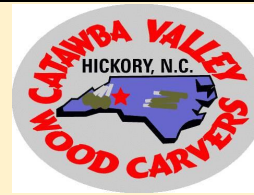


Catawba Valley Wood Carvers Club

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Next meeting is Saturday. April 15, 2023

2023 Meetings Schedule

April 15; May 20; June 17; July 15; August 19; September 16; October 14; November 18; December 16

CVWC President's Letter – Alvin Woody

Fellow Chipsters,

There are a couple of opportunities to grow your skills as well as to help other new woodcarvers if you happen to be in the Hickory or Lenoir areas. The Senior Centers in Hickory and Lenoir are looking for someone to lead their woodcarving groups and have reached out to us for help. What a great way to help others learn woodcarving and also help our club to grow. For more info or just to check it out please give me a call, 828-404-2825.

Here are some upcoming fair dates for those who may wish to attend or even show or sell your carvings.

- The Charlotte woodcarving show and competition will be **April 14-16**.
- RockyFest <https://rockyfacepark.com/rockyfest/> (north of Hiddenite, NC) 3451 Rocky Face Church Rd, Hiddenite, NC 28636 will be Saturday **April 22** at Rocky Face Mountain State Recreation Area. Vendor fee is \$30.
- The Iredell Garden Fair in Statesville will be Saturday, **April 29**, at the Iredell Cooperative Extension on Bristol Dr. where Piedmont Woodcarvers meet and will be participating.
- The Hickory Downtown Development Assn City Walk Stroll is scheduled for **May 6th**, also \$30

Have you paid your due's yet?

You can mail your \$24 to Treasurer Richard Grant, 609 Rock Barn Rd NE, Conover, NC 28613

I encourage you to continue inviting your other whittling buddies along to our April meeting. We are developing a "new carver" program to introduce new members to the proper and safe techniques of woodcarving. Gerry is still looking for donations for our club tool box for this program in the form of unneeded but serviceable basic carving knives. Your help is appreciated.

Keep whittling
See you there.
Woody

Vice President Letter– Gerry Shaw

Hello.

For our April meeting we will be carving a simple classic rosette from the WCI Summer 2022 issue. It is a flat relief carving and we'll have some bench hooks in our cabinet to use as well. ***I have already drawn the image onto the wood block.*** Woody will have to lead you for this meeting's program, as I will be out in Tucson visiting my son, his wife and our newest grandchild born in February.

> Please look at the ***attachment*** or open your issue (#99) to see the project.

> I'll be back in time to see the Charlotte Wood carving Show so I hope to see some of you there.

Regards, Gerry Shaw

Be sure to open the attachments to his email for more information on the following:

- The Charlotte Woodcarving Show and Competition will be **April 14-16. (Map Attached)**
- 2023 CVWC Show and Competition Show (flyer attached)
 - Flyer
 - To Do Schedule
- April's Project - a simple classic rosette from the WCI Summer 2022 (Instructions and block layout)
- Information on how to subscribe to the Woodcarving Illustrated Magazine (it is where where Gerry get the monthly project ideas) Also, available at KWS check-out counter.

2023 CVWC Show and Competition Show Theme is Spooktacular.

What does Spooktacular mean?

Spooky and spectacular; wonderfully frightening

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For the October 2023 Show the Club will be hosting two IWCA Contests.

- 1) IWCA Style Shorebird Decoy Championship.**
- 2) Young Guns Championship – for carvers under 14**

There are plenty of resources on-line for looking at pictures of shore birds and on-line stores for shorebird patterns. i.e. Hummul Carving <https://hummul.com/carving-patterns/>

You can carve one of the shore birds and bring it to the show and enter the shorebird contest, BUT you have to be a member of IWCA to accumulate points towards IWCA carver of the year (like Beth Parham did!).

If interested in joining IWCA go to their website:

IWCA Membership — IWCA (internationalwildfowlcarvers.com) Individual Memberships

Annual	\$15
Five-year	\$60
Life	\$120

Minutes of the CVWC Club 3/18/2023 Meeting

Jerry Clark led the **Shelf Elf** part of the meeting project. Jerry is a long haul trucker and has been woodcarving for six months. He is a neighbor of Ron Gatlin and a member of the Charlotte Wood Carvers Club.

Jerry Clark, Joe Candillo and Michal and Stephanie Keener joined the club.

17 attendees included 12 members. There were five (5) visitors.

In Alvin's absence Gerry welcomed everyone, and told the group of several upcoming show/sell opportunities.

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Gerry Shaw requested donations of Carving tools for the formation of "Guest Tool Box" to be available for visitors and new members. Respectfully. Submitted. Richard Grant,

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

DUES for 2023 will be due at the January 21 meeting. \$24

Please pay your dues with a check.

It helps out tremendously in accounting for each member payment.

Please complete the membership form I have attached separately, so I have your current and up to date information.

You can mail me your dues at: Richard Grant
609 Rock Barn Rd NE
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Thank you. Richard Grant

Welcome to our newest members:

Jerry Clark, Joe Candillo and Michal and Stephanie Keener joined the club at the March Meeting.

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