



# Ryedale Woodturners

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Hello all

## **Club Exhibition and Sale Thornton le Dale 18 – 19 November - Update**

As reported last week, we had a pretty good day on the Saturday. The Sunday was a little disappointing. Not too surprising given the miserable wet weather – there was hardly anyone around to coerce in to our exhibition.

Altogether we made just over £1400, which is about the same as 2021, but not as good as last year's record £2000.

Over £1100 will be paid out to the 16 members who contributed items. This will either be paid in cash at the December meeting, or if anyone prefers it can be paid by bank transfer – just email me and make sure I have your account name and number, plus sort code. A breakdown of the sales is attached.

As usual the bulk of sales were £10 or under – 73%, with 93% at £20 or less. The highest amount for a single item was £60, a laburnum spiral twist vase. Mice were the most popular item (29 sold), followed by my granddaughters' "wooden words" (24, priced at £1 - £2), then snowmen (21) and trees (19).

Since we started club sales in 2015, we have now sold over £20000 worth of woodturning. That includes a year of zero sales in 2020.

As always many thanks to contributors, those who came to help set up, and those who came to tread the streets and encourage people in to the sale.

## **Zoom transmissions**

We have continued to subscribe to Zoom throughout the year, so that we can broadcast coverage of our demonstrations for those who cannot get to them in person. During Covid we asked for a £3 contribution for those who watched an online demonstration, to help offset the cost of Zoom (£144 per annum). Many thanks to those who have made contributions – often paying the full £5 attendance fee despite not getting their tea and biscuits and their raffle ticket! I confess I do not keep records of who has watched online, but if anyone would like to make a contribution in respect of their watching in 2023, please do a bank transfer.

Account name: Ryedale Woodturners, Sort code: 20-75-92, Account Number 70471003

## **Emerging bowl demonstration**

A recording of Philip Greenwood's demonstration is [now available on You Tube](#). Many thanks to Martyn for setting this up.

## Apple wood

I finally met Robert Dutton in Nunnington, who “donated” a car boot load of green apple wood to the club back in January, hoping to see some turning from it. I gave him three bowls turned from the wood, making features of the warping and the cracks. He seemed pleased with them.

If anyone has turned, or hopes to turn, any pieces from the apple wood, please send me a photo. Robert would be interested in seeing any items.



## Jarrah Wood

I hope the jarrah boxes for the Chairman’s Challenge are coming along well. A slight amendment to the “rules” – entrants are not *required* to donate their box to the Club for sale – they are welcome to take them home after the competition. (We have quite a lot of Club stock for sales at the moment). Of course should you wish to donate, then that is fine.

An update on the jarrah “sleepers” coming your way after Christmas. Frank tells me they came from a balcony, and that the two holes in them were for holding railings. Of course that doesn’t exclude their possible origin as railway sleepers – they may have been repurposed from Derek’s stockpile at Boulby mine? Why else would such uniform blocks of an Australian timber import be found in a balcony near Whitby? A mystery.

## Gallery

Some photos from the Thornton le Dale sale. Note Martyn’s cantilever display shelving.







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