

Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

[NCWA Website](#)

January 2020

General Meeting

Tuesday, January 7th
7:00 PM

Mount Vernon Christian School
820 West Blackburn Road
Mount Vernon

[Google Map Directions Link](#)



Wood store in Kochi, India

January Program Stormo Hardwoods

Presentation by Kevin Stormo

Kevin Stormo, owner of Stormo Hardwoods, will be demonstrating how to build a form, seal the edges, and pour an epoxy river board. These are tips you can also apply to standard epoxy use. Kevin will also briefly touch on his live edge business where he mills, kiln dries, and creates live edge furniture! He will leave time for questions about the pour or any related topics. www.stormohardwoods.com



NCWA General Meeting Notes November 5, 2019

- The meeting was convened by President George Knutson on 12/3/2019, 7 PM at Mt. Vernon Christian School
- Guests and visitors were introduced
- George Knutson mentioned two upcoming classes
 - Jim Redding will teach a wood-block print class series. It will consist of 6 3-h sessions plus homework
 - Steve Wagoner will teach his spokeshave course again. Students will need to obtain a spokeshave kit from Lee Valley before the class starts. (Either the small or large kit will work, but let Steve know which one you purchase.)
- Other announcements
 - Programs committee meets at Haggen in Burlington on Dec. 12th.
 - Ekram Hardware in Burlington added to preferred vendors list. This means a 10% discount on all purchases.
- Officer elections

○ President: Jim Bucknell	Vice President: King Dahl
○ Treasurer: Al Ashley	Secretary: Tim Wynn
- Spirit Award
- The annual Nick Van Spirit Award was given to three club members
 - Dave Vandette and Sascha Vandette for their work organizing NCWA participation in spectacular shows including Woodfest and the Anacortes Arts Festival
 - Carol Osterman for her work behind the scenes overseeing NCWA class logistics
- Outgoing President Knutson thanked several club members for their assistance throughout the previous year. He thanked Richard Gillingham for his work improving the library and with vendor acquisition, Carol Osterman for her work with class logistics and notifications and for fielding questions from the public, Al Ashley for managing club finances and for communicating with the public, David Shull for taking General Meeting notes when the club secretary is out of town, Mike Titus, the club webmaster, Tim and Jane Wynn for publishing the monthly newsletter, Jim Redding for chairing the shop tour committee, Jeff Brandenburg for managing audio-visual system during the General Meeting and for drafting a document describing how to run the A/V system, Jim Bucknell for sounding bored. I mean Jim served as a sounding board.
- President's Challenge, "Projects with Curves"/Bring-and-Brag
 - Harvey Rossiter displayed some curvy toy cars crafted using a CNC machine owned by a member of a community-service group called "Men's Shed".
 - Bill Rawls showed a River table top, or perhaps a wall hanging with a naturally curvy live big leaf maple edge
 - Jerry Couchman presented the legs of a trestle coffee table with a curved figured maple stretcher and walnut legs
 - David Shull showed off a turned walnut bowl
 - Andrew Pellar swung a hatchet with a curvy maple handle.
 - David Helm discussed three Alder masks, a bear/human transfiguration, a crone with horse hair, and a Tlingit shaman. All masks were painted and had lots of curves
 - Tom Thornton displayed platter turned from English walnut. He asked club members to critique the design. The consensus opinion was yes, we really like the design!
 - Jim Bucknell built a white oak and walnut box with a curved top made from figured maple and shaped using a vacuum veneer press.
 - Jeff Palmer brought a box with a naturally curved door front and paduk drawer pull. The inside was finished with milk paint.
 - Christi Brua Weaver showed off a great bandsaw box that she built from maple and sapele as part of Phil Humphrie's bandsaw box class
 - Bill Pierce discussed a rustic night table with curvy and splayed cedar branch legs and a drawer. Bill used cut nails to join the table
 - Angela Hills brought a bandsaw box (from Phil's class) and a turned Christmas tree ornament.
 - Tom Dolese showed a sapele bench he built for a commission. This piece had no curves but the back and legs splayed at 4 degrees.
- Andrew Pellar gave a public service announcement about the danger of angle grinders. A video detailing the problems can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IIQu1e8DGUw>
- Main presentation: George Knutson presented 2019, a year in review, complete with photos of projects, shop tours, presentations, and club members. The program ended with the outgoing president asking club members for suggestions for 2020.
- Al Ashley won the 50:50 raffle.
- The coffee team raffled gifts that were won by John Bellinger, Tom Thornton, and King Dahl.
- The meeting adjourned at 9:11 PM

Bring and Brag

Tom Thorton



David Shull



Christi Brua Weaver



Harvey Rossiter



Jeff Palmer



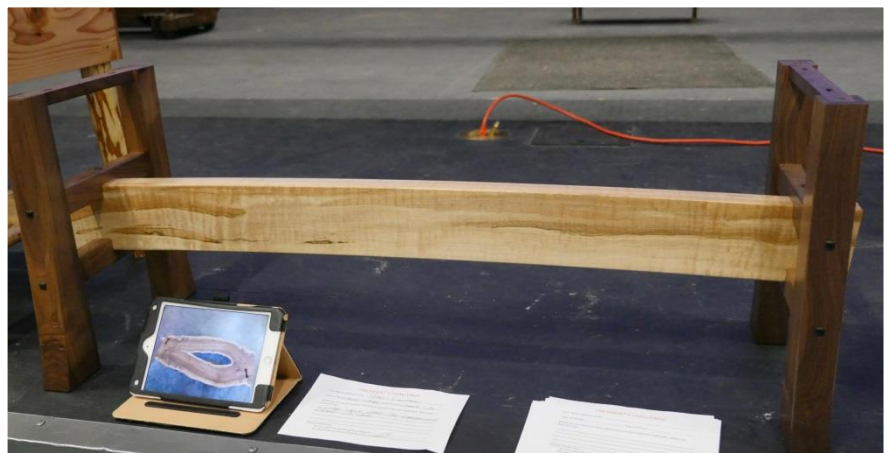
Andrew Peller



Bill Rawls



Jerry Couchman



[VIEW ALL PICTURES HERE - CLICK](#)



The Annual Nick Van Spirit Award was presented to Dave Vandette and Sascha Vandette for their work organizing NCWA participation in spectacular shows including Woodfest and the Anacortes Arts Festival

It's 2020!

I can remember when that just referred to our vision and the date was too far off to be anything but something from science fiction!

But here we are. And lo and behold, this time it's still about vision! . . .

Our vision for what we want this club to be;
Our vision about what we already love about it; Our vision for how we can make it even better: Our individual vision about what skill we want to learn or practice this year;
Our vision about that chair or table or whatever that you want to build this year;
Our vision about that class we've always wanted to teach;
Our vision about that NCWA committee you've always wanted to join . . . Hey, it was worth a try!

Seriously, as we embark on another year, I think about how much we all enjoy the shop tours. They are a great opportunity to see other member's shops but also to talk and share experiences in woodworking. To that end, as President for 2020, one of the things I want to encourage is a series of Shoptalks organized by geographic region where we can get together in smaller groups and talk about a pre-determined topic or about whatever is on your mind.

Look for more detail but expect an announcement for a session early in 2020 in the Bow area. And don't be too surprised if I contact some of you about hosting a similar event in your area. The key ingredients are a willingness to clean your shop and parking! Stay tuned and Happy 2020. Let's make it another great year!

Jim

Redwood Slabs for Sale

Ellie Steensma teaches Biology/Horticulture/Agriculture at Mount Vernon Christian School. Her parents operate a family dairy farm in Lynden. They recently had to take down two large redwood trees that were threatening to fall on their dairy barn and cause considerable damage. In late October they cut the trees down and in early November had a local bandsaw mill brought out to the farm to cut them up. They had the trees cut into slabs ranging from 3"-5" thick, 36" to 54" wide, and 10-12' long, and there are over 20 of them. John collected cones as a kid traveling through the redwood forests of northern California back in the 60's, and planted them on the family farm. These trees grew from those cones!!! If you're interested in a beautiful slab of redwood for outdoor furniture (very weather resistant) or a dining table or several coffee tables, or any number of other uses, here's your chance. John and Karen will be available on Saturday January X from 9 am to 1 pm if you want to stop by and take a look. These slabs have been stored inside their barn since cutting. They have not been kiln dried. They're asking \$500+/- per slab, depending on size. They also have a large pile of the offcuts from the milling process. This wood is free to anyone who can make use of it.

They are located at 9295 Axling Rd, Lynden, WA.



Saturday

January 18

10 am – 2 pm



Making Sawdust

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES – 2020

\$35.00 – Annual Dues

Dues for 2020 have been rolling in. Nearly half of the membership has already renewed for 2020.

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 January 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 Library News



Library Committee Seeks New Member

Have a soft spot for woodworking books? Get value from the NCWA library and looking for a way to give back? Consider serving a term on the

NCWA library committee.

We'll find a role for you to fit your interests and availability.

Please contact Bill Pierce (library@ncwawood.org) today.

Happy New Year from your library committee.

NCWA Board of Directors Meeting

December 11, 2019

Started Meeting at 7pm

Present members: Bill Rawls, David Vandette, Sascha Vandette, Al Ashley, George Knutson, Jim Bucknell, Phil Humphries, Angela Hills, Greg Koenker, King Dahl

Treasurer's Report – Al Ashley

- 10K highest ever in the Bank for Club
- 226 Members in 2019
- 29 new members in 2019
- 50/50 raffle from Dec Meeting brought in \$28
- 61% of all members have paid dues for 2020

Audio/Visual Committee – George

Should this group become one of the “standing committees”? What does that entail? What might be the benefits/drawbacks?

- On hold till future meeting when Audio/Visual crew is present (Jeff, Charlie, and all)

Discussion about new logo – George. Info on cost of having hats embroidered. And vote on acceptance of the new logo.

- Embroidered Logo is simple and makes a better outcome on fabric
- Plan to center the club name and make all CAPS and possibly **BOLD** print
- Set up fee for new logo for hat printing \$50 Fee. Embroider fee per hat \$15
- New hats should sell for \$20 (Black or Bedrock Color for the hat base)
- Committee members would like to see teeth added to the saw for Print Logo version
- A price for embroidered Aprons will be requested
- **Motion by Sascha – to request a hat sample to review at January Committee meeting. Motion seconded by Jim**

Discussion around the budgeted amount for paying outside presenters- Jim Bucknell/Phil Humphries

- Program Meeting budget for 2020 was set at \$900 in November and will remain at that
- Goal for future presenters:
 - Skip Background info during meeting and include it in the newsletter & on the big screen during the setup of the monthly meeting instead.
 - Ask presenters to focus on showing us their techniques, tips & tricks

Disbursing of old audio/video equipment (from Hillcrest days) - Donating to another non-profit, Coyote Central, in Seattle –George

- Coyote Central appreciative of the donation of our old audio equipment. They do art programs for 10 to 15 year olds, including woodworking.

Donations for local school projects (materials, supplies, labor, \$) – George Knutson and Jerry Anderson

- We randomly receive requests and will continue to handle them in the same way as the past – case by case scenario. Often we email the request out to the members and let them individually communicate with the requester
- **Jim motioned to have a special passing of the hat during the January meeting to collect donations for a current need at our host Mount Vernon Christian School. Greg seconded the motion.**
 - George is working on a wish list from the shop teacher of needed tools & supplies

Anything else you'd like to have addressed?

- Wood fest
 - confirmed dates for 2020 : April 25 & 26
 - At Sedro Wooley High School
 - We'll be along the Back wall this year☺
 - David will have Mike update the NCWA website with dates
- Anacortes Art Festival
 - July 31 – August 2, 2020
- All standing committee's need to make arrangements to have a Proxy or Committee chairman at each Board meeting in the future.

Sascha moved to Adjourn. Jim seconded.

George Knutson handed over the sacred President's Gavel to Jim Bucknell for 2020

New Classes for Winter

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	Availability
Jan 4 & 5	Box Making	Jerry Couchman	Full
Jan 11	Math for Woodworkers & Carpenters	Bill Pierce	Full
Jan 18 & Feb 22	Introduction to Chip Carving	Charley Drake	Full
Jan 25	Dust Control	Rick Anderson	3 Spaces
Feb 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & Mar 7	Woodblock Printmaking **Must plan on attending all 6 classes**	Jim Redding	Full
Feb 8	Sharpening	Dale Brandland	1 Space
Feb 29	Make a Spokeshave	Steve Wagoner	1 Space



The Annual Nick Van Spirit Award Recipient

Extra appreciation and thank you to Carol Osterman for her hard work managing all the NCWA classes

!

Future Events

January 15 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
February 4 th	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting
February 12 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
March 3 rd	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting
March 11 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
April 7 th		

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 Street	Bellingham	windsorplywood.com	360-676-1025
Village Books	1200 11 th Street	Bellingham	Villagebooks.com	360-671-2626
Targa Woods	316 W McLeod, Ste 109	Bellingham	hardwoodstoget.com	360-738-9140

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
-----------------------	---------------	---------	-------------------------	---------------------

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
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
Woodworkers Supply	website only		pro.woodworker.com	800-645-9292

Officers and Chairpersons 2019

President	George Knutson	(425) 753-4476	Programs	Bill Rawls	(360) 387-2993
Vice President	Jim Bucknell	(360) 305-2118	Education	Greg Koenker	(360) 543-7090
Past President	Dale Brandland	(360) 961-0102	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	Phil Humphries	(360) 752-0082
Shop Tours	Jim Redding	(206) 307-4553	Shows	David Vandette	(360) 755-3043

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 janekestine@comcast.net with subject line as NCWA Newsletter.