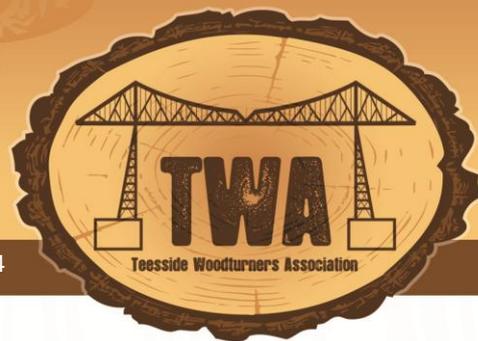


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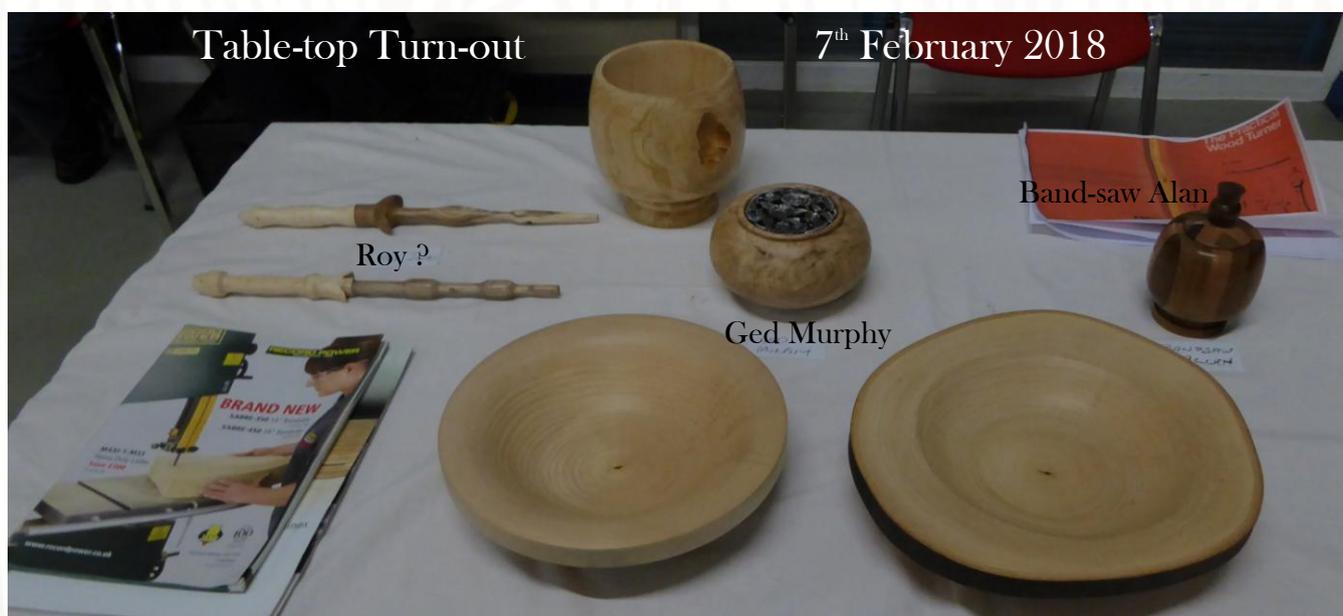
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Newsletter



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This edition has been a long time coming and was delayed even further by the Easter closing of the school where it is printed. We seem to be settling into a bi-monthly pattern of production as it remains difficult to find material for more regular publication. I would welcome any inspiration or suggestions as I am feeling that I keep producing the same presentation every edition and it may be getting rather boring. Pete R



February Pro Demo: Tony Kitchen 'Threaded Boxes'

Tony showed us a range of small boxes and then demonstrated how to make a simple box which he then went on to thread and subsequently showed us how to make the grain match by gradual reduction of the thread length. The demonstration was full of useful tips from the types of wood to use (mostly hard and close grained - especially boxwood but also yew and laburnum may be suitable.) Tony described how even 600 rpm was a reasonable speed for threading and showed us how he left a small space after the thread to allow the tool to disengage- essential to stop the destruction of the forming thread.



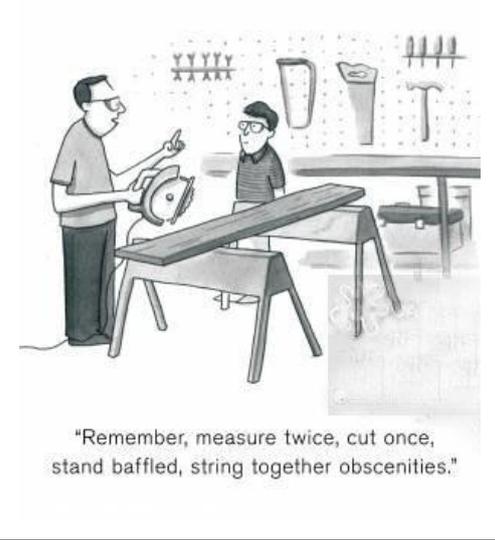
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We were also treated to a demonstration of Tony's hand held tool rest, which looked a very interesting and useful device. Tony finished by showing us how to make a complete 'Etui' sewing kit in a double ended threaded box with room for needles and a bobbin/ spool for several threads. Overall, a fascinating demo with plenty of tips.

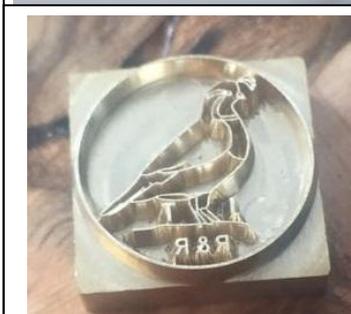
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"Remember, measure twice, cut once, stand baffled, string together obscenities."

Branding

A number of members expressed an interest in the emblem that I insert into the bottom of items to show that I had made it and I brought the mold to the club to show how I created them. Various options were discussed including branding but at £100 a time this is prohibitive for many. Since then a friend has had a branding iron made which cost £19.99 (excluding the soldering iron), the quality is good as are the results when used. See the attached images. This was purchased from ebay <https://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/Custom-Made-Design-Your-Logo-Leather-Seal-Wood-Stamp-Branding-Iron-Carving-Mold/282795449275?mwBanner=1> This can be heated using a blowtorch or by adapting an electric soldering iron to attach the branding iron (this was my friends option) Duncan Hutchinson



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Events Diary

May 2018

Wed 16: Demonstration by Richard Kennedy RPT. This will be Richard's first visit to our club and we look forward to seeing someone new.

Sat 19: Club demo and craft stall at Gisborough Priory - Picnic in the Priory.

June 2018

Sat 9: Club demo and craft stall at Lacemakers Guild AGM, Eaglescliffe.

Wed 20: Demonstration by visiting turner Emma Cook, 'The Tiny Turner'. This will be Emma's first visit to our club.

July 2018

Sat 28: Club demonstration and stall at Cleveland Show, Stewart Park, Middlesbrough.

August 2018

Sun 26: Club demonstration and stall at Swainby Car Rally.

Wed 15: Demonstration by club member Ian Robson.

September 2018

Wed 19: Demonstration by club member John Oldham.

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21st March: In house demo with a difference by club member Nigel Coates.

Nigel asked for members to bring in unusual, awkwardly shaped logs and picked a couple and see what he can do with them....now there's a brave man!!!. Definitely not a man to disappear into the background Nigel was definitely the most flamboyant demonstrator for some considerable time! Nigel spent some time explaining how it takes time to consider what can come out of an awkward piece of wood and how many times he changed his mind before finally embarking on a project. In the first piece he chose to emphasise the fact that he had joined the wood from three pieces, by texturing the middle piece. He added texture to the other two bowls too using a variety of tools.



What an excellent demo from Nigel tonight. He has a rare knack of producing an unusual bowl from an impossible piece of timber....and in one demo he did it not once but three times. Well done Nigel.

Brian Haggath & Pete R.

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