



Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

[NCWA Website](#)

August 2020

Next General Meeting

Tuesday, August 4th

5:30 PM

ZOOM



Mary May



Traditional Woodcarving



"NCWA is super excited to welcome the awesomely talented Mary May to our August Zoom Membership Meeting. She will be discussing carving different styles of moulding, as well as sharpening tips and techniques. You will NOT want to miss this!

Zoom invitations will be sent to all club members via email."

Since Mary will be joining us from her shop in North Carolina, our **August 4th meeting will begin with Mary's presentation at 5:30 PM, PST.**

For more information about Mary, please check out her website below...

[Mary May's Website](#)

How to Access ZOOM for August 4th Meeting

Thanks to those of you who have been attending the Zoom Meetings . The feedback has been excellent, and building on that momentum, we look forward to another wonderful virtual presentation this month.

Our **August 4th meeting will begin with Mary's presentation at 5:30 PM, PST.**

Prior to the presentation, **NCWA members are welcomed to login to Zoom beginning at 5:00 PM** to allow some time for those wanting or needing to get familiar with the Zoom format before the presentation begins at 5:30 PM.

Mary's presentation will go from 5:30 - 6:30, and allow for about 15 minutes of Q & A time included in the hour. After that, Jim Bucknell will conduct our other meeting business and announcements, and we'll conduct a virtual Bring and Brag (this is your chance to show off something that might normally be too large to bring down to our meetings in person).

The invitation to join details were/will be sent to you in a separate email

As a refresher...a couple of tips and/or things to be aware of for Zoom meetings...

At 5:30 PM the Zoom host (King Dahl) will mute everyone's microphones. This will eliminate background noise that can come over your mic inadvertently, even if you are not speaking.

There are two buttons to be aware of at the bottom of your screen - the Participants Button and the Chat Button. Depending on whether you are using a Mac, PC, iPad, iPhone, or other device, the buttons may be in slightly different locations.

Clicking the Participants Button allows you to view a list of all NCWA members that have joined the Zoom meeting. It also allows you to click a button to "Raise your hand" if you'd like to be unmuted to speak or ask a question. Using this "Raise your hand" feature helps avoid confusion and the potential of people talking over each other.

The Chat Button allows you to chat/text to a specific person during the meeting, privately, or you can send a message to everyone in attendance. Anytime during the presentation, if you have a question for her, **Chat it to NCWA Wood (that goes to the host, King Dahl)** and he will forward it to Mary at the appropriate time. We will do our best to get as many questions answered as possible.

Lastly, if for any reason, your internet drops you from the meeting, re-click the invitation link to re-join. Everyone's internet service is a bit different, with some better than others, so we hope your service will allow a pleasant viewing and participatory experience for you.

We look forward to our third Virtual NCWA Monthly Meeting on August 4th.

King Dahl kingdahl1@gmail.com 702-596-9727

Making Sawdust

Upcoming Programs!

Hello everyone!

The September meeting presentation will feature "The Three Sanders". George Knutsen, Jerry Couchman, and Tom Dolese will share their sanding techniques with us.

The October presentation will be a kumiko presentation by Tom Howorth. I saw Tom's demonstration at the Anacortes Arts Festival last year. He's got some neat jigs that make it look easier than it probably is. I like Jim Bucknell's comment on kumiko — "Great, another way for me to find out my chisels are almost sharp enough!"



ZOOM MEETING TUESDAY AUGUST 4th

Login to ZOOM to join the meeting.



Notes for Board of Directors Meeting – Via Zoom 7/15/2020

Meeting started 7:04pm

In attendees:

King Dahl, John Braun, Jim Ferguson, George Knutson, Greg Koenker, Phil Humphries, Mike Titus, Jim Hickey, Jim Bucknell, Al Ashley, Richard Gillingham, Angela Hills, Sascha & David Vandette

King Dahl organized the Zoom Meetup & Jim Bucknell ran the meeting

Jim Bucknell –

Who is seeing Slack comments?

Do we want to open it up to all the club members?

After much discussion it was decided to leave it as a communication source for the board members. But will investigate about having different groups for the different committees so they can have conversations amongst their specific group.

The Board agreed to use Slack for Board communications.

Al Ashley – Treasure Report – review of the report emailed out previously.

Cash in bank as of 06/10/20 –

1. Checking account - \$1,989.04
2. Savings account – \$8,415.01
3. Total – \$10,404.05 (prior year \$7,787.43)

Membership –

1. Total members as of 06/10/20 – 229 (prior year – 210)
2. New members 2020 – 17 (prior year – 6)
3. Honorary members (included in total members) – 6

Phil Humphries –

August Meeting – Mary May (she has done many Zoom meetings in the past).

Sept – 3 Sanders via video – taught my club members

Open discussion about Budget for additional speakers via Zoom

Jim Bucknell asked Al Ashley to ear mark \$3,600 to \$4,800 for 2021 to go toward high quality speakers for our 2021 membership year as a starting point for our 2021 budget development.

Membership - Open discussion about Dues and any adjustments needed for 2021 – it was discussed that with the zoom presenters from all over the world we have had good quality presenters and with the discounts we get to participate in with our different vendors the current \$35 is a fair price. Plus with zoom meetings people are able to attend from anywhere and don't have to spend the extra time and gas on traveling. Such a convenience.

Phil is diligently working on confirming some more big names for 2021 and will put together a great list in the near future.

Jim suggested we have a tool drawing possibly for folks that pay for 2021 by a specific time frame, to encourage timely renewals.

Al will look into invoicing members for 2021 and setting up electronic payment options.

Greg Koenker – Education – we'd like to work on creating videos of "complete processes" that allow us to edit the process to a quicker 8 minute video. We can see the complete process without all the drying times and repetitive actions. The possibilities are endless.

Jim Bucknell – Other Committee Reports:

None at this time.

Jim Bucknell move to adjourn – 8:35pm

Letter of Appreciation



Here's our thanks for your newsletter, along with some pics you can use or not. (It's too bad both Dave and Kris are masked but maybe it doesn't matter. Also, the decorated stand at the library is the one Dave built; Kris' stand is with two artists who are working on it now. Will also attach one of the signs that are featured on the booth in case you want to use that;-)

The Board of Transition Fidalgo & Friends would like to extend their deepest appreciation to Dave Steele and Kris Abshire for stepping up to create free produce stands for the Fidalgo Island community.

With so many folks getting into gardening this season, TF&F wanted to site a few stands around town so that gardeners could offer their surplus to those who could use it. We put out the call, and were floored by the quick and generous response we received from the NW Corner Woodworker's Association! I'd also like to mention a rather unique feature about the stands. Each is being beautifully painted by well-known local artists, who've also volunteered their time.

Lots of good will has surrounded this project, which is so heartening. Thanks again to Dave and Kris for so generously sharing their time and talents!

Gratefully,
Evelyn Adams, TF&F Board member



Bring and Brag

This pandemic has given me a little more shop time than normal, so I'm sharing two items this month. The first was inspired by Jean Cartwright, one of our members, who commissioned me to build her and her husband an end table to complement other furniture in their house. She drew up some basic sketches and we decided to include some design elements from another table in their living room. It was a fun exercise in trying some new techniques; a special drawer handle, some new edge profiles and a "floating" bottom shelf. The wood is cherry and is finished with shellac and my 5/4/1 oil mix.



The second project was my wife Julia's idea. We found some interesting tiles in a Christmas market in Austin, TX a few years ago, and she reminded me last week that I'd never done anything with them. Since this month is our wedding anniversary, what could I say? We looked at some different wood options and decided on making a small tray with Zebra Wood and a little Wenge trim. The color of tiles went well with those woods and this is the result (and my anniversary present for this year!) The individual tiles are less than 5" square, so the tray isn't very big, but she likes it and that's what counts. Oh, she found other tiles that have been waiting to be used, too!

Jerry Couchman

I am sorry to report that Gene Benson, a former NCWA member, passed away early in July. Gene was a very enthusiastic force behind the Toys for Tots program and was often seen at our public events enthusiastically handing out toys to the little kids. It was obvious to everyone how much Gene enjoyed seeing the kid's faces light up when this total stranger gave them a new wooden toy! On behalf of the NCWA, our condolences to Gene's wife and family.

Jim Bucknell
President

Notes for NCWA General Meeting – Via Zoom 7/7/2020

Meeting started 5:30 pm

In attendees: Approximately 58 members present

King Dahl organized the Zoom Meetup

Jim Bucknell ran the meeting, with much appreciation to all those involved in setting it up! Thanks to all the members and Board members that have helped in keeping us going.

Presentation from Brenden Gaffney on how to make a Green Wood Chair.

Links for shaving horses:

<http://timmanneychairmaker.blogspot.com/2017/05/shaving-horse-plans.html>

<http://www.greenwoodworking.com/shavinghorseplans>

Business portion of meeting:

Al Ashley – treasure's report. We currently have \$10,329 with all accounts combined.

Membership renewal is 90% of our revenue and 2021 registrations should begin in October but may be done more via mailing forms in since in person meetings are so limited now.

Bill Pierce – Library – we have a few members that have set up pickup orders for library materials for 7/8/2020 at the Christian School parking lot. No additional books may be requested at his time but if you are returning materials please have them in a disposable bag and accessible from your passenger car window as you drive through the pickup/drop off line.

Phil Humphries – August Meeting – Mary May (carver) She plans to focus on carving moulding and sharpening Gouges. In September we are planning a Sanding Presentation (via Video we expect) with 3 of our own members doing the presentation – Jerry Couchman, Tom Dolese & ???George Knutson (I think)

Greg Koenker – Classes – We are planning a Virtual Shop Talk the 3rd week of July. We are expecting it to be between the 21st and the 24th. Watch for an email with the Zoom link invitation. Shop talks began years ago as a place folks could discuss issues and problems they were having. We eventually started bringing in themes to learn about like Jigs you wanted to share, sharpening tools and router use, safety and Jigs were a few of the past subjects.

This one will begin with a demo of a slab flattening jig and then will be opened up for any topic. Please come join this virtual Shop Talk and bring any problems you'd like to discuss with other woodworkers.

Bring & Brag

David Helm – Built a beautiful Fence and several Railings around the property

Christi Brua Weaver– Cat Tree / built by King Dahl from figured Maple and sap eel. But she added her own touch of fun fabrics and a hammock for the cats to enjoy.

John Braun –Bentwood Boxes. First box he learned to make was Spalted Maple and Purple Heart. But since then he has made several more and is having fun with it.

Andrew Pellar– Spruce and Alder box. Using block planes

Jim ended the Meeting at 7:13 pm

NCWA Library Curbside Event

Second NCWA Library Curbside Event!

What: We're briefly opening the NCWA library for service. Get your books and DVDs now! We may not be able to do this again for some time.

When: Wednesday, August 5th. 3:30-5pm

Where: Mount Vernon Christian School (east parking lot)

How: Return currently checked out items. Pre-request any available items Wednesday July 29th - Monday August 3rd. This will be pickup and drop-off only. Sorry, books will not be available to browse, and no orders will be taken at the event.

COVID-19 safety measures:

You will be directed, in your car, to the pick-up and drop-off site. Please bring returns in a disposable plastic bag. Returned items will be quarantined until the next curbside event.

Please stay in your car at all times. A Library member will bring your order to your car. If you have returns, we will retrieve them with the bag they are in.

If you feel ill, do not come. If you test positive for COVID-19 after the event, please let us know, so we can assist the state in contact tracing.

In adherence with the Governor's orders, a face covering will be required for service. Also, please display your NCWA name tag.

At the request of the school, this will not be a social event. Members are asked to stay in their car.

How to order: We will send a list of available items to all members by email. If you want to reserve some items to pick up, please email Richard Gillingham (candgachers@yahoo.com) by the end of Monday, August 3rd. Richard will confirm your order and let you know if your selection has been reserved by someone else on a first-come-first-served basis.

Thank you: We regret the need for strong safety measures, but we feel it is important to provide service only if we can minimize the risk of transmission to our friends/members. Thanks for your cooperation. Please email questions or concerns to library@ncwawood.org.

Video link one might enjoy!

[YouTube Link](#)

News from the Educational Program

A BIG Thank You to all who attended our first Virtual Shop Talk (VST) on Thursday, July 29th. We've received some very positive feedback on the first of what we hope will be many VSTs. After Greg Koenker's excellent presentation on his shop-made slab flattener, there was some great discussion about various aspects of woodworking, questions on how to solve woodworking problems, and some amusing on-line banter between a bunch of friends with a common interest in woodworking. Exactly what our club is all about, right?

While there is no replacement for in-person classes or shop talks, the hope is that these virtual shop talks give us all an opportunity to still get together on-line and learn, discuss, and have some fun. The plan is that in the coming weeks, the video portions of the VSTs will be available on our own NCWA YouTube Channel, so members can revert back to the videos as needed, or if you missed a particular VST, you will be able to catch up at your leisure.

In keeping the forward momentum going, mark your calendar for 7PM, August 11th for our next VST as George Knutson discusses and demonstrates various tips and techniques on how to get the most out of a track saw. George will discuss how his track saw has become an indispensable part of his tool collection.

Keep your eyes on your email in the coming days for a Zoom Invitation to this informative Virtual Shop Talk.

If you would like to offer feedback, or if you have another idea you feel we should consider, please send me an email at gkoenker@gmail.com.

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Three Tiered Lazy Susan – For Sale

It's designed to fit cabinets with an inside height of 38" — 46", but the telescoping shaft can easily be cut with a hacksaw to fit heights less than 38". My cabinet is only 27" high. Shelf spacing is easily adjusted.

\$50 OBO

Phil Humphries
360 303-0155

Future Events

August 4th
August 11th
August 12th

Tuesday
Tuesday
Wednesday

NCWA General Meeting
Zoom Shop Talk
NCWA Board Meeting

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
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SOUTH

Martin Lbr/True Value	2730 Broadway	Everett	martinlumbereverett.com	425-259-3134
Stormo Hardware	2730 Broadway	Everett	stormohardwoods.com	425-359-8042

CENTRAL

Ekrem Hardware	237 E Fairhaven	Burlington	ekremhardware.com	360-755-0040
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
Woodworkers Supply	website only		pro.woodworker.com	800-645-9292

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