



Ryedale Woodturners

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Hello all

Thornton le Dale Sale, 23-24 November

Storm Bert brought snow, then sleet, then rain on the Saturday, severely affecting the numbers of people on the street to be “persuaded in” to our exhibition and sale. However, there were a few visitors and by the end of the day we had made £477, having sold 45 items. Not too bad, considering the awful weather. Many thanks to those who came to help out drumming up support and manning the desk – Keith, Megan, Martyn, John, Phil, Terry, and anyone else I missed whilst I was not present.

Sunday is not a great weather forecast, but there are hopes for slightly brighter skies once the high winds have subsided. We hope for a little more footfall.

Second Hand Tools

I visited a lady in Newby, Scarborough, last week – on Wednesday when heavy snow and ice formed! She has recently lost her husband who was a keen woodcarver. I bought all of his stock of wood, and this will be available from the shop at the next meeting. There is an impressive set of carving chisels and gouges if anyone is interested. I think she would prefer them to go as a job lot – there are probably over 50, many of very good quality, most in purpose made racks. There is a grindstone and various other stones relevant to carving. If anyone is interested [please contact me](#) and I will pass on her address and phone number.



Harrogate Woodworking Show

I went along on a very quiet Sunday, which allowed me to talk to a number of sellers and demonstrators. I only managed to watch one demonstration properly – Les Thorne making a very thin walled eucalyptus bowl. Les is always good value and well worth watching. Spent far too much on new toys, which I haven't as yet had a chance to play with.

I heard that next year's show is only to be two days – Friday and Saturday. Something to do with a clash with a potato fair on the Sunday.

I also had a conversation with Mortimer on the Jorvik woodturning club stand. Apparently the turning clubs get their stalls rent free, in return for demonstrating and talking to people about woodturning. Would we be interested in being represented as a club in this way? It would mean some of us manning a stall over two days, plus set up and dismantling. Jorvik said they sell a few items, and they may get a couple of new recruits, but essentially it is not a money making venture. If there is interest amongst us then I can make some enquiries about having a stall. I am not sure I could commit to being there – there is a big family birthday upcoming that weekend in 2025.

Gallery

A few photos from the sale.



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