

BEST PRACTICES

Best Practices #026: 'Bring Back' Heading: Meetings

This is a great way for members, especially new ones, to get to know one another, try new woods and different turning techniques.

Start the process with a donated piece of wood and a hat full of paper slips, each with a member's name on it. Draw a member's name out of the hat. The selected person is given the piece of wood to take home, turn into something of their choosing and 'bring back' in two months. At that time, they give their turning and a new piece of wood to another person whose name is selected from the hat.

You can select a new name every month or every other month, as you chose. If the selected member is not in attendance at the meeting, you can draw additional names until you find an attendee. Additionally, if some members are reluctant to participate, you can limit the names in the hat to those who agree to participate.

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