

## **Memorandum Five – Club Mentors**

### Purpose

This memorandum describes the designation and role of official mentors sponsored by the West Michigan Woodturners (WMW) chapter.

The WMU leadership team strongly encourages the usage of mentors in various club sponsored activities. The goal is to provide club membership (especially inexperienced wood turners) the opportunity to increase their skill level in a helpful, constructive way.

For purposes of this memorandum, mentors must:

1. be a dues-paying active WMW club member;
2. willing and able to meet with other WMW club members;
3. functioning as a advisor – providing guidance and support;
4. usually on an individual teaching basis;
5. on all matters related to woodturning;
6. while observing safety procedures; including those safety procedures endorsed by the American Association of Woodturners (AAW).

### Designation Process

To be designated a mentor of the WMW club, the WMW leadership team at the beginning of each calendar year will take these steps:

1. determine club members who are available and are willing to be mentors;
2. designate club mentors based on skill level and teaching capability.

### Insurance

Mentoring activities that adhere to these general instructions are considered WMW sanctioned events and are covered by the WMW insurance plan.