



WEST SUSSEX

WOODTURNERS

SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

An Associated Club of the AWGB

Ian opened the meeting a little late as he hadn't realised the hall clock was half an hour slow, he thought the throng was because everyone was so keen to get to see some long hole boring.

Ian announced that next month is the AGM so if anyone wants to offer their services to the Committee please get a nomination form from Steve Savage (sorry Ian the answer to that is fat chance).

Our annual event is being moved to a Friday in May due to getting caterers. There is a competition on the night judged by a guest, who is not a turner. It was suggested that perhaps the winner could donate their entry to the judge.

Subscriptions will remain at £30 per year. Let's face it where could you go and get entertainment like our meetings for so little. Plus you get to read a really amazing and outstanding Newsletter (or not).

The Committee is considering changing the club to a Charity. The reason being that although we have public liability insurance if there was a claim against the insurance for more than the insured amount all members of the club could be held personally liable, which no one wants. This will be raised at the AGM.

We have 2 events at Amberley Museum in October on 7th we have a gaggle of Girl Guides and on 27th we have a Kids day. If you can help out please contact Colin Smith. If you haven't been to Amberley try and get down and see the amazing facility that we have there. The workshop is open to all members.

On another tack could I ask members to get club shirts or jumpers or show their membership badge clearly. Only Ian (chairman that is) and I have trouble remembering names. Val on the raffle also has that problem. I've been a member since (I think) 2009 and she still looks at my chest to see who I am. Or it could be she's admiring my manly figure.

And so we come to the main purpose of the day, to watch 3 members who have been persuaded to demonstrate their skill. I'm not sure what Ray does to persuade them because he's only a little bloke and have you seen the size of Sam Crick.

Anyway our 3 persuadees were Tom Bradbury, Stan Wright and Sam Crick.



Anyone willing to help Ray out please offer your services asap.



Two lamps by Sam Crick both in Olive.

Finally we get to the competition results.

BEGINNERS



First is at the back.

1st Martin Lott

2nd Guy Viney

3rd Jeannie Ryan

INTERMEDIATE



1st Sam Crick

2nd Will Geyelin

3rd Ray Thompson

I think these 3 have somehow fixed the results as they were the winners last competition although in a different order. I will be checking the results of the next competition very carefully.

ADVANCED



1st Stan Wright

2nd Ian Rudge

3rd Jim Harris

The judges were Dave Newson and Mick Austin. Thanks chaps what a great job.

MEMBERS SHOW AND TELL TABLE:



An assortment of work by Terry Hooper.



Possibly Colin Willetts !!!!!



2 pieces by Jim Harris



An assortment of lights and lighting bits from Alan Wallington.



2 vases lacquered and with Gilt Cream by Richard Foster.



A platter by Lionel Thain.

Last but not least an item of interest from John Stepney.



NEXT MONTH:

AGM followed by a hands on morning. My programme does not say what it is about but all volunteers to Ray Thompson before he gets to you.