



Ryedale Woodturners

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Hello all

Exhibition and Sale – Saturday November 29th and Sunday 30th

We had a much drier and brighter day on Sunday, after the heavy rain of Saturday, though it was very cold. Sales were not quite as high as on Saturday, but overall we took £1766, our third best figure since sales began back in 2016. Even better, this takes our sales for this year to £5413, our best ever, beating the previous high of £4858 in 2022.

As usual most sales were of smaller items, with 75% of sales at £10 or less, and 95% at £20 or less. However, the total was boosted by some big sales - £200 for a burr mallee double bowl, £110 for a large oak platter decorated with the Lichtenstein technique, £70 for a lamp stand, and £50 for a vase – all items made by John Whiteley - and £70 for a vase by Martyn Weller. After payments for hall rental and card fees (most of the transactions are by card these days – approximately 5 card to 1 cash) – £140 will go into club funds from commission on sales.

As always many thanks must go to the stalwart volunteers who helped out over the weekend, treading the pavements in challenging weather: Mike, Keith Wilkinson, Paul, Terry, Richard King, John Sutherland, John Nock, Brian, Ian, Elaine, Bob Ingram, Noel; and ever present over the two days were John Whiteley, Martyn Weller, Geoff Walker and Phil Coe. (Apologies if I have missed anyone!) Encouragement of passers by out on the street really does make a difference to our success.

And thank you to the 10 members who submitted work for sale: John W, Ian, Brian, Geoff, Steve, Dan, Martyn, Richard, Phil and Micky. Club members who made and donated bottle stoppers from the October competition will be pleased to know we sold 9, raising £22 for club funds.

Club social and annual competition Thursday 4 December 2025

The evening seemed to go well, with a mix of activity and conversation, the usual excellent entries into the competition, and an excellent buffet.

It was a pity that some members were hit by the road closure at West Ayton – I am afraid North Yorkshire don't do a very good job of explaining exactly what will be happening, when, and what the diversion consequences will be.

Unfortunately the photos taken on my camera on the night are not good – a setting on my camera appears to have been knocked in transit, and put itself into SuperVivid Effects mode, which makes people look like they have been in the sun for far too long. I will try and minimize the effect with some photoshop editing, but no photos from the event this week – they will appear next week if I have any success. In the meantime if anyone took any photos, please pass them on via email.

Apologies if you tried to tune in to Zoom – I am afraid it was always going to be a big ask to broadcast on Zoom and run the evening, and so it proved. However, the **Review of 2025** video is now available on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/RDp6Ji-2k0o>

Results of the Competitions were:

Chairmans Challenge (needle case): John Sutherland

Guess the Pieces (1027): Alan Braidley

Crossword: Richard K, Keith H, Richard V, Pete?

Picture quiz: Dan (after a tie-break)

A copy of the Yorkshire records questions (the picture quiz), and the answers, are attached to the bulletin if you would like another go, with thanks to Geoff.

Woodturning competition:

Beginners :	1 st	Nick Webster	Segmented bowl
	2 nd	John Grayson	Crotch vase
	3 rd	John Sutherland	Whirlygig

Intermediate	1 st	Adrian Armsby	Decorated platter
	2 nd	Tony Walton	Pedestal bowl
	3 rd	Dan Fearnley	Basketweave box

Advanced	1 st	Martyn Weller	Segmented vase
	2 nd	Martyn Weller	Segmented vase pair
	3 rd	John Whiteley	Natural bowl

A particularly big thank you to Phil Coe for organising the buffet for us. A lot of work behind the scenes collecting and delivering everything. It seemed to be well received.

Ably supported as always by Ann who provided us with tea and coffee.

Thanks to Lance for the crossword, Geoff for the (challenging) Yorkshire Records Quiz, and Martyn for the "Guess the Pieces" puzzle..

Gallery

Some more pictures from the exhibition and sale at Thornton le Dale last weekend.



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