



# WEST MIDLANDS WOODTURNERS

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## *Chairman's Comments*

Our Open Day in October was encouraging, having attracted a reasonable number of visitors. The comments I heard were very complimentary and there is potential for further visits. Particularly encouraging was the interest shown by the youngsters, who also had a 'go'. Thanks to all you demonstrators who were so helpful and outgoing?/generous? with your enthusiasm.

Some of our older members (in Club Membership years) would have spoken to John Lowe who visited us after some 5 years, and who commented on the improved quality of the work on display. Good to hear and a compliment to your efforts.

Don't forget we can always invite visitors free of charge to two meetings, preferably 'Hands On' Days which I think might be preferable.

An Urgent Notice!!-----are we going to lose our Newsletter? Should anyone feel up to taking it on, please speak with Brian (Sec.) to see what's involved, I am sure there will be plenty of support?

Lastly for now, please have a go at producing some 'Fruit' for this month's Chairman's Challenge'

See you in November

Brian .

## PROGRAMME 2012

- ◆ November 18th.. Full Day— Demonstration by Mark Hancock
- ◆ December 9th.— Christmas Social
- ◆ January 20th. 2013 — 'Hands On' Day & AGM



### **Chain Saw Master Class**

Those of us who managed to attend our Aug. 'Hands On' day were treated to a thorough schooling in the safe use, maintenance, sharpening and handling of a chainsaw. A piece of kit not to be treated lightly. Graham Hunt, a fully certificated chainsaw professional, gave us all the benefit of his knowledge and experience. I would recommend anyone who missed it, and uses a chainsaw, to ask Graham if he could repeat the session at a future 'Hands On' because you missed a treat.



*Chairman's Challenge Results for Sunday September 16th, 2012.*

*Sponsored by Earlswood Interiors & Crafts*

Inspired by Dennis Keeling Demo .-----A piece of your own form & design using a laminated/ segmented blank with a minimum of five layers with materials of your choice.



**Basic Group**



1st. Place— Phil Stephens

2nd. Place—Ken Beresford



**Premier Group**



1st. Place—Dave Nash

2nd. Place—Don Lawrence



*Chairman's Challenge for October 21st.*

An Autumn Theme of Fruit-----use you own theme of content & presentation .



***Photographs from the October Display Table***





### *General Information*

**Next Meeting November 18th..** Demonstration by Mark Hancock.  
 This is a Full Day.  
 This will commence at 9.15 a.m. and finish at 4.30 pm. There is a £10.00 fee for the day.  
 Helpers to set out tables and chairs from **8.30 a.m.** please.  
 Do not forget your sandwiches and a mug for your tea/coffee.  
**Don't forget your pieces for the display stand!!**



### *Newsletter*

I am finding that my free time is diminishing and I would like someone else to take over the production of the Newsletter. I have been producing it for some time now and it would probably benefit from a fresh mind and a new point of view. Please consider this matter carefully as I am afraid that unless a volunteer is forthcoming the Newsletter will probably cease to exist.

Brian Goodall.

**I have been underwhelmed by the response to this notice which appeared in last month's Newsletter. You have until the end of the Year!**

Brian

**The days are going by, only 4 months to go!  
 Another month gone, only 3 more to go!  
 A ray of hope, someone is thinking about taking it over. Only one more issue after this!**

### *Items for the Newsletter*

If anyone has any items for inclusion in the Newsletter, please note that the deadline for the December issue is **November 25th.**

### ***Axminster Tool Centre***

*We have set up an account with "Axminster Tool Centre" whereby club members can get a 15 percent discount on anything purchased from the woodturning section of the catalogue.*

*This can only be achieved by placing your order with Brian Gibbs or Les Saunby who are the administrators of the account. You can only place an order through the Club, you cannot take advantage of this offer by approaching Axminster directly.*

*For more information or to place an order please ring:- Les Saunby on 0121 308 1076*