



— a chapter of The American Association of Woodturners —

President's Message...

Hello Woodturning Friends



photo by Doug Pizac

Blair shows off snowmen and Christmas trees he turned as gifts for family and friends.

by Blair Wolfley
SWW President

Well it looks like another month has slipped away but hopefully not without many of us getting in some quality time at the lathe. I find that time in the shop/studio helps me keep calm in a time of stress and worry for many.

It looks like we are in a bit of an extension with respect to staying safe efforts.

The Friends of the Carpenter space will be closed until January so that slows our plans to start up classes. Stay tuned as we work through this Covid situation.

We will continue to do Zoom club meetings, but as normal for the club we will not have a December meeting.

It is time to be thinking about renewal of club membership. It is still just \$35.

You can go to the website and pay on-line with credit card or Paypal. You could also send a check payable to Southwest Washington Woodturners to Brian Harte, 125 Krestview Lane, Woodland WA 98674.

We are planning to have membership wrapped by January 12th.

In light of having little success in new candidates stepping forward for club officers, we will likely offer that current officers continue to serve for 2021. I think we are all willing to try this again next year with the hope that we can get things going a bit better when we can get back together.

Our secretary Doug Pizac has been doing a great job with the newsletter, hosting our Zoom meetings and filming our meeting demonstrations. A big thank you for that work.

Remember that if you have questions, comments about club business or anything wood turning related you can post these items to us through southwestwashington-woodturners@gmail.com.

I hope you all have a great Thanksgiving and please be safe out there.

Happy turning!

The invite for November's club meeting and demo via Zoom will be emailed out Nov. 24th for members to register.

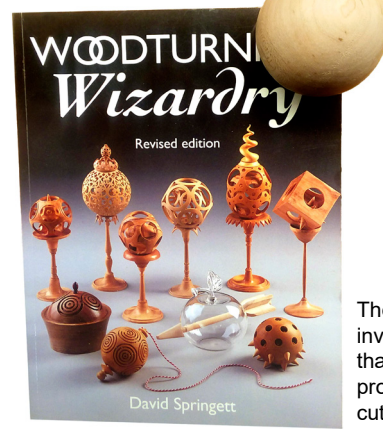
Dates to Remember

- 11/25 7p — club meeting/demo
- 12/05 1p — WIT's Kristin LeVier
- 12/07 7p — board meeting
- 12/23 7p — NO club meeting
- 01/13 7p — board meeting
- 01/27 7p — club meeting/demo



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The demo for November's club meeting will be courtesy of Marshal Wade who will show how to analyze, mark and cut logs into bowl blanks. It is short and direct, so please do not be late.



There are a lot of projects that involve sphere's. The book that I am following has turning projects inside a sphere without cutting it in half.

New Sphere Turning Jig



by Jim Snyder
SWW club member

I recently purchased a sphere making jig by Thomas Hackel in Germany. The system is still under patent pending and can be bought from him directly. It comes as a six-piece kit that is all machine aluminum and steel shafts.

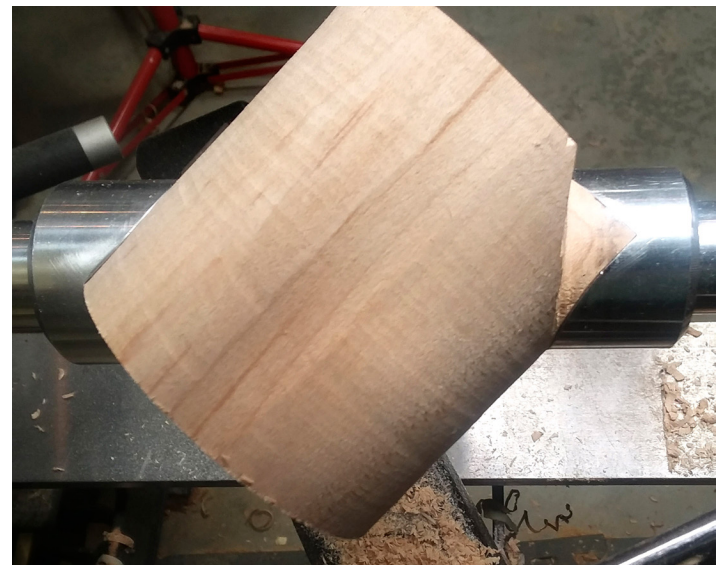
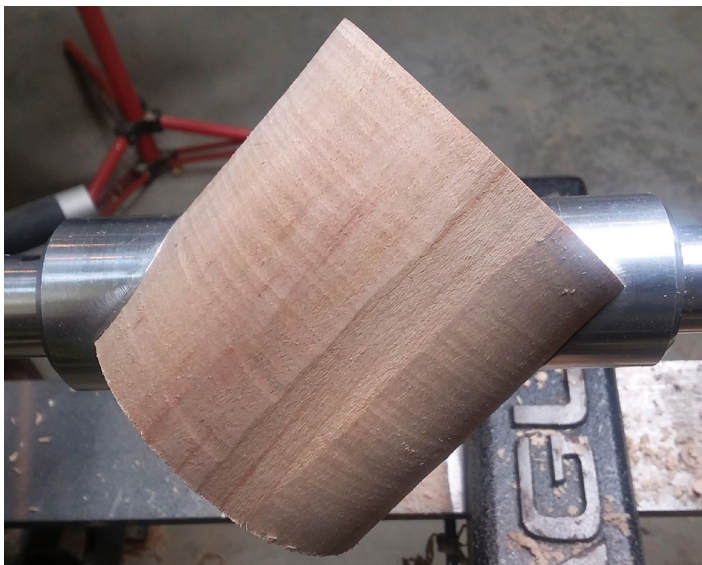
While Hackel's website is in German, here's the link to a page about the jig in English, along with a video.

<https://drechsler-wissen.de/how-to-turn-a-wooden-sphere-step-by-step/>

At the bottom of the page is a contact form.

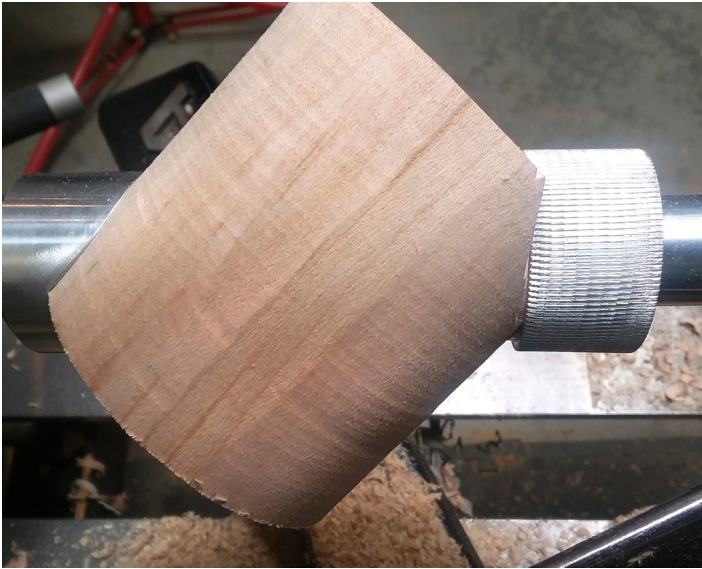
Depending upon the currency exchange for the unit and shipping, the price runs \$250-\$275, and takes approximately six weeks to arrive.

Payment must be sent either directly in advance, or through a PayPal account.



1 — To do a four inch sphere you will need to turn a four inch wide cylinder by four inches long. The first two jig heads are "V" cut, one side of the "V" is flat the other is cone shaped. The purpose of this is to hold the rounded side of the your cylinder and the flat end of each side securely.

2 — On the tail stock side you'll turn a tendon, so that it's even with the jig end and as close to the jig dimension.



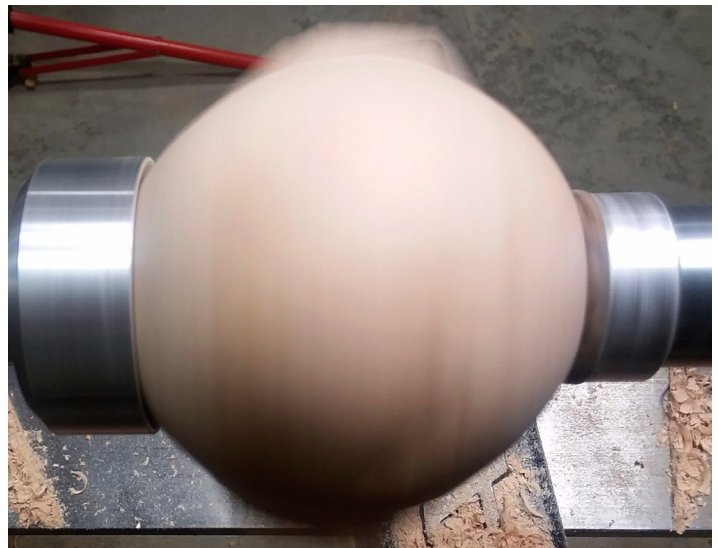
3 — This is so a ring can slide up and jam the cylinder in place.



6 — After removing the first set of jigs, rotate the wood 90 degrees and insert it between the next set of jigs. These are cone shaped. The left side is solid metal and the right side has a cork top material, if you look close on the shaft you'll see a small pin in a slot. This is spring loaded to the proper tension when collapsed.



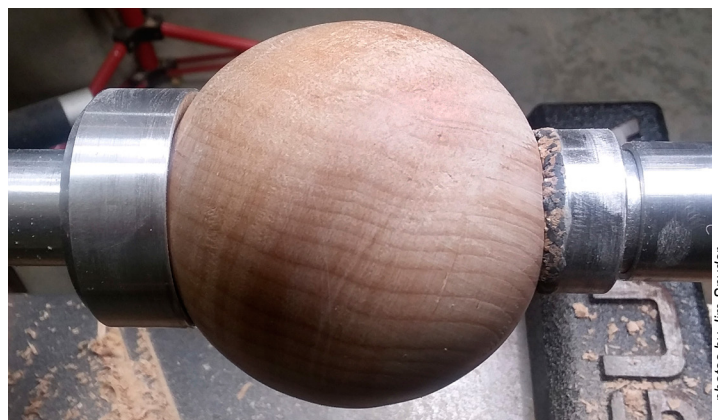
4 — As your cylinder turns, you'll have air gaps on both sides, you'll see the outline of the sphere in the center. My rpm was set at 700.



7 — Now start turning from center out, again following the outline of the sphere.



5 — Remove the wood to the outline of the sphere.



8 — Now that you're done turning, sand until smooth.

AAW News

by Kathleen Duncan
AAW Secretary

WIT Presents will be hosting Kristin LeVier on December 5th at 1:00p Pacific. This is a free event but limited to 500.

Here is the registration link:

https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/WIT/WIT-Home-Page.aspx?WebsiteKey=c9100f02-c77e-4177-a9bc-7d3eb0216238&hkey=7f6a65b2-ec98-472f-a7b6-2ac573f7258d&New_ContentCollectionOrganizerCommon=8#New_ContentCollectionOrganizerCommon.

Many of our AAW memberships will be up for renewal in the next couple of months. To keep your Journal, FUNdamentals, and other notifications coming, be sure to renew your membership. If you are not currently a member, check out the 3-month free affiliate membership <https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Join-Pages/Affiliate-Membership.aspx>

It is hard to believe that I have been on the AAW Board of Directors for six years.

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It has been an incredible experience and I have met a lot of wonderful people, many of whom I know will be forever in my circle of friends.

We have seen a lot of change in AAW.

This last year has presented all sorts of problems, but we're getting through them.

Unfortunately, the pandemic has had a huge impact on the organization as it has on all the local chapters. We had to come up with innovations in a short time span.

This year, we saw our first virtual symposium, we started WIT Presents, the Masters Series, a remote demonstrator database, and an online community for chapter leadership to discuss chapter issues. Other communities are in the works.

I hope that you will continue to support AAW and Cascade by your membership and by being involved.



and Happy Turkey Day!

Stay Safe!
Stay Healthy!
Stay Turning!



FOR SALE — I bought two Woodriver mobile bases ([link](#)) from Woodcraft on sale for \$60 each, normally \$100. I do not need one which is configured at 23x40 inches but can be adjusted. I used it for two minutes before deciding to go another route for my jointer. Your price is \$40. Contact Doug Pizac at wood@pizac.com if interested.

Club Store

Description	Price
Thompson Lathe Tools (10V steel, no handles)	
5/8 bottom bowl gouge:	\$95
1/2" V bowl gouge (3 in stock):	70
3/8" spindle gouge (5 in stock):	55
1/2" spindle gouge (2 in stock):	65
Abranet 3x9" sanding sh pk (1 ea.: 80, 100, 120, 180, 240, 320, 400):	5
CA glue 2 oz. bottle (thin, medium, thick) each:	7
CA glue 2 oz. black thick bottle	12
CA accelerator 8 oz. can	9
End Grain Sealer, 1/2-gal. jug	8
End Grain Sealer, 1-gal jug	15

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