

## Turning in the Age of Corona

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Santa Cruz Woodturners

Time seems to move slowly during a societal shutdown, which is better than suffering a shutdown of your pulmonary functions, where it stops altogether. However, in another perspective, it flies like a peregrine falcon in pursuit of a dove.

**John Wells** will be offering the remote presentation on “Finishing School” for our demo on July 18 (meeting opens at 8:30 AM, business at 9. Demo starts 9:15 – 10:30 or 11).

To illustrate the effects of time, here’s John a little bit before the COVID outbreak, taking a rest on some spindles he turned with his mini lathe.



Please turn the page to see what happens to a turner when a virus ravages the countryside....



*I swear, he never moved, but the lighting changed...it happens.*

Other members of our club have been busy, too. Here's **Tim Johnson's** macro effort with a beautiful piece of aromatic cedar, sawed into a blank by Raf after our Wood Bazaar in April. It's ready for the finish!



Some people say the heart of every home is the kitchen. I think even the most ardent turner would agree, as we, unlike termites, usually don't eat wood scraps on purpose.

When you have a lathe, you discover how many things in your life have radial symmetry...beyond sea urchins, oranges, beer bottles, and Oreo cookies. And when you have a lot of time on your hands, you just can't bear to throw away a perfectly respectable metallic tool just because the wooden handle has surrendered to the elements. Here's **Dan Albridge's** response to a potato masher that wanted to stick around.

Happy kitchen, happy life.

Have you ever noticed how magnificently convenient copper pipe junctions can be for ferrules?



Share your work with the club...we're all craving company!

See you...virtually...on July 18. The Zoom invitation will come a few days in advance.

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