



Newsletter

Next Monthly Meeting — August 2, 2022 at 6 PM — Via Zoom

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ANNUAL PICNIC

It's BACK this year,
Save the Date...
August 20th

ANACORTES ARTS FESTIVAL

You don't want to miss this years festival!

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A Message from the President...

I'm going to start off this month's message by reminding everyone that the Anacortes Arts Festival is coming up rapidly (August 5th, 6th, and 7th). If you haven't been to it before, I encourage you to find some time to drop by this year. There are all of the booths to look at (my past favorite being the gentleman who specializes in marquetry), the entertainment, food, and of course the demonstrations. Come check it out!

My thanks to our club members who will be doing demonstrations each day, greeting visitors, showing off our display items, helping to sell those items our members are offering for sale, helping children to make toys, as well as the behind the scenes efforts by the members who help with initial set up, daily securing of our equipment and display/sale items, and of course, final tear down. And an extra thank you to those, you know who you are, who have gone above and beyond to organize NCWA's participation in this event!

I'd also like to comment on how impressed I've been by the talent of our members. Since I've been handling the showing of the Bring and Brag items during the Covid era, I've viewed all the items submitted each month, and the quality of those items has been very high. Add those items members show via the group chat and it's even more impressive. The quality displayed is only

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surpassed by the willingness of our membership to share their knowledge.

For those members who feel that their work isn't at that level, be assured that each of those who are creating beautiful work now, were once novice woodworkers. So, join the group chat, ask questions, get advice, and watch your work get better and better! Hope to see you at Anacortes!

Thank you,

Greg Koenker, NCWA President

THIS TUESDAY!!! — August 2nd General Meeting

Tom McLaughlin



Epic Woodworking

click to be taken to Tom's website

About our August presenter, Tom McLaughlin – Beginning with a rare three-year apprenticeship alongside master craftsman P.A. "Pug" Moore in North Carolina, Tom has enjoyed

designing and making commission and Custom Furniture full-time since 1990. His designs have received recognition and numerous awards during his twenty-year membership with the prestigious New Hampshire Furniture Masters Association. Since 2001 Tom has also been teaching furniture making from his shop in Canterbury New Hampshire, and currently online through his website epicwoodworking.com . He was featured as the host of PBS' "Classic Woodworking", and has become a regular contributor to Fine Woodworking magazine. He connects more directly to the woodworking community through his Epic Woodworking YouTube channel and weekly Thursday night livestream shows.

Tom's presentation is titled **"My Top Five Woodworking Jigs."** The presentation will cover the five jigs he has found to be the most useful in the shop. For each of these jigs he will be showing their primary features, demonstrating their use, and talking about tips on how you make them for yourself.



Mark your calendars for the Anacortes Arts Festival ! Be sure to stop by and join in the fun.

Thank you to all of our wonderful club member volunteers who will be doing informative demonstrations, greeting guests at our booth, assisting with the Toys For Tots activity table, helping set up or tear down, and/or providing items for display or for sale.

If you still want to get your projects displayed in our booth, it's not too late. We will have 3 categories in which to display projects...

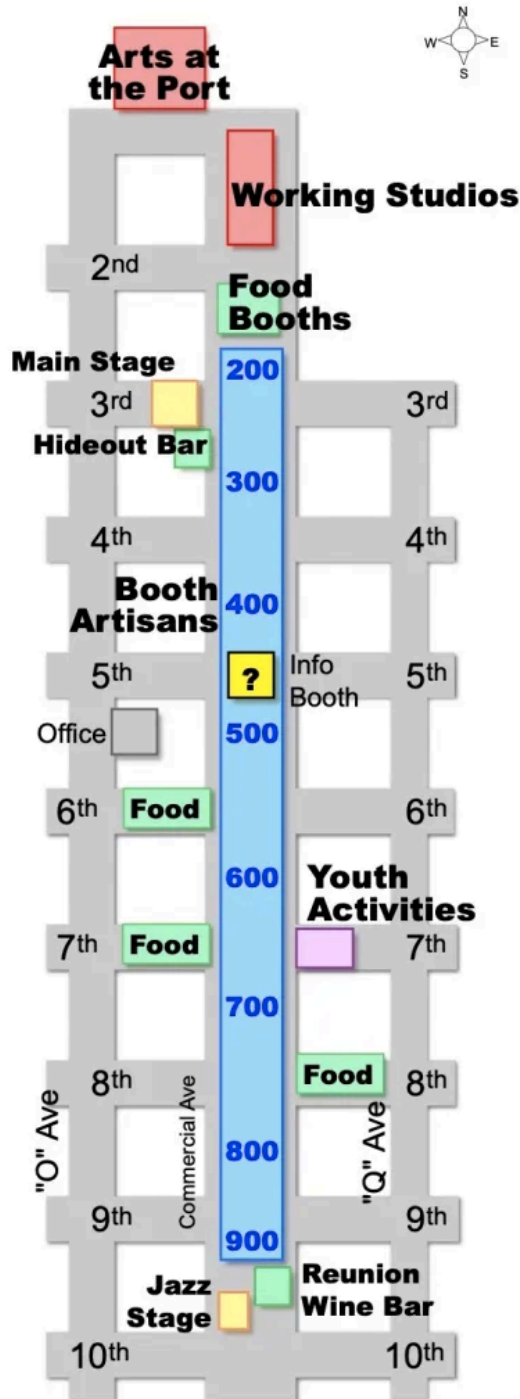
- Items built by you in your shop
- Items built by you in one of the many NCWA Classes or from watching one of our VST's
- Items built by you that are for sale (*a nominal fee of 10% of your sale price goes to NCWA as a donation to offset booth expenses, etc.*)

If you have items to display, are interested in being a greeter for a couple of hours during the show run (the more the merrier!), want to showcase your projects for display or for sale, or can assist in set-up and/or tear down, please contact

King Dahl at kingdahl1@gmail.com

Map of the Anacortes Arts Festival

The NCWA Booth will be located in the "Working Studios" section of the festival, as in years past, at the intersection of 2nd Street and Commercial Avenue.





Club Picnic — August 20th, 1 PM!

Let the Good Times Roll, once again! The picnic will once again be held at the home of Val and Laura Matthews at 7550 Ershig Road in Bow. Val and Laura... many thanks to you both! The picnic will be held along with the Northwest Washington Woodturners club.

In addition to getting a chance to see everyone again, in an outdoor environment, we'll have our traditional BBQ Picnic Lunch. Burgers, dogs, and all the trimmings will be supplied, including vegetarian options. Please bring a side dish or dessert to help round out the menu and to help ensure we all overeat! If you have your own camp chair, bring that, too.

Also, be ready to dust off those old tools or extra wood you need to sell in order to make room for new tools, as we will have a TOOL SALE by silent auction. And we will be having a BOOK SALE organized by our library committee.

Mark Your Calendars...

August 2, 7 PM: The **August General Meeting** will feature Epic Woodworking's, Tom McLaughlin. Tom will demonstrate his 5 favorite shop jigs.

August 17, 7 PM: **Jim Bucknell** will host his rescheduled **VST Live** via Zoom. He will demonstrate how to make a shop-made kerf maker for accurately measuring, setting, and cutting dado slots with precision.

August 20, 1 PM: **Annual Picnic**

September 6, 7 PM: **September General Meeting** – will feature Rob Cosman

October 4, 7 PM: The **October General Meeting** is currently scheduled to be our triumphant return to in-person meetings (Covid-permitting). This meeting will feature Alex Dolese of Dolese Woodworks.

November 1, 7 PM: The **November General Meeting** will feature Michael Cullen of Michael Cullen Design.

Bring & Brag

A few days prior to the monthly meeting, submit 3-4 photos of your project, along with pertinent information like wood species, type of finish, or any other notes of interest to Greg Koenker at gkoenker@gmail.com

Submitted by Jim Bucknell: Cutting Boards



Submitted by Peter Gantt:

This is a wall plaque I made recently for a 4 year old friend of mine's birthday.

It's turned and carved from bass wood, and painted with acrylic, and Krylon spray paint. The plaque is sapele, and finished with Daly's satin finish. The ice cream shape is a series of concentric rings, given that it's turned.



I also wanted to explore a spiral ice cream application which meant that it needed to be carved and not turned in the ice cream portion. I'm still undecided as whether to paint it or not. I like seeing the different textures side by side. I also like it as a sculptural object, so I don't think I'll mount it on a plaque.

Submitted by Phil McLoud: Side Board*Submitted by Steve Lloyd:*

My project for President's Challenge was to learn to make patterned plywood and incorporate what I learned into a usable project. Some time ago, I stumbled on one of Michael Alm's excellent YouTube videos on making patterned plywood. I thought it was a really cool technique, but didn't have a project in mind to make use of it. A few weeks ago, I was helping remodel a small, old farmhouse for my sister. I remembered the video and decided to give it a try. This photo shows a stair wall cap of AA grade Baltic birch with a herring-bone edge band.



I have been hoarding a dwindling supply of 13-ply Baltic birch left over from a big retail build-out 20 years ago. The process of making patterns involves a repetitive series of glue-ups and table saw rips. The patterns are created based on the thickness of the plywood, the width of the strips, and how pieces are flipped during glue-up. It is super easy to do, but it took a lot of faith to follow the YouTube sequence of gluing and cutting over and over, trusting the pattern would come out correctly in the end.



This is a small pony wall cap in another part of the house, showing 2 strips of patterned plywood matched to create a different pattern. The complexity of possible designs using this process is incredible. There are some very talented makers on YouTube experimenting with patterns and applications that yield amazing results.



Finally, here is another edge band from the same house. I had originally meant to create the same pattern of tipped squares as the previous photo, but I goofed and glued the wrong side of the second strip, creating the haphazard-looking zig-zag shown at the top. I had a thin off-cut of the same banding left over, so I flipped that, glued it up, then rounded everything over with a palm sander to create the pattern shown at the bottom.



Hopefully world events will again put the price and supply of Baltic birch plywood back within reach. I had a lot of fun learning a technique I had not tried before, and then applying it (pun intended) to a real-world application where it will be seen and enjoyed.

Meeting Minutes

Minutes of General Membership Meeting (Zoom)

July 5, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M The guest presenter for the evening, John Parillo, was introduced and gave an excellent presentation on designing and building apothecary cabinets. For more information about John and his woodworking check the newsletter for his website and YouTube info. Following the presentation we proceeded with the business portion of the meeting.

- Treasurer's Report (Al Ashley). Al provided a snapshot of the NCWA financial status.
- Membership (Jerry Couchman) Three new members joined the NCWA last month
- Bring and Brag

See the Newsletter.

Submitted by George Lanphear, NCWA Secretary

NCWA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes (ZOOM)

July 14, 2022

Meeting was called to order AT 7:00 (P. M.) Members present include: Greg Koenker, King Dahl, Bill Pierce, George Knutson, Jerry Couchman, Sascha Vandette, Jim Bucknell, John Braun, Jim Ferguson, Nick Pederson, George Lanphear, John Ellis.

1. Treasurer's Report. Al Ashley was unable to participate in the meeting, however he had sent out copies of the monthly report to all board members via email.
2. Membership. Jerry Couchman reported one new member having recently joined NCWA, bringing our current membership to 215.
3. Jim Ferguson listed the scheduled presenters for the remainder of the year and also January 2023.
4. Education Committee (Sascha Vandette). Sascha is still working with instructors to develop a schedule for resuming in person classes.
5. Shows Committee. This generated quite a bit of discussion regarding the Anacortes Art Festival,

King Dahl indicated that he had access to a “sandwich board” and has the contacts to have professional graphics produced to use it to advertise the schedule of demonstrations for the Anacortes Fest. After discussion a motion was made, seconded and passed by show of hands to authorize the purchase of the graphics for the display board.

Other discussion was basically confirmations of who was responsible for bringing what, staffing issues, etc.

A note for the August Newsletter to all members who intend to display items of offer for sale: Make sure items are packed or padded for loading/unloading at night and labeled with your name. All display or sale items must be picked up- (or arrangements made for pickup) Sunday by 3:00.

6. Picnic. Briefly discussed. Plan looks like August 20 in conjunction with the Wood Turners.

Submitted by George Lanphear, NCWA Secretary

Preferred Vendors offering DISCOUNTS to NCWA Members:

Click the link to be taken to the company's website for address, phone number, & product selection.

NORTH –

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[Windsor Plywood](#)

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WEST –

[Sebo's Hardware](#)

SOUTH –

[Martin Lumber/True Value](#)

[Stormo Hardwoods](#)

CENTRAL –

[Ekrem Hardware](#)

[Karl's Paints](#)

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[Cedar Country Lumber](#)

[Sherwin-Williams Paint](#)

EAST –

[E & E Lumber](#)

SPECIALTY –

[Edensaw Woods](#)

[FASTCAP](#)

[Klingspor](#)

[Rockler Woodworking Woodworkers Supply](#)

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. Dues are \$35 per year, payable to NCWA, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. Submit newsletter articles by email to kingdahl1@gmail.com and janekirstine@comcast.net.

NCWA 2022 Board of Directors:

President – Greg Koenker

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Programs Committee – Jim Ferguson

Library – Bill Pierce

Education – Sascha Vandette

Membership – Jerry Couchman

Shows – David and Sascha Vandette

Shop Tours – Jim Redding

Toys for Tots – John Braun

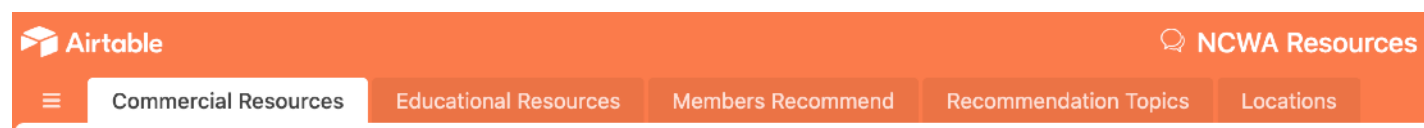
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NCWA Resources

Click this link – [NCWA Resources](#) – for our user-friendly database serving the purpose of storing information about recommendations from NCWA members.

There are 5 tables (1 tab for each) across the top, you can click each one to see its contents. This page is evolving and being updated in real time, so there will be new additions frequently.



- **Commercial Resources:** list of companies (incl website and phone #) and what people recommend them for
- **Educational Resources:** online resources for different topics, grouped by topic (this doesn't have to be limited to videos, we can have books and other stuff too)
- **Members Recommend:** This table is automatically generated by the first two, and keeps track of who's recommending what
- **Recommendation Topics:** This is another automatic table, and lists commercial resources (the first table) grouped by topic
- **Locations:** a final automatic table that lists which commercial resources (again, the first table) are located in which cities, so that it's easier to see what's near you

Let Tony know, or post on NCWA-Chat, what you think. This has the potential of being a super convenient, user-friendly database for all members.