



NORTH WARWICKSHIRE  
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WOODTURNING CLUB

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## Notes From The Editor

Inside you will find my report on the Christmas Party. Many thanks to Bob Smith & his wife Jane who put together a very nice buffet meal. Thanks also to Peter Deeming for putting together the quiz questions. For those who couldn't attend, I have included the questions and answers in the newsletter.



Lots of fun was had with the two spinning top competitions. The all-in hand-spin competition was won by Bob Smith. The string pull competition was won by ...Bob Smith with a time of 3 minutes and 1 second.

The Hanging Vessel competition was won by Martin Randall. His hanging bulb lamp was well turned and on closer look, there was a man, sitting on a stool, reading a paper, inside the bulb. Well done Martin. He gets to keep the John Bradbury Memorial Trophy for the year.

Next year, this competition will be split into two. One for “beginners” and one for the more experienced turners. So get planning and don't leave it till the last moment like I did this year.

There were also lots of raffle prizes and a magnificent £150 was raised from the raffle.

Thanks to Paddy & club members, next year's calendar of events is filling out nicely. See the back page for details.

Subscriptions are now due. The AWGB have increased their subs to £24 per year. The club subs remain at £5 per year. Pay Steve £29 asap.

Our next meeting is a Hands-On on Tuesday 7th January.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Rob Sheehan

Secretary, Newsletter Editor & Web Site Manager

# Christmas Party



## **All-In Hand-Spin Spinning Top Competition**

Winner Bob Smith with a spinning top made from Wenge.



## **Timed String-Pull Spinning Top Competition**

Winner Bob Smith with a time of 3 minutes and 1 second.





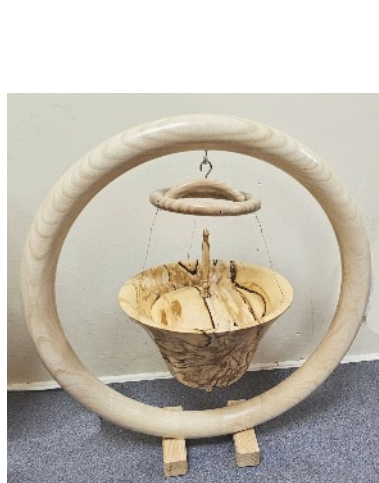
## **Hanging Vessel Competition (John Bradbury Memorial Trophy)**

There were lots of entries for this competition, all of a very high standard, so well done to all who took the time to produce some great turned pieces.

The winner, chosen by the receptionist at Hatters Space, was Martin Randall, with a hanging lamp. What made this entry special, was the figure of a man, sitting on a stool, reading a paper, inside the light bulb.



## Hanging Vessel Competition Entries







# Christmas Quiz

Questions set by Peter Deeming

|    | Question   | A             | B           | C               |
|----|--|---------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1  | How fast is the Earth spinning at the equator?                                       | 500 mph       | 1000 mph    | 1500 mph        |
| 2  | How many times did Red Rum finish in the first two in the Grand National?            | 3 times       | 4 times     | 5 times         |
| 3  | Who owns Bentley Motors?   | Mercedes Benz | BMW         | Volkswagen      |
| 4  | What is the maximum amount you can invest in a personal ISA                          | £20k          | £30k        | £40k            |
| 5  | What is the heaviest wood?   | Lignum Vitae  | Snake Wood  | Black Iron Wood |
| 6  | What is the lightest wood?   | Balsa wood    | Red wood    | Cedar wood      |
| 7  | The oldest living thing on earth is a redwood tree called Methuselah. How old is it? | 400 years     | 4,000 years | 40,000 years    |
| 8  | How tall is the tallest tree in the world?   | 180ft         | 280ft       | 380ft           |
| 9  | Which town in the UK has the most charity shops?                                     | Runcorn       | Devizes     | Eastbourne      |
| 10 | What is the population of New Zealand  | 5,225,000     | 10,856,000  | 15,147,000      |
| 11 | What is an Arbroath Smokie?  | Mammal        | Bird        | Fish            |



|    | Question   | A                            | B                                  | C                               |
|----|--|------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 12 | Which of these snooker player pairs have won the most world championships? | Steve Davis + Stephen Hendry | Stephen Hendry + Ronnie O'Sullivan | Ronnie O'Sullivan + Steve Davis |
| 13 | Which is the largest continent?  | Asia                         | South America                      | Antarctica                      |
| 14 | What is the current price of gold per gramme?                              | £48                          | £68                                | £88                             |
| 15 | How many months of the year have 31 days?                                  | 5                            | 6                                  | 7                               |
|    | <b>Tie Breaker</b>   |                              |                                    |                                 |
|    | If you multiply a Baker's Dozen by a Score, what do you get?               | Answer $13 \times 20 = 260$  |                                    |                                 |

## Answers

1:B, 2:C, 3:C, 4:A, 5:C, 6:A, 7:B, 8:C, 9:C, 10:A, 11:C, 12:B, 13:A, 14:B, 15:C

## **Jokes** (provided by Cliff Lane)

Why is it, all the people who know how to run this country, are too busy driving taxies or cutting hair?

I wonder what my parents did to fight boredom before the Internet.  
I asked my 17 brothers and sisters and they didn't know either.

Before my surgery, my anaesthetist offered to knock me out with gas or a boat paddle.  
It was an ether/oar situation.

Knock, knock!  
Who's there?  
Noah.  
Noah who?  
Noah good Christmas joke?

What do you call an elf wearing ear muffs?  
Anything you want, he won't be able to hear you!

Christmas is always a Claus for celebration.

May you get everything you want this year, and myrrh.

Knock, knock!  
Who's there?  
Mary.  
Mary who?  
Mary Christmas!

Knock, knock!  
Who's there?  
Anna.  
Anna who?  
Anna partridge in a pear tree.

## Items For Sale

### Disclaimer

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

**Ken Croft's wife** is selling his lathe, turning tools and machinery. Collection only, from Coventry.

If you are interested, contact Rob Sheehan 07905185122 or [robsheehan@virginmedia.com](mailto:robsheehan@virginmedia.com). I have enclosed a few pictures here. The rest will be sent on request. I have not been given any prices.







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**Chris Trivett** 0116 2312 954 or via email [chrisrivett@gmail.com](mailto:chrisrivett@gmail.com) is selling some machinery on behalf of his Father-in-law. Collection only, from near Market Bosworth.

Editor: I have not seen the equipment so I can't advise on its suitability. Chris is not a member of the club.

| Item               | Model   | Additional Description   |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Wood-Turning Lathe | Record Power<br>DML 36SH<br>Serial No. 002269 | Year of Construction 2001<br>450/950/2000 RPM<br>36" Spindle & 12" Bowl<br>Lathe sits on welded steel bench.<br>Selection of turning tools may also be separately available. |
| Pillar Drill       | Naerok GP13                                   | 1/2" Capacity<br>Power supply through switched isolator box  |
| Bandsaw            | Powerline Bk2<br>(2 Speed)                    |  |
| Extract System     | Axminster 1 HP                                | Registered in 2003<br>c/w Selection of extract hoses and gails   |
| Circular Saw       | Metabo Tk 1688 W<br>No 43506830001            | Magnum Series<br>Supported on welded steel frame   |
| Planer Thicknesser | AEG:- HV 82/102 & EH 102                      | With wood stand  |

Lathe



# Chris Trivett Items for Sale - continued

Pillar Drill



Bandsaw



## Chris Trivett Items for Sale - continued

Extract System and Planer Thickness



Circular Saw



# NORTH WARWICKSHIRE & HINCKLEY CLUB EVENTS 2025

|          |        |                       |                            |
|----------|--------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| January  | 7th    | Hands-On              |                            |
|          | 21st   | Demo                  | Chris Grimshaw             |
| February | 4th    | Hands-On              |                            |
|          | 18th   | Demo                  | Rob Sheehan - Pepper Mill  |
| March    | 4th    | Demo                  | Chris Parker (Bald Turner) |
|          | 18th   | Hands-On              |                            |
| April    | 1st    | Demo                  | John Evans + Tony Baxter   |
|          | 15th   | Hands-On              | Daventry Preparation       |
| May      | 5th    | Hands-On              | Daventry Preparation       |
|          | 9/10th | Woodworks at Daventry |                            |
|          | 20th   | Demo                  | Bob Smith                  |
| June     | 3rd    | Demo                  | Phil Steele - Pole Lathe   |
|          | 17th   | TBD                   |                            |

## Events at Other Clubs

Please contact the club to check times/dates/locations before attending

Coombe Abbey  
Saturay January 4th AGM  
Walsgrave Baptist Church 10 am start