

The IAP

A brief history and a few facts

In The Beginning...

- There was Yahoo Penturners – managed by Rich Kleinhenz and friends
- In late 2003, Jeff Brown and Scott Greaves founded the IAP
- We have been on the web continuously since January 2004
- No formal governing structure – a caretaker and a few volunteer moderators, and other positions

Our Mission

- The International Association of Penturners (IAP) is an organization that recognizes pen making as a craft with unique and distinctive character. Pen making encompasses a vast array of techniques, materials, technical knowledge, and novel approaches to produce a functional, aesthetically appealing writing instrument. [The goal of the IAP is to give pen makers a friendly and enjoyable place to enhance their skills, share experiences, show off their work, and promote the art of pen making.](#)
- The result has been:
 - ✓ Friendship
 - ✓ Knowledge
 - ✓ Inspiration

Resources & Activities

- Lively discussion forums – 1.8 million posts
- Thousands of active members from around the world
- Large library of tutorials written by members
- Extensive photo archive – 36,000 in albums, >250,000 in posts
- Annual contests – “The Birthday Bash”, “The Summer Extravaganza”
- Classified forums for individual sales
- Vendor forums
- Local Chapters

Our Volunteers

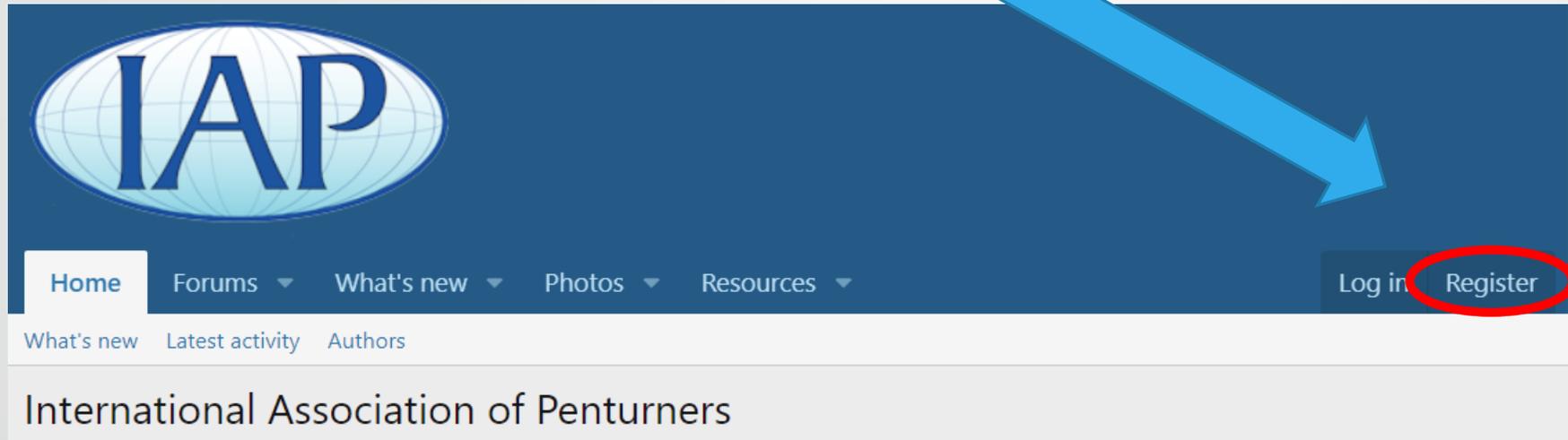
- Head Moderator: Andrew Jordan (maxwell_smart007)
- Activities Manager: Mike Redburn (mredburn)
- Local Chapter Coordinator: Ed Brown (ed4copies)
- New Member Advocate: Edgar Dohmann (Edgar)
- Library Manager: Wayne Racinowski (Wayne)
- Group Buy Coordinator: Mannie Steglich (Monty)

Sustaining the IAP

- **Participation!** Discussion forum activity, support for contests, activities, local chapters, our vendors
- **Funding** through an annual fundraiser, modest advertising income, benefactors, donations



Join Us!



Membership always has been, always will be

**** FREE ****

<https://www.penturners.org>

The IAP Collection

- A physical collection of pens representing some of the best work of our members
- Conceived and curated by Mark James
- Has been on display at numerous pen events
- Collection photos & descriptions:

<https://www.penturners.org/collection/>



Some IAP "Firsts"



Resin Saver Molds ~2010
"NewLondon88" Charlie Clougherty



Early Kitless ~2008
"Texatdurango" George Butcher



"Worthless Wood" & Cactus Blanks ~2007
"MesquiteMan" Curtis Seebeck

Some More IAP "Firsts"



TurnTex Cactus Juice ~2010
Curtis Seebeck - MesquiteMan



"Stained Glass" segmenting ~2005
"Eagle" – William Prisivage
Eagle named this "Pentarsia"

Even More IAP "Firsts"



Puzzle Pen – Feb 2005
Btboone – Bruce Boone

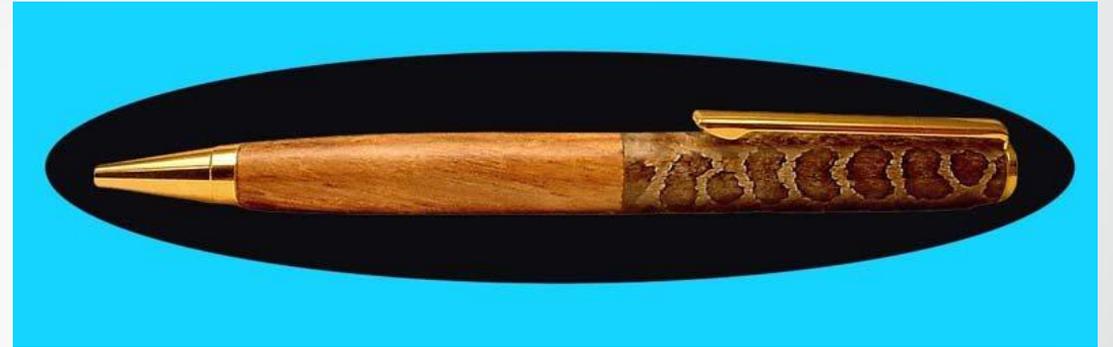


Circuit Board Pens ~ 2007
"bruce119" – Bruce Egolf

And Even More IAP "Firsts"



Polymer Clay Millefiori– Feb 2010
Toni – Toni Street



Snakeskin ~ 2004
"its_virgil" Don Ward

Endless Innovation & Inspiration

