



West Midlands Woodturners

Wood Turning and Wood Art

February 2022 Newsletter

Programme of meetings 2022

Venue: Kingsbury Community and Youth Centre, unless otherwise stated.

2022		
20/02/2022	Sun	Demo Robin Barlow
20/03/2022	Sun	Hands On Involuted
24/04/2022	Sun	Demo Richard Findlay
22/05/2022	Sun	Hands On Fluting / Indexing
26/06/2022	Sun	Demo Joey Richardson
24/07/2022	Sun	Hands On Colouring / Texturing
21/08/2022	Sun	Demo Gary Rance
18/09/2022	Sun	Hands On Hollowing
16/10/2022	Sun	Demo Mick Hanbury
20/11/2022	Sun	Hands On AGM Gadgets/Gismo's
18/12/2022	Sun	Demo Steve Heeley

Demonstration days start at 9.15 am and conclude around 4.30 pm.

(Setting up from 8.30 am)

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February Demonstration

Robin Barlow



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SAD NEWS

Pete Blakey passed away on the 10th January aged 80, Pete joined the club in 2015 and was our club treasurer between 2017-2020.

Our thoughts are with his wife Barbara and family at this very sad and difficult time.

He will be sadly missed.

Pete's funeral will at 2.00 pm on 7th February at Nuneaton crematorium

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Chairman's comments

Good day turners, we have Robin Barlow demonstrating for us this month and I am looking forward to seeing what he has to offer.

I was pleased to see so many at the January hands on meeting looking at making pens.

As we are now in February, the month of wind and chill, why not get into the workshop and start a new project.

I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Keeeeeep turning

Peter H

Secretary's comments

There were 31 members at the January hands on meeting with a number of members having a go at making their first pen.

The raffle raised £36.00 and the donations for pen kits was £58.00, Thank you.

Joe Rollings has been working on our club Facebook page and this should be up and running very shortly, if you're on the platform please give us a like and share.

As I mentioned at the January meeting the Woodworks show at Daventry has been cancelled by the organisers for 2022; they do hope they may be able to run the event in 2023.

The electrical works at Kingsbury are now complete; The new windows and entrance frontage is due to be started early in February and should be hopefully completed before our next meeting.

As we head into February, the law on the wearing of face masks was removed on the 27th January, the government suggests that you continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces where you may come into contact with other people you do not normally meet.

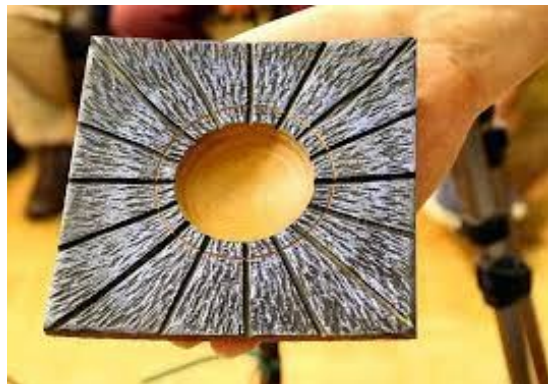
Whilst the Covid statistics showed a fall in daily cases in January and now appear to be levelling off and the R number in the Midlands being between 0.6-0.9, I think it would be prudent for us to continue with our check in procedure at this time to protect all members and visitors.

There was a good selection of items on the display table but disappointingly only a very small participation in the Chairman's Challenge. I know I missed last month challenge due to having covid but I'm back in the workshop getting started on my entry for the February challenge, why not dust off your gouges and join me in entering this months challenges.

I can't wait to see the Robin Barlow demonstration and look forward to seeing you all there.

Rob

Some of Robin Barlow's work



Cliff's corner

Teacher: "If I gave you 2 cats and another 2 cats and another 2, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Seven."

Teacher: "No, listen carefully... If I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Seven."

Teacher: "Let me put it to you differently. If I gave you two apples, and another two apples and another two, how many would you have?"

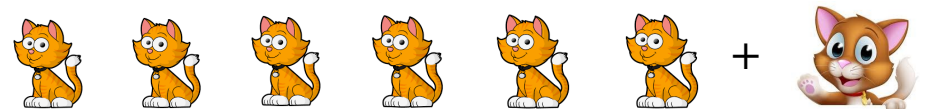
Johnny: "Six."

Teacher: "Good. Now if I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Seven!"

Teacher: "Johnny, where in the heck do you get seven from?!"

Johnny: "Because I've already got a cat!"



Our first aiders certification runs out in April of this year. I will be organising retraining for some of our existing first aiders in March.

I am looking for 2 additional members to become first aiders, having said that our incident record at the club requiring any first aid assistance has been very small.

The course will take approximately 7 hours and this will be probably run on a Sunday at Kingsbury. The course is run by First Trace Training Ltd and you will receive a certificate (FAA Level 3 award in emergency first aid at work) valid for 3 years. The cost of training will be covered by the club and you will have also acquired an important life skill.

If you would like to be a First aider for the club please contact me. As I only have 2 places it will be on a first come first served basis.

Rob

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AWGB February Bulletin



The seminar will be held at Yarnfield Park, Staffordshire on the 7-9th October 2022. We have a superb line up of top class international presenters to educate and inspire! Despite increased costs, we have held the headline prices as far as possible. Early bird bookings are available until the end of March and bookings are now open on the [Seminar website](https://awgbwoodturningseminar.co.uk/) <https://awgbwoodturningseminar.co.uk/>. We look forward to seeing you there!

Chairman's Challenge results: January 2022

Novice Group Potpourri bowl pierced (1 Entry)

1st Place: Chris Chambers



2nd Place:



3rd Place:



Intermediate Group Potpourri bowl with pierced lid (1 Entry)

1st Place: Kris Cietak



2nd Place:



3rd Place



Advanced Group Potpourri bowl with pierced and coloured lid (1 Entry)

1st Place: Darren Smith



2nd Place:



3rd Place



Chairman's Challenge : February 2022

Novice Group

Vase with Rim



Intermediate Group

Vase with carved Rim



Advanced Group

Segmented Vase



Chairman's Challenge : March 2022

Novice Group

Goblet



Intermediate Group

Goblet with spiral stem



Advanced Group

Goblet with spiral stem, lid and finial



January 2022 Display Table

<https://www.wmwoodturners.org.uk>



Peter Hockley



Don Lawrence



Joe Rollings



Joe Rollings



Dave Hobbs



Dave Hobbs



Peter Timms



Peter Timms



Malcolm Edwards



Joe Rollings



Peter Timms



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January 2022 Display Table

<https://www.wmwoodturners.org.uk>



Peter Timms



Malcolm Edwards



Graham Hunt



Joe Rollings



Ted Gill

Baddesley Clinton

(National Trust)



Phil Stevenson and Malcolm Thorpe will be at Baddesley Clinton (National Trust) on the 26th and 27th February demonstrating woodturning for visitors similar to the events they have done at Packwood House (National Trust).

They will be demonstrating woodturning using predominantly oak and ash which has recently been felled on the estate due to storm damage or Ash Dieback. They will also display other examples of their work. All proceeds from the sale of items made from the oak and ash will go to Baddesley Clinton.

Phil has organised that our members (even if you are not a Natural Trust member) can gain entrance to the grounds to have a look at the event by identifying yourselves at Visitor Reception as members of West Midlands Woodturners and showing their current AWGB membership card.

They will be situated in the main courtyard just beside the cafe. You can't miss us! For more details of Baddesley Clinton's location and facilities please visit the website at <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/baddesley-clinton>

For Sale

We still have a small number of pen kits with blanks (£4.00) and also an number of kits without blanks (£1.40)

Wanted

More entries to the Chairman's Challenge.

Acknowledgment

Thank you to:

Cliff Lane

Humour

John Hooper

Photography

Following last months pen making hands-on meeting, John Lewis has already made himself a set of pen jaws from some 5mm thick aluminium angle, works great and inexpensive.



If you have any articles or information on Wood Turning that you feel would benefit other member's of the club, please forward them to me and I will consider them for publication in the Club Newsletter

Rob

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