

GOLD COUNTRY WOODCRAFTERS

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GCW Newsletter Brief:

For the July meeting we had a good showing again with 31 in attendance, including 1 new member and 2 guests. Our new member is John Guglielmino. Welcome to the club John. For this meeting we had a presentation on a unique router product, the Shaper Origin CNC Router, by George Thanos of Woodcraft Supply. Woodcraft Supply sponsored this presentation. This was an interesting presentation that introduced many of our members to a unique router product that incorporates a portable CNC router format. For this meeting we had 8 members sharing their latest craftsmanship in the evening's Show-N-Tell. Our raffle and blind auction were again, very successful with lots of goodies to win. Thanks again to Rich Schwerin for your hard work and thanks to all the members who donated items and purchased tickets. Again, we had a great meeting break period where friendships flourish.

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President's Message:



Dear fellow woodworkers

For the July meeting we had a good showing. I like the set up for the room this time but if anyone has any suggestions, please let me know. Thank you, members, for helping set up before the meeting and returning the tables and chairs at the end. I think the meeting went OK. I'll just keep stumbling through it. I would like to thank George Thanos and Woodcraft for the presentation on the CNC router product. It looked like there was a lot of interest on how it worked. Thank you also, to all those that joined in for the Show-N-Tell. I encourage more to join in. We all would like seeing fellow member's work. Some very impressive work. Great job. Remember, the next meeting is August 12th where member John Roberts will give a presentation

on Laser Cutters. The October 14th meeting is the Fall President's challenge. The theme is something for the kitchen. Until we see you again, enjoy your Zen moments in your shop.

David White

GCW President

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Messages For Our members:

Badges, oh where oh where did they go?

We still have a few of our members who inadvertently took their badge home with them. Please try to bring your wayward badge to the next meeting. Then be sure to drop your badges in Yee old badge bucket at the end of the meeting.

GCW Treasurer Needed.

Steve Cabrol has been our treasurer for a number of years as well a long time as the NorCal treasurer. He would really like to retire. So, we need to find someone to fill the position on the committee. This is an important position and we need to find someone willing to take on this function soon. If you can help, please let one of the committee members know or just respond to the newsletter email. Remember THIS IS YOUR CLUB. You can help the club grow and prosper.

Boys and Girls club March 2025 fund raiser:

It's not too early to start thinking about project contributions to the B-N-G fund raiser in march of 2025. I know that is 8 months from now. It does take time to do our creating so the sooner the better. This is a very worthwhile event. It's our club's chance to give back to the community.

GCW upcoming meeting topics:

- August 12th Member John Roberts will be presenting CNC laser engraving and cutting.
- September 9th This to be a woodworking Tips-N-Tricks night. So be on the lookout for woodworking Tips-N-Tricks to share with your fellow woodworkers.
- October 14th Fall Presidents Project Challenge. The theme is to make something for the kitchen. Never too early to start your challenge project. Time flies!
- November 11th Member Jim Gott will be discussing and demonstrating the fine art of sharpening hand planes.
- December 9th Holiday meeting including Spouse/Special Friend to celebrate the holiday season. Will feature a pot-luck, presidents challenge, Show-N-Tell, and Special Guest raffle.

Help us get the topics for the 2025 meeting. Suggestions for topics for meetings are encouraged and are welcome. The 2025 calendar is wide open so suggestions are encouraged. Please contact Jim Gott if you have a topic in mind.

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Shaper Origin CNC Router presentation:



We had a product presentation for July's meeting sponsored by Woodcraft Supply. The product presented and demonstrated was a portable CNC router, called the "Shaper Origin CNC Router". This product has been out for a few years now and allows CNC router tasks to be accomplished on a customer's site with very little setup.

Our presenter was George Thanos. George is a Woodcraft employee and also has his own business. He is an accomplished craftsman with experience in furniture, cabinets, boxes, fireplace mantles and much more. Plus, his background includes extensive work with CNC machines and laser printers. He has a BA in graphic design from Chico State. George has been using the Shaper Origin CNC Router for about 4.5 year's now.

He told us about some of the work he has done using the portable CNC router at customer sites that included graphics on tables and beams. He emphasized that the greatest advantage is the CNC Router's portability. With out that he would not be able accommodate the items he works on in his shop.

Our members were able to gather around while George demonstrated the CNC router. This allowed members to see what information was displayed on the units display and actually see the router working. He routed out a graphic of a hand saw and had a couple of the members take a turn operated the unit. George was very patient and took the time to explain some of the technical concepts. There was a lot of question-and-answer interaction with our members. He understood that CNC is new to a lot of woodworkers and worked to help the audience understand some of the technical topics.

Several operational facts were brought out during the presentation and interaction with our members. The router operator provides the router motion through the pattern with the router self-correcting to the pattern for operator error. It does this by the router self-maneuvering within about a 1/2" window. The device's motion resolution is 1/1000". A domino array is used to allow the router's built-in camera and software to determine router's location in the work space. The router accommodates 1/16", 1/8", 1/4" bits. Variable Speed adjustment is as needed for bit size and to meet operator preference. The unit has a number of built in patterns. A phone app provides the ability to load graphic files for routing. The cost of the Shaper Origin CNC Router package is around \$3000.

We would like to thank George Thanos for this very fine presentation and Michael Jay of Woodcraft and GCW member for suggesting and arranging it for us. Link to additional info [Shaper Origin CNC Router](#).

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Woodworking Items for Sale (club offering):

Here are 3 woodworking related tools/items that were donated and are being offered at low prices to our members for sale. All proceeds will go to the GCW club. Items can be picked up at a club meeting. Contact Rich Schwerin to arrange time and place for pickup. Email: rwmtzca@comcast.net

Item 1: New Milwaukee Contractor's 7-Bit Forstner Set (49-22-0130).

We found the price at Lowes \$221.00, at Amazon \$139.99. Suggested member price \$50.



Item 2: General International Roller Table

Suggested member price: \$60

The roller table is suited for sheet good applications on table saws or for longer or wider stock with planers or drum sanders. The roller stand features four lockable 4" swivel casters and adjustable height legs from 23" to 36". The roller stand can expand to a maximum length of 50" and can be compacted to a minimum length of 14-3/4" for storage. The roller stand has a maximum rated load capacity of 100 lbs.



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Item 3: 6" Delta Joiner, great condition.

This is a Delta 6" Jointer (Model 37-190) mounted on a Delta stand. The joiner bed is 46" by 6 3/4" and is powered by a 3/4 hp motor currently wired for 110v, but can be rewired to 220 volts. This would be a great starting joiner. The asking price is \$100. Most of the units on-line are in the \$150--200 range.



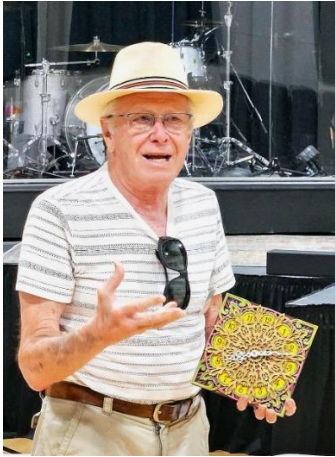
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July Show-N-Tell:

For July we had 8 members showing their fine projects. Photos by our club photographer, Rich Schwerin.



John Roberts – Lasered Clock



Keven Kaser – Carpenter Bee Habitat



Harvey Myers – Plum Wood Art



David White – Turned Bowl



Micky Dupper- Burl Bowl



Gail Cone – Cherry Vase



Dennis Barber – Oak Barrel Stool



Cassy Keller – Turned Bowl

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Break Time Anyone?

Meeting break time is always a favorite of our members. This time allows friends to catch up and talk woodworking one on one. It's also a chance to talk to presentors and to look at those Show-N-Tell projects up close and ask questions. Wow, Rich caught us again "at our best"..



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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. Don't forget to ask for your Gold Country Woodcrafters discount at the checkout counter.*

Membership Dues: Our 2024 GCW club dues are \$25 and are due January. 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 Monday of each month except July unless otherwise notified and are at the Foothills Church Auditorium. Address is 2380 Merrychase Dr. in Cameron Park, Ca. off exit 34 on highway 50. A map is provided on the home page of the GCW website. No endorsement by Foothills Church is implied.

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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