

# GOLD COUNTRY WOODCRAFTERS

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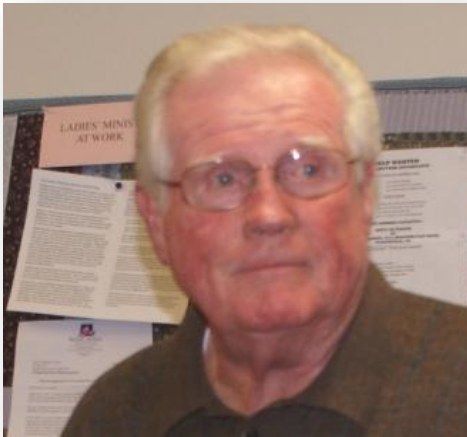
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## GCW Newsletter Brief:

For the November meeting we again had 28 members in attendance. John Brideson gave a fine presentation on the traditional sharpening of plane irons and chisels using water stones. Again we had a good turnout for the Show-N-Tell action with 10 members presenting, seven of which also took the time to contribute to the newsletter. Thank You. We have 1 member posting a message this month, a lathe for sale. Please note the information on club dues for 2022 in the announcements and news section.

## Presidents November 2021 Message:

Dear fellow CGW members.



We had another good meeting for GCW with our effort to get back to normal. With great pleasure, we welcomed Basil Borkert as our new President elect for the next 2 years beginning January 2022. Basil is a long time woodworker and an accomplished craftsman. He has been on our Exec. Committee for 2 years and has been a loyal contributor to the club. Our next meeting is Tuesday Dec. 14 where we will have our usual show and tell time and raffle. Also there will be remembrances and a celebration of our club's 15th anniversary. It has been a long pandemic and I offer my thanks to all those that jumped in to help us continue to be the best Woodworkers Club in No. Calif. I must say that after 2 years, the term "Interim" President has an altogether new meaning to me. Have a great holiday and I look forward to seeing you in December.

*Warm Regards:*

*John Brideson*

*GCW Interim President*

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## November Show-N-Tell:

We had a great turnout for the November Show-N-Tell with 10 members presenting. That represents better than 30% of those present. Basil Borkert managed the Show-N-Tell activity this time. The members showing their work were, in order: **Ron Sexton:** Birch Bowl, **Gail Cone:** Red Gum vase, **Paul Velk:** puzzle vault, **Micky Dupper:** Walnut Bowl, **Harvey Myers:** various turnings and wood art, **Oscar Wittrock:** bowl, **Don Lawson:** 3 bowls, **Gail Brooks:** 2 turnings, **Gordon Patnude:** Claro Walnut bowl and **John Roberts:** 4 projects. The following thumbnail pictures are the Show-N-Tell projects shown in the order they were presented.



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## November Presentation, John Brideson:



John Brideson gave a great presentation and demo on sharpening plane-irons and chisels using water stones. It included how to maintain your water stones. There were numinous discussions and suggestions prompted

by his presentation. It was great to see our members interacting on such an interregal woodworking topic. The following is the handout and general outline for John's presentation. Note John enjoys mentoring like many of us do and would be more than happy to help any member needing sharpening advice.

### **SHAPTON SHARPENING SYSTEM GCW DEMO. 11/9/21**

Water Stone vs. Oil Stone...Oil Stones and clean up too messy. Water stone systems seem to work the best.

#### ***Equipment:***

Stone Grits - 2,000, 5,000, 8,000

Diamond Stone Grits - Fine, Coarse

Lapping Stone with Shapton powdered grit

Veritas Angle Gauge

Water Sprayer

#### ***Guide/Notes:***

Bevel Angles: 25 degree (out of box)

Micro bevel: 26-27 degrees. Adjust Veritas Angle gauge to 26-27 degrees

Flatten back of chisel first.

Attach Angle gauge...centering, hollow ground vs. flat grind

Chisels out of box angle to start (Usually 25 degrees). Hone up to 8,000 grit

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Remove from angle gauge and remove burr on flat side at 8,000 grit

Demo: Paring cut, planing cut, shoulder cut.

Plane iron cuts: #4 Lie-Nielsen smoothing plane

Lie-Nielsen Low Angle block plane for end cuts

#5 Jointer Plane Edging

Shoulder Plane

#### ***Instructor:***

**John Brideson - 916 208 4262 or [jkbrideson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jkbrideson@sbcglobal.net)**

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## Announcements and News:

**Club dues:** Club Dues were \$10 for the balance of 2021 (July – December). Our club dues for 2022 will be \$25 and are due in January. As we have reported, our new GCW year starts January 1, 2022. New members will still have dues prorated based on the month they join.

**Project Information for future newsletters:** We encourage our members to share their woodworking craftsmanship at our meetings Show-N-Tell period. Also, we encourage members to submit their projects even if they miss a meeting for inclusion in the club newsletter. Those members submitting projects including those that have presented at the GCW meetings please send in photos along with the related project information. Those that choose to not submit projects will not be included in the newsletter. Please send project submissions to [gpcwoodwk@gmail.com](mailto:gpcwoodwk@gmail.com).

**Badges:** Members, when coming to meetings, please be sure to pick up your badge from the badge box at the door and wear it prominently. At the end of the meeting be sure to drop your badge in the “badge bucket” **not the badge box**. If by chance you take your badge home, try to bring it to the next meeting.

## Members Message Corner:

**Homer Rail:** I have a Jet 14 x 42 variable speed wood lathe for sale. It comes with nine turning tools plus a Nova Compac Chuck. I’m asking \$1700. If interested call 1-530-913-1555 Homer Rail.





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## October Project Submissions (7 Members):

*Ron Sexton*



The bowl above is spalting Western Birch. I really like the black spalting that runs thru it. This latest bowl was made using the other half of the half round used for the bowl showed last month.



The cabinet is a Black Acacia Spice cabinet. These types of cabinets were originally made in the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> century. It features a hidden drawer where they kept their really valuable spices. I've shown this before when I made it in 2018, the reason I showed it tonight is because I'm trying to put some focus back into the club for furniture making etc. Hope we see more of it in the future. Not that we don't enjoy the bowl turning, but not everyone has a lathe and does wood turning.

*Ron*



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*John Roberts*



Grandpa has been busy in his work shop. He made a Bluetooth speaker for his sister and coasters for my son in law who is a big Bob Dylan fan. On the coasters I engraved a picture of Dylan on the cork with my laser engraver. The "monster truck" is for the grandson of my best friend. And here, at last, is the end of the tea box saga where they are finished. I am really pleased with the results. I'm having so much fun with my new machine and I like incorporating it into my wood working. One of the tea boxes is on its way to France for my son and his family, who live in Granoble, France.



*John*

*Gordon Patnude*



Here are photos of 2 bowls I showed, one in October left [Black Walnut] and one in November right [Claro Walnut]. The Black Walnut bowl is 9 7/8" diameter, 4 3/16" deep. The Claro Walnut bowl is 10 3/16" diameter, 3 1/2" deep. Both bowls are finished with 2 or 3 coats of de-waxed shellac and 5-6 [or more] coats of water based wipe-on poly.

*Gordon*



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## *Gail Cone*



Here is my latest turning that I showed in November. The primary wood is Red Gum and the top rim is Blood Wood. It is approx 6.5 H x 4.5 W. The bottom rim is a turned bead in the Red Gum colored black using acrylic artist paint. The Piece was 100% sealed using CA as there were a number of slightly soft areas. Over that I used MinWax Tung Oil Finish, about 3 coats. This turned out to be a winning finish combination for this piece and really helps show off the color variations and grain. I did have to fill a small defect area with resin colored with mica powder, top right on far right picture. The tree carving was incorporated to hide a bad irregular vertical crack. The carving was done using a Power Carver. This is an air driven turban carver that runs at 400,000 RPM. I used a straight bit (1/16") to follow a general free hand penciled drawing. I then filled the carved area with a resin colored with mica power.

*Gail*



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*Micky Dupper*



Here is the Walnut bowl I brought to the November meeting. It was a crotch cut block of wood purchased at James Terrill's moving sale in April. It has beautiful grain and I finished it with several coats of Watco Tung Oil wiped on with a rag. My wife, Gayle, has done another artful wire wrap of beads, shells and brass wire.

*Micky*





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*Gail Brooks*



Here are the 2 pieces I showed at the Nov. meeting. The one on the left is a big leaf Maple burl which was turned leaving a natural edge 'wing'. I finished it with Original Waterlox. With the one on the right sometimes you just get plain lucky. I was surely that when I acquired this unique piece of Walnut. There is a graft line which runs vertically as viewed in this photo and the grain is oriented horizontally. I wish I had another piece like this one as it is very unusual to have the markings divide the plate into quarters. As with the first one it to was finished with Original Waterlox

*Gail*



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Paul Velk



Above is a puzzle vault I showed at the last meeting that I had made some time ago. As I remember it was rather fun to make. It took a number of adjustments to refine and have it working smoothly. I actually remembered the combination to allow me to demo the opening of the vault. The design came from a book of puzzles I own. The plans and instructions are fairly easy to follow. If anyone is interested I can provide copies of the plans. Just contact me at [pmvelk@comcast.net](mailto:pmvelk@comcast.net).

Paul



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

## Membership Dues:

Dues for the balance of 2021 (July through Dec.) were due in July and are \$10. Our annual dues will be \$25 starting January of 2022.

**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 making me look good.

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