

# GOLD COUNTRY WOODCRAFTERS

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## GCW Newsletter Brief:

We had another great turnout for the June meeting with 31 in attendance. This included 3 new members. The new members are Kevin Kaser, Kristina Creel, and Mark Harris. Welcome to the club Kristina, Kevin and Mark.. For the June meeting we had a video night where we had 4 short videos presented covering table saw jigs and a resin/wood outdoor table. For the Show-N-Tell portion of the meeting we had a good turnout with 11 members showing their projects. 6 members submitted project contributions for this newsletter. There is one posting in the Member Message Section.

## Topics to Visit:

- Announcements and News: Upcoming meeting Topics
- Member Message: Boys N Girls club January 2024 fund raiser.
- June Video Night summation.
- Meeting Show-N-Tell Summary.
- 6 June Project Newsletter Submissions.

## President's Message:



Dear fellow GCW Members.

Greetings. After being absent from the last two GCW meetings I am beginning to feel like an "outsider" and as president, that is unacceptable. My apologies to all. As important the meetings are to me, grandson graduations and family matters must come first. Rest assured, you will have to put up with me for the rest of the year as I am sincerely looking forward to each and every meeting. The club support during my absence was outstanding, "thank you" to all those who made the meetings a success.

As I look over the attendance report it was good to see we have three new members, Cristine Creel, Keven Kaser and Mark Harris. Welcome! I hope you will introduce yourself to me at the next meeting and bring some of your work for "Show-N-Tell". Speaking of S&T, to prove I have not been slacking off in the shop as well as attending the meetings, I submitted photos for this newsletter of my latest project. It is a chess table made of Walnut and Maple with resin filled dados on the surface of the table. Although tempting, I did not turn the chess pieces.

I hope to see all of you at the July 11th meeting. Happy wood crafting!

*Basil Borkert*

GCW President

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## Announcements and News:

### Upcoming meeting topics:

- July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting topic. For July, Ron Sexton will be leading our members down memory lane. The topic will be the antique Caboose rebuild that a number of our members were involved in. Ron was the lead in this project and it would be great for our new members to see.
- August 8<sup>th</sup> meeting topic. Tentative topic is woodworking jigs.
- September 12<sup>th</sup> Woodworking Tips and Tricks: Our members should be thinking and collecting contributions for Tips and Tricks for this meeting.
- October 10<sup>th</sup> Fall GCW Project Challenge: Theme to be determined
- November 14<sup>th</sup> Round Table Discussions. Our members should be thinking on what woodworking related themes we should have at each of the tables. Objective would be to have 5 or 6 tables, each with a host, topic focus, and examples.
- Suggestions for topics for future meetings are encouraged and are welcome. Topics for August, and December are, still to be determined.

## Member Message Section:

**Gail Brooks:** For the last few months I have been providing information for the Boys and Girls club Heroes Night fundraising event to be held in January 2024. Roy Carter and I are hoping that a few of our members are willing to donate some of their fine craftsmanship to be auctioned off at this very worthwhile event. If enough members participate Roy Carter is willing to make a table available for the members to attend. For more information on the services the Boys and Girls Clubhouses of the El Dorado County Western Slope provide, please see me at any meeting or refer to the May GCW newsletter. This would be a great way for our club to contribute to the community and show off the club.

## June Video Night:

For June we had a video night with 4 YouTube videos being presented. 3 videos covered table saw jigs, expanding the functionality of the table saw fence ( L fences and a fence extension). We purposely skipped parts of the videos after seeing the basic designs and construction to show advantages of use in projects. The last one showed us how to make an outdoor table using resin and wood. Here are the links to the 4 YouTube videos. (L Fence) <https://youtu.be/8TNLudKivbc>, (L Fence) <https://youtu.be/3pBbKNrkixY>, (Fence Extension) <https://youtu.be/Oa5D9WPjHrs>, (Resin/wood table) <https://youtu.be/rkyx9p9eMRE>

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## June 2023 meeting Show-N-Tell Summary:



For June we had a grand total of 11 members presenting their projects in the Show-N-Tell. Mark Butzler managed the session as usual. The Show-N-Tell presenters: **Gordon Patnude\***: Chisel Storage Chest and Pens, **Frank Fantino**: Turned Bowl and Tray, **Oscar Wittrock**: Turned Bowl with Baltic Birch, **David White**: Turned Bowl as a Megaphone, **Gail Cone**: Turned Vase, **Don Lawson\***: Wooden Toys, **John**

**Brideson\***: Maple Jewelry Box, **Casey Keller\***: Turned Vase w/Lid, **Micky Dupper**: Australian native Art, **Rich Schwerin**: Clappers, and **Dean Marietta**: Bench w/Resin. Those members with an \* contributed to this newsletter. Thumbnail pictures are shown in order of presentation.





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## June Newsletter Project Submissions (6 Members):

*Gordon Patnude*



Here is the chisel storage chest I showed at the June meeting. I purchased a set of 4 chisels from Woodcraft. They came in a "blister pack" which was not very attractive. As I intended to give them to a relative for his birthday I needed a better solution.

I had recently seen a plan for a chisel box from one of the woodworking magazines. With a little further research and decided I could build my own. I had solid Cherry from our kitchen renovation [which took 18+ months], so that became the material of choice. I actually built 2 chisel chests. The one pictured is the second chest, which I have kept for myself. It is solid Cherry, with my own interior design, and finished with 4 or 5 [I lost count] coats of wipe-on polyurethane.

*Gordon*



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*Don Lawson*



These wooden toys were made for my grandchildren. The car hauler puzzle is band sawn cut from Alder and finished with lacquer. I jig sawed the rubber band pistol from a DF 2x4 and glued a clothespin on top which holds and releases the stretched rubber band. I've made several of each because they were so popular.

*Don*

*Casey Keller*



This is my Walnut Burl lidded box with an Ebony finial. It was a challenging project for me loaded with anxiety and terror. However, in the end I'm stoked with the result. Thanks to all the members for their comments, critiques and willingness to share knowledge!

*Casey*





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*John Brideson*



Here is the Jewelry Chest I made and Donated to church dessert raffle. The wood is Birds-Eye Maple, trimmed with mahogany. It is finished with an oil based finish.

*John*



*Richard Neilson*



I wasn't able to show this project at the June meeting but here my abstract wood fish constructed of Red Oak, Walnut and Poplar with a slate tile accent. I plan to enter it in the next Placerville Art Association show. This piece was constructed entirely using hand tools.

*Richard Nielsen*



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*Basil Borkert*



Here is my latest project effort. The chess table is made of Walnut and Maple with resin filled dados on the surface of the table. Although tempting, I did not turn the chess pieces. This one was a challenge and required lots of planing and due diligence. The resin accent was a first for me and I learned a lot.

*Basil*



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**Businesses that support GCW:** Be sure to stop by Woodcraft Supply Sacramento, Pro Builder Placerville, The Paint Spot Shingle Springs and Placerville\*, or the Rockler Woodworking\* store in Rocklin. Be sure to let them know how much Gold Country Woodcrafters appreciates their support. \* *Businesses offering GCW member discounts.*

**Membership Dues:** Our annual GCW club dues are \$25 and are due January of each year. Dues for new members joining throughout the year are prorated based on the month they join. You can pay the dues at any club meeting or send a check to our treasurer. Make the check payable to Gold Country Woodcrafters. Send to: Steve Cabrol 3000 Builders Place, Rescue, CA. 95672. Please note on the envelope ATT: Gold Country Woodcrafters.

**Notice to members:** If your contact information has changed since joining please let the club know. Just send any changes you may have to the email address used to send out the newsletter. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

**Gold Country Woodcrafters Meeting Place:** GCW meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month unless otherwise notified and are at the Park Community Church meeting hall, 3901 Wild Chaparral Dr. Shingle Springs, Ca. exit 37 off highway 50. A map is provided on the home page of the GCW website.

Regards and happy woodcrafting.

*Gail Cone*

*GCW Newsletter editor*



I would like to acknowledge my wife, Karen, for taking the time and effort to proof read the newsletter each and every month. Believe me it makes a real difference and makes me look good.

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