



Ryedale Woodturners

News Bulletin 22 – 31 May 2026

Hello all

Club Night Thursday 4 June – Colin Watson – colour and lacquer

Schedule:

- 6:45 Doors open for **setting up** shop (**not open until 7 pm**). Set up of audio, video, chairs, tables, refreshments, etc.
- 7:00 Doors open for members to sign in, converse, look at what's on sale etc. Shop open.
- 7:25 Any announcements
- 7:30 Demonstration begins. Colin will be turning, colouring and lacquering a bowl, using either Chestnut Spirit Stains or Hampshire Sheen Intrinsic colours. This will then be lacquered and polished to a mirror like finish.
- 8:30 Refreshment break.
- 8:40 Raffle drawn while refreshments continue. The usual exciting prizes!
- 8:45 Demonstration continues
- 9:30 Finish (approximately, by 9:45 at latest)
- 9:45 Clear up, everyone out **by 10:00 pm**.

For those who cannot attend in person:

Join Zoom meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82956058672?pwd=FtfrqCFBpaEtB3SNAObhSjtLwqnk3r.1>

Meeting ID: 829 5605 8672

Passcode: 084332

Please note, the shop will not open until everything is set out and ready, not before 7pm. Please do not pick anything up or try to buy things before we are ready. It makes accounting and organisation more difficult.

Helpers

In response to my pleas in last week's bulletin, I was delighted to receive offers to help at meetings, in various ways, from 8 further volunteers. This is much appreciated. I am hoping this will now allow us to form a team to cover the various tasks required, and spread the tasks out so that most don't fall to the same people every month. I will be in touch with volunteers and those who regularly help in the next few days. Thank you all.

Second Hand Tools

Visits to two workshop clearances last week have resulted in some second hand tools and equipment being available. A list (for members) is at the end of this bulletin. As always if you are interested in any items please email to request them. They will be put aside on a first come first served basis to collect on Thursday.

One of the items is a Record DML 24X lathe, similar to the one advertised and brought to the last meeting – a small benchtop model, 3 speed, 24 inch length, in full working order. A

good lathe in its day, still going strong. This is the first type of lathe I bought – the headstock now serves as my buffing wheel machine, the bed having been removed. Only £40. There is a Record SC3 chuck package available to fit it, but I will be selling this separately - £40. It has a $\frac{3}{4}$ x 16 tpi thread, but you can buy an adapter to something like M33 or 1" x 8tpi for around £16, and given the small thread size, these are quite neat. I will not be bringing the lathe to the club meeting unless someone requests it. Some items in the list are 1MT, and I know most people these days have 2MT fittings. I have some simple adapter sleeves available in the shop to convert 1MT to 2MT, £8 each.

There is also an old Record RP 3000 chuck package. This is the type used before geared scroll-chucks came on the market. All parts present. A bit fiddly, but it still does the job. Free to someone who likes a challenge and a bit of a play.

I have bought a Pro-Edge sharpening system for the club, mainly for training days and open evenings. Potentially it could be available for sharpening tools on a demonstration evening, though I am not sure how, where and when. It could possibly be available for short term loan (ie a week or two), for people to try before they consider buying such a machine. Let me know if you would like to use it, and any ideas on where. If anyone is looking to buy one, I can source one for you at £362, plus £97 for the extra accessories pack (which I would suggest is essential). I believe this to be cheaper than any online prices, and no delivery charge.

Wood supplies

There are a number of wood blanks from the workshop clearances, all originally from Snainton Woodworking Supplies. They will be available at the original cost which is still marked on the blanks. As they will have been purchased 5 or 6 years ago, this should represent good value. Details are attached to the list at the end.

There is also an entire beech tree or parts of it potentially available from a man in Ebberston, currently lying in his garden (the wood, not the man). He may be getting some of it planked. This is not for free, but I think reasonable offers would be accepted. If you are interested let me know and I will give you contact details.



Hands on Day Friday 19 June, Ebberston

Participants will have received details from Geoff about next month's training day. He tells me all places are taken, but welcomes anyone wishing to add their names to a waiting list. [Contact Geoff](#) if interested. (Members only.)

Gallery

Phill Armes offered these photos:



He says: *I finally got around to having a go at a turned spoon/ladle coffee scoop, and my prototype is attached, (including battered knuckles)! A few lessons learned! The wood is reclaimed teak I'm told. Finished with food safe oil.*

And one from me:



I have been having a go at deep hollowing recently. Someone gave me an apple tree trunk, and I have been trying various tools and support mechanisms to create four vases from this. My latest toy is a [Simon Hope Easy Arm](#) – expensive, but it really does make a difference.

I also tried a [Sorby Steady Pro](#) toolrest I picked up from David Muckle last year. It works well to steady your tools, but it is a little counterintuitive in that you need to apply pressure *upwards* on the top roller with your hollowing tool. I like the Simon Hope device much more.

If anyone wants to give the Steady Pro a try, let me know and I will lend it out, possibly to sell. It screws on to a standard toolrest stem, which I can lend out, but not sell.



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