



It's Your Turn

News Sheet of The Outer Turning Circle

Club Details

Membership-£7 per month

The club meets on the 2nd and last Wednesdays of each month at Wyke Community Centre, Green Lane, Wyke from 12 noon till 3pm.

There are 8 lathes mounted at 3 different heights, and associated equipment available for members use.

Senior members are available to provide advice and tuition.

There are two training portfolios for members - beginners and more advanced.

Some specialist equipment is available for hire to members at £3 per month.

All Change

With effect from the AGM in January the Chairmanship has been handed over to Eric Mann, who has been a member since the club's formation and is a very good



P Garlick welcomes Eric Mann

At the same meeting the Secretary also handed over to Doug Hirst, who has been has also been a

turner having won prizes at open competitions. He has always been willing to share his knowledge and expertise, and been involved with many projects to further the club. Welcome Eric



J Boyle welcomes D Hirst

a member since the beginning. Doug has taken on many duties including being responsible for the Web Site, The Newsletter, the Calendar, and creating and holding the club library. In his spare time he was also in charge of the club projector, filming and maker of our DVD's. Welcome Doug.

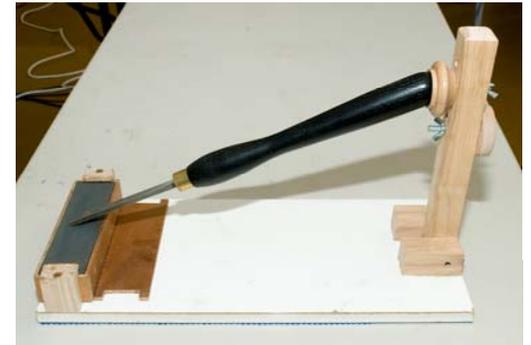
The two people stepping down from these positions, who were the original founders of the club, feel that it is time to hand over to other members who may have fresh thoughts on how we are to develop. Both of them have ongoing health problems and this was also a contributory factor in their decision to stand down. It will be an experience to see the club flourish from the outside as it were, and we are grateful that our Treasurer will continue to look after the accounts.

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IDEAS FORUM



SKREW CHISEL SHARPENING JIG

A simple device that can easily be made from wood available in most of our workshops. The idea came from a woodturner, Marston Howitt, who was doing a demo at Boddy's.

The length of the base can be determined by the length of your chisel plus 1". In my case this was a piece 19" x 9" of white melamine chipboard with a non slip rubber mat glued underneath.

The arm is 12" x 1 3/8" square Ash drilled with 6 Holes 5/16" and 3/4" apart. This arm is hinged by a long bolt through the two mounts that are secured to the base. The bottom of the arm needs to be rounded on the front side to enable it to be moved down towards the base.

The guide cup is turned from 2 1/2" x 1" beech with a 2 1/2" piece of screwed rod glued into it, protruding a minimum of 1 3/4". A selection of spacers would serve to take various length gouges. If this is so the length of rod protruding will have to be longer than stated.

The angle can be checked by observing the bevel on the stone.

Stone is housed in a simple box with loose lid. Mine is a very old dual sided stone needing to be turned over for fine/medium grit.

Once a satisfactory edge is achieved then a few strokes on the fine grit is all that is needed to produce a razor sharp edge.

The chisel is easily sharpened by pushing across the stone back and forth with a few drops of oil.

Now to learn how to use the Skew Chisel!

Contributed by Peter Hendry

Douglas Haigh Passes Away



Douglas Haigh

It is with great regret that we report the death of Douglas Haigh who died peacefully in the BRI.

A number of members attended the memorial service at Brighthouse after the private funeral when John Boyle spoke on behalf of the club.

We offer our condolences to Janet and all members of Doug's family at this time.

He was a club member from the beginning and was only too pleased to offer his wide skills to the members.

He will be remembered in the club by the Douglas Haigh Cup which he donated several years ago to be presented to the winner of the Beginner's Section of the competition and held for one year.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 14th March Work in Progress
- 28th March Joey Richardson Demonstration
- 11th April Work in Progress
- 25th April Work in Progress
- 9th May Work in Progress
- 30th May Bob Chapman
- 13th June Paul Wheeler
- 27th June Work in Progress

11th-13th May Model Engineering Exhibition at Harrogate Show Ground



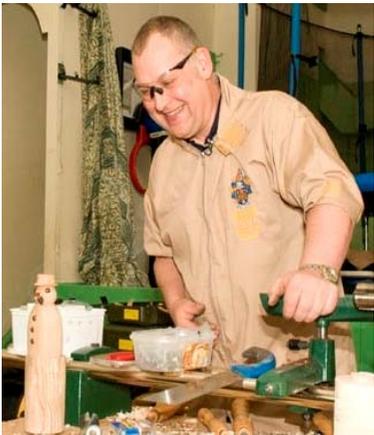
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Andrew Hall in February



Andrew Hall made a welcome return to our club in February and chose to demonstrate how to make a Smoking Snowman. Reports coming in say that these could prove popular, however the hall's fire insurance is not thought capable of covering any accidents caused by snow men with bad habits. This was followed by a Decorated Tea Light Holder. Members were pleased to see Andrew again, and there is little doubt but what he will return at some future date.



Notes from the Shed

Not long ago I had a caller from the 'Can-u-just' brigade. I'm sure you have had them also from time to time, sometimes more often than is good for you.

Somehow he had managed to bypass my security system [my wife at the door] and stood in the shed doorway.

"I've brought a bit a summat for you to see if you can do anything with it" he said. We've heard these words before.

From his pocket he produced what used to be a black king from one of my chess sets made some twenty years before.

"I hope you can do summat, you see there was a big dog..... it won't be coming again."

Upon inspection it appeared that the basket was badly damaged and a new one was needed.

Now, I make all my chess sets traditionally which means they are made up of parts which screw together, so unscrewing from the top should allow me to remove the basket.

Luck was on my side on two counts as the piece came apart and being a black one just needed a replacement making. If the "white" had been damaged there would have been other issues to consider like which wood, grain pattern and final colouring.

As I still make this model, it was straight forward to make a new piece, polish and re-assemble it. Careful here not to leave it too bright and new looking, by cutting the polish back to match the other parts otherwise it will not sit well with it's neighbours.

The gentleman duly came to collect his piece, and passed me a piece of paper which said that all my work was guaranteed for life.

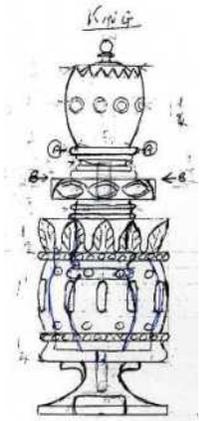
"Is it covered under that or what like?" he asked.

It was my turn to point out that it also says not valid if mis-used, stolen, lost etc

and being chewed by a dog could not be called normal use.

We agreed on some nominal sum and he went away a happy man. You cannot live on this sort of job even if it is a repair to your own work.

The basket fits on the base, and the column and head fit down inside and screw to the base. The Kings are made up of five pieces, the queen is the same to A-A when she has an open crown for a top. When making a set it is prudent to make all the separate parts which are alike as a batch as you go along. Your eye and hand will "remember" the sizes and cuts to make when turning repetitive items which can save a lot of time.



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Report onReport on AGM 2011

The Chairman reported that the club was on a solid footing and the passed year had been up to expectations.

The Secretary said that most of the engagements for 2012 were in place and the new insurance had been negotiated to replace the Northern Federation version.

The Treasurer reported that our finances were in good order and asked if any explanations were needed. There were no questions. The Chairman said he was standing down and Eric Mann was proposed and seconded in this position.

The Secretary said he was going to retire due to ill health and was replaced by Doug Hirst ,who was duly proposed and seconded.

John Boyle was to become the members co-opted member of the committee, and also the 2nd Auditor, all voted in favour.

Peter Hendry was appointed in charge of Photography and the Video System etc assisted by John Andrews.All in favour.

Bob Swaine has had to resign from the Assets post and will be replaced by John Charles Jones.All voted for.

Any other sub committee members will remain the same for the forthcoming year.

It is hoped to re-book the same venue for Christmas 2012.

Membership Application Form

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