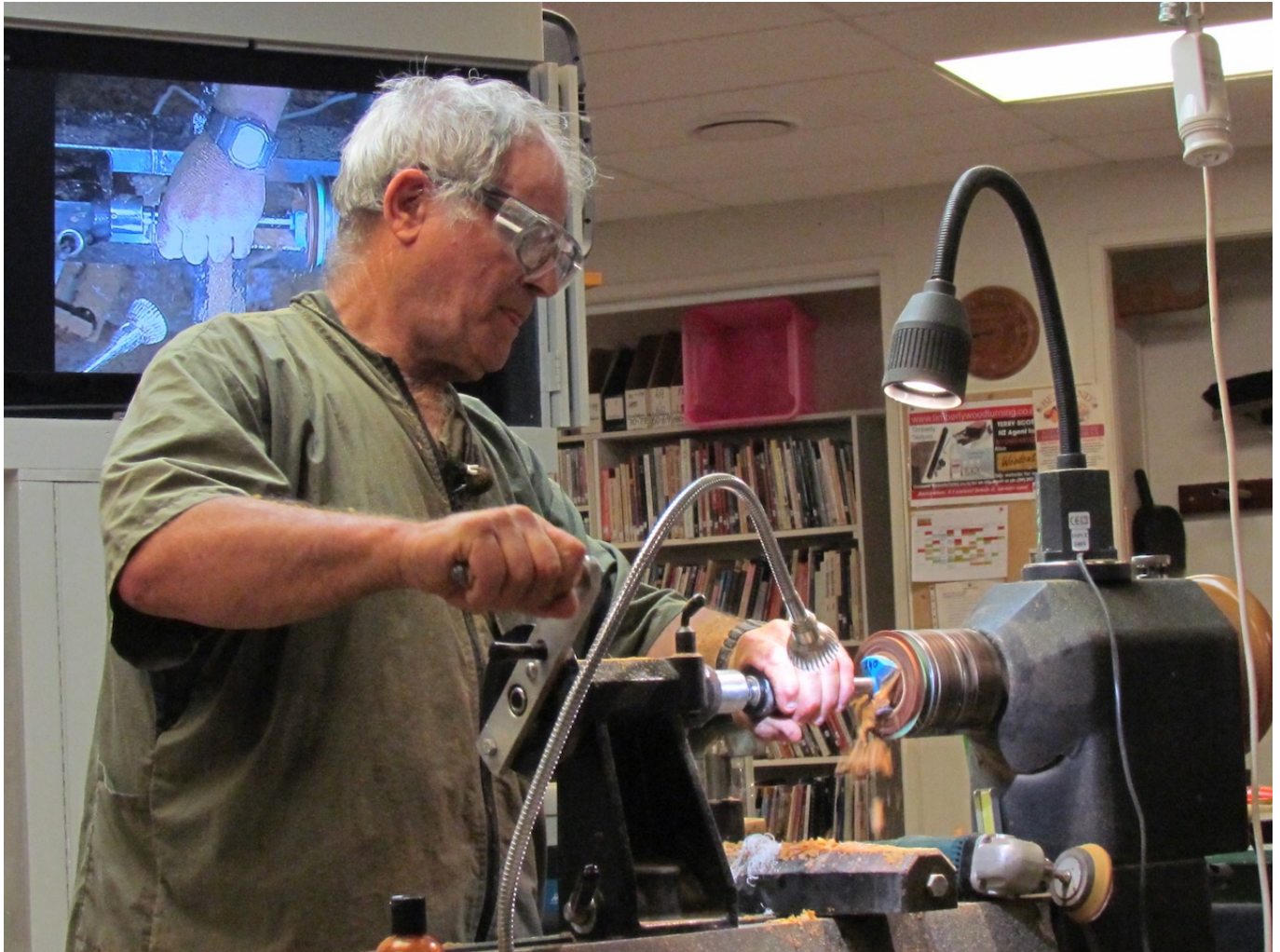


Bruce Wood - Lawn Bowl to Lidded Box

by Webmaster - Thursday, February 06, 2020

<https://sawg.org.nz/bruce-wood-lawn-bowl-to-lidded-box/>



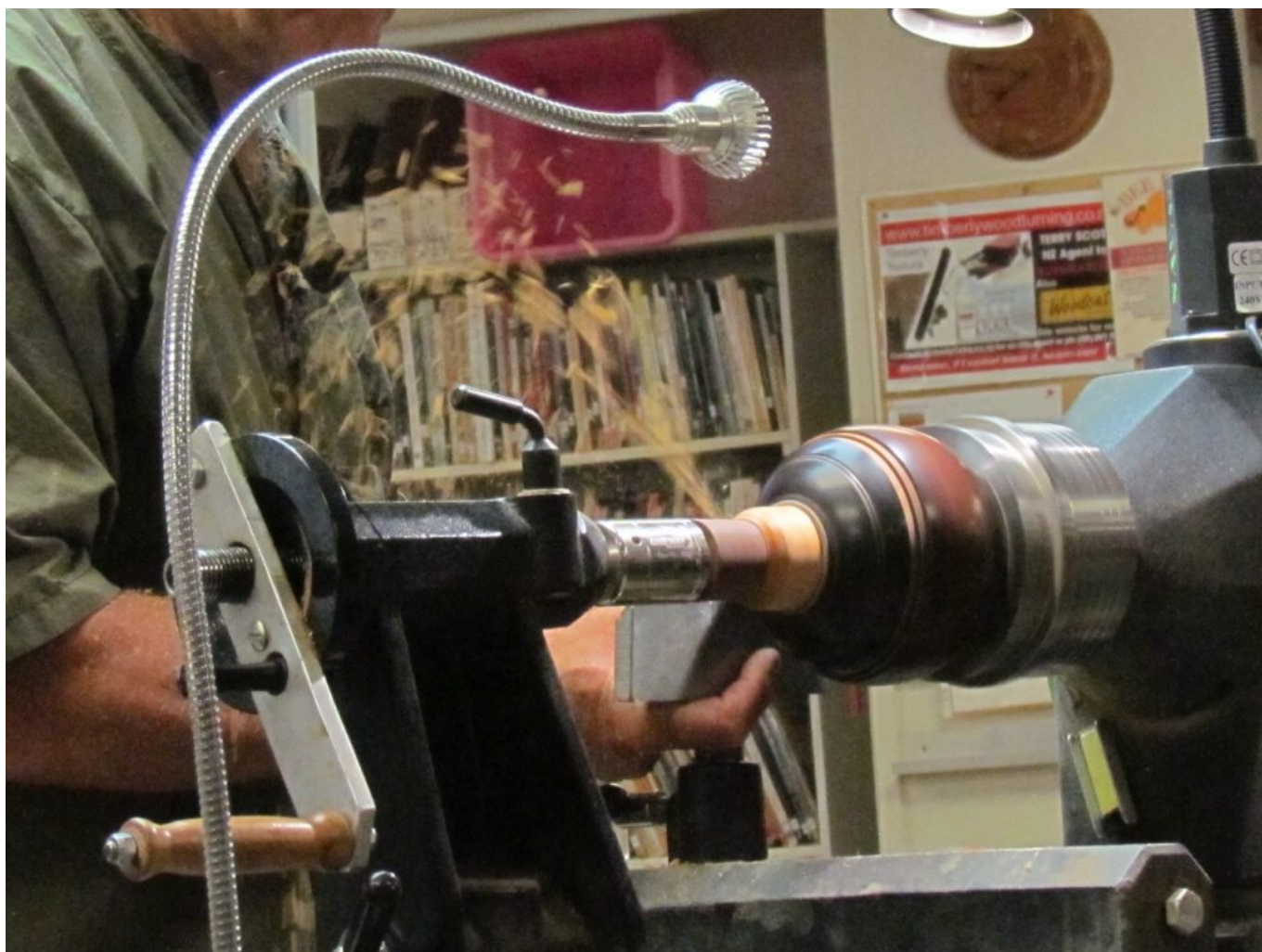
Write up: Holm Miehbradt

Club Meeting: 30 Jan 2020

Tonight Bruce demonstrated how to make a lidded box out of an old lawn bowls.

The first “obvious” advice was to make sure that the bowl is made of wood rather than a plastic one!

To initially mount the bowl, one of the existing rings (after cleaning it out) is used with a fitting chuck and with a padded jig on the tailstock. A spigot is turned and the diameter is reduced/shaped on the tailstock side. This will be the bottom of the box.



The bowl is then mounted with the spigot. The outside of the lid is then shaped and while parting it off a tenon is formed.

Starting with a Forstner bit, the box is hollowed out partly. The lid is then fitted onto the box and once the connection is shaped it is finished (including sanding, sealing, wax, lacquer, etc.). At this point, Bruce showed how effectively oil-sand which eliminated dust and keeps the sanding paper unclogged for longer.



The box is then fully hollowed out and finished.



The box is then turned around and the bottom is shaped and finished. With sufficient care some of the original features and decorations of the bowl can be kept near the base to enhance the box.

Finally the lid is mounted (while protected with tape) and the inside of it is finished.



Thanks Bruce for the entertaining demo and the advice which can be used in any turning project.

PDF generated by Kalin's PDF Creation Station