

# **West Midlands Woodturners**

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## **Chairmans Comments**

Our last meeting being our AGM , you elected your Committee to continue for a further year. I am sure we will hope to carry on as enthusiastically as usual !!!!

The high light of the day was Keith's demonstration of 'Involuted Turning. What a star performance. I am sure you would want me to say a big **Well Done.** 

Following on from our commitment to pay attention to Health & Safety, I have been making a few enquiries on how we should proceed. I will report verbally at our next meeting. I would say that we still would benefit from our 'machines being safety tested . If any one can help us with this task please let us know.

See you all at our 'Sharpening Demo. -----I have seen Tony's demo before and look forward to a refresher-----Brian.

Don't forget to encourage any friends to join us, it is good to see new faces!.

#### For Information

Tudor Rose have ANDY LODGE giving a demo on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb at their new venue, the Community Centre on Ashby Road in Daventry. If anyone is interested, our new secretary Stan Bird on stan@stanbird.me.uk will be able to take bookings, the cost is £15 including lunch.

### Programme 2006

Feb 26 – half day – Tony Sach – sharpening workshop – hands on

Mar 19 – full day - Julie Heryet

Apr 2 – half day - Hands On

# Next Meeting Feb 26 half Day

The hands on session will run from 2.00pm to approx 5.00pm

Do not forget your cup -

#### **AGM Minutes**

Brian welcomed everyone to the meeting and carried on to thank all those who help in running the club in any way with particular mention of those who help at outside events and with the tea. John Witham was congratulated on the range of demonstraters in 2005 and those booked for 2006.

**Apologies** were received from Ed Cheshire, Dave Nash, Tom Lewis, Peter Jones, and Rob Hughes.

Approval for last years minutes was seconded by Geoff Newman and they were approved.

**Matters Arising**. There were no matters arising from last years minutes.

Review of the Year. Because of Geoff's poor health for a good part of last year and others assisting, the figures were not so well ordered as usual. They showed an income over expenditure of £494.76 proving that we had another good year. The approval of the accounts was proposed by Ray Tunstall and accepted by the meeting.

The committee was re-elected en masse, the proposer was Keith Lanchester, seconded by Malcolm Caine. The officers are:

Chairman - Brian Gibbs.

Treasurer – Geoff Wolverton.

Secretary – Peter Hockley.

Events Secretary – John Witham.

Librarian - Peter Ford

The club voted to remain as a branch of the AWGB.

The post of AWGB Local representative comes up for relection this year. It was proposed that Ray Tunstall should be recommended by this club. Ray was happy to stand again. The proposal was carried.

### **Any Other Business:**

Health and Safety – It was noted by the chairman that we have been less than enthusiastic in doing risk assessments and setting up safe working practices with in the club. The committee agreed to meet and do better this year.

On the same issue it was suggested that at one of the workshop meetings we should get someone authorised to carry out PAT testing on tools etc and make this available to the club at a nominal charge for each tool tested.

It was suggested that the full day meetings should start a little later. This will be implemented to some degree with the demonstrators.

It was suggested that this meeting take place a little earlier in January in future. We will try to move it a week or two next year.

The school is looking at community relations and had asked if we had a website. The possibility of reopening the club website was looked at and as we have a member with knowledge of this area we will pursue this further.

The raffle made £41 for the club. Well done everyone

After tea Keith Lanchester treated us to his first demonstration. He showed us some 'inside out' turning which also showed his enthusiasm and skill at the lathe.

This was also the first demo using the schools projector system which everybody agreed was a great way to see what was going on.