

BELL WOODTURNERS NEWSLETTER

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September Demo

The September Demo was presented by Charles Watson. He demonstrated the making of a scoop for kitchen use. The scoop was made by first making a ball using a homemade ball making jig. An offset handle was turned on the ball. The ball was then hollowed. To hold the ball Charles used a set of homemade wooden jaws attached to a standard chuck. The scoop can be used in various containers for dispensing various things like sugar, rice, flour, coffee or grits.

September Treasury Report

Beginning Balance	\$3857.14
Deposits and Interest	114.86
Expenses	0.00
Ending Balance	\$3972.00



FYI

During the cooler parts of the year we usually have a Saturday sawdust session on the Saturday following the monthly meeting. This is an excellent time for new members to get their questions answered by other members of the club. If you need to learn how to sharpen tools, mount wood on the lathe, select a chuck or refine your turning technique this is a good time to get answers. If you have a question about any of the different ways to handle difficult problems you should attend these sessions.

The sessions start a 9:00AM and usually end at around 12:00. Gary gets up at 4:00AM to make cookies or some other dessert for a mid-morning snack. This itself is a good reason to come. At times we have used this time to make tools or make changes in club equipment. The club bow lathe was built during Saturday sawdust sessions. The narrow parting tools that were in the raffle were made at one of the sessions.

These sessions are useful to turners of any experience level. Even experienced turners have questions that when discussed with others can be resolved. Remember-The only dumb question is the one you think of but don't ask. It never gets an answer.

