

The Erewash Valley Woodturners Association

Lockdown Newsletter

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Dear member,

I hope you are continuing to be safe and well.

Since the last newsletter, this dreadful coronavirus hit home – to a degree. My wife Jan had to self-isolate last month after being in close contact with a COVID-19 positive person at the Care Centre where she is a volunteer. Thankfully that person has since fully recovered.

In the last 'Lockdown Newsletter' I asked again for your opinion whether Interactive Remote Demonstrations were worth pursuing. In total I received 9 replies. 4 suggested we 'give it a go', whilst the other 5 gave a number of reasons why it was not in their favour.

In conclusion, I guess the majority who abstained from comments were not in favour of IRD's. So, I don't believe it is worth raising this issue again. It is however, clear that many of you seem to watch YouTube and DVDs for your woodturning ideas, of which I have often in the past expressed my opinion.

Also, in the last newsletter, I suggested that in lieu of the Keith Rowley and Chambers Competition we normally hold in November, that this year we hold another 'virtual' competition with the theme of Christmas.

So, thanks to all of you who have submitted entries before the closing date of last Sunday, 6th December. All your entries are included in this newsletter. Each entry has been allocated a letter. FOR CLARITY I HAVE OMITTED THE LETTER I. **The closing date for your votes, (to allow for 'snail mail' votes), will be Friday 18th December.** Similar to the virtual competition we held last May/June please indicate your first, second and third choice. Remember, you cannot vote for your entry. Send your votes by post, email or iPhone message. My contact details are below.

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May I take this opportunity to wish you all, on behalf of the committee, a very Happy Christmas and a healthy and successful New Year. Thankfully with the prospect of the coronavirus being controlled with the forthcoming Covid-19 inoculations there is a firm

realisation that we shall all be meeting again, sometime in 2021. Please continue woodturning and submitting your ideas and efforts to me, to enable this link between us all to continue.

Keep safe.

Regards

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Woodturning - Items for disposal

I recently received a phone call from Keith Morton a past member of your club. Now in his 80's, Keith has decided it is time to hang up his woodturning tools. He asked me to share with you that he will be disposing of his lathe, tool and timber.

His lathe is a Myford Myster that currently has an electrical fault, possibly the power speed controller, but is hoping to have it repaired.

If you are interested in purchasing any items from his workshop, Keith may be contacted on 01159 638 288. He lives in the Papplewick area.

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Virtual Competition on a Christmas theme

Entry A



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Entry B



Entry C



Entry D



Entry E



Entry F



Entry G



Entry H



Entry J



ENTRY K



Entry L



In a previous Newsletter I asked for ideas and suggestions of what you may wish to be included.

I received a suggestion from Philip Harrison which I thought was quite good – looking at articles from previous newsletter and demonstrators. So here goes - an item appropriate for this time of the year, taken from Turning Times Issue 2, July 2000, when Derek Dent was chairman. A puzzle in the shape of a Christmas tree. Donated at the time by Adrian Clarke.

Do any of you remember Adrian?

Can you find the woods in the tree?
There are 28 in all and they can be
read in any direction
Answers below

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MKH
DHIHE
FMNNDWG
MELHGNOLK
EJWAT
EEROKAM
YNAGOHAMV
PVNBTDMBKDA
YONIMAR
ARXBCVWCD
HORNBEAMTYA
TRAEHELPRUPSP
LHARRAJNN
PHCWALNUTIG
ASIAEGLEBSLJI
MAYCPONARBEZQXL
PKPCISDMHEK
SXOLOBOCOCUCY
JUXREVURTOAJBHV
TESYYNXBUEDXKMZUC
NAA
XPK
LLR

Thanks to Adrian

APPLE	HICKORY	PADAUK
ASH	HORNBEAM	PAUROSIA
BEECH	JARRAH	PEAR
BOX	KINGWOOD	PURPLEHEART
BUBINGA	LIGNUMVITAE	RAMIN
CHERRY	MAHOGANY	SYCAMORE
CHESTNUT	MAKORE	TEAK
COCOBOLA	MAPLE	WALNUT
EBONY	OAK	ZEBRANO
ELM		