



Ryedale Woodturners

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Hello all

Training / hands on days

Geoff tells me that we have a good number of people signed up for the training day on **Wednesday 19 October 2022, 10 – 4pm** at John Lund's workshop in Broughton, but there is space for a couple more if anyone is interested.

Contact Geoff via email at drgeoffreywalker@gmail.com to book a place.

A reminder there is a second training day on **Wednesday 9 November 2022** at Andy MacLaughlin's workshop in Ebberston. Again requests to join the group to Geoff.

And confirmation of what I am calling a "discussion group", which I will lead, on rotary tools and accessories (Dremel, Proxxon, Arbortech, Saburr, Merlin, etc.). This will be on **Tuesday 6 December at the Hill Institute in Thornton le Dale, 10am – 1pm**. It will be followed by lunch at the New Inn in Thornton le Dale. The intention is for people to come along and share their experiences of using these tools – possibly bring along their tools and anything made using them. I have a few to show, but it would be good to see and hear about others' experience. It should be possible to attend the meeting but not the lunch, or the lunch but not the meeting. Expressions of interest to Geoff please.

All these events are free of charge, but for members only. Non-members could come along by joining the club for the rest of the year – only £8 at the current stage in the year

Club Night and demonstration Thursday 6 October 2022

I enjoyed the demonstration on Thursday evening. A good turnout – thank you for everyone's support. In particular thanks to those who bought "kits", which will help with [fundraising for Wheatfields Hospice](#). Sales helped push our team total over £1000. I did the Starlight Hike 10k last night, walking around Otley on a beautiful moonlit evening with good company and good spirits. Our team total currently stands at £1428, and the event hopes to raise £30 000.

Thanks also to Martyn for the time he put in to setting up the video equipment – he was there for an hour and a half before the demonstration started ensuring everything was set up and ready. Thanks also to Brian and Keith for their assistance with camerawork and sound.

Time seems to go very quickly when demonstrating. I had intended turning the snowman in full (I skipped doing his hat, and parting him off), and doing at least one grass pot, but perhaps that will save for another day. I could go through any of the projects at one of the training days with anyone who wanted to have a go. I hope the demonstration inspired

people to turn some items for our **26-7 November sale in Thornton le Dale**, or to create gifts for Christmas.

Martyn recorded the demonstration. A link to YouTube will appear shortly.

A couple of details on things I used:

The book was called **Turning Wooden Toys**, by Chris Reid. Published by GMC, £16.99 when I bought it. GMC (Guild of Master Craftsmen) have a stall at [Harrogate Woodworking Show](#). It is currently on Amazon at £10.70

The **light pull drive** was made by Planet Rotur, available from [Snainton Woodworking](#), £19.70 or £20.50 depending on whether you want a 1MT or 2MT version.

The engineering company I mentioned was [RDG Tools](#), who I got the keyless Jacobs chuck from. It cost £26.95 in 2017, from their stall at Harrogate Show.

The **buffing system** I used is the Beall Buffing system, by an American company and not generally available these days, but [Beaufort pens](#) still sell the kit – 3 mops, 3 wax compound bars, plus mandrel £92.75 . You would be better going for the [Chestnut version, which Snainton Woodworking](#) stock – 3 mops, compounds, plus mandrel, £56 (on offer reduced from £69). The mops and compounds are smaller than the Beall version, and items are not interchangeable between the two (apart from the wax sticks!).

The **small chucks** I used were Record RP2000, but the current equivalent is the [Record SC1 or SC2](#). You shouldn't need a thread adapter like I have to use, they are available with direct threads 1 x 8tpi, 1 ¼ x 8tpi, or M33. [Snainton Woodworking have them, £79.99](#). There is a variety of jaws to fit them.

The **small chisel with a thin blade** I used for parting off the mouse's eye, so as not to waste any wood, was in fact a Crown marking out knife. [Axminster Tools](#) stock a similar knife. Thanks to Phill Armes for identifying it.

AWGB Seminar

Martyn and Geoff are attending the seminar at Yarndale in Staffordshire this weekend. I look forward to a report on a very full programme.

Gallery

Some photos of an oak box I made recently. It is 9 inches in diameter, 4 inches high, and unusually for me has sides perpendicular to the base (I normally prefer curves). The rose on top is pyrographed.



Some pictures from Darren Ford. His first off-centre attempt, a monkey puzzle bowl, and some spalted beech – firewood offcuts in a rubble bag from Snainton!



And a picture from Jack Scott, who enjoyed the demonstration via Zoom last Thursday. I think this fella looks like he is wearing braces! Made from a small log.



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