



Ryedale Woodturners

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Hello all

Sharpening Workshop: Thursday 24th October

A report from Geoff, who organised the evening:

Twenty-five members attended the sharpening evening led by Keith Gardam, [which meant that the £3 admission charge covered our rental and refreshments costs with a little to spare]. Wide ranging and informative, there was something there for everyone and the opportunity to hone (!) their sharpening techniques was appreciated by all who came along. Thanks go to Keith for his efforts, to Megan who fed and watered us, to shopkeeper Elaine, techies Keith and Steve and Phil who oversaw admissions at the door. All-in-all another successful and enjoyable evening for our club.

A video was recorded during the evening, and will appear on YouTube shortly. Not an easy demonstration to video, with a wide range of tools in different locations, and some close-ups to zoom in on. I will probably try and edit it a little to make it flow better than the live Zoom presentation.



Thornton le Dale Sale, 23-24 November

John Whiteley asked me to remind you all of the upcoming club sale, to be held at the Hill Institute as usual. If you are intending to offer some items for sale, [PLEASE let John know](#) in good time – finding out the day before or even on the day is not ideal for organisation. If you haven't sold anything through the club before, please [contact me](#) for a sales number, and information on what is required in terms of labelling and pricing. If you can spare an hour or two to help over the weekend, particularly to encourage people in to the Hall, again please [let John know](#). It is this activity that boosts our sales – can we make it another best ever?

Second Hand Tools

I called in on David Muckle in Darlington on my way home from Scotland last week. David has been a prominent demonstrator over a number of years, and a very active member of Teesside Woodturners. He gave me some excellent advice on setting up a club shop when Snainton Woodworking Supplies closed last year.

David is downsizing his turning activities due to health problems, and has been selling off some of his equipment collected over the years. I picked up a number of items, most of which will appear for sale at the next meeting, though I confess I think I will be buying a couple myself ahead of the rest of you – first pick being one of the prerogatives of running the shop! A list will appear in next week's bulletin, and as usual it will be first come first served. I am afraid there isn't a Pro-Edge sharpener amongst them – there is currently a waiting list of at least 3 club members interested in a second hand one of these. I will keep looking, they do keep coming up.

Chairman's Challenge

Another reminder from John: the latest Chairman's Challenge is to create an articulated dragon. This is to be judged at the December meeting (not November's), so you still have some weeks to finalise your ideas and create your masterpiece.

Gallery

Some of you will know that one of our long-standing members, John Kershaw, is leaving us (or has already left). He is returning to his native Cornwall, Redruth I think. I am sure we all wish him well – I certainly hope he will keep sending me the occasional photo of some turning he has done. Here are just a few pieces from over the years.



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