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PAST AND UPCOMING



OF INTEREST
TUTORIALS, VIDEOS,
AND MORE

CALCARVER

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Ken Kindjerski a relative new comer to the club kindly shared his knowledge on the use of epoxy resin with added colour with a beginner friendly demo and lots of product information.

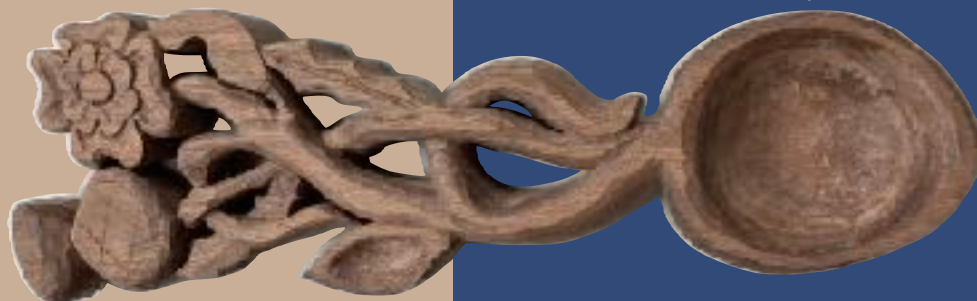
Featured Carvings and Meet the Members



Susie Rod does it all, the most amazing carving skill combined with excellent painting skill makes her a master carver.



Genevieve Huard has been specializing in the most beautiful utensils. Her lovespoons and knives are becoming her trademark work, at least for now.



Featured Carvings and Meet the Members



Stella is our “unofficial club mascot” and attends most meetings. She is a low maintenance member requiring only the occasional snack and a walk. Although she likes us all Ted Woodcroft remains her human of choice.



BRAD remains focussed and determined as he continues working on his red neck chess set. He does find time though to participate in our group projects and workshop presentations. Kudos to Brad.

President's Message

JERRY MURPHY

Spring is here and summer is fast approaching, just don't look outside because other than a bit of green grass pokin' through it looks like winter today.

If you have been out to the club lately you have seen all the progress on the gnome project as it is almost done. Mary-Leigh, Gwen and Natasha have been pooling their artistic talents together and taking the odd suggestion from others to find just the right location for each item and securing them. A great Big thank you to them and to all those who contributed in their own way with carvings etc. Let us not forget Dave a big contributor with the wonderful staircase, houses and gnomes and Ken for putting together the main structure and topping it off with the bell tower.

Our kick off to summer party is coming with or without summer. As for the date all in attendance this week agreed that the first week in June was best for them and I believe that's when it has been the last few years. So let's keep it the first Tues. of June each year from now on and we will also set the Christmas party for the first Tuesday in Dec. Now everyone will know when they are so they can plan around that and of course it can be changed if something comes up like catering issues etc with as much advance notice to be given as possible with a date change.

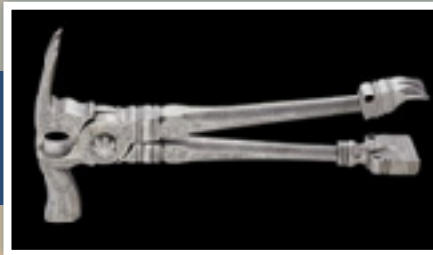
For those in attendance this week the button was pressed to put us live on the new website I had the honour to do that and I didn't mess it up. Must admit I was nervous as with my poor history with computers but Natasha made sure all went well. It was approximately 10 months in the works. I want to thank Natasha for being the mastermind with the tech savvy to pull it off and also big thanks to Janet and Mary-Leigh for all the work and time put in by them helping her. Natasha was given a membership with us for 2024 as a thanks and we all look forward to her joining us and showing us her other artistic talents welcome to our group Natasha.

That's all I can think of for now remember if you have any ideas for the club as to what we should do or need in the line of tools etc. You can always run it past me.



JERRY MURPHY

KEEP YOUR KNIVES SHARP AND YOUR FINGERS
OUT OF THE WAY

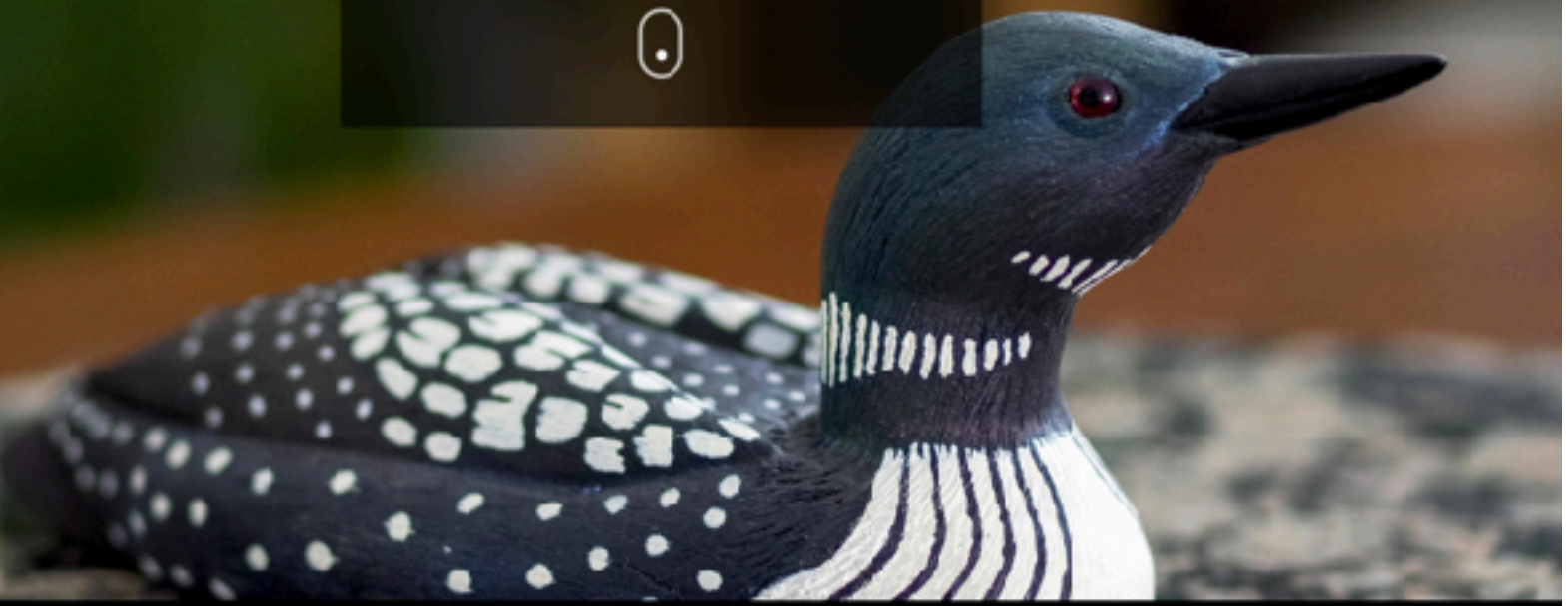
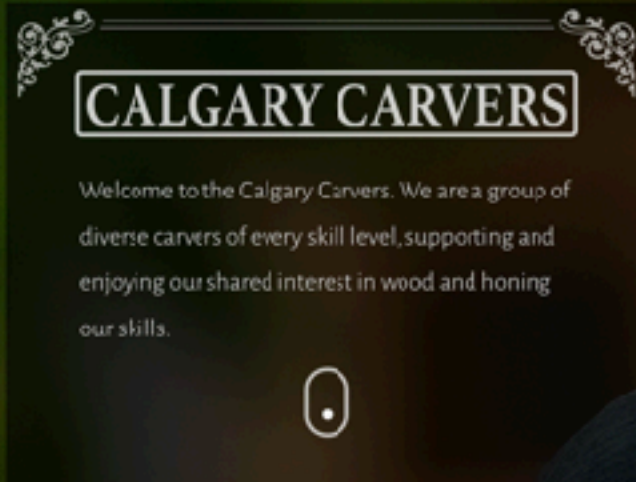


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UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL SPRING BBQ AND PICNIC details to follow

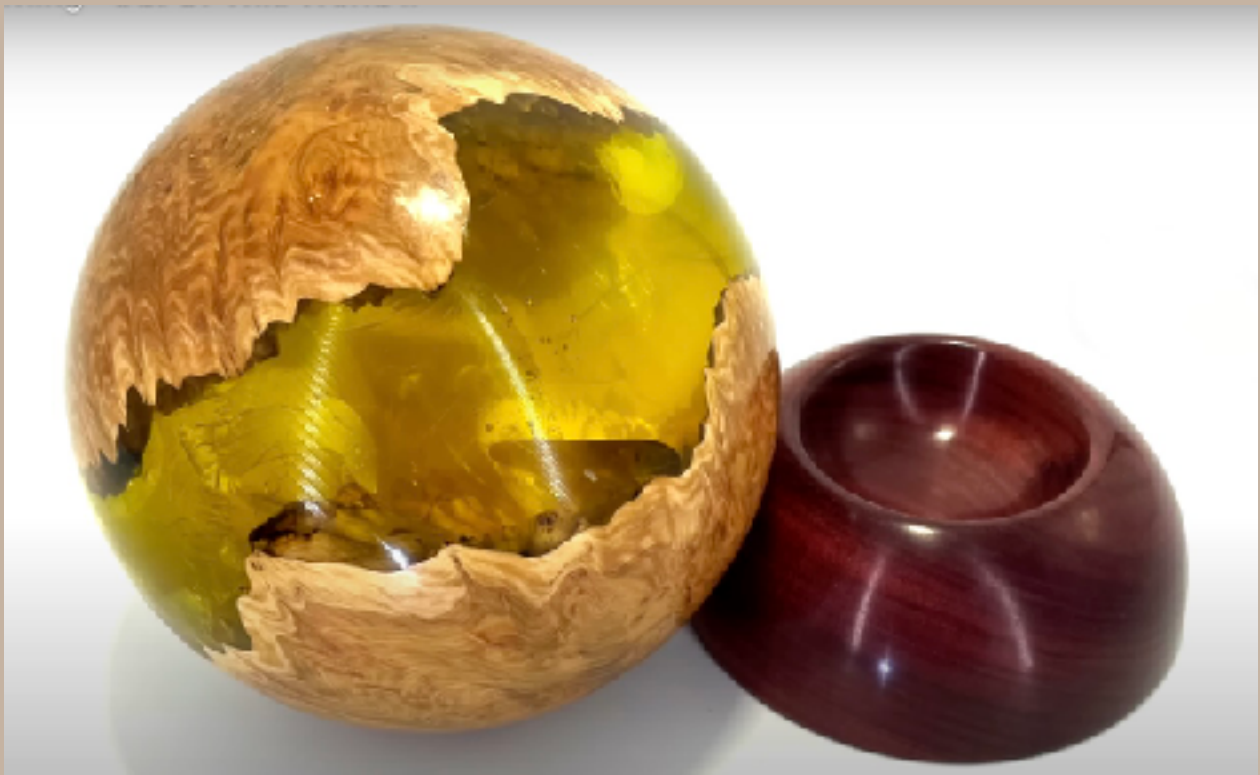
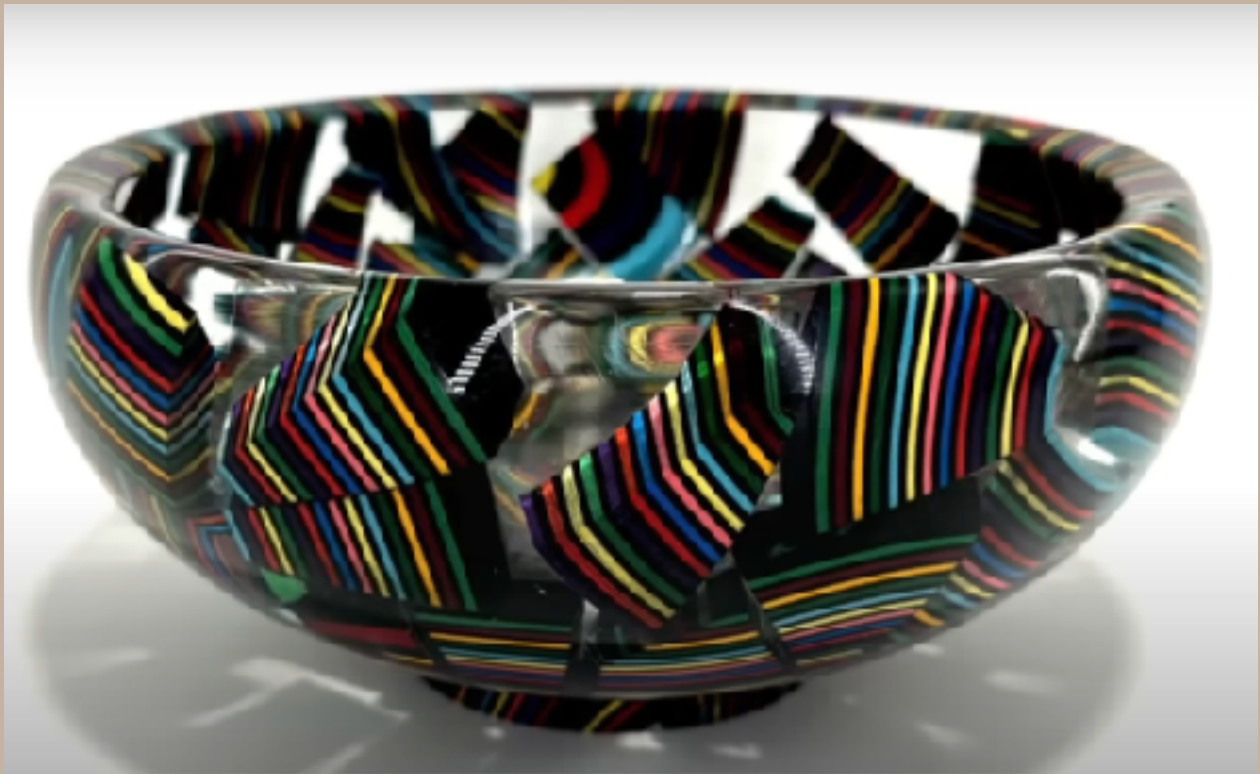
OFFICIAL PRESENTATION AND UNVEILING OF THE COMPLETED GNOME HOME

On Tuesday April 30 Jerry Murphy officially launched the all new and exciting Calgary Carvers website. It was designed and created by Natasha Ivanco with the assistance of Mary-Leigh Doyle and Janet Becker

SOMETHING OF INTEREST...

EXCITING, UNIQUE AND INSTRUCTIONAL
MUST SEE WOODWORKING PROJECTS





Now that we are all FASCINATED by the beauty of resin we can learn about it's incredible versatility from the creative genius of Jack Mack. As a turner extraordinaire, he has used everything from coloured card stock to bamboo, exotic burls, and the humblest of scrap wood all set in resin for his turnings.

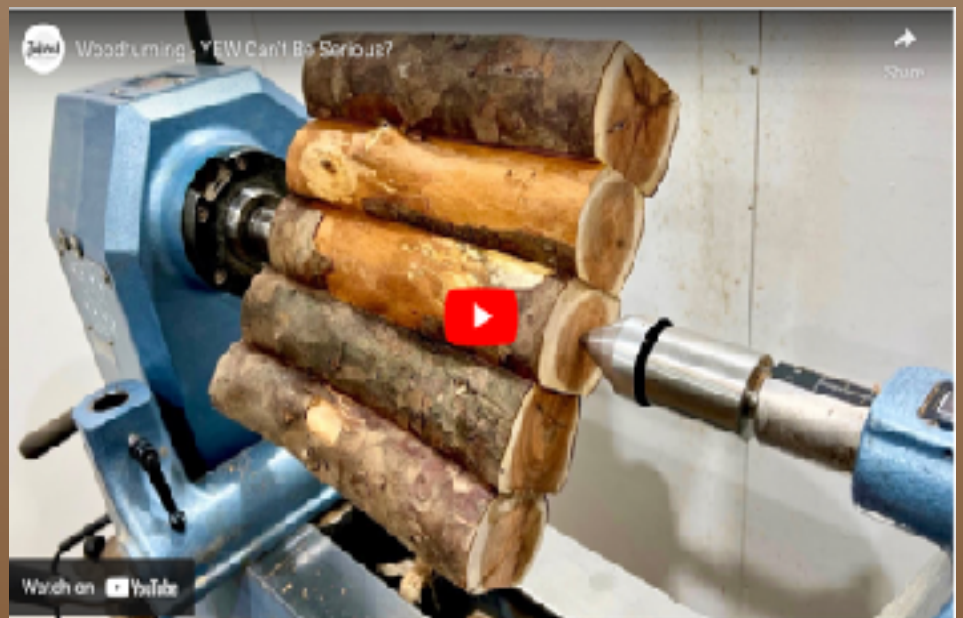


Mack keeps no secrets about turning and has produced multiple videos which he shares freely on his website. Each and every vessel in this article is featured in a how-to video. Even emulating his techniques will render one of a kind artworks. Each piece is as varied as the imagination and hand put to work.



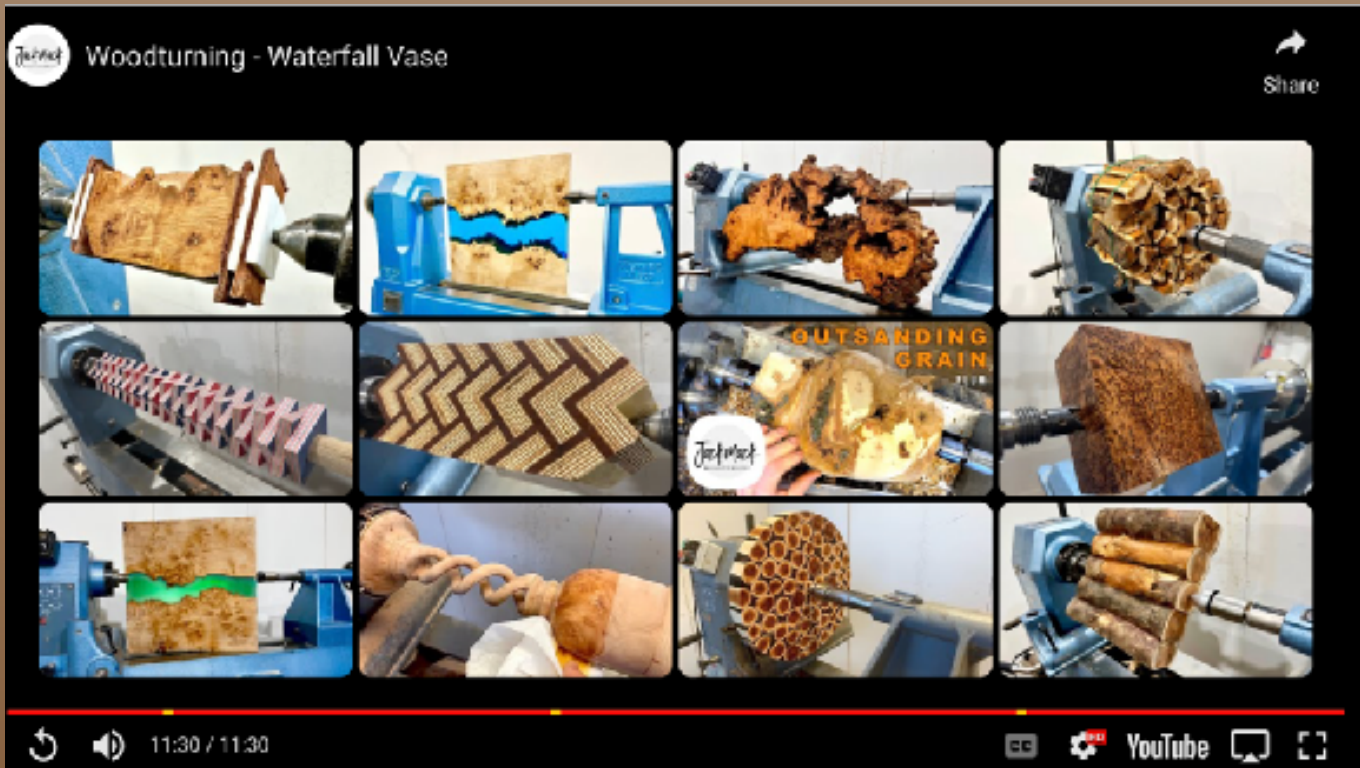


Mack is literally the BANKSY of the woodworking world keeping his personal identity and details out of the spotlight. He allows his work to speak for itself.





Jack Mack's amazing mix of how to videos are inspiring, diverse and entertaining. To see each of the pieces featured in this article and so many more being created before your very eyes go to [JACK MACK WOODTURNING](#) and click on gallery. You will also find him on [YouTube](#).



SPECIAL EVENT

DEMO WITH

KEN KINDJERSKI

POURING RESIN



Most of us have been curious if not fascinated by the beautiful and versatile uses of resin that are becoming highly popular in the woodworking world. But many of us were terrified to give it a try.

Ken very kindly volunteered to demonstrate his technique for pouring, colouring and patterning resin. Showing us some true basics, warning us of the mistakes we might make and then making some beautiful tiles before our very eyes, Ken helped to demystify the use of resin.



KEN KINDJERSKI

POURING RESIN continued



Ken showed us how to measure and mix resin and then apply a thin transparent coat to the entire surface to be coloured. In this case white ceramic tiles were used. Next he showed us how to colour resin and add small amounts of several colours, one at a time to the “float coat”. He then “chased” the colours using a construction grade heat gun. This step made the colour flow and helped to reduce bubbles as well. The colours continue to move for a full 20 hours or more so he recommends not “chasing” too much.

KEN KINDJERSKI

POURING RESIN continued

By the end of the demo the colours had moved significantly even in that short time.



KEN KINDJERSKI

POURING RESIN continued



KEN'S SUPPLY LIST white ceramic tiles, Trustic General Casting Epoxy Parts A and B, Unicorn Spit Gel Stain and Glaze, EcoPoxy Black Colour Pigment, Metallic powder, Parchment Paper, home made epoxy measuring cup, stir sticks, rubber gloves, table cover, drop sheet

CALCARVER FAMILY ALBUM

A RANDOM SAMPLING OF LIFE IN THE CALGARY CARVER'S CLUB



Gomes at Home? A beautiful but rarely seen Lew Collett original carving,

Unusual resin casting including pine cones and a carving nut

Toad stools galore coming to life



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Gnome home
contributions
and current
work in
progress



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Just a few of our
wonderful
contributions to the
now complete gnome
home



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17th century multi-tool



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BETTER

PLEASE SEND ME INFO ON YOUR EVENTS, NEWS
AND PHOTOS SO THAT IN UPCOMING ISSUES I
CAN SUPPORT YOU AND KEEP THE CLUB
UPDATED

IF YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A STORY OR A GREAT ARTICLE TO SHARE
SEND ME THOSE TOO.

SEND YOUR ADS TO CREATE A CLASSIFIEDS SECTION WITH WOODWORKING
SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FOR SALE.

I APPRECIATE YOUR HELP
MARY-LEIGH DOYLE

SPECIAL THANKS THIS MONTH TO KEN KINDJERSKI FOR
THE WONDERFUL LESSON AND ARTICLE FOR THE
NEWSLETTER MY EMAIL ADDRESS IS m.l.doyleart@shaw.ca