



# The Valley Carver

Central Fraser Valley  
Woodcarvers

April 2010

## One Month to Show

I tell you—the perfect time to try something new is NOT when everyone is gearing up for the show and busier than a one-eyed cat watching nine rat holes. Okay—my generation is showing now.

Here is the gentle reminder that all you folks who haven't pre-registered yet—"git er done!" Easy as an email to Bonnie so that pre-registration can go nice and smooth. Show information and registration (pdf) forms available on our website.

<http://www.centralfraservalleywoodcarvers.com/>

The show committee headed up by our own Roger Kovaltsenko, is working hard to pull off a great event. Vendors have been confirmed, food fun and demos—what more could you ask for. Many thanks to the committee and Brian Sterling for the "hush-hush" new club pin . . .

Don't have one? . . . .heh heh heh. . . .

guess you'll just have to come to the show and ask Roger about it!

So clean up and paint those half-finished items and get them ready for the show. Times ticking away and its sure to be a good one.

## Club Business

Always good to have a summary of the club business meeting at the Senior Hall. For all you new members—the first Saturday each month we hold a business meeting where we get together and direct the club in its various directions. Always a good turnout and we see friends and members who are not able to make it to the Wednesday night carving at the school.

We talk about how to spend our funds, hold

50/50 draws and such and usually have a great show and tell table session with what others have been up to for the month. Last meeting held April 3rd—

Discussed

**Treasurer's report**—very good however confidential and not printed here.

**Membership**— Daryll reported one new member from the last class and 46 paid up members

**Library Report:** Joany stated there are some old magazines for sale, .25 . She purchased one new book, "Carving Wildfowl Head Canes".

**Beginner's Classes**—Bob Young reported that the beginner's classes did well and we obtained several new members throughout the process. Next class will start again in October 2010.

**Correspondance**—Sorento—5th annual Carving School Session

Ken Smorang reported on the Sorrento experience and past carving weeks that he and others have attended. Nest session will be held September 19th to 25th 2010. Ken; reported on and gave a description of the activities and carving projects associated with this school.

Arbour Day—Roger spoke on A letter from the sponsors of "**Arbour Day**" inviting our club to attend and participate. We did last year. This year's event will be held at Bateman Park, May 14<sup>th</sup> (Friday) between 9:30am and 2pm. One more volunteer is required.

## Owl Rescue Presentation -

Wow! On Saturday June 5th, last meeting before summer break—the folks from the owl Rescue—whom we support with a donation each year, will be coming by and give us a presentation. Even showing off a couple of hooters.

(Easy Boys—not where you immediately went to), so be sure to mark that one down on your calendars.

### **New Executive elections . . .**

Honest—I simply raised my hand to ask permission to go to the loo and look what happened. Seems a few of us thought we were somewhere else in the meeting—oh well !

Incoming Positions:

**Chairman** – Larry Amour – Show Chairman  
– Advertising

**Vice-Chairman** – Ken Misener

**Secretary** – Bob Young

**Treasurer** – Bonnie Sorenson

**Library** – Joany Hughes-Games

**Coffee** – Elisa Woo

. . . Many, many, many thanks for all who stepped forward.!



## **Introduction to Mold Making and Cold Casting**

Please read carefully . . .

On **Saturday May 15th** at the school we will be holding an introduction to mold making and cold casting. It will run from **10am** to 3 or 4 pm depending on how many projects are fitted in and curing. **There are 12 spots only.** First paid—first in. The cost will be \$60.00 per person (cash). It is being done as cash so that our instructor can get the materials needed ahead of time being such a small window to organize this in.

Instructor Leslie Dyke - also known to us as “The janitor” seriously -gotta do something to pay the bills. Really - Leslie is the Janitorial Supervisor at the school that we do our Wednesday night carving at. Also he has been a multimedia artist\sculptor for the past 25 years with showings all over the country and in New York. Extremely knowledgeable and talented. Recently he has been working on pieces in Bronze and Alabaster

He will be giving us a lesson in basic latex mold making and casting and while those are curing and setting up he will show other techniques with bronze powders etc. For those of you who would like to learn to mold or cast your own work as study pieces and go—bys etc. this will Be fun. Again 12 spots only. **All Monies to be paid no later than Wednesday evening April 28th to myself.** I will have the list. No calling and saying put my name down and I will pay you then. It is strictly **Pay the fee and your name goes on the list. No exceptions** -First 12 will be secured. We plan to also offer it again next year. - Larry

### **Show & Tell**

African Carving  
2 Unfinished Caricature Heads  
Rick Den Braber

Miniature Flying Canada Goose -  
Ken Misener

Rummoli Board - Darryl Olson

Santa Clause – Stu Holmes

**2010 Raffle Prizes**

Loon Ken Smorang  
Kestrel Larry Amour  
3 Puddle Ducks Bob Young

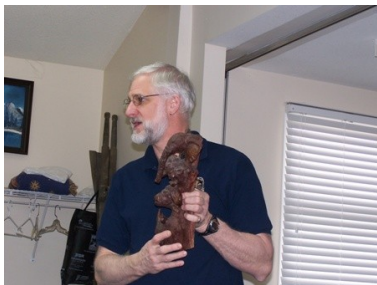
**2011 Raffle** - We are going to try something new next year—then again we might change our minds before then as it hasn't gone to the membership at the business meeting. In an effort to support our club (and other clubs') members—we are thinking of purchasing a raffle prize for next years show, from this years upcoming show. A purchase award with out all the pitfalls. Putting it simply—the committee will choose what they would like to have as a raffle prize or what they think will sell raffle tickets the best and approach that carver\artist and offer a pre-determined amount. If he/she accepts then we have a raffle prize for the following year. If he/she declines then they go on to choice two and so on. Basic requirement - Must be a wood carving Committee's decision is final.

We will NOT name or make public or known the committee members so that folks don't try to cajole, pressure, "carve to" or otherwise "BUG" them. Again this idea must go for final approval at the next meeting

**Show & Tell Pictures**



Rick DenBraber with an Ironwood carving his son picked up on a trip abroad.



Ken Smorang can sell Raffle tickets like no other – want one?



## *Central Fraser Valley Woodcarvers*

*The aim of the club is to provide an opportunity for experienced and novice woodcarvers to advance their skills and share knowledge, techniques and give encouragement to others.*

*We're on the web!*

Web: <http://www.centralfraservalleywoodcarvers.com>

email: [postmaster@centralfraservalleywoodcarvers.com](mailto:postmaster@centralfraservalleywoodcarvers.com)

Show registration: <http://www.centralfraservalleywoodcarvers.com/Entry%20Form%202010.pdf>

Show prospectus and info: <http://www.centralfraservalleywoodcarvers.com/Show%20info%202010.pdf>

Show Date & Time:

**SATURDAY MAY 8, 2010**

AG - REC BUILDING  
32470 HAIDA DRIVE  
ABBOTSFORD, B.C.

Open to the Public 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Admission \$2 Donation. Children under 12 free.