



**Honolulu Woodturners**  
**A Chapter of the**  
**American Association of Woodturners**

**March 14, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

**President's Report:**



Rob Faris

President Rob Faris brought the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. He announced that the meeting was being recorded and will be available for viewing on YouTube.

Guests welcomed: Amy Rodriguez, Marlene Beltran, Bob Moss, Dave Moss, Donna-Lei Williams, Jim Hallett and Harvey Chun. New member Mike Bond was also recognized.

The president then turned the meeting over to Rob Hale who detailed the upcoming Magic at Mike's event on Saturday, April 15, 9am-4pm. The event is FREE! Morning topics will include chainsaw safety, bandsaw safety and basic bowl turning. Lunch will be provided. In the afternoon, look forward to a hands-on opportunity to create a bowl all the way from chainsawing the log to sanding the bowl. This will be a team event combining all skill levels. Something for everyone to learn!

To get ready for the event, Rob is asking for volunteers to help prepare and set up the lathes. This occurs on Saturday 4/1 at noon. Please email me if you are able to assist.

Rob Faris reminded everyone to consider buying more of the club's remaining supply of endgrain sealer. We have more on order but anticipate a considerable price increase.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Andy Cole reported the account balance was \$12,701.97. We currently have 89 members, including six who paid tonight.

**Evening's Demonstration:**



Andy Cole is a nationally sought-after woodturning demonstrator. This evening, Andy demonstrated wood coring, an intimidating and challenging procedure for many of us.

Several coring systems are available. Andy used the McNaughton system this evening. He does most of his coring with sidegrain oriented wood. This makes removal of each bowl easier. However, coring can also be done on endgrain wood, crotch sections and burls.

When coring natural edge bowls, liberal use of CA glue where the bark meets the sapwood is advised to keep it from separating. Do this throughout the coring process.

The video link to Andy's demo is below. It wonderfully explains the procedure. Learn what tools to use and when:

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## The Challenge:

The challenge for March was to fashion a bracelet based on Willy Ridep's terrific January meeting demonstration. Six prizes were awarded: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place got a \$25 gift certificate, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place got \$20 gift certificates, and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> got \$15 gift certificates. (Please note, you can only win in the challenge if your piece is physically at the meeting. You or anybody else can bring the piece in. The person bringing the piece must sign in for the entrant. To win, the entrant must also attend the meeting either in-person or by Zoom.)

## Challenge Winners

First Place

Second Place



Barry Wheeler Cook Pine



Kevin Lui Macadamia

Third Place



Warren Naai Lychee, Pheasantwood,  
Turquoise

Fourth Place



Eric LeBuse      Milo

Fifth Place



Albert Koorenhof    Aunty "Tunta"

Sixth Place



John Berthiaume Amboyana Burl, Ebony

**Honorable Mention:**

Rob Hale  
Chirs Rollins

Acacia Vachellia  
Milo

Robert Duffer	5 Miniature Bracelets on Lighted Stand
Willy Ridep	Naio
Tim Freeman	Assorted Bracelets with Stand
Kit Beuret	FOG Wood
Luther Bjornsen	Koa Laminate with Blue Swirl
Harvey Chun	Avocado
William Guiney	Milo
Dougie Bowers	Milo

**Selected Challenge Pieces:**



**Instant Gallery:**

The Instant Gallery invites turners to share any of their creations with the club. It's open to any member.

Tim Freeman  
Eric LeBuse  
Chris Rollins  
Andy Cole  
Albert Koorenhof

Bracelet Assortment  
Lidded Kou Umeke  
Kamani Bowls and Rolling Pin  
5 Piece Cinnamon Nested Bowl Set  
Koa Bowl Repair

Brian Green  
Rob Hale  
Warren Naai  
Kevin Lui  
Bob Moss  
Kit Beuret  
John Berthiaume  
Craig Mason  
Mike Bond  
Johnedel Boyer

Milo Shoe Horn  
Acacia Vachellia Bracelets  
FOG Wood Poi Pounder, Nawa Stand  
Milo Vessel  
Kamani Bowl  
Juniper Plant Vase and Kamani Bowl  
Amboyna Burl and Ebony "Object d'Art"  
Maple Burl Bowl with Acrylic Painted Rim  
Curly Koa Cup  
Alabaster Stone Bowl with Box and Bracelet, Alabaster Blank

**Selected Instant Gallery Pieces:**



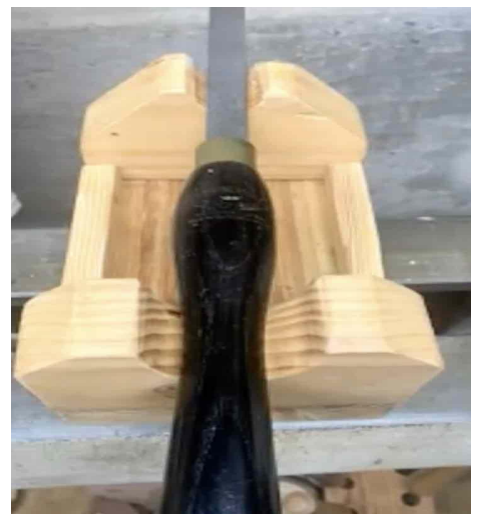


### Participation Prize:

The Participation Prize was a \$30 Woodcraft gift card. Members attending the meeting in person or by Zoom were eligible for the drawing. The winner was much appreciated, much missed and now-Oregon resident Tom Young. Congrats!

### Tech Talk:

Kyle Iwamoto submitted photos of a homemade magnetic tool rest that can be placed on the bed of your lathe. It's made out of a 2x6 piece of wood with a magnet secured to the bottom. A cradle is fashioned to keep your turning tool from rolling away. The magnet also allows you to conveniently stick the tool rest on the side of the lathe bed when not needed.



Barry Wheeler showed the audience a Husky diamond impregnated sharpener that can be found in the gardening section of Home Depot. He finds it very useful to sharpen his Forstner bits. It costs only \$7.00!



## **Your Challenge for the Next Meeting:**

For our May meeting, Rob Hale challenged members to create an open-faced bowl with no turned-in edges. Calabash shapes are excluded in this challenge. 10" maximum diameter. Please accept the challenge!

## **Updating Our Website**

Our club webmaster, Robert Duffer, has created a new website featuring expanded options for members to utilize it. It is not live yet but Robert encourages you to visit the site and give him feedback. Of note, all members will have their own page for them to post information about themselves and upload photos. You'll have the option of including a photo of yourself.

Try out the site: <http://wp.honoluluwoodturners.org/>  
Give feedback to Robert at: [robert.duffer@gmail.com](mailto:robert.duffer@gmail.com)

## **Next Meeting's Demonstration:**

Ever see Warren Naai's Mexican chocolate stirrer? Cool stuff. Want to learn how to make one? Come to the May meeting and get inspired!

## **Mahalos:**

Thank you to Rob Faris, Rob Duffer and Brian Green for their AV expertise. Not an easy job!!

Mahalo to Mike Chu and Kraig Smith for hosting our meetings at MRC Roofing.

Thank you Albert Koorenhof for volunteering to help with the Challenge and Instant Gallery photos.

Fellow members Dougie Bowers, Craig Mason and Curtis Tanaka generously loaded up their vehicles to share wood with the club. Mahalo!

Lastly, thank you to everyone for coming out. Great to see such a lively crowd enjoying all things wood!

**Next meeting: May 9, 2023, 6:00PM. Please join us!**

Submitted by Kevin Lui, Secretary