



# West Midlands Wood Turners

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### Demonstration Day: 21st February

#### [Andrew Hall](#)



Andrew has been turning for many years and has established himself as "the Hat Man", making full sized hats from a single piece of wood, as above.

Andrew also makes Corinthian and Roman helmets as well as a wide range of traditional items, so we should be in for a treat.

*Link to demonstrators websites by clicking on their **name**. Mark Baker's website is under construction.*

**Demonstration days start at 9.15 am and conclude around 4.30 pm. (Setting up from 8.30 am)**

**Hands On days start at 9.30 am and conclude about 4.00 pm.**

Apology

This newsletter is a bit shorter than usual due to a certain amount of domestic problems involving family members and hospitals.

I hope to return to normal service, shortly.

John

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I thoroughly enjoyed our January hands on meeting. There is always a great atmosphere at these days and if you have not been to one for a while come along and see what you have been missing. There were 5 lathes set up and kept busy all day with 9 volunteers coming forward for bowl turning tuition on the club lathes.

Rob Sheehan came along with his airbrushing equipment and he had prepared various templates for members to try out airbrushing for themselves. This proved to be a great success and I would estimate that around 25 members took the opportunity to have a go.

There were 37 members and two visitors on the day and we also signed up one new member.

The Chairman's Challenge attracted 16 excellent pieces. I would like to see more of you take up the challenge especially in the intermediate section, so please look through the monthly list and I am sure that you will find that the pieces needed are well within the capabilities of all of you.

The display table had the first outing of the new shelving that Bob Rimmer and Brian Bateman have been working on. The purpose of this was to present a neutral background for Brian Goodall's photographs when they appear in the gallery section on the website. Those of you that have checked the website will agree that they did exactly what they were designed to do.

There was a huge display of bowls and other items on the display table, I counted 48 - is this a record? And when will it be broken?

I need to remind everyone of two events that are coming up in the very near future.

#### **Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens: Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2016.**

We need your donations of craft fare type items for the Pick a Peg and Display Table. There are only two meetings before this date 21<sup>st</sup> February. and 20<sup>th</sup> March. We, currently, only have five days each year when we have the opportunity to raise money for the club from sales so it is important that when those days come around we have stock for sale and pick a peg. Sales last year were around £700 pounds with a big part of this coming from your donations so you can see that if we had to leave out something like the pick a peg at even one of these days there would be a considerable reduction in income for the club.

#### **Woodworks at Daventry: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May.**

This seems a long way off but we only have three meetings before this event; 21<sup>st</sup> Feb, 20<sup>th</sup> March and 17<sup>th</sup> April. Please start thinking about your pieces for the display table and competitions. Please also check your diaries to see which of the days you can attend.

Cliff

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*A man drives from Aberdeen to London for a night out. He is stopped at the door of a very posh restaurant by an enormous bouncer, who tells him he can't come in without a tie. "But I've just driven all the way from Aberdeen!" the man moans. It's no use however – strictly no tie no entry. So the man returns to his car and looks for something that will make do. He finally finds some jump leads and fashions himself a bootlace-style affair, then returns to the club. "Can I come in now?" he asks. The bouncer looks him up and down and replies. "I suppose so, but make sure you don't start anything."*

Thanks everyone for a very successful Hands On Day.

This was the first themed day we have held in recent years and all the lathes were kept going more or less non-stop. Special thanks to all the "tutors" - you know who you are! We are also grateful to those who came forward for guidance and who put themselves forward as guinea pigs.

I hope everyone got something out of the day and apologies to those who didn't get the chance they wanted for hands-on guidance. We will be continuing with themed activities at future Hands on Days and we are open to suggestions as to how we might make these days even more successful - watch this space!

Phil Stevenson

**Airbrushing a rose with a stencil**

Rob Sheehan and Tom Badger, using a "Badger" airbrush!



**A REALLY BIG BOWL.**

We found a video of this being made on YouTube, but it seems to have been removed, and some members did not see it.

This photo was found on the interweb (is that right?), and for those who missed it, here it is:



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**Novice Group (7 entries): Solid Rolling Pin**

1st place: Darren Smith

2nd place: Paul Brown

3rd place: Bill Finnigan



**Intermediate Group (2 entries): Cup and Ball Toy**

1st place: Brian Bateman

2nd place: Dave Reynolds



**Advanced Group (7 entries): Square Edge Bowl**

1st place: Wolfgang Schulze

2nd place: Malcolm Thorpe

3rd place: Don Lawrence



**February Challenge:**

**Novice Group: Bird**



**Intermediate Group:**

Hedgehog

**Advanced Group:**

Goblet with lid and finial

[youtube.com/watch?v=RXAEcU-xook](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RXAEcU-xook)

(if this link does not work, copy the address into your browser and it should come up)



**QUICK MAKE ITEMS:****WEST MIDLANDS WOODTURNERS**

Recently, the Chairman asked if members could make quick and simple items for use with the “Pick-a-Peg” tombola, so that we can continue to provide funds for new equipment and to maintain our existing kit.

The “pick-a-Peg” has been very successful over the last two years, but we do need things to stock the shelves. Below is a list of the things that could be made, with some YouTube videos of them being made. These are for guidance only, and some are better than others, but that is the nature of YouTube. The idea is to help members get some ideas about the processes and techniques so that stock can be produced quickly, easily and safely.

There are thousands of such videos “out there” and those below are just a small selection. We give no warranties about suitability etc of these videos (We have to say that, as you all know.)

<b>Item</b>	<b>YouTube link - click on each link to see the video which will open in your browser</b>
Mushrooms	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p-bWaBu4k-Q">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p-bWaBu4k-Q</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9RslRYvTPzc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9RslRYvTPzc</a>
Small bowls	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rdk4VOZoDKk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rdk4VOZoDKk</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JD_BaAO8HqA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JD_BaAO8HqA</a>
Bud Vase	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8OZngy36DHs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8OZngy36DHs</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PXz-u88wJi4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PXz-u88wJi4</a>
Apples	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WCUzik9OwMs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WCUzik9OwMs</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1MAYrGufsS4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1MAYrGufsS4</a>
Spinning Tops	<a href="https://youtu.be/l9kmbpfzh0M">https://youtu.be/l9kmbpfzh0M</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqu_dkIqgrw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqu_dkIqgrw</a>
Vase	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nI0RkoHXQ0M">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nI0RkoHXQ0M</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z5VWjX8Km_M">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z5VWjX8Km_M</a>
Mouse	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ElRn4rUYcdM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ElRn4rUYcdM</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UC9wFc8uwMk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UC9wFc8uwMk</a>
Candle Holders	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ONe8Gq_B1_A">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ONe8Gq_B1_A</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rh7j54_H8c0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rh7j54_H8c0</a>
Pendants	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tpq7KL3SL4s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tpq7KL3SL4s</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=klz6KPRmLu4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=klz6KPRmLu4</a>
Eggs	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FPVP6SdnkVk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FPVP6SdnkVk</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eO9izLB2YM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eO9izLB2YM</a>
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Door Wedge	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-gqaBXC0qvo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-gqaBXC0qvo</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5YUmTcKUHg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5YUmTcKUHg</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S6T_7i7MGwg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S6T_7i7MGwg</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLrIPALO_jc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLrIPALO_jc</a>
Pears	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e_VmgDKv_ZQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e_VmgDKv_ZQ</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=teH1CPMVTeo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=teH1CPMVTeo</a>
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Box	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nITLHITaTE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nITLHITaTE</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ItA3Kr71OI8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ItA3Kr71OI8</a>
Birds	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RXAECU-xook">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RXAECU-xook</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rj4AL7-Pcqo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rj4AL7-Pcqo</a>
Hedgehog	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XOzCq9o3nQo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XOzCq9o3nQo</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q_D2qEdaOIU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q_D2qEdaOIU</a>
Bangles	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TF4sYodH-O8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TF4sYodH-O8</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hf-qCEv-EBg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hf-qCEv-EBg</a>

For Sale:

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From: **Guy Neath** <[guyneath@icloud.com](mailto:guyneath@icloud.com)>

Date: 23 January 2016 at 14:50

Subject: Wood

To: [webmaster@wmwoodturners.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@wmwoodturners.org.uk)

Hi we are based in Worcestershire and have a large amount of spalted beech at the moment is it something your members might be interested in. Many thanks Guy Neath  
Sent from my iPad

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Not for sale:

Free to a good home!

Record Power Chuck (RP3000)

Three jaw chucking system, for ¾ inch 16 tpi spindle. Includes expanding jaw, pin chuck, compression jaw, screw chuck, face plate, wrenches and hex keys. Surprisingly, the instruction booklet is included.

Contact the Secretary if interested.

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