¼ MILE
6. TURN LEFT AT MV CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SIGN & ENTER PARKING LOT

FROM NORTH:

TAKE I-5 EXIT 226
FOLLOW DIRECTIONS #2 – 6.

FROM SOUTH:

1. TAKE I-5 EXIT #226 (ANDERSON RD) TURN LEFT AT END OF RAMP
2. CROSS OVER I-5 & TURN RIGHT ON OLD HIGHWAY 99
3. DRIVE NORTH ABOUT ¾ MILE TO BLACKBURN ROAD
4. TURN LEFT ON BLACKBURN ROAD
5. TRAVEL ¼ MILE TO MV CHRISTIAN SCHOOL & TURN LEFT INTO PARKING LOT
- 6.

IF YOU FORGET & GO TO HILLCREST PARK:

1. TURN RIGHT, GOING OUT OF PARKING LOT ONTO 13TH ST.
2. DRIVE SOUTH TO END OF 13TH AND TURN RIGHT ON BLACKBURN ROAD
3. FOLLOW BLACKBURN ROAD ABOUT 1.25 MILES TO MV CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
4. TURN LEFT AT MV CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SIGN & ENTER PARKING LOT



NCWA Board of Directors Meeting November 6, 2018

NCWA Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes

Nov 14, 2018

- The meeting was convened at 7:00 pm, by President, Dale Brandland at The Farmhouse Restaurant in Anacortes.
- Board members present: Dale Brandland, George Knutson, Sascha Vandette, David Vandette, Bill Rawls, John Braun, Al Ashley, David Strauss. Others present: Jim Bucknell
- Gary Danilson reports that he has cleared out a lot of the stuff kept in the rented storage unit and the balance will be cleared out after the December meeting. A storage cabinet will be built to house the library and misc supplies at the school starting in January.
- Al Ashley gave the Treasurer's Report, with account balances, deposits, current membership (238), and new members (51). 100 have paid their 2019 dues so far.
 - Al also confirmed that Hillcrest Lodge has been notified and their contract will be terminated as of the December meeting date.
 - Gary Danilson will be signing the contract with the Mount Vernon Christian School for 2019.
 - Al also shared the revised and updated 2019 budget, reflecting a net income of \$231 after all expenses.
 - After a couple clarifying questions, the budget was passed by a unanimous vote.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm



Tools are made of chocolate in Switzerland

Vendor Support Groups

NORTH

Hardware Sales	2034 James St.	Bellingham	hardwaresales.net	360-734-6140
Bellingham Millwork Supply	3879 Hannegan Road	Bellingham	Bellinghammillwork.com	360-734-5700
Hard Woods To Get	1405 "E" Street	Bellingham	hardwoodstoget.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
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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
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SPECIALTY

Edensaw Woods	211 Seton Rd.	Port Townsend	edensaw.com	360-385-7878
FASTCAP	5016 Pacific Highway	Ferndale	fastcap.com	888-443-3748
Hartville Tool	website only		hartvilletool.com	800-345-2396
Klingspor	website only		woodworkingshop.com	800-228-0000
Rockler Woodworking	832 NE Northgate Way	Seattle	rockler.com	206-634-3222
Woodcraft	5963 Corson Ave.	Seattle	woodcraft.com	206-767-6394
Woodworkers Supply	website only		pro.woodworker.com	800-645-9292

Officers and Chairpersons 2018

President	Dale Brandland	(360) 961-0102	Programs	Bill Rawls	(360) 387-2993
Vice President	George Knutson	(425) 753-4476	Education	Greg Koenker	(360) 543-7090
Past President	Dave Strauss	(360) 391-6367	Librarian	Bill Pierce	(360) 435-1674
Secretary	Tim Wynn	(360) 739-0515	Newsletter	Jane Wynn	(360) 224-7001
Treasurer	Al Ashley	(360) 474-9711	Membership	Gary Danilson	(360) 540-5768
Webmaster	Mike Titus	(360) 525-4131	Toys for Tots	John Braun	(360) 708-0055
Member at Large	Phil Choquette	(360) 675-8320	Member at Large	Kent Crouse	(360) 224-5532
Member at Large	Sascha Vandette	(360) 755-3043	Member at Large	Mike Chaplin	(360) 305-5112
Shop Tours	John Bellinger	(360) 708-4036	Shows	David Vandette	(360) 755-3043

Future Events

December 4 th	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting at Hillcrest
December 12 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
January 8 th	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting at MV Christian
January 16 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
February 5 th	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting at MV Christian
February 13 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting

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 \$35 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.