



# West Midlands Woodturners

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## **Chairman's Comments.**

Many of you may not be aware of an Event that we were invited to attend as a Wood Turning Club at Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens in mid-June. Despite the very short notice the reliable members who were available turned up to set up a turning demo and a display of members' work. A significant downside to the event was the atrocious weather which had followed a week of lovely sunny weather, sods law again!! Despite the disappointing weather I believe we have established a very useful connection with a prestigious venue which should serve us well in the future. I believe that as the venue is in close proximity to our meetings at Water Orton we have the opportunity to promote ourselves, our craft and a recruitment opportunity and these were the reasons I was anxious we did all we could to attend. Thanks to all who attended, I believe we made a very positive impression and I hope we have another significant date for the calendar.

At our Hands On Day, Dave Wilcox gave a very thorough Demo of the benefits of the WoodTurning Forum connected to the club website at [www.wmwoodturners.org.uk](http://www.wmwoodturners.org.uk), I know we have one recruit who is participating and who knows how many others are looking! Get involved, the use and value is limitless once we realise the potential. Give Dave the appreciation of at least having a go and acknowledging the time and effort he has put in on our behalf. Let's hear news of your successful projects, problematic efforts, successful tool acquisitions, bargain offers, even 'Hands On' Day projects you would like to see demonstrated ----- these are just a few of the top ideas. Dave is very patient in getting you over the learning curve, so have a go!! That's it for now, don't miss Tony Wilson on 26th. July, he's a must see!! - Brian.

## **Chairman's Challenge July 26th.**

A Turned Bird Box - inspired by Dave's pieces on the display table at the 'Hands On'. Not a duplicate of it if you have an alternative design, not prescriptive in any way, other than requiring to be a turned item.



### **Chairman's Challenge Results – 28<sup>th</sup>. June**

1st place – Tom Badger,  
2nd place – Cliff Lane,  
3rd place - Malcolm Thorpe.

### **Programme 2009**

July 26<sup>th</sup>. – Tony Wilson – Full Day  
August 16<sup>th</sup>. – Open Day  
Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>. – 'Hands On' – Half Day

### **Our Next Meetings**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>. July** Tony Wilson – Full Day. Start 9.15 a.m 'til 5p.m. ( £10.00, £5.00 half day) Don't forget your sandwiches and a cup for your tea.

### **Items for the Newsletter.**

If anyone has any items for the Newsletter please note that the deadline for the July issue is July 30<sup>th</sup>.