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# From the Editor

Welcome to the November newsletter. Inside you will find my



report on the demonstration by Lee Cartwright on page 8.

I have also included some pictures from the Dalmann Open Day. Stuart Mortimer, Phil Irons and Colwyn Way were the demonstrators. I only bought £100 of timber that I don't really need! See page 20.

Our next meeting is the Christmas Party on December 14th. It will be a buffet lunch. Please let Lee know asap if you want to go. See you there!

The Christmas competitions are listed on page 32. Please have a go.

Coombe Woodturning Club was at Lutterworth Leisure Centre. See page 33 for pictures.

Peter Nicholls has donated more books and DVDs to the club library. I am in the process of updating the library page of the web site so keep watching to see the updates over the next few weeks.

Regards

Rob

# **Chairman's Jottings**

Hello to all,

I would like to start by thanking everyone who attended our last meeting at Shilton Village Hall on Friday 18th., October. It was very pleasing to see such a good turnout of members supporting the club and of course supporting Lee Cartwright who entertained us with a very good demonstra-



tion. This was Lee's first demo for the club although he had participated in a Hands-On some time ago. I really enjoyed Lee's Demo and you will be able to read about this in this magazine (if you were unable to attend) as I am sure Rob Sheehan will be reporting on it.

I would also like to thank **Peter Nicholls** for donating numerous books and videos to the club library. As you probably know you as a member can borrow books and videos at a very small refundable cost and these will be available at most of our meetings. Peter Orange has taken over as Librarian from Gary Jones who has found it more and more difficult to get to meetings, so thank you Gary for your past efforts and involvement. Once again thank you **Peter** for your valuable donation to the library.

I would like to report that the Workshop at Coombe is being used on a regular basis by club members on Wednesdays Thursdays and Fridays each week and I know that two projects are in progress so more of that later when they are complete.

On Sundays and Tuesdays the workshop is open to members of the public to learn the skills of woodturning and here again I would like to thank Michael Archer for dealing with the public and all his hard work in organising tutors to give the lessons. This is not an easy job so we should all applaud Michael for his efforts and of course the tutors who give up their valuable time and expertise in this very worthwhile respect.

Now I come on to the **Christmas Party and Annual Competitions** which will take place at Walsgrave Baptist Church on Saturday 14th December 2024. Please try to attend this very enjoyable event and let Lee

Cartwright have you names and numbers attending as soon as possible to assist the caterers. Lee's contact number can be found on page two of this Newsletter.

Please enter the competitions if you can and details of this can also be found in the pages of this newsletter; I hope to see you there.

Finally I would like to remind you that our AGM will take place at Walsgrave Baptist Church on Saturday 4th January 2025 starting at 10am. You can renew your membership subscriptions for 2025 at this meeting.

Please put this date in your diary or add to your calendar. This is probably the most important meeting of the year when you can have your say on how the club is run.

As professional demonstrations are getting more and more expensive we need your ideas on how to increase attendance at our meetings among other important issues.

It is also the time to elect a committee for running the club in 2025. There will be a few vacancies to fill so if you feel passionate about the club why not volunteer to join the committee. You will be made very welcome.

All for now, and I hope to see you all soon. Keep those bevels rubbing Regards Graham

One Line Philosopher:

The great question that has never been answered is "What does a woman want?"

Sigmund Freud

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I am very pleased to welcome Charnwood once again as a sponsor of this monthly Newsletter magazine. As an occasional visitor to their Leicestershire shop, I can testify to the wide range of quality tools, machinery, accessories, project kits and timber that is available.

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# Demonstration by Lee Cartwright 18/10/24

Lee showed us how he makes his Christmas hanging decorations. Starting with an Oak blank 48mm x 48mm x 100mm, he marks a line for the chucking spigot and marks the exact centre of each face. Using a pillar drill, Lee drills a hole 4-5mm deep wide enough to just take the snowflake decoration (bought online). He then drills a slightly smaller

hole all the way through the blank, coming in from both faces. Lee held the piece in a chuck and marked a line either side of the hole. This limits the turning so there is a small flat spot around the hole.





Lee turned the centre ball and curved the shoulders in from both ends. The pencil line either side of the hole ensures he didn't go too far. A small flat area should be left around the hole.

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# Lee Cartwright Demonstration - continued

Holding the spigot in a chuck, Lee started to shape the top of the decoration.



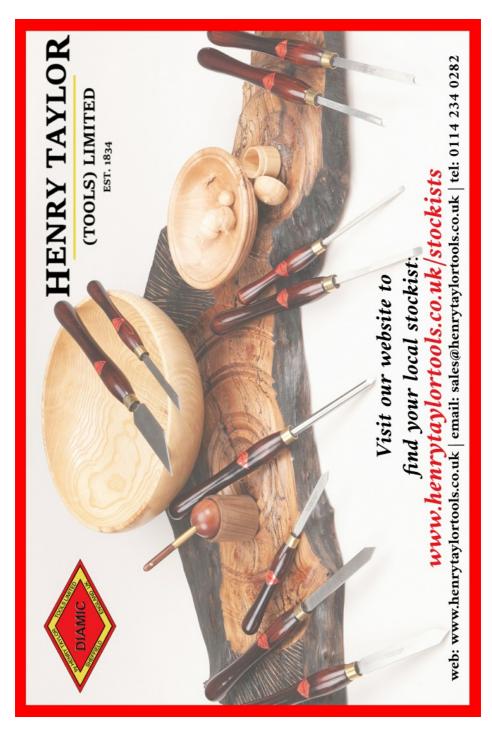
Lee had already turned the top finial, so he turned a flat on the top to match the diameter of the chosen finial.



The decoration with top finial fitted.

Normally, the top finial would have a small flat on the top to take a small eyelet. Ribbon through the eyelet enables the decoration to be hung on a tree. An alternative is to drill sideways through the top of the finial to thread ribbon, string or fishing line through.





# Lee Cartwright Demonstration - continued

Lee uses cheap (pound shop) CA glue to glue in the snowflakes. The same snowflake shape is used on all four sides.



The completed decoration with both finials fitted.



Colouring the decoration. Lee seals the decoration first with a coat of Chestnut spray acrylic sanding sealer. He then dabs on three or four colours, in a random pattern, on all faces.





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# Lee Cartwright Demonstration - continued

Green and then red acrylic paint dabbed on one face.

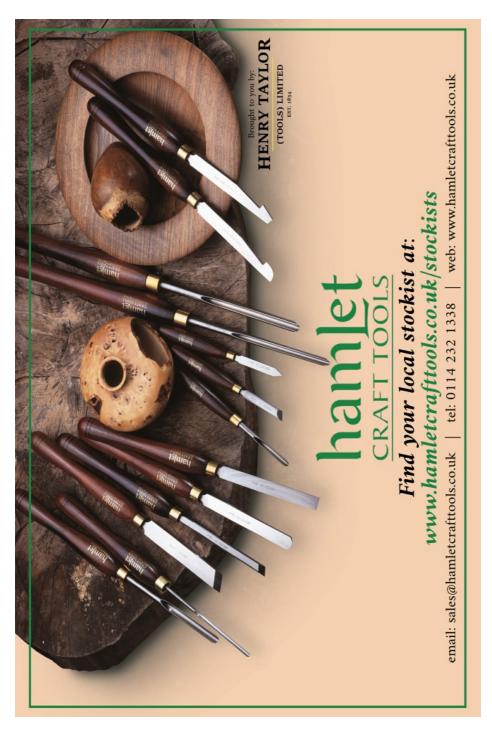
Turning the bottom finial. Due to it being vey thin, Lee turned and sanded it a bit at a time, before moving on to the next section. Callipers were used to ensure the finial size matched the bottom of the decoration body.











# Lee Cartwright Demonstration - continued

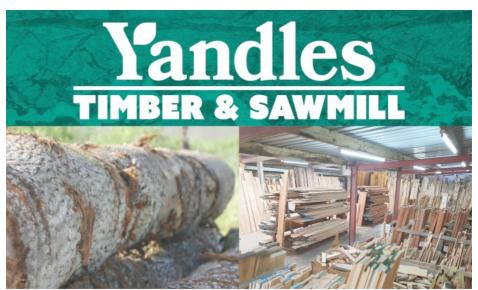
One he made earlier. Turned, sanded, sealed and painted. Then sprayed with lacquer.



Two more examples of Lee's painting technique. Painted on and cling film used to spread the paint. The surface is sealed before the paint is applied to prevent it wicking through to the inside of the bowl.









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# Some of Lee Cartwright's Work







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# **Dalmann Open Day** 19/10/2024

By Rob Sheehan







# **Stuart Mortimer**

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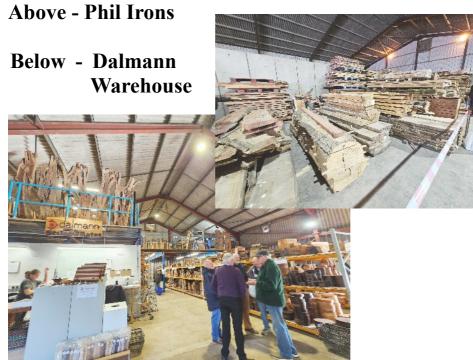
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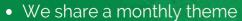
Two happy trainees taught by Rob Sheehan and Lee Cartwright.

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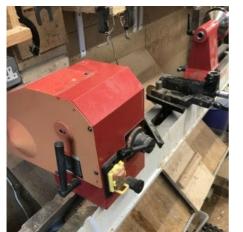
# **Equipment For Sale**

# Disclaimer

The club is not responsible for any item appearing on these pages. The buyer and seller must make their own arrangements as to the condition, suitability, delivery, payment and price etc.

# **Peter Smith - Items For Sale**

For sale: an Axminster Awvsl100 lathe with two chucks and various other things. A set of Henry Taylor chisels and an Axminster Dust extractor Awede2. I'm looking for £450 Ono. I'm in Nuneaton. Contact: petersmith11353@gmail.com





# **Equipment for sale - continued Chest of Drawers For Sale**

Don Kildin has restored this chest of drawers. It is for sale. Contact Don if you are interested.



# **Equipment for sale - continued**

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# **Equipment for sale - continued**

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# **Christmas Competitions**

The committee has decided on the items to be turned for the Christmas Party competitions this year. The majority of any competition item must be turned.

# **Rhodes' Trophy**

Open to anyone who has not won a trophy before. Any turned item.

# **Austin's Trophy**

Open to anyone.

A bowl.

# John Bradbury Memorial Trophy

Open to anyone.

A hollow form.

# Jim Elliott Trophy

Open to anyone.

A clock.

# **Roger Warren-Finding Shield (Woodturner of the Year)**

Open to anyone.

Any turned item.

# **Roy Nichols Trophy**

Awarded to the person who takes second place in the Roger Warren-Finding Shield competition.

# **Coombe Woodturners at Lutterworth Leisure Centre**



Thanks to Martin for sending these photos.



# **Notices**

# **Booking Training Sessions**

Michael Archer is now handling all training session bookings.

Please phone him on 02476 448311.

Do not book a session without Michael's prior agreement.

# **Donations Needed**

Members are also asked to provide charity items for events and the display cabinet at the Coombe workshop. Raffle prizes are also needed for the Christmas Party.

# **AWGB Subscriptions**

The AWGB annual subscription has increased from £21 to £24.

# **Coombe Library**

Thanks also to member **Peter Nicholls** for donating numerous books and dvds to the club library. See Peter Orange if you want to borrow a book. From time to time, Peter will bring the books to demonstrations.



# Activities of other clubs in the Midlands area

As a matter of courtesy and to ensure that there is space available to accommodate members wishing to visit other clubs demo's, please use the contact telephone number where shown.

# North Warwickshire & Hinckley Woodturners

Tuesday November 5 Demonstration Paddy Byrne

Contact Steve Obrien 01788-521527

### **Tudor Rose Woodturners**

Thursday 14 November Will Stewart Jigs and Pepper Grinder Demo

Thursday 28 November Mick Hanbury Demonstration

Contact Colin Smith 07939-004375 communications@tudor-rose-turners.co.uk

## **West Midlands Woodturners**

Sunday 17th November Hands On & AGM – Using a Buffing System

Contact Chris Jones 07580 195561 crjones5691@gmail.com

## **West Northants Woodturners**

Wednesday 6th November Chris Harkin Wednesday 20th November Hands-On

Contact Tom Donnely 01327 349093

# **Trent Valley Woodturners**

Wednesday 13 November Club meeting and demonstration

Contact Ian Ethell https://www.trentvalleywoodturners.co.uk/contact/

# Calendar of Events 2024

Saturday December 14 Christmas party 12:30 Walsgrave

# Calendar of Events 2025

Saturday January 4 AGM. 10 am Walsgrave

Meeting Locations:

Walsgrave Baptist Church, 10am - 4pm Hinckley Road, Coventry, CV2 2EX.

Shilton Village Hall, 6:30pm - 9pm Wood Lane, Shilton, CV7 9JZ

# **Next Meeting**

Christmas Party
Saturday 14th December
At Walsgrave Baptist Church
12:30pm for 1pm start

Coming up

AGM - 10 am Saturday 4th January. Walsgrave Baptist Church