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## Newsletter and Minutes of the November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting



### –UPCOMING EVENTS–

**Monthly Meeting:**  
December 21<sup>th</sup>

Dear Members,  
This month is the Christmas Party!

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87226433520?pwd=Slg0NEZCcE55Rk5tNGJ4QlZ3Q3Jidz09>

### –LEARN–N–TURN–

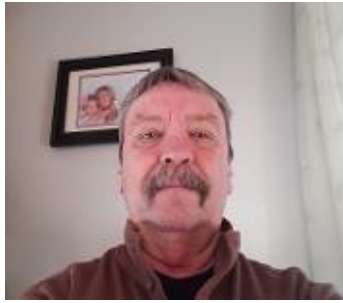
**Lathes and sharpening station  
will be closed this month!**

Need help, advice, or guidance with  
a current project or one you're  
hesitant to start?

Need help sharpening a certain  
tool/angle or want to try the  
Wolverine Vari-grind setup?

**Bring your tools or projects to the  
next Learn to Turn!**

## President's Notes



***Rick Bugbee***

Holidays are here and it's time to celebrate with family and friends. We will also be celebrating what a great year we've had as well as our own Christmas gift (Rikon 70-18-24) in route (hope Santa can get it down the school chimney).

With that said it's time for our holiday party. We will be doing our traditional potluck dinner and a fantastic raffle with over a dozen chances to win. We will be selling tickets at the party up till 7pm. You do not have to be present to win but you will want to zoom in to pick your prize. We will have a short business meeting, elections and show-n-tell before the raffle and party.

We are still looking for president and secretary to complete our 2024 officers. Let Rick know before the meeting starts if you are interested in either position.

We are now booking our 2024 demos for February and March. In the event of snow this winter meeting cancellations will be made the morning of and will be emailed and posted on facebook. Remember to check if it's snowing.

Happy Turning, Hope Santa brings everyone a shiny new turning tool.  
Rick

## Meeting Minutes

### Old/New Business

#### ➤ **OWT Website**

- OWT Member Nick Vecellio has graciously offered to develop our new website!
  - Thank you, Nick!
  - Website enhancement suggestion: Add a member directory for members to contact other members
  - Average monthly cost will be greater than our current website - this has already been approved by the membership
  - **Add your member information to the website**
    - Fill out form to add your name, location, short bio, club role, and photo
      - [Click Here](#) to add your info

#### ➤ **Demos Needed!!!**

- Looking for members who want to help the club by doing a demonstration at our monthly meeting.
- They can be done from your shop or at the school with Rick and Mike to do the Zoom part.
- **Looking for Demos for February and March 2024**

#### ➤ **Membership Committee**

- Now that Covid numbers are down and we are back live in person would like to target pre-covid members through email/snail mail and let them know we're back!
- Setup a membership drive
- Would like more cohesion with the WWGRI club, plenty of crossover between the clubs, potentially a good source for new members. Both clubs will be working together to expand and grow our memberships
- Looking for a member to head this up, design an attention-grabbing flyer, ideas, marketing experience? Help in general.

#### ➤ **Wood and Tool Exchange!**

- We've started a new program to exchange wood and tools
- Bring in a log or blank and exchange for another or purchase one for \$5!
- Great way to try different species and get rid of unwanted tools
- There are some great blanks! The Birch logs are incredibly spalted and the Apple has beautiful coloring. Bring in a blank to exchange!

## Old/New Business cont.

### ➤ **Turn a Pen**

- We have plenty of Pen Kits and Blanks! Join us at 6pm on meeting nights to turn a pen
- Pens will be collected by the club and donated, possibly to the teachers at our school or RI Veterans as we did last year. Looking for other fundraisers also, let us know!
- You can also borrow the supplies to turn at home
- Chris Rowe will be organizing and collecting the pens - see Chris for details
- Thanks Chris! for stepping up to run the Pen Committee!

### ➤ **OWT Club Shirts, Polos, Smocks**

- Peter Stetson has reached out to his contact for pricing on Polos, Long Sleeve Tshirts, and Woodturning Smocks embroidered with Club logo and Individual's name
  - Preliminary cost estimate depending on type and size shirts can be done between \$15-\$25. This is printed or embroidered, embroidery may be a few dollars extra.
  - Order form was available for sign-ups at the December Christmas Party
  - Long sleeve, Polo and Smocks are available
  - Contact Peter Stetson for more information or to order
- Shirts and Smocks have been ordered for those who placed them

### ➤ **Christmas Party**

- Looking for someone to organize the Christmas Party
  - Organize Potluck Dinner
  - Run Raffle - Prize Ideas
  - Decorations etc

### ➤ **It's Election Time!**

- We need someone to run the Election Committee
- Looking for members to take on a leadership role
  - President and Secretary
  - Other roles also available if interested
  - Paul Grenier has taken the Vice-President position. Thank you Roland for your time as VP!

### ➤ **Washington County Fair 2024**

- Is there any member interest in getting an OWT booth at the fair?
- See Peter for details

# Show and Tell

Chris Rowe





Ross F.





Rick Bugbee





Kate





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1. Go to [Oceanwoodturners.com](http://Oceanwoodturners.com)
2. Select become a member
3. Go to step 4 and add your e-mail to enroll

Email Jeff Mee at [jmee@hotmail.com](mailto:jmee@hotmail.com) if you're having trouble.

Check out the Ocean Woodturners Facebook page!!  
Make sure to Like and Share to help bring much-needed public exposure to our Club!

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**NEXT MEETING:**

Thursday December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 - Christmas Party @ 7PM

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