



IT'S YOUR TURN

Members' pieces



Club Details

- The club meets on the 2nd and last Wednesdays of each month at Wyke Community Centre,, Green Road, Wyke.
- Meetings usually run from 1pm to 3 pm.
- There are 8 lathes, mounted at 3 different heights, and associated equipment available.
- Senior members are available to provide advice and tuition.
- A Training portfolio is available for trainees.

Dates for your diary

- 14th July—Members
- 28th July—Members
- 11th August—Members
- 25th August—Members
- 8th September—Members
- 29th September—Members
- 6th October—Members
- 27th October—demonstration by Mark Raby
- 10th November—Members
- 19—21 November: Northern Woodworking Show, Harrogate
- 24th November: Demonstration by Tracey Owen plus Christmas Competition
- 8th December—Auction
- 15th December—Christmas Party at the Robin Hood, Wyke



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Far left: Tazza,, Bob Boyce

Left: Vase, Pine and Purple Heart,:



bowl by Bob Boyce



boxes by Frank Storey



Clock—Bob Boyce



Lidded Bowl—Les Eskriett

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Frank Storey—Threadchasing

In March Frank Storey gave a presentation on Threadchasing. Frank made a lidded box, and showed how to practice on a wax candle.

Then he showed how to turn a left-handed thread by making a pig for a buffing wheel.

In the picture below there are a selection of boxes with threaded lids that Frank has made.



Trip to Kilburn—Home of the Mouseman—Robert Thompson



In May a number of the members of the club made a trip to Kilburn to visit the workshops of Robert Thompson—the celebrated mouseman. We were given a tour of the museum, (photo, left), and then visit the village church, which also contains several mouseman works. The photo on the right shows some members observing the gravestone of the great man.

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Reg Slack demonstration

In April We had a visit from Reg Slack—a very experienced turner.

Reg spent some time showing how to sharpen various tools.

Then Reg made an off-centre candle holder and followed this with a dish from a piece of half-log.

**Andrew Hall—Hat maker**

In May Andrew Hall gave an excellent demonstration on how to make a hat. Using wet sycamore, Andrew showed how to get the general shape, and then use a light shining through to get the correct thickness for the rim and the hat.. This is shown in the photo on the right.

To finish the top of the hat, Andrew used a special jam-chuck into which several LEDs had been inserted, as shown in the photo below.

Finally there is a photo of Andrew with a selection of hats.



Things men have made with wakened hands, And breathed soft life into are awake through the years with transferred touch.

For this reason some old things are lovely, warm still with the lives of forgotten men who made them.

D S Lawrence

Meet the members: Clifford Clarke and Michael Watmough

Clifford Clarke



Clifford was born at Bradford in 1951. An only child he moved in his formative years to Wyke and attended schools there leaving at the age of 15 years.

He is a time served joiner (City & Guilds) with initially, a Bradford firm of builders, but for the majority of his time with Bradford Council, taking early retirement at 53 years due to ill-health.

He married Jean in 1971 and they have a daughter and son, the daughter is a staff nurse on the Cardiac Unit at Bradford Royal Infirmary, and the son a motor mechanic at a Bradford Motor dealers.

He and his wife are both very keen "scouters" in senior capacities

Clifford has been turning wood since his schooldays (14 years of age) and he is the proud possessor of 3 lathes, bandsaw, planer/thicknesser, circular saws, scroll saws

and every hand tool imaginable, he has the distinct advantage of having 2 very large cellars at his home which serve as his workshops. He can turn his hand to any type of project and works in conjunction with his brother-in-law, Michael Watmough.

Besides being a member of O.T.C. he is also a member of the West Ridng Club at Eldwick and the Bayside Turning Club in Brisbane, Australia, and makes frequent visits to the Antipodes to stay there with friends.

He is a very keen and useful member of our Club and regularly assists newcomers in his capacity as a mentor, and takes a leading role in projects and activities.

Michael was born at Bradford in 1948, and attended local schools there leaving at the age of 15 years.

Apart from an initial periods at Parklands Mill, Greengates, Bradford, and in the building trade, Mick has served all his adult employment time with the GPO (BT) over a period of 40 years as a cable jointer and faultsman retiring at the age of 62 years.

He is married to Sylvia and they have two sons aged 44 and 42 years respectively.

His social activities include an interest in Rugby League, Cricket, Fishing, Walking and is a keen "twitcher" (ornithologist)

His brother-in-law, Clifford Clark, introduced Mick to woodturning and our Club in 2009 and since that time he says they have been inseparable in their involvement together on various projects, so much so that their families refer to them as Tweedle Dum and Tweedle Dee, this isn't the lewd name they are actually referred to as, (Pillock and Prat and neither knows who is which) but we cannot repeat the expletives in this newsletter.

He thanks Clifford for all the dust and shavings in his garage but more importantly for his time and patience in developing Micks interest in turning.

Michael Watmough



Membership Application Form

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