



Ryedale Woodturners

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Hello all

Open Evening 7 August 2025

A reminder that our next meeting is a free event, an opportunity to show what the club does. Please come along to have a look, have a chat, and pick up some bargains in tools and wood. Please invite friends and family. The programme has been organised by Geoff, who emailed some details to members a few weeks ago. In essence we have:

Turning: There will be six lathes available, 4 Coronet Heralds, our Nova XP and a Record DML, either for demonstrations or hands-on with supporting tuition from one of our club members: Lance, Phil, Martyn, John Lund, Keith Harte, and Steve Fearnley. Keith will be looking at thread chasing, and Steve will be demonstrating the Record Versalock chuck and jaws – available to buy as a set if anyone is impressed (£120). There may also be a mini-lathe operating with Steve Cooper.

Sharpening: There will be the usual opportunity for sharpening tools with both Pro Edge (Ian) and wheel (Bob) options available. Bring your chisels along!

Pyrography: Dan Fearnley will be showing his methods for pyrography and colouring, and offering opportunity to have a go if desired.

Shop: The club shop will be in operation for periods during the evening, as usual staffed by Elaine and Phill. There is a new supply of blanks in cherry, oak, sycamore and yew. A collection of chisels and equipment will also be available, as advertised in the last bulletin. Plus the usual finishes and abrasives.

Refreshments: There will be the usual refreshments courtesy of Ann and helpers.

Snainton Village Hall

The Hall has a newfound energy in keeping its Facebook page fresh and relevant. This includes an advert for our open evening. Have a look at [Snainton Village Hall and Playing Fields](#).

Thornton le Dale Show Wednesday 6 August

I am looking forward to the Show: our marquee and the woodturning competition section. A reminder that if you want to enter a piece or pieces in the competition, you need to submit entries on Monday 4 August, 6 – 8 pm, at the Hill Institute in Thornton. You don't need the pieces with you, just your entry form and 50p per entry. It can be busy, so be prepared to queue.

Henry Taylor Open Day, Sheffield, Sunday 31 August

I don't think I have seen this one in previous years. It could be interesting – some of my favourite chisels are by Henry Taylor. I am not sure if I fancy the drive though.



Gallery

No submissions this week, so yet another [oldfern](#) piece. I was asked if I could make a wooden Light Saber (Star Wars, though don't tell Lucasfilms as I may be in breach of their copyright by using the name!). Here is the result – oak handle and ash “beam”, about 31” long.



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