

HERTS & BEDS WOODTURNERS WOODBITS

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A Happy New Year to All

2018 Competition Subjects

Jan	Natural edged item
Feb	Pestle and Mortar
Mar	2 or more woods
April	Decorated Easter egg
May	Hollow form
June	Platter
July	Mallet
Aug	Egg & Cup
Sept	Round bottomed bowl
Oct	Ball
Nov	Candle holder
Dec	Christmas Decoration

Annual Subscription 2018 – now due

From Peter Hoare, club treasurer.

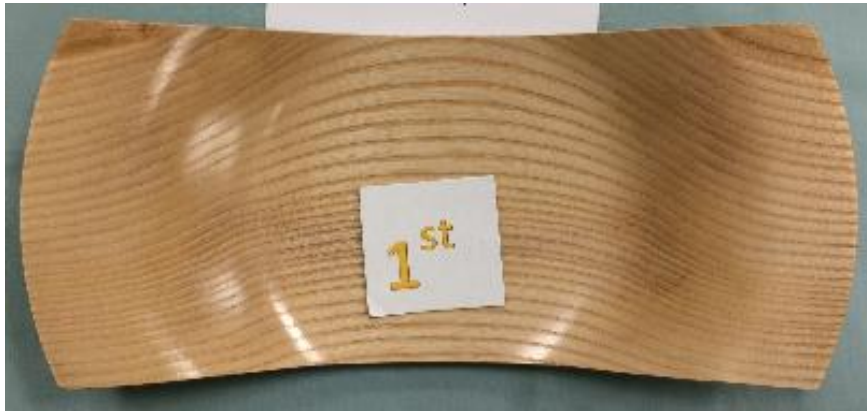
Thank you to all those who have already paid their Annual Subs. Many more have paid by electronic bank transfer this year. For those who have not yet paid, the following is a reminder of the details: There are two elements; firstly the club subscription of £16.00 and secondly the AWGB membership, which is £18.00 (£28.00 for family membership).

You can pay by one of the following methods: electronic bank transfer or by cheque or cash, for either **£16.00** (if you pay your AWGB membership some other way, e.g. via another club) or the full **£34.00** (**£60.00** for family membership, two club members) or by the January meeting. If you are unable to attend the January meeting and wish to renew, please contact me for payment details. If you renew your AWGB membership via the Club, I will be able to supply your 2018 card.

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December Turners of the Month Beginners



1. Dave Guy



2. Tony Bilsdon



3. Chris Squires

Advanced



1. Allen Kaye

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1. Colin Clark



3. Grahame Tomkins

Masters



1. Don Guy



2: Peter Hoare

Open



1. Don Guy



2: Tony Taylor

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What do I think of my work? Judge and Jury

December Demonstrators – Grahame Tomkins & Tony Taylor

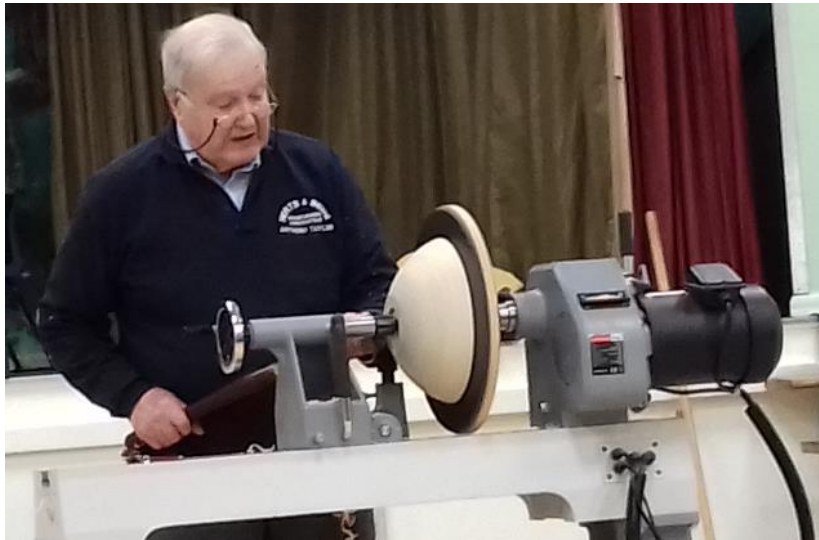


Picture from Andrew Holwerda

The chips fly as Grahame shows off his hollowing of web timber on the new club lathe. The lathe behaved perfectly showing it could easily handle unbalanced timber.

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Tony shows his technique for finishing the exterior and base.

Thanks to the intrepid 30+ members who braved the elements. The chances of winning a bumper raffle prize were much improved.

New Year 2018 Newsletter, Colin Smith, AWGB South East Representative

Hi everybody.

By the time most of you read this it will be after the New Year so I hope you had a good Christmas and New Year. It was very busy in 2017. Starting with the Suffolk Mid Coastal Birthday Bash and ending with a new Chairman and Vice Chairman of AWGB. I am sure you will all join with me in thanking Dave Atkinson and Sam Webber for all they have done for the Association, and congratulating Paul Hannaby and Russell Gibbs on their election, who have been elected Chairman and Vice Chairman.

The AWGB Birthday Bashes were well thought out and completely different from each other. I should like to thank those clubs that I was able to attend and apologise to those that I was unable to. It has been great to read your accounts in the Revolutions.

There were two big Scout events last year Gilwell 24 and the Kent International Jamboree. Both were well attended and the Scouts who were able to take part in the woodturning thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and several have taken up the craft. The free membership for youngsters under 21 has gone a long way to help. We must encourage them as much as we can and welcome them into our clubs. Next year there will be two more Scout events so if they are within your area please contact the organisers and offer your help. East Herts Woodturners are running a training day for their members to get some knowledge of what is required. Training days can be arranged for Demonstrators, Beginners and Youth training. You will find all the required forms in the AWGB website or contact Peter Bradwick the Development and Training Officer.

What is happening in 2018? I am visiting several clubs and will have the AWGB display at a few shows. As many of you will have seen at shows we try to demonstrate our craft, so I may ask for demonstrators for a day at the events where we will attend.

After my health scare in the autumn, when I ended up in hospital. I hope you all have a Healthy 2018 and enjoy your Woodturning, and thank you to all those who called wishing me good health. Much appreciated

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Lastly don't forget that 2018 is Seminar Year at our new venue at Yarnfield in Staffordshire. Your club was sent leaflets about it along with the costs and an opportunity to book early and get a discount. The line up of Demonstrators is fantastic and as was said at our last committee meeting it is WORLD CLASS.

If you have any woodturning problems that AWGB can help with please contact me, and I will endeavour to do my best to resolve your problem

Good New Year, and a date for your diary 22nd April AWGB AGM at Little Yeldham Village Hall, Essex

Colin Smith AWGB South East Region Representative

2018 programme –

Jan	Gary Rance
Feb	Steve Heeley
Mar	Mick Hanbury
Apr	AGM
May	Mark Sanger
Jun	Club Night
Jul	Martin Saban-Smith
Aug	Les Thorne
Sep	Club Night
Oct	Mark Baker
Nov	tba
Dec	Xmas Social

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