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NEWSLETTER

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Richmond Carvers Society

meets every Wednesday from 6:30
-9:00 pm during the school year at
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The Prez Sez

This will be my last "Prez sez" article as I do not intend to stand for re-election in January. Since I joined the Richmond Carvers, about 15 years ago, I have served on the Executive Committee for most of that time. I now feel it is time for others to step in. Some 4 or 5 years ago when I was in charge of membership our Wednesday meetings were getting to a dangerously low level and our attendance was between 6 and 10 people per week. Since then, due in part due to our attendance at the Steveston Farmers market, our weekly attendance is now 20 plus members. This is most gratifying and I hope that we can maintain or increase of weekly attendance.

One of my friends who is a wood turner has offered to bring in a selection of bases for carvings and he will do this some time in March. These may be an added attraction to the presentation of your work. He does intend to sell them, but as yet I do not know the price range he will be asking.

We have also been approached by the Finn Slough organisation to attend their annual show at the Richmond Cultural Center in March this year. They are looking for any "Finn Slough" related items which we may care to display. Our entries will have to be at the Cultural Centre on Wednesday March 7th between 4 and 7:30 pm and should be collected on Sunday March 11th at 3 pm.

Once again just a gentle reminder that the AGM is on January 25th and hopefully Brad Harwood will be on hand to run our election process. Brad also informed me that the following week, February 1st will be the school's open house where lots of parents will be milling around the school, so parking will be at a premium that week. We should expect that parents and/or students may drop in to observe our work.

I have enjoyed my time as President and I expect to participate in all club activities in the future.

John Scott.

***B**BREAKING NEWS!!!*

In his blog **Ian Norbury** says ... "I am thinking of doing a teaching tour of Canada and the Northern States in 2013. If anyone is interested please let me know."

Interested? Comment on his blog at: <http://inorbury.blogspot.com/2012/01/i-have-carved-head-for-pierrot-this.html> or contact Betty Norbury at: betty.norbury@virgin.net .

GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS

Jim Watters

My dad, being a Pattern Maker by trade, got me interested in wood and the many things that can be done with wood. Growing up and being an Olympian I did not get to the wood thing until I got a house and had to do the reno's etc. Now comes along the Steveston Market and my interest again peaked along with my wife Anna, so we joined the club in the fall of 2009. I have tried carving boots, shoes and other items along with chip carving and yes, still trying different things and enjoying every minute of the carving and social experience. Oh yes I did get really involved with the club as I took on the Annual Show as Chairman for the 2011 and 2012 year. Many thanks to all the members for making this a good experience.

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Jim Watters

Show Chairman 2012



Great Grey Owl - Bad time to be a rodent

EXCETERA....

Carving courses, etc

Lee Valley Seminars,

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(604) 261-2262

Magic of the Mask with Carlyle Mathew. 6.5 hours, Friday, February 3, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

In this workshop, you will explore the designs used in Afro-Caribbean mask carving and carve a large mask. All tools and materials will be supplied. Fee: \$80.00

First Nations Design with John Paterson. 6.5 hours, Friday, February 10, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

John's in-depth knowledge of First Nations art and his carving experience make this workshop a must for carvers interested in this art form. All tools and materials will be supplied. Fee: \$60.00

Fundamentals of Carving with John Paterson.

6.5 hours, Saturday, February 11, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or Thursday, April 26, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

John will guide you through a relief carving and a 3-D sculpture in basswood. You will be given time to practise before beginning to work on the two projects. All tools and materials will be supplied. Fee: \$80.00

Carve a Sign with Russell Trevail. 7 hours, Saturday, March 3, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Russell will reveal the steps from layout, design and transfer to wood selection and planning your cuts. All tools and materials will be provided. Fee: \$80.00

Pyrography on Gourds with Suzanne Erickson.

6 hours, Saturday, March 10, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Join Suzanne Erickson as she introduces you to the wonderful world of gourds and pyrography. All tools and materials will be supplied. Fee: \$60.00

Carve a Patagonian Elf with David Cartwright

Compton. 4.5 hours, Saturday, March 17, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

David Cartwright Compton will guide you through the various steps to carve a Patagonian elf. Although these elves can be carved with various media, wood and the ForeDom® power carver will be used for this workshop. All tools and materials will be supplied. Fee: \$65.00

Fundamentals of Wood Bending with Robert

Riley. 4 hours, Saturday, April 7, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The technology, physics, and artistry of bending wood will be revealed by Robert Riley in his fun and imaginative manner. You will leave with your own completed bent wood project. All tools and materials will be provided. Fee: \$55.00

BOB GUGE 2012 BIRDCARVING SEMINAR

Carve a downy woodpecker with Bob Guge, May 5 to 11, 2012 at the Sun Cove Resort on Lake Wannacut, north of Omak in north-central Washington. \$500 with a \$100 deposit due January 31, 2012.

Contact: Larry Martin, birdcarver@centurytel.net (253) 851-9478.

The Resort has cabin, tent and RV sites available. Accommodation reservations can also be made by calling the Sun Cove Resort, 509-476-2223.

Klee Wyck Carving Course

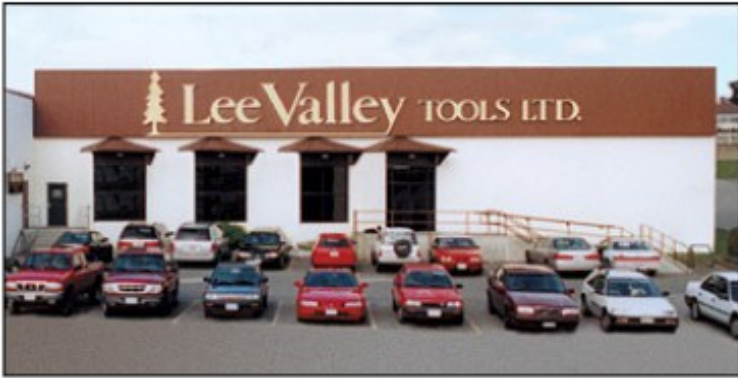
Klee Wyck Carvers is pleased to announce World class Tsimshian Carver/Artist Terry Starr will be teaching a class for us in the New year. You will have unique opportunity to learn about Northwest Coast Art from one of the masters. Class start date Monday Feb 13. Detailed info to follow in the near future!

To learn more about Terry Starr and his impressive resume see his website <<http://terrystarr.com>>



Northern Saw-Whet Owl
"I thought I saw a putty kat"

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