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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
April 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM
Chatelech Secondary School Library
5904 Cowrie Street, Sechelt, BC.**

CALL TO ORDER: Pat Crawford, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.



GUEST (and new member) INTRODUCTIONS:

- Dan Horner introduced his guest and new member Robin Simpson. Robin stood and told the audience he is recently retired with more time on his hands for woodworking. He has a keen interest in hand tools and many years ago restored and old, 35 foot wooden (lapstrake) Chris Craft power boat.

MEETING PROGRAM: Presentation by Pat Crawford, “Scroll Saw Fretwork Bowls, making and customizing”.

Note: The banjo maker previously announced for this meeting was unavailable and has since been tentatively rescheduled for the fall (maybe October).

Rick Budd introduced Pat Crawford and thanked him for stepping up at short notice and putting together a very interesting presentation.

Pat began his presentation by explaining how he got into this scroll saw fretwork bowl making thing. His wife gave him a very good scroll saw for Christmas one year and he initially he played around various typical and miscellaneous scroll sawn items. Along the journey and internet searches he came across a pattern and instructions for how to make ‘stacked concentric ring’ bowls. As they say, ‘The rest is history’.



Pat showing the finished product

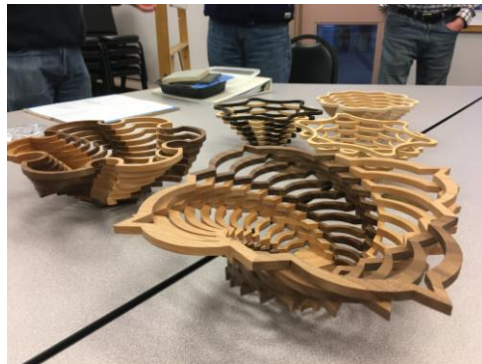
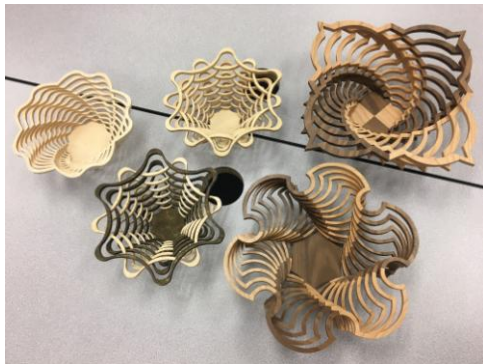


Pat describing the fine details

Pat put together a very detailed Power Point slide show
http://patrick-crawford.ca/resources/Scroll_Saw_Bowls/Scroll%20Saw%20Fretwork%20Bowls.pdf
and brought along samples of the bowls he'd made of different techniques and designs.

The bowls are of two basic styles, 'alternate' and 'spiral' layers cut from either 1/4" Baltic birch plywood or solid wood. The layers, of varying incremental widths are rotated and stacked upon each other producing these bowls.

Having now made numerous bowls with patterns from the Internet Pat is beginning to experiment with more complex designs of his own.



Bowls made up of stacked concentric rings cut out using a scroll saw
Examples are a mixture of 'alternate' and 'spiral' layers.



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Example of staining of every second layer/ring



Example of a spirally layered bowl with four sections of alternating colours using 1"x 6" S4S hardwood lumber



Example of a pattern made up of 6 segments of alternating cherry and walnut

In the Q & A section that followed his presentation the audience was most interested in how he achieved such precise accuracy. His answer was the quality and type of the blades ('modified geometry' made by Pegas), speed of the scroll saw and lots of patience and practice.

Rick thanked Pat for his extremely interesting and detailed presentation and commented on his amazing talents and patience for such detailed work. Unable to give Pat one of his own wooden pens (regular presenter's gift) as a gift Rick presented him with a nice bottle of wine and a sheet of 400 grit sandpaper in case the wine wasn't smooth or refined enough for him. (Rounding applause resulted from the crowd!).

Note: Pat brought a few items to give away; Delta thickness planer blades, a Dremel shaper/router table and a few pairs of safety glasses with magnifiers.

COFFEE BREAK

BUSINESS MEETING:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: – The Agenda was adopted as circulated.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: - There being no errors or omissions noted, it was moved and carried the minutes of the March 29, 2022 General Meeting be accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES or any UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) **Gibsons Kiwanis Apartment Garden Beds and Fencing – Ron Johnson**
 - o As reported last meeting the planters were finished more than a month ago.



Finished planters

- o Then a request was made for deer fencing around the planters. Ron and crew (Kevin Roy, Peter Rogers, Phil Klassen and Dan Chercover) rallied (again), designed a solution, got most of the materials donated (by GBS) (approx. \$4000) and risked their backs, golf games, marriages and spent many man hours (more than 200) building the deer fence.



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Finished deer fence



Finished project and crew (Dan Chercover missing)

- Everyone, especially Kiwanis, was delighted with the effort and result. In hindsight, realizing the cost (volunteer labour and materials) the Guild members would hesitate taking on a project of this magnitude in the future.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS:

- Treasurer's Report** – None
- Membership & Venue Report** – Tom Hourigan
 - To date there are 45 paid up members, still hoping for a few more.
- Education Committee**- Rick Budd
 - David Cunningham, well known fine furniture maker from Victoria BC is booked for a presentation for the May meeting.
 - A 'spoon carving' workshop is confirmed for June 4th. Wood will be supplied and an email notice will be circulated with details.
 - The Committee is looking for 'shop crawl' suggestions.
- 2022 2x4 Challenge – Celebrating Creativity** – George McKee
 - Date is June 21st at Cooper Green Hall.
 - Open to members and one guest. Tickets are \$20/person and available at the meeting, via e-transfer and at the door. If one is buying tickets at the door please advise George in advance to ensure adequate food, beverages, etc.
- Toys & Gifts Program** – Dan Chercover (and Pat Crawford)
 - No new news.

- Pat announced he'd been contacted by Marshal Mitchell of Limar Creations offering a donation of 50 – 60 wooden scroll sawn puzzles for the Toys & Gifts Program. Marshal is liquidating his inventory (unable to continue production) and became aware of our Community Program.

CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW BUSINESS: - none

SHOW & TELL/TIPS & TRICKS:

Dan Steiner



Dan showed a photo of his grandfather's 15th century home in Switzerland build of a 'post and beam' style similar to that presented by Mike Cronk at the last meeting.

ATTENDANCE PRIZE DRAW - Tom Hourigan

- Norm Ross won a \$25 KMS gift certificate.

NEXT MEETING: Chatelech Secondary School, May 17, 2022 in the Library

ADJOURN BUSINESS MEETING: Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

These minutes have been approved:

Chair

Date

Tim Dayton, Secretary – Suncoast Woodcrafters Guild