# Lowcountry Turners

The "Catch and Cuss" Turners of Coastal Georgia and South Carolina



## LCT Newsletter — July 2019

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## Message From The Board

LCT Members & Friends,

Our next demo will be Thursday, July 25th, 6:00 p.m. at the Georgia State Railroad Museum, 655 Louisville Road Savannah. Come early to get your raffle tickets. Roy Yarger will demonstrate how he creates his award winning pepper mills. Roy has been wholesaling his pepper mills for several years. The LCT has a few pepper mill kits that will be included with the raffle prizes. If you have a pepper mill blank you would like to donate to add to the raffle prizes, please do so.

Many thanks to our June demonstrator, Lonnie Bott, for an outstanding demo. He created a "twice-turned Rudy Lopez style banana bowl". Lonnie's demo was well attended and received such positive reviews that the board issued a challenge to its members to watch Rudy Lopez's YouTube video then create your own twice-turned banana bowl. Bring your bowls to the July demo. We will judge them, choose a winner, then the winner will get bragging rights and will get to choose the next challenge demo. Regardless of your skill level, have fun with this project.

Save the date: Sunday, October 13 11:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. the Coastal Heritage Society (CHS) will be hosting their annual Frogwarts Event and the Lowcountry Turners have been asked to come back to turn "Harry Potter"

Wands". Last year Lonnie Bott and Dan Lee turned 70 wands raising more than \$700 for the CHS. We need at least 3 volunteers turning wands and 2 volunteers working with the children to sand, stain and finish the wands. Also, realistically, the hours will be from about 9:30 till 4:00 including set up and take down. This was a fun event last year with more than 1,300 visitors passing through.

Several of our members attended the AAW's Annual Symposium in Raleigh, NC last week. All had a great time. Doug McCulloch stated that he "...had a great time. The Instant Gallery was outstanding. ...and he left inspired. Here are a few pictures from the AAW Instant gallery. Look for more later in this newsletter...



Instant Gallery was Huge!





### Board Message Continued...





At June's demo, LCT member Ken Rouche discussed how he uses the Cedarshield Wood Treatment product to stabilize his greenwood turning projects. He indicated you only have to dip your piece into the material a couple of times to get very effective stabilizing effects and recommends others to try the material.

A few LCT members have been meeting at the shop at the Railroad Museum on the 1st Saturday of each month. July 6th we had 5 members come in plus we had a 14 year old student from Richmond Hill High School come in for a couple of hours. Our shop at the Railroad Museum will be open again on Saturday, August 3rd from about 9:00 a.m. until about noon. This is a great time to talk shop, share your skills and knowledge about tools and techniques. If you would like some specific instruction or would like to try out a new tool, please mention this at next week's demo and we will make sure we have one of our experts or your desired tool at the shop so you can try it out.

### **Community Outreach:**



Roy Yarger helped some Savannah children at the CHS STEAM camp in June. Thanks Roy!

**Raffle:** Anyone who has some surplus turning stock (any size) or blanks wood laying around that they want to turn into funds for the club, bring it to the meeting and let us raffle it off. Thanks!

**Membership in the LCT:** Our monthly demos are free and open to the public. We do, how-

ever, encourage attendees to join the Low-country Turners. Dues are only \$35 and 100% of dues are spent on equipment or demonstrators. Please make your check out to "Low Country Turners" and mail to Gary Fleenor, Treasurer at 529 East 51st Street, Savannah, GA 31405.

### Safety:

Here are more safety tips from the same AAW website referenced in last month's newsletter.

- Note that, when running a lathe in reverse, it is possible for a chuck or faceplate to unscrew unless it is securely tightened or locked on the lathe spindle.
- 2. Know your capabilities and limitations. An experienced woodturner is capable of lathe speeds, techniques, and procedures not recommended for beginning turners.
- 3. Always remove the tool rest before sanding, finishing, or polishing operations.
- 4. Don't overreach, keep proper footing, and keep your balance at all times.
- 5. Keep lathe in good repair. Check for damaged parts, alignment, binding of moving parts, and other conditions that may affect its operation.
- 6. Keep tools sharp and clean for better and safer performance. Don't force a dull tool. Don't use a tool for a purpose that it was not designed for or intended for.
- Consider your work environment. Don't use a lathe in damp or wet locations. Do not use in presence of inflammable liquids or gases, and always keep a fully-charged fire extinguisher close at hand. Keep your work area well lit.
- Stay alert. Watch what you are doing. Pay close attention to unusual sounds or vibrations. Stop the lathe to investigate the cause. Don't operate machines when you are tired or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Guard against electric shock. Inspect electric cords for damage. Avoid the use of extension cords.
- 10.Never leave the lathe running unattended. Turn power off. Don't leave lathe until it comes to a complete stop.
- 11. Many accidents to woodturners occur while using saws, especially band and chain saws. Learn and follow the safety guidelines for this equipment.

Your LCT Board

### Upcoming Events, Items of Interest

### Upcoming LCT Events:

All meetings (unless otherwise noted) are the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. See Contact page for location information.

- Thursday, July 25th Monthly Demo Roy Yarger will be our demonstrator
- Thursday, August 29thA—demonstrator / topic TBD
- September/October—we are working on an outside demonstrator for either September or October. This demonstrator will conduct both a demo and a workshop

### Upcoming Symposiums:

Georgia Association of Woodturners 24th Annual Turning Southern Style 2019

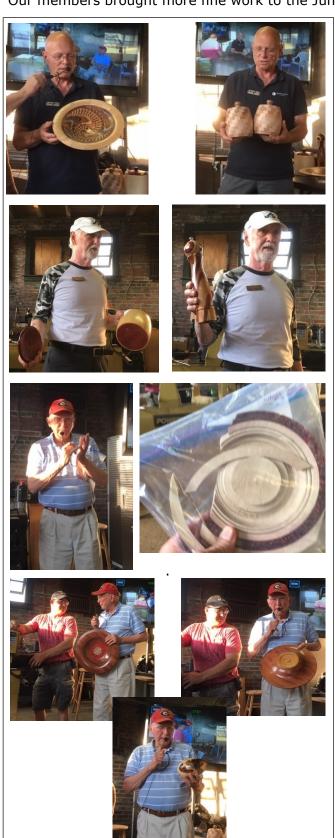
This year's event will again be held at the Dalton Convention Center in Dalton, GA. With our slate of all-star demonstrators, a large group of vendors, and a great facility, this promises to be one of the largest, most informative and enjoyable symposiums in our 24 year history.

Featured Demonstrators: Stuart Batty, David Ellsworth, Hans Weissflog

https://gawoodturner.org/symposium/

## LCT Instant Gallery / Demo

Our members brought more fine work to the June meeting. Thanks to Dan for the quality pictures.

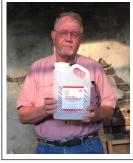






















## AAW Instant Gallery (Partial)





The Beads of Courage donations were significant and good to see, as were the donations to the Empty Bowls program.





### DVD/Video Tape Library

Does anyone in the club have any woodturning DVD's they would like to donate or loan to the club to share with other members?

Take advantage of this valuable and money saving resource.

to see the club make available to members? If so, talk to a board member.

Do you have a suggestion for a DVD you would like

## Woodturning Schools

The following schools in the Southeast offer classes in woodturning, as well as other arts and crafts. Check out their websites to see the scheduled course offerings.

John C. Campbell Folk School www.folkschool.org

Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts www.arrowmont.org

Highland Woodworking www.highlandwoodworking.com

Appalachian Center for Crafts www.tntech.edu/craftcenter

Woodcraft of Atlanta www.woodcraft.com

## $LCT\ Woodturning\ Mentors$

Take your skills to the next level. Have more fun.

The following club members are offering their time and shops to help others in the club on an informal basis with their turning skills or projects. If you have something you would like help with, or just want to spend some time turning with a fellow turner, give them a call or talk to them at a meeting to set something up.

If you would like to be added to this list, contact Doug McCulloch (see Contacts page).

Roy Yarger-Savannah

Lonnie Bott-Savannah

Doug McCulloch—South Savannah / Skidaway

**Frank Anson**—Beaufort SC, specializing in segmented turning

Noel Wright—Isle of Hope / Savannah

Al Medlock-Vidalia area

### Contacts

### www.lowcountryturners.com

Meeting Location: GA State Railroad Museum 655 Louisville Rd, Savannah, GA 31401



The Lowcountry Turners (LCT) is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), dedicated to providing education, information and organization to those interested in woodturning.

The LCT services those in the metro Savannah area. We generally meet on the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 P.M. Meeting location varies and will be announced ahead of time in the newsletter and at meetings and demo's. Meetings are open to all.

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### Woodturning Links

## American Association of Woodturners

www.woodturner.org
Woodturning Association



### **Case Woodworking Supply**

www.casewoodworking.com 1725 Grove Point Rd, Savannah, GA 31419 (912) 927-9000 Woodturning Supplies—tools, equipment, huge variety of turning stock and blanks

#### **Craft Supply**

www.woodturnerscatalog.com 800-551-8876 Woodturning Supplies

#### **Packard**

www.packardwoodworks.com 800-683-8876 Woodturning Supplies

### Klingspor

www.woodworkingshop.com 800-228-0000 Abrasives and woodturning supplies

### **Highland Woodworking**

www.highlandhardware.com 800-241-6748 Woodworking tools, supplies

## Peachtree Woodworking Supply Inc.

Www.ptreeusa.com 888-512-9069 Turning and carving tools, supplies

#### **Penn State**

www.pennstateind.com 800-377-7297 Woodturning tools, supplies

#### **Hut Products**

www.hutproducts.com 800-547-5461 Woodturning tools, supplies

#### **Atlanta Wood Products**

www.hardwoodweb.com 800-964-7804 Specialty Hardwoods

#### **Woodcraft of Atlanta**

Www.woodcraft.com 770-587-3372 Woodworking and Hardware

### **Rockler**

www.rockler29.com 800-279-4441 Woodworking and Hardware

#### Wood magazine Forum

www.woodmagazine.com Q & A on Woodturning

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