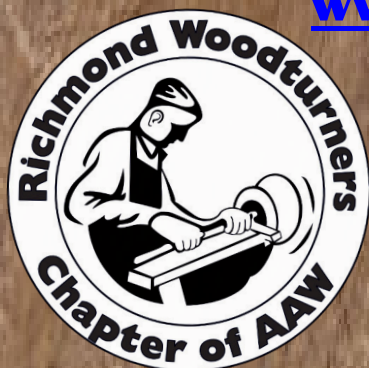


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www.richmondwoodturners.org



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WOODTURNERS IS TO
PROVIDE EDUCATION AND
INFORMATION TO THOSE
WHO ARE INTERESTED IN
WOODTURNING AND TO
PROMOTE WOODTURNING
AS AN ART FORM WITHIN

GENERAL PUBLIC
CLUB AND TO THE

OFFICIAL CHAPTER
AAW
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
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FEATURE TOPS



In August, the program will be a top turning marathon. Blanks will be supplied and members are asked to bring in their own turning tools. All tops turned that night will go to the Children's Hospital. Also, each member is asked to turn tops in their shops to add to the collection.

In the past, Richmond Woodturners has turned hundreds of tops for the Richmond Children's Hospital. The tops are given to children receiving treatment at the hospital. Their supply is getting low and it is now time to refill it. It is reported that the tops are a hit with the children.



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President's Corner

Steve Kellner

I really enjoyed the July meeting. It started out with a well-attended wood raffle. Participants went home with some nice turning stock and the club's coffer was another beneficiary. Thanks goes out to the organizing committee and all that participated.

Following our business meeting, Neal Bland's demo on turning Tippe tops was a great lead-in to this month's top turning marathon. The presentation was not as polished as some we've had, but the content was excellent! I'll take that trade-off any day. I have not tried to turn a Tippe top yet, but plan to give it a shot before the meeting.

Speaking of the August meeting, I expect everyone to show up with sharp tools and safety glasses so we can turn lots of tops to replenish our supply for the Children's Hospital. Hope we can mix in a good selection of Tippe tops! See you on the 21st!

Thanks for listening.

Please bring and wear your badge to the meeting!

If you want one, please contact Larry Yancey, lpancey@gmail.com. The first one is free to members. There is a fee of \$10.00 to replace a lost one.

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The board minutes and Bylaws of the club can be found on the [RWT website](#).

Penturners News

The Richmond Penturner's Club will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 14, at Woodcraft. Dan Luttrell will be giving a demo of the Beall Pen Wizard. Please bring any pens that you would like to show off. The penturners group is a "subsidiary" of Richmond Woodturners; an informal group sharing thoughts and experiences with pen turning. Membership is not required.



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2nd annual RWT golf outing

The second annual RWT golf outing will be held on September 2 at Magnolia Green Golf Club, at 9:00 a.m. Anyone interested in playing, please contact Chuck Bajnai at csbajnai@gmail.com or 804-301-4600. Rain date will be September 9.



2025 Quarterly Challenges

3rd Quarter- Turn a live edge piece

4th Quarter- Turn a piece from a limb to be at least 3" in diameter.

Future Demonstrations

August- Top marathon

September- Tool sharpening explained

October- IRD Eric Lofstrom, Breathing box

November-Live, Darin Daily: Inside out ornament with captured marble

Join Meeting Via YouTube

Be sure to check your email each month for the sign in information to join the meeting with YouTube. If for some reason, it is not in your in box, please contact Ron Bishop (rbishop1946@gmail.com) to get the link and be added to his distribution list. The link is different each month.

The YouTube link will be active starting at about 6:15 PM on the evening of the meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Previous Balance (7/1/2025)	\$7,599.18
Income	256.79
Expenses	330.00
New Balance (8/1/2025)	\$7,525.97

Agreement to use likeness

Richmond Woodturners takes pictures of our events and uses those pictures for information to members and promotion of the club in different outlets. If for some reason, you would not agree to have your likeness used, please contact lpyancey@gmail.com and let us know. In cases of pictures of minors (under 18 years old) a signed release for permission from a parent or legal guardian is mandatory .

Turner's Talk

Mentoring & Skills Development Workshop

The workshop meets at the beginning of our regular Thursday meeting at 5:30 PM. Come on in and let's talk shop .

August- Al Kiebert; legal requirements to sell your work

September-Pam Bozkurt on Wig Stands

October- Chuck Horton: turning crotch wood

November- Ray Deyo; wood characteristics

December-Christmas party



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2025 Officers and Committees

President – Steve Kellner
Vice President – Ron Bishop
Secretary – Chuck Horton
Treasurer - Cody Walker
Directors :
Activities Director – John Daniel
AV Director- Jared Parker
Membership Director – Chuck Bajnai
Newsletter Director- Larry Yancey
Past President #1 –Bill Buchanan
Past President #2 –Ray Deyo
Web/information Director – Neal Stublen
Committee Chairpersons:
AAW Women in Turning Liaison – Meg Turner
Resources- Al Kiebert & Jay Pugh
Social Media – Pam Bozkurt

A very special thank you to Izumi Miller for her contribution to this newsletter. She proof reads it and makes valuable suggestions on ways to make it more readable.

Facebook Group

This Facebook group was created to provide a platform for our members to share project photos, to ask questions and, generally, to carry on the dialog in which we so often engage during our monthly meetings.

[Richmond Woodturner Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/groups/832886010074989/)

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Board meetings are held via Zoom the first Thursday of the month. If you are interested in attending, please contact Steve Kellner for an invitation.
(rwtpresident202122stevek@gmail.com)

Club Membership dues

Individual—\$35, Family (must reside at the same address) —\$45, Student (under 19 years)—\$15. For more details, please visit the website at www.richmondwoodturners.org and go to the membership tab.

From the Editor

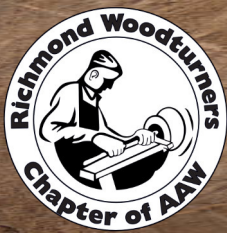
MEETINGS- Meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of the month at Woodcraft; Turners Talk 5:30 PM- 6:15 PM, Business Meeting 6:30 PM-7:15 PM, Program 7:15 PM-8:30 PM. If you are attending via YouTube, you may log in at any time after 6:15 PM.

TURNER’S TALK- For those who have knowledge to share and those who have questions. A time to exchange ideas and knowledge. Also just a time to talk shop.

SHOW AND TELL- Email pictures and description of your work to showandtell@richmondwoodturners.org for publication in the newsletter and for the presentation used in the meeting. Submissions to showandtell@richmondwoodturners.org will automatically be forwarded to Steve Kellner for his lineup at the meeting and to Neal Stublen to go into the website archive. The deadline for show and tell items to be included in the newsletter is one week prior to the meeting by 5:00 PM.

FOR SALE/WANTED/ TIPS & TRICKS- These items should be emailed to www.rtwnewsletter@gmail.com to be included in the newsletter. Again these need to be submitted one week prior to the meeting by 5:00 PM.

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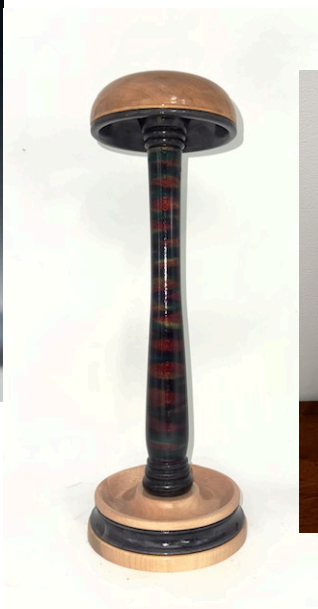
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Community Service Project Opportunities

WIG STANDS



Members, in corporation with the Women in Turning, are ask to make wig stands for patients at Massey Cancer Center that have lost their hair as a result of chemo-therapy. Directions for making a wig stand can be found on the Richmond Woodturners website (www.richmondwoodturners.org) or by clicking [this link](#). Again, the patients really appreciate not only the stands, but the thought that they are cared for.





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The Virginia State Fair is coming soon and NOW is the time to be thinking about entering your beautiful and interesting bowls, platters, vases, boxes, hollow forms, surface treatment/decorative turnings, and / or something that can only be described as "other". There's still time to create something new, but you have got to start soon!

Here are some dates and deadlines for you to mark so that Richmond Woodturners has a great showing and takes home tons of ribbons and lots of prize money:

VIRGINIA STATE FAIR	September 26 - October 5
Deadline for Entries (online form)	September 5
Delivery Dates	September 12 & 13
Pick Up Your Ribbons!	October 8

The website is statefairva.org

The Woodturner Division is 43 this year, found under the COMPETITIONS tab, then CULINARY & CREATIVE ARTS COMPETITIONS. Rules and registration forms are in a PDF under 2025 ADULT CREATIVE ARTS or Rules [click here](#) and registration [click here](#).

There may be other Divisions that you want to enter as well. Division 43 (Woodturning) is broken into Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced, as in previous years. Top prize is \$10, the entry fee is only \$3 per entry.

The club is planning to deliver entries en mass, for those who live too far from the fairgrounds in Doswell, Va., just past Kings Dominion. For this to happen, registrations will have to be complete, and entries will need to be properly packaged, well identified (copy of entry form attached, please), and delivered to our August 21 woodturners meeting. It will be too late by the September meeting. Arrangements for pickup are also planned.

Also, PLEASE sign up for a few shifts with our club's State Fair Demonstration, too, via Dan Luttrell's recent emails. As of August 15, there are 21 shifts still available.

For any questions, please contact Steve Owen. steveowen1957@gmail.com or 804-292-2236

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Review of July Program

Turners Talk Wood raffle



The wood raffle was another great success with a large variety of wood available. The club netted \$126.00 . Special thanks to Bill Buchanan and Ray Deyo for organizing the event and to all members that donated wood to the raffle.

Demonstration

TIPPE TOP FEVER

Neal Bland's demonstration was contagious. Working to perfect the tippe top to work proved to be a challenge and then after doing the first one, it was difficult to stop making them.

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July Show and Tell Presentations

Photos Courtesy of Chuck Horton

Dan Luttrell



Cody Walker



Kevin Fitzpatrick



Ray Deyo





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Chuck Horton



Larry Yancey



Jared Parker



Jay Pugh



Jeremy Parker



Barbara Dill





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Jim Klein



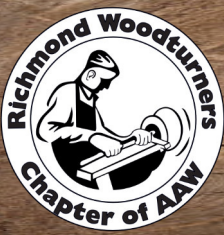
Nathaniel Kelly



Jim Kennedy



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August Show & Tell

Cody Walker



Cherry Spinning Base, approximately 12" in diameter, finished with walnut oil.

Kevin Fitzpatrick



6" Bradford Pear bowl with a partial natural edge. Finished with two coats of Danish Oil.

Chuck Horton



The last of a series. Jacaranda base and lid, koa finial, padauk accent ring. About 8" high by 3 1/2" wide. Finished with wipe on poly.

Ron Bishop



Cherry Burl
Dyed with lacquer topcoat
8" x 4"



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Chuck Bajnai

"Does anybody really know
what time it is?
It's 5 o'clock somewhere"

Sycamore
7" diameter
lacquer finish



Steve Kellner



Round bottom bowl: 9" x 1.25", Sycamore finished with water-based alkyd varnish. Turned from what was left after preparing some blanks for the Tops turning marathon. Since it was thin, I turned the bottom spherical, sanded, filled a few cracks with CA and applied a poor coat of CA to the bottom before mounting with a 5" diameter vacuum chuck to hollow. Got lucky with pretty uniform 1/8" wall thickness!



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Larry Yancey



This cherry bowl is 11-3/4" in diameter and 3-3/4" tall. It is finished with Tried and True Danish oil and buffed with Beall buffing system.

Jerry Harvey



Still have resin around so I tried filling with pine cones. 6" X 4.5"

Mike Squire

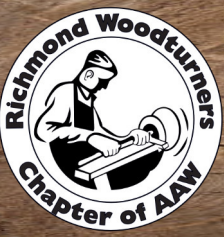


Segmented wig stand.
The woods are Primavera and Walnut with a plywood inset.

David Bushman



This hollow form is an example of a way of including a live edge that is not the rim of the opening. The way it is turned actually results in two live edges. The wood is chestnut oak and the finish is Danish oil.



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Dan Luttrell



Obviously, this is a 36 tooth sprocket for a #80 power transmission roller chain. Rejected. Failed MagnaFlux. Very Poplar.



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Klingspor and Penn State discount programs

Both Klingspor and Penn State Industries offer a 10% discount to members of woodturning clubs. If any member wishes to participate, both companies require the club to submit your name, email address, phone number, and mailing address. You must then establish an online account with a user name and password. Thereafter, you will receive an automatic 10% discount on all on line purchases.

Chuck Horton (our Secretary) is the contact point for RWT members who wish to participate. If you want to sign up for either or both discounts, send Chuck an email noting P, K, or both and he will forward your information to the appropriate company. (hortoncharles876@gmail.com)

If you DO NOT wish to participate, no action is necessary and your data will NOT be submitted.

The AAW is currently undergoing significant hiring for multiple positions.

We'd love for you to share out our job listings to the talented folks in your communities that could be a great fit and align with the needs of the organization.

Current openings include:

Finance & Operations Director
Marketing & Communications Director
Editor of American Woodturner
AMS and Web Developer

Find job descriptions and required and preferred skills on our website [HERE](#).

We appreciate your support of the AAW and patience with staff during this transition period.

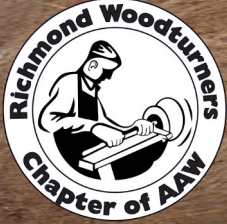
Woodturning Tool Exchange

If you are looking to purchase or sell woodturning tools check this out. A private Facebook site to buy/sell woodturning tools

You have to apply to be a member/ free to join.

www.facebook.com/groups/461526680666003

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For Sale



Beall buffing system includes wax and compounds. \$40.00.



8" slow speed grinder with Wolverine. \$125.00

Contact Dan Luttrell 804-382-2145.
mostthingsround@gmail.com

Craftsman 12" Bandsaw \$50.00.

(Model 113.243310)

New urethane tires in June of 2024

1/2" x 3 TPI blade installed plus another new one included.

Several other miscellaneous blades also included.

Located in Chesterfield (Clover Hill Farms)

Contact Roy Lewis
(rlewis23112@gmail.com)



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For Sale



Powermatic 3520a. It's been a great lathe for me and still has plenty of life left in it. I've had it for about twelve years and have been very pleased with it. In the spring of 2020 I put in a new VFD, as the original one failed. Also in February of this year, I replaced both the spindle bearings and the motor bearings.....it runs much quieter now. It sits on a mobile base and can be moved around the shop fairly easily. The motor is strong and quiet. Banjo and tailstock lock down tightly. Headstock and tailstock centers align perfectly. It's not as pretty as it once was, but you can definitely still make a lot of beautiful things with it. It runs on 220 v power. It comes with spur center, live center, 14" tool rest. Copy and paste the following link into your browser and it will take you to the owners manual for the 3520a, where you can find all of the specifications for this machine.

<https://www.manualslib.com/manual/855198/Powermatic-3520a.html?page=7#manual>

The Lathe is located in Virginia Beach.

I am asking \$2,400 for it, but will certainly entertain other offers.

If you're interested in it call or text me.

I'm happy to answer any questions about it. Also we can set up a time to see and it and try it out.

Darin Dailey 831-588-4143 happycamperdd@gmail.com

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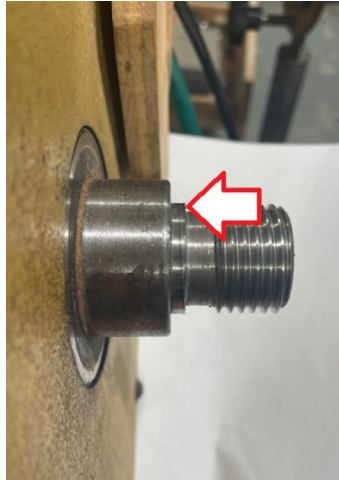
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Tip

From Dan Luttrell

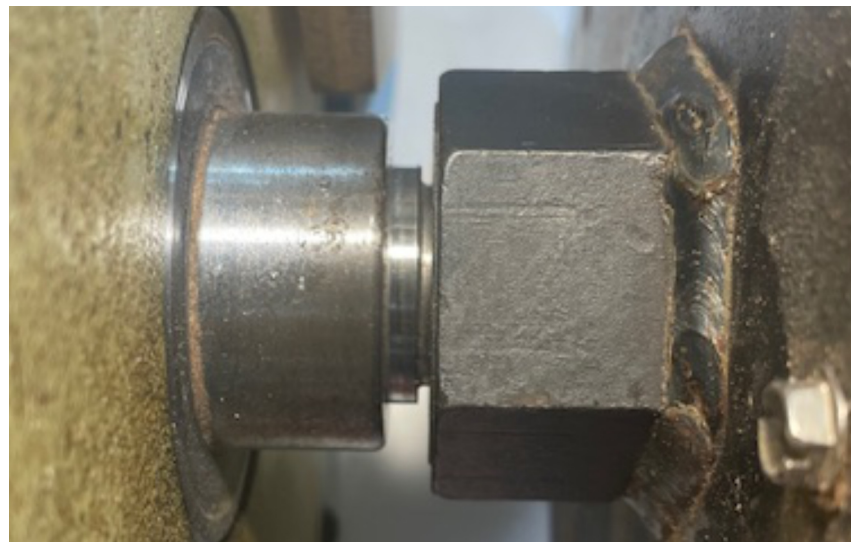
Are you aware that there is a pilot on the 1-1/4 x 8 lathe head shaft? This is designed to center your chucks and faceplates, repeatedly, on the head shaft. This also applies to the 1"x 8, and the 3/4" x 16 head shafts, and probably others as well. The threads are only there to hold them tight.



If you have a faceplate made with a "standard" 1-1/4" x 8 nut, do not let it engage with the pilot as shown in this photo.



Always ensure the nut is short enough, or there is a spacer installed to prevent contact as shown in this photo.



Installing anything without the necessary counterbore to fit the pilot can damage it and prevent your chucks from being installed properly.

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American Association of Woodturners is a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the art and craft of woodturning worldwide through education. With more than 16,000 members and over 365 chapters globally, AAW members include amateurs, hobbyist, professionals, gallery owners, collectors, tool and equipment suppliers, and others.

AAW wants to help you enrich your woodturning experience and pursue your aspirations wherever you are on your woodturning journey. We invite you to learn and grow with us and become part of the special community that is woodturning. They provide an almost limitless amount of resources: written articles, videos, and a yearly national symposium. Check the out at www.woodturner.org. Consider joining today.

Sponsors and Friends of the Club



Organizations such as the Richmond Woodturners, Richmond Penturners, and James River Woodcarvers would not exist if it weren't for the kindness of their sponsors. We are blessed and grateful to have in Richmond the Virginia Woodcraft store supporting us and our activities. Members get a 10% discount on meeting nights for most turning related items.

Please remember this and support them at every opportunity! For the classes provided at this location see [Woodcraft Classes](#). Classes are taught by Ray Deyo, Clark Brummett, Brian Noble-Marx, and others.