

WEST PENNINE WOODTURNERS

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May Meeting

This was one of our 'hands on' evenings and dealt with bowl turning. Both of the club lathes were used with Gary Brown and Norman Sales leading the way. Norman was using his carbide tools while Gary stuck to conventional tools. It was good to see so many of the members trying their hands. Extra thanks to Gary and Norman for also supplying the blanks.

The competition was open and was Judged by the members. Thanks to Catherine Kitchin for calculating the results. (hopefully we will have volunteers at the next meeting.)

A Class 1st Dave Mackin 2nd Gary Brown 3rd Norman Sales

B Class 1st Linda Longley 2nd Ian Longley

Tea Brewers Thanks to Rod Fairbrother and John Gray

Tiny Turner Demonstration

This was a 'colourful' demonstration and was very well attended. Most of the demo concerned different ways of colouring your work and although not to everybody's taste she produced some very attractive work. The first item was a hand carved banded bowl that introduced us to the range of chameleon pigments and flakes (difficult to describe but if you visit her website you will see the effects). I noticed that one of our members managed to enter a similar bowl in the monthly competition (that didn't take long!) Emma combined both turning ability and understandable explanations to her demo and we hope to have her at the Club again.

June Meeting

This will be an evening dealing with finishing your work. There are many different methods and finishes and often it is a personal choice which to use. Hopefully we can help you to make the choice.

The competition will be a Bowl

Tea Brewers Norman Sales and Graham Hobson

December meeting (A.G.M.)

Just to give you fair warning we will be holding one of our Tool Auctions after the AGM and you are sat down to your pie and peas. Please note that we will only accept items that are relevant to woodturning. No gardening, motoring or any other stuff clogging up your garage. The Club will also be charging a 10% commission. A volunteer auctioneer will also be needed.

Chestnut Products Weekender

This will be held on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th August at the Heywood Civic Centre. There will be four main turners, Jason Breach (England), Jay Heryet (Wales), Richard Kennedy (Scotland) and Joe Laird (Ireland). There will also be the usual suppliers in attendance – Axminster Tools are the main sponser. Entry is by advanced ticket only. The Club is hoping to have a stand with demonstrations and display of our work. The August meeting will now be held on Friday 11th. More details when available.

Joke of the month

Heard on Tower radio of a search and rescue base in Canada.

Helicopter pilot: "Roger, I'm holding at 3000 over beacon".

Second voice: "No, you can't be doing that. I'm holding at 3000 over the beacon".

Brief pause then first voice again: " You idiot, you're my co-pilot".

Forlorn Request

I am always looking for items for the newsletter – anything.

For Sale

Triton Saw Table with Hitachi 1700w Saw. Triton Router table with Freud 1900w Router with box of 12 cutters. Little Mouse Router Table. Wood Lathe (no make mentioned)

Will accept any reasonable offers. Ring Eddie on 01706 638971

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