



Ryedale Woodturners

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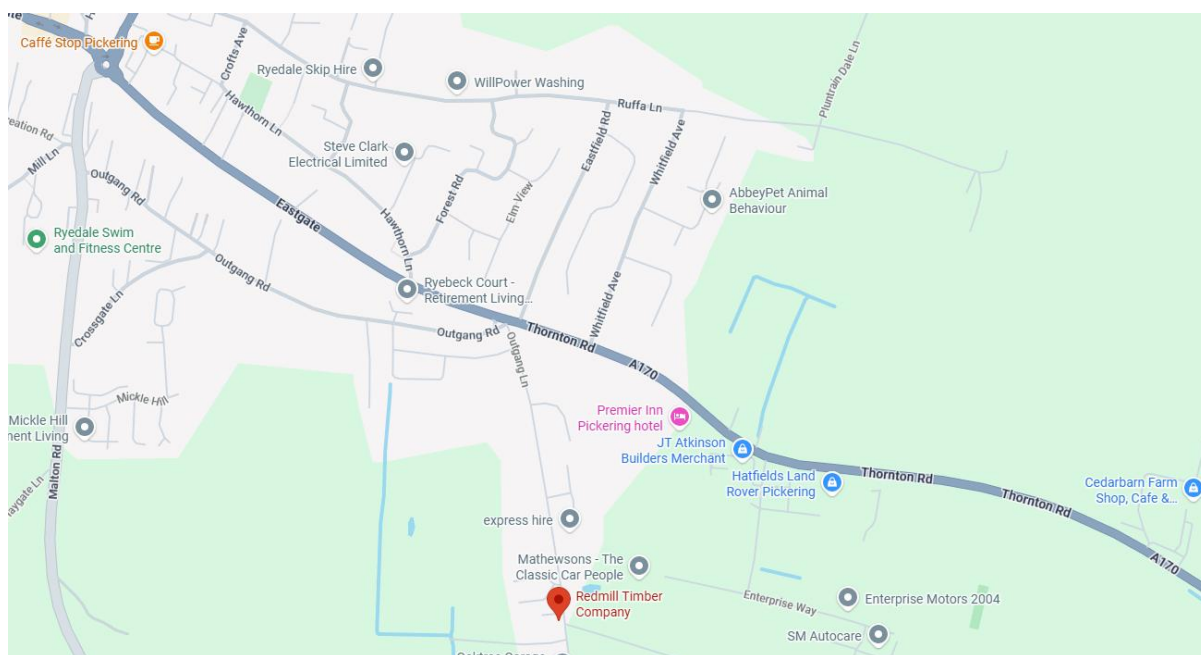
Hello all

Redmill Timber Shop Opening Friday 17th – Saturday 18th

Outgang Lane, Pickering, YO18 7JA

The new shop opens with special guests on both days from 10 am until 4 pm. Trade representatives present over the two days will include Robert Sorby, Rustins, The Bandsaw Shop, Spot Nails, Cast ironmongery supplies, Timco screws and ironmongery, Craft Supplies, with possibly more to follow. There will be refreshments, demonstrations by Sorby and Ryedale Woodturners, and the opportunity to buy tools, products and woodturning blanks. Redmill's owner, Simon, will be there to talk with, and visitors will have the opportunity to outline what they would like from a woodturning shop – this is just the beginning of things, with much more development of the site yet to come. The blanks should be reasonably priced as most will be cut from Simon's extensive timber stock. I intend to be there representing our club and demonstrating on both days. If anyone would like to keep me company for some of the time, and/or do a little turning, they would be very welcome to join me.

Redmill timber is a few hundred yards down Outgang Lane: if travelling from the Scarborough side it is to the left off the A170 just past the Premier Inn. The yard is on the right side of the Lane. There is parking available on site.



Bowling balls



Those of you that bought one of the bowling balls at the last meeting might be interested in a [Jack Mack video](#) where he turns an antique ball into a box, incorporating a little spalted beech.

Exhibition and Sale – Saturday April 11th and Sunday 12th

At the half way stage the sale is going very well. We made £1025 on Saturday, having sold 96 items. Considering that in April 2025 we made £1176 on 104 items over the full weekend we should be on track for a very good result this year, despite the rather wet start to the day. Many thanks go to all those of you who turned out to help, and gave out leaflets on a very cold day. They do work, your efforts are very successful and much appreciated. A full report will be in next week's bulletin, with a few pictures. As always some very impressive work was on show, from 14 club members ranging from beginners through to the more seasoned turners, and many positive comments were received from visitors.

BBC Radio Yorkshire Quiz

I had an email from Jane at the BBC:

I am just getting in touch to see if someone from the Ryedale Wood Turners might be interested in taking part in our Sunday morning quiz which resumes on air on May 3rd? The show is presented by Nick Ahad and goes out across BBC Radio Leeds, York and Sheffield between 1000 and 1400.

The quiz is based around two people from two different clubs or societies competing against each other by trying to answer as many questions as possible from Nick within a minute. There's also a little chat about each club before the quiz.

It would need to be done on Zoom and would take about 10 - 15 mins altogether and would be live just after 1pm. If you can't do the 26th [I assume that is when the Zoom call will take place] we are planning to do this every week so could look at alternative dates.

If any of you in the Club are quizzers and would be interested in representing us, please let me know and I will put your names forward and get fuller details. It would be a little extra publicity for us.

Hands On Evening 30th April 7 – 9.30 pm, Snainton Village Hall

Geoff tells me that there has been an enthusiastic response to our 30th April hands-on evening. All 7 lathes are now booked but further names can be added to the waiting list. Several members have indicated that they will be coming along just to observe, chat and watch Peter Howells' 3D-printing demo, for which it is fine simply to turn up on the night. There will be refreshments, but no formal shop or raffle. I think a charge of £3 for those having tuition on a lathe, £2 for drop-in visitors, and of course no charge for tutors and demonstrators, will be in order to cover rental and refreshments. Probably via a donations box, so have some change with you. A small quantity of wood will be available for sale on the night, and items from the shop can be purchased, though the shop items will not be on display as they usually are.

Gallery



A message from Martyn Weller:

Quickly turned this little pot to try out the new high gloss wax from Chestnut. To be honest I can't really see much difference between this and normal microcrystalline. Not sure it's worth the extra cost.

(The new wax is not yet available from Chestnut Products in full size tins. Perhaps the price will come down with full production.)

And from Nick Webster: *In recent weeks I've been designing and making this with a lot of excellent support from Martyn. It's made from walnut and maple with some black veneer, and 10 inches diameter.*



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