GOLDEN ISLES WOODWORKERS AND WOODTURNERS

BRUNSWICK, GA

JULY 2026

MEETING:

Our monthly meeting will be held on

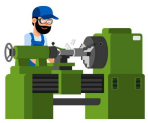
July 11, 2026, 10 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 1105 Union Street, Brunswick, GA

VISITORS WELCOME

DEMO:

Paul Speich, Tuning Your Bandsaw

Gerald Dukes, Bandsaw Box



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer picnic 2026 was a success! It was a warm day and the rain tried to dampen things, but we were inside and the rain disappeared when the burger cooking started. Thanks to all who attended and brought your favorite dish to share. There was plenty for all and all was so good. Following the picnic, we are back to regular meetings.

We received an invitation to the Fall into Autumn Makers Market that is held at the GA Extension Office on Old Jesup Road in Brunswick. I do not intend to submit a request for a spot this year unless the club feels it would be good. Last year had a disappointing outcome for the effort put in.

We have opportunities coming up later than year for you to sell some of your crafts. October is the show at Goodyear Cottage on Jekyll Island. More information will be coming out as we quickly approach. Another that I am told will happen again is at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church on St. Simons Island in December. More info to come and the date gets closer.to the date.

I continue to seek opportunities where we can help in the community. Not living in the Brunswick area has made it a little more difficult to do. But I did receive a request from an individual who obtained our club information from the turning demonstration that we were doing on Jekyll Island at Goodyear Cottage this past spring. He is seeking help on cutting a slice of river recovered cypress (cutting a thinner slice) and then cutting wedge from it. I haven't seen the piece yet other than a few pictures. I will be bringing this up at the next meeting and maybe we can help out

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Something to note: Nova chucks and obtaining jaws. Rockler no longer carries the jaws for Nova chucks (at least I did not see any or very few) Rikon jaws are a compatible, in most cases, with your Nova chucks. But be aware, the larger chuck sizes may not be advisable on the smaller chuck bodies. This all came about while looking for a set of jaws for my Nova chuck at Rockler and they had no Nova jaws available.

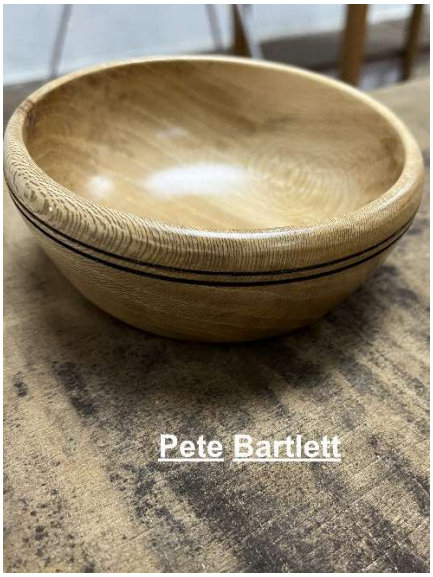
Shop tip safety notes:

This is a safety tip received this past month. It is a safety note with a more of "This happened to me". Lead up to event: While turning a segmented bowl, needed to trim the last ring to make round. Couple of mistakes were made. 1. Gripped the bottom of the segmented bowl with the chuck, at the segmented section. (I am unfamiliar with segmented turning. Maybe someone can explain why not a good idea). 2. Should have used the tailstock on the inside, providing stability. Event that occurred. During the turning process, the bowl liberated itself from the chuck and was launched at the woodturner. Now the last mistake that was made. #3. Proper PPE was not used...no face shield. I know some will not use a face shield and think that safety glasses provide adequate protection. But in this case, the flying woodwork hit the individual in the forehead, missed the glasses and mouth. A spot of blood was drawn. In the end, very lucky. Lessons learned: ALWAYS use a face shield for this type of turning, tailstock use and a better, stronger piece that is gripped by the chuck (glue block I would propose).

Here is one more. Check power off when doing electrical work. Especially when you have walked away and returned. Conditions may have changed. It is an easy check. Not checking again can have rather shocking results. I will admit this was me and feel rather stupid for not doing a simple check. But it is the simple easy things we sometimes forget to do. **KEN HONADEL, PRESIDENT GIWW, 2026**

SHOW AND TELL

Ken Honadel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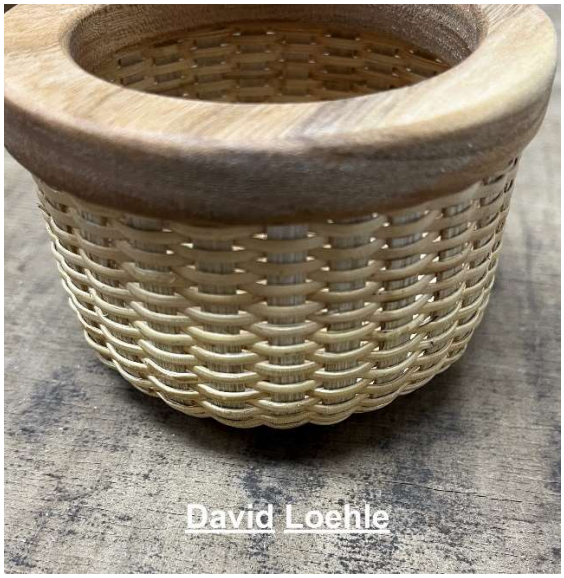
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Ray Schwertner's Shadowbox Table

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