



NORTH WARWICKSHIRE & HINCKLEY WOODTURNING CLUB

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Notes from the Editor

I hope you managed to attend the Axminster Ten Turners Turning event in March. Mark Sanger was voted the competition winner, with last year's winner, Richard Findley, coming second. It was so busy in the shop, that I got to see very little myself!

Axminster Nuneaton plays host to Steve Heeley on Saturday 23rd April. His skill and technique is a pleasure to watch.

Woodoworks@Daventry is nearly upon us again. Friday/Saturday 11th/12th May should be another date for your diary. Lots to see and buy.

Inside, you will find my report on Ron Craythorne's and Paul Hannby's demonstrations. Ron made some very realistic looking fruit. Not only the correct shape, but also his colouring made them look very appetizing. Paul's demo showed how pewter can be used to enhance a turned piece.

Regards
Rob Sheehan

Ron Craythorne 5/1/2016

By Rob Sheehan



Ron started with a Yew blank, 3" square and 8" long. This was enough for an apple and a pear. After rounding over the top of the pear, Ron drilled a hole in the end for the stalk. Ron then used a spindle gouge to shape the pear, followed by sanding, sealing, buffing and parting off.

The piece of wood left in the chuck was used to make an apple.



Ron rounded over the end and cut the indentation found in the top of an apple. He then drilled a hole for the stalk. After turning most of the apple shape, Ron

sanded, sealed and buffed the top of the apple. He then used a home-made screw chuck, in the stalk hole, to mount the apple and finish shaping the bottom.

Ron's third piece was a lemon, turned from a sycamore blank 2 1/2" square and 6" long. The shaping was done as before. The texturing on the skin of the lemon was done by bashing it with

the corner of an old file!

Ron uses old black piano keys to make the stalks and he uses Mylands water-based stains to colour his fruit.





Paul Hannaby 15/3/2016

By Rob Sheehan



— Paul demonstrated the use of pewter to enhance turned work. He uses a Lee Melting Pot (£58) from Henry Krank (henrykrank.com) that is designed for lead working. At its lower setting, it melts pewter. Make sure you use welding gloves and a visor when handling molten metal. Paul gets his pewter from

The Pewter Sheet Company pewtersheet.co.uk. A 1kg ingot of pewter costs approximately £25.



Moulds for casting the pewter can be made from close-grained wood or a heat-resistant silicon (Silcotin HB). To attach a ring of cast pewter to a bowl rim, Paul has created a set of two matching tools. A notched scraper creates a 2mm square tenon on the rim of a wooden

bowl. A matching 2mm wide parting tool creates a slot in the pewter ring. The pewter ring is then superglued onto the rim of the bowl. Accurate measuring and marking ensure a good fit between the pewter and bowl. Ordinary turning tools can be used to shape the pewter. Paul uses a square and round scraper to get flat mating surfaces. Any pewter shavings are collected and returned to the melting pot. When sanding, sand the pewter and wood separately. Do not drag pewter into the pores of the wood. A metal polish (e.g. Autosol) can then be used to polish the finished pewter. Paul also demonstrated how pewter can be used as the joining piece for screw top boxes. Paul turned a box and cast matching rings for the box lid and base. He then demonstrated how to cut an 18tpi thread in the pewter.





For Sale:

Nova Comet lathe. £450 ono

Sale includes gap bed (not shown), faceplate, centres and SuperNova chuck.

Lathe is 6-speed, belt change. M30x3.5 spindle thread, 2MT.

Approx 10" swing over bed and 14" between centres. The gap bed increases the over-bed swing to 14" and the distance between centres to 21".

Also available are various turning tools. Contact the seller for details.

Contact: Keith Morris k.morriss185@btinternet.com

Note - this is a private sale with all arrangements to be made between the seller and purchaser. The club do not guarantee the condition or suitability of the items being sold. Nor are they responsible for any payments made for the items.



NORTH WARWICKSHIRE & HINCKLEY WOODTURNING CLUB EVENTS 2016

May	3rd	Hands on. Model Car led by Geoff Cope	
	17th	Demo	Phil Jones
June	7th	Hands on. Hollowing led by John Thompson	
	18/19th	UK & Ireland Woodturning Seminar	
	21st	Demo	TBD
July	5th	Hands on.	
	19th	Demo	Mark Hancock
August	2nd	Hands on.	
	16th	Demo	Alan Truman
September	6th	Hands on.	
	20th	Demo	TBD
October	4th	Hands on.	
	18th	Demo	Andy Lodge
November	1st	AGM	Followed by Hands On
	15th	Demo	
December	6th	Christmas Social	
	20th	No Meeting	

Next Demonstration

Tuesday 19th April Paul Bellamy

Next Axminster Event

Sat 23rd April Steve Heeley