



WEST SUSSEX WOODTURNERS

APRIL 2023 NEWSLETTER

An Associated Club of the AWGB

Ian opened the meeting with a raft of announcements.

First up was the bad news that Val & Dave Newson have contracted Covid. The really bad news was that Ian had organised tea and coffee and even worse the raffle would still be held. However, he thanked all those who had stepped up to help.

Next the list for the awards evening is now closed. There will be the a competition on the night. The judge is a non-turner and will be looking for something that they would be happy to have at home.

Colin Smith is still looking for volunteers to help with the Kids Activity Days at Amberley Museum on 5th and 12th of April. If you would like to come along contact Colin Smith. You don't need to be a turner as there are loads of things that need to be done.

We are still looking for another committee member. (The good news is that subsequently Dave Burton was mug enough to be volunteered).

Following the untimely death of Colin Milne, a new Treasurer was needed. Malcolm Hunt failed to step back quickly enough and was thus volunteered. However, it required the membership to agree his appointment and surprisingly no-one else was willing to stand.

The Wivamac lathe has now been sold but the Poolewood lathe at Amberley is still for sale.

Next month is a competition month for a bowl/platter with an inlay.

And thus we came to the main event of the day with 3 volunteers offering to show their skills to the assembled masses. The 3 who had been persuaded to perform were Andy Heath, Tony Trigg and Alan Wallington. Who were all demonstrating how to turn a goblet. So below are their photos and some pictures of turnings they have done.

If I've put the wrong pictures against each turner, please forgive me.



We also had Ian Rudge and Ray Burton showing how to sharpen our gouges. As I have put photos up of them doing their stuff many, many times before I decided to be a bolshy git and leave them out this time.

MEMBERS SHOW AND TELL TABLE:



A couple of bowls by Guy Viney



Some crosses made by Terry Hooper from
Olive wood for his local church.



A shamrock bowl by Jim Harris



A bowl by Ray Thompson.

He says he has no idea what the wood is



A turned and carved bowl by Tony Trigg. I forgot to ask what the timber was.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Woodlouse Industries are holding open days at their timber yard on the following dates:

April 28th & 29th

May 26th & 27th

June 30th & July 1st

Contact details are;

Tel : 07899 894294

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Their address is:

Brookhouse Farm, Hooklands Lane, Shipley, West Sussex, RH13 8PY

NEXT MONTH:

Another hands on day with members showing their skills. Also featuring the sharpening stations.

The competition is for a bowl/platter with an inlay.