

# Counter Kent Woodturners Magazine Revolutions



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The Christmas lunch menu details are on the last page of this issue of Counter Revolutions. Please forward your choices to Mike James and your deposit to John Ellender **as soon as possible**. We need at least 60 people to attend to avoid having to share the venue with others. **DEADLINE** for choices and payments is Saturday 19 November.

## September's Events

6<sup>th</sup> – Hands On

17<sup>th</sup> – Mark Baker

## Chairman's Column

We are very fortunate that we now have 6 members who have attained their "Tutor" accreditation after demonstrating their worthiness to the AWGB invigilator, Paul Howard. Tony Southey and Denis Hayer passed some weeks ago and we organised a session for John Ellender, Michael James, Ron Blake and Kevin Garwood on 6<sup>th</sup> August at the Club. We must thank those who offered their time to organise the event and those who acted as trainees on the day. There will be others who wish to take the assessment sometime in the near future. If you are interested please let Mike Lightwing know.

The planked sycamore tree that was kindly donated to the Club during a visit to David Bates is now sufficiently dry to enable us to prepare it for turning and we have already started to cut blanks. Elsewhere in Counter Revolutions you will see what we intend to do with this wood (see under the Information Section) and I hope as many of you as possible will enter into the spirit of what is arranged. We don't mind what you do with the wood, you can simply turn it, colour it, texture it or whatever else you can think of but please just do something. I had not realised at the time just what a generous offer this was and it is only now, whilst cutting the blanks, that we can see just how much David donated. I will convey our thanks to him. We must also offer our thanks to Ian Anderson who has supervised the drying of the wood and arranged, with Michael James, to deliver it to the Club.

You will be aware that, unfortunately, Stuart King was unable to demonstrate for us this month as the date coincided with an operation that he had been awaiting for some time. I am sure we wish him well and hope that we will be able to see him in the not too distant future.

Our thanks must also be given to Denis Hayer who stepped into the breach and presented, at quite short notice, a very entertaining demonstration. Denis demonstrates at every Tuesday meeting but admits that a full day is a huge step up in both preparation and energy but he gave us plenty to think about and gave many tips to help others improve their performance. Let us hope that other members will be prepared to step forward sometime in the future. Denis even dipped into the world of miniature turning and proved how difficult it was for an audience to see what is being done with the tools that you have to make yourself as so few are available commercially. This is an area that I am all too familiar with but I have not ventured a demonstration for a very long time.

Looking around the audience on Saturday I was struck by the fact that very few of the "old" members were there but a considerable number of newer members must have been intrigued by the prospect of Denis going into full blown "Professional" mode. I am not sure what we should deduce from that observation, maybe someone could enlighten me!

Tickets are available on the Internet for the Wizardry in Wood exhibition at Carpenters' Hall from 12<sup>th</sup> October to 15<sup>th</sup> October. This event happens so infrequently that it is well worth a visit to see the stunning work that some people can achieve, and at only £7.50 for the ticket it is a very cheap day out. It could even give you inspiration for the competition being organised for later in the year, or for your entries to the November Exhibition. Now there's a thought.

## *Peter Martin*

### Committee

|                      |                |                  |               |
|----------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| Chairman             | Peter Martin   | Vice Chairman    | Craydon Care  |
| Exhibition Organiser | Ron Blake      | Treasurer        | John Ellender |
| Secretary            | Mike Lightwing | Events Organiser | Tony Southey  |
| News Letter Editor   | Mike James     | Librarian        | Ian Anderson  |
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## Woodturning lessons with Dave Reeks

I have been turning for over 30 years and teaching for 20 years.

All types of turning catered for, big or small. I have a first class workshop with 4 lathes including a VB36 full dust extraction. Over the years I have been able to develop a first class beginner's course.

£100 per day including all wood and tools and lunch supplied.

### Dave Reeks

## Axminster "Turning Tuesdays" (3rd Tuesday in month for us)

20 September

18 October

22 November

Anyone wishing to volunteer to man the stands please inform Tony Southey.

## INFORMATION

### Branch Diary amendments:

Due to the Harrogate show Mick Hanbury will not be available for our usual Saturday in November, so we have taken the previous Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November is now open for a "Hands On" session.

## Weald Wood Fair

Friday 23 September – Sunday 25 September 2016; 10.00am – 5.00pm

Bentley Wildfowl Centre and Motor Museum

Harveys Lane

Nr Halland

East Sussex BN8 5AF

Entry Prices: Adult £8; Senior £7 ;Child £6 ;Family £26

## Club Competition

It was decided we should run a competition, open to all members, using the wood we recently obtained from Stiles and Bates. There are no suggestions as to what you should turn so you have a free choice. Some of the blanks will be available in 2" or 3" bowl blanks, others will be smaller, spindle-type pieces.

Judging of the competition entries will take place at our regular Club meeting on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, when completed entries should be brought along. Judges will be appointed closer to the time. In order to enable all members to take part, there will be four categories for entry, with three prizes awarded in each category. These are:-

1. New members (under 12 months' membership)
2. Members with 1-5 years' membership
3. Members with 6-9 years' membership
4. Members for 10 years and over

As you may know, our Winter exhibition will be held in the Barn the following week. If members do not wish to keep their competition piece, we will endeavour to sell it there and the proceeds will be added to Club funds.

**IMPORTANT:** please state clearly on a **firmly attached label** your name and membership number, together with the category number – 1,2,3 or 4 as above – plus a capital letter 'R' if you wish to retain your entry or a capital 'S' in order for it to be sold.

It is hoped that all members will take part and show us what you can make!

### *Launch of Turners' Company 2016 Competitions*

As you may already know, the Turners' Company 2016 Competitions will take place in October and be held in conjunction with this year's Wizardry in Wood exhibition.

There are four Open Competitions and also competitions organised with the AWGB, Society of Ornamental Turners, Association of Pole lathe Turners & Greenwood Workers and for members of the Turners' Company.

To help keep in touch with turners who may be interested in the competitions, we have also set up a facility for them to provide us with their name and email address using this Eventbrite page: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/turners-company-2016-competitions-tickets-20942012122>

If you require any more information at this stage, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or the Clerk of the Turners' Company.

With many thanks for your help in promoting the 2016 Competitions.

Best wishes

*Matthew Gaved, Marketing & Communications,  
Wizardry in Wood 2016*

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## Club Clothing

Members requiring any of the items of clothing bearing the club logo, Mike James has all current prices and colours. Delivery is, at present, up to three weeks. Cash with order please. Please see Mike at Club meetings or contact him via email for an order form [msj47r@btinternet.com](mailto:msj47r@btinternet.com) I have been advised that delivery for clothing is now from two to four weeks.

Tee Shirts £10      Polo Shirts £15      Sweat Shirts £17.50      Full Zip fleece jacket £21.00

## Branch Diary 2016

Saturday meetings commence at 9.30am for 10.00am start. Tuesday evening meetings commence at 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm start. The meetings are held in the Brocard Room at the Friars Aylesford, Maidstone, Kent. Members are charged £10 (£2 for Juniors, £15 for a guest) for attending a professional demonstration. There is currently no charge to Members for a Hands On meeting (Guests £3).

Whilst all reasonable steps are taken to ensure the safety of persons attending a meeting, we are all ultimately responsible for our own safety. **Anyone feeling uncomfortable about any aspect should distance themselves and inform a committee member.**

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| 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | Hands On                  |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Mark Baker                |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct   | Hands On                  |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | Ed Oliver                 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | November Exhibition Setup |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov  | Mick Hanbury              |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov  | Hands On                  |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov  | Exhibition breakdown      |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | Hand On                   |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | <b>Christmas lunch</b>    |

Deadline for October issue is **25 September**

## Woodturning Exhibition and Sale

To be held at The New Barn, The Friars, Aylesford, Kent, ME20 7BX  
From Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November until Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016

It will help the committee in setting up the exhibition if members would ensure that they read and understand these guidelines and follow them **to the letter**.

There are **four** things that you need to consider before you fill in the Form attached:-

1. If you wish to display items for sale enter details on Form 1 overleaf ensuring that you include the sale price. In Round Pounds please.
2. If you wish to display items but do not wish to sell them, use the same form but clearly mark them as **"Not For Sale"** (NFS) this can include items that have been made some time ago that you have kept as being of special interest.
3. There will not be a competition during the Exhibition.
4. Each exhibitor is required to act as a steward for at least 4 sessions. A session in either a full morning or afternoon. **THIS IS MANDATORY**

Each item submitted should be marked underneath, with a self adhesive label, showing the two initials of the members Christian name and Surname and an item number. This information should coincide with the information on Form 1. Please check with the Members List and if there are two or more with the same initials, use the second letter of your surname as well e.g. Gerald McKenzie would be GMc and Gordon Mitchell would be GMi. Small items such as pens and pencils should have labels showing the same details. No more than 10 items to be on one line.

Each item should be marked with its selling price in round pounds please.

The committee has agreed that the commission charge will be 25% of the total sales. This is to cover the payment to the Friars, advertising and use of the credit card machine.

You should, therefore, increase the sale price of your items by 30% to take account of this deduction when setting the price that you require for your work.

Please complete Form 1 overleaf, in block capitals, giving a brief description of each item, and its selling price in round pounds, and send the form to the Exhibitions Organiser Ron Blake, 136 Longcatlis Road, Parkwood, Rainham, Kent, ME8 9TU to arrive by **NO LATER THAN 22<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER** so that catalogues can be prepared. NO APPLICATIONS will be accepted after this date.

Exhibits must be delivered to The Friars on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November** to enable the Exhibition to be set up on that day, with a detailed list enclosed in the package. (A Photocopy of the list on the back of this note would be ideal).

Please remember that, whilst most of us want to sell our exhibits, it is important that a high standard of craftsmanship is maintained. It is therefore necessary for the committee to retain the right to decline the display of any items which it considers are not up to standard.

All items will be required to stay on display until the close of business on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November. The Exhibition will be dismantled on **SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> November** after we close at 4.30pm.



**Kent Woodturners Christmas Lunch Menu (£28 per person)**  
**Thursday 15 December 2016; 12.30pm for 1.00pm.**

| <b>NAME;</b>   | <b>Mr + Initial</b> | <b>Mrs + Initial</b> |
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| Prawns in filo pastry with a sweet chilli dip and salad garnish                                    |                     |                      |
| Melon Balls and Pomegranate with Grenadine syrup   |                     |                      |
| Prosciutto wrapped Chicken and Leek Terrine with salad garnish and toast                           |                     |                      |
| Butternut Squash, sweet potato and Lentil Soup with croutons                                       |                     |                      |
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| Poached Salmon with a julienne of cucumber, carrot and mushroom                                    |                     |                      |
| Roast Turkey with all the trimmings  |                     |                      |
| Bacon wrapped Pork Loin with cherries  |                     |                      |
| Chestnut, spinach and blue cheese en crouete   |                     |                      |
| Beef braised in Guinness and Port with pickled walnuts   |                     |                      |
| <i>All the above served with Roast and New Potatoes, Butter Glazed Carrots and Brussel Sprouts</i> |                     |                      |
| Raspberry and Hazelnut Meringue  |                     |                      |
| Velvety Rich Chocolate espresso cups   |                     |                      |
| Festive Fruit Salad with Cornish Fairings  |                     |                      |
| Friars Christmas Pudding with Brandy Sauce or cream<br><b>(please choose)</b>                      |                     |                      |
| <i>Followed by Mince Pies, Coffee or Tea</i>   |                     |                      |

**Please make payments 'Direct to Bank' or to  
John Ellender only**

**Cheques should be made payable to: 'Kent Woodturners' with AWGB  
number on reverse**