



West Midlands Woodturners

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Chairman's Comments.

Our last 'Hands On' meeting was a very active affair with a good turnout of some 30+ members present and some new faces as well. Many of you took advantage of our regulars who offer support by demonstrating techniques.

Thanks to our demonstrators for reliably and regularly turning up with their kit and 'doing the business', you are not taken for granted but much appreciated - -----thanks again.

Many suggestions have been put forward for our August Open Day and arrangements are being put in place, looks like being a full day, plenty of interest so do your best to encourage visitors and don't forget to put it on your calendar to make sure you attend.

I forgot to set a Chairman's Challenge for our next meeting on May 3rd., so here goes. -----'an 8in. diameter Rimmed Platter with no visible chucking point' ----- (similar to a side plate in a dinner service), have a go and do your best! Can we beat 16 entries next time?

See you on 3rd. May.

Brian.

Chairman's Challenge

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Chairman's Challenge Results - April

1st place – Ken Beresford,

2nd place – Ray Payne,

3rd place - Tim Davies. Congratulations and thanks for the splendid number of entries, 16 in total.

Programme 2009

May 3rd. - Les Thorne – Full Day

May 31st – Ron Craythorne – Half Day

June 28th. – 'Hands On' – Half Day

Other Items

May 16th. School Spring Fair – please bring any items that you have for Sales table to the May 3rd. Meeting. Any goblets in their **natural** state would be welcome. They are required for the children to paint.

Awards for All

We asked the Headmaster to give us a reference to support our recent Awards for All application. This is what he said:

“The West Midlands Woodturners have regularly used our school as an extended school capacity. They are a valuable community group who benefit the school and local community by

- 1) Offering community activities
- 2) Attending school events
- 3) Supporting school initiatives and projects.

I whole heartedly endorse their application”

Annual Membership Subscription.

You will have seen in AGM minutes that it was agreed that there should be an annual membership fee, this year it is £10 and due retrospectively from 1st January.

Our Next Meetings

Sunday 3rd. May Les Thorne - Full day. Start 9.15 am 'til 5p.m. (£10.00, half day £5.00)

Don't forget your sandwiches and a cup for your tea.

Sunday 31st. May Ron Craythorne – Half Day. Start 2.00 pm 'til 5.00 pm. (£5.00).

Don't forget a cup for your tea.

Ron is from a local club and will be demonstrating turning a bowl of fruit.

Items for the Newsletter.

If anyone has any items for the Newsletter please note that the deadline for the June issue is May 23rd.