



Ryedale Woodturners

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Hello all

Happy New Year to everyone.

Open Evening and enrolment 8 January 2025

A reminder that our next meeting is a free event, an opportunity to show what the club does. The programme has been organised by Geoff, who emailed some details earlier in December. This may be subject to change, but we will probably have:

7 lathes in operation: the Nova DVR, 5 Coronet Heralds, and a DML 320.

We would be grateful if any members can assist with carrying lathes (in parts) from cars to the Hall, and assisting with set-up. Probably between 6:30 and 7 pm.

2 mini-lathes – one concentrating on thread chasing, the other on pen turning.

Demonstration and/or tuition will be offered by John Whiteley, John Lund, Lance Garrard, Martyn Weller, Phil Coe, Dan Fearnley, Peter Howells, Keith Harte (and Steve Cooper?).

Tool sharpening will be available, on a wheel and a Pro-Edge finishing belt, with Ian Temple and Bob Ingram. Bring your tools along to sharpen up.

The club shop will be open with the usual bargains: wood priced at well below commercial costs, an assortment of good quality used tools, finishing products and adhesives from Chestnut, Rhyno abrasives, and some Record AC400 filters.

Refreshments will be available as usual, but there will not be a raffle, given that this is a free entry event.

A pyrography display may feature, but there is unlikely to be any hands on opportunities this time. There may also be a display of eggs in 130 different timbers.

Enrolment: There will be enrolment for the 2026 season, with **annual fees held at £25, or £35 for couples, with under 18 free**. New badges will be issued – but please retain your lanyard and card holder for re-use if at all possible, to save us money. Payment by cash or card on the evening, or you can enrol by bank transfer at any time: payments to Ryedale Woodturners, the sort code is 20-75-92, Account Number 70471003. Please put your name as reference.

Or anyone not involved in demonstrating, I would be grateful for a volunteer to assist with the enrolment desk, and help with tea and coffee is always appreciated.

Chestnut Products Order

Thanks for responses to my email about this order, as a result of which I was able to bulk the order up over the magic £250 free postage barrier (saving £11.40). Chestnut has been closed for a holiday, but reopens tomorrow, so items should be with me for Thursday.

Gallery

Just a few of the trophies made by Dan Fearnley for Malton School Sixth Form Celebration evening, which took place at the end of term.



And a bowl / platter from Nick Webster, made from some challenging spalted beech:



As I started turning it on the underside, a first crack appeared which I could remove by adapting the design. Then another more seriously appeared in the outer part. After a bit of Youtubing, the spalted areas were stabilised with wood hardener, and then the cracks were filled with epoxy. Decided on a thick rim to keep it stable, add a groove to try and frame the main display of the spalted wood, and make a central small bowl. More of a platter than a bowl perhaps. My son likes the patterns a lot, so that's where it is now :-)

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