



# 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 Thursday of each month at Westfield United Reform Church, Westfield Lane, Wyke BD129BY 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.

### Didn't They Do Well



It must surely have crossed their minds did they do the right thing twelve months ago. They have surely had a testing time over the last few weeks. Quick thinking and a lot of effort was needed before Xmas to find and equip new premises to enable us to function as normal. John boyle must be thanked for finding the possible venue. The alternative, being closure, was not even a consideration.

There are other people who should also have a mention on this page. Those who gave their time and skill to make alterations to the new building to suit our

needs, and others who likewise made the removal possible by providing time and transport for our equipment to be moved safely. There was also another unsung hero who provided the necessary skills to check the electric provision and make alterations where necessary. On behalf of the club members we must thank you all. Much has been achieved during the past year for the benefit of all members and the community at large and we are hoping that 2013 will be a little less hectic but nonetheless enjoyable and productive.

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### Crackle Touch Project by Clifford Clarke

For this Project we will be using Plasti-Kote. a two part system.



Figure 1

Step 1 is Gold

Step 2 is Black

**NB The products must be used in the correct order to achieve the desired effect**



Figure 2

Turn a bowl, any size, with a rim and chucking point. The chucking point will be used later to re-mount the work. Sand the piece through the desired grades. 600 was my final grade. A smooth finish seems to give a better final result.



Figure 3

Finish the interior with the product of your choice. In this instance EEE Ultra Shine was used. The rim and lip should be left natural. Nothing applied at all at this stage.



**Figure 4**

Mask the interior of the bowl.



**Figure 5**

Using the Step 1 Gold Tin, at a distance of about 12", spray the rim, working in the direction of the grain.

A heavier coating may be required for end grain.



**Figure 6**

While the first coat is still tacky, apply step 2 Black tin. The crackle effect will develop within 5 minutes, and should be left to dry for about 2 hours.



**Figure 7**

Remount the piece and cut back the rim and lip to expose the bare wood. Remove the masking tape from the centre.



**Figure 8**

Spray the rim with the finish of your choice. In this case acrylic satin lacquer.



**Figure 9**

This technique can be used on various shapes and styles of work.

Examples used in this project are made from Conker, Ash, Oak, and Sycamore

Different effects may be achieved by applying further coats. For example a light coat of Step 2 will produce a smaller crackle effect, whilst a heavier coat produces a larger crackle effect. Other factors which affect the outcome include temperature and the type of timber used. Room temperature is ideal.

*Obviously at some point it is necessary to reverse the item to finish and polish the underside. After completing Figure 7 would seem the appropriate time.*

*Crackle is available from numerous sources and there is a choice of 2 base colours, Gold and Brown, and 3 top coats, Black, Gold, and Cream .*

*Many thanks to Clifford for taking the time to get the material for this article together. I am sure he will offer any further information or help to anyone wanting to have a go.Ed*

## Report on AGM held on 31st January 2013

The Minutes of the AGM 2012 were accepted and no matters were raised.

**Secretary's Report**– The Secretary said there was a learning curve to his and the chairman's job but they were getting there slowly. He reported that the membership is holding steady at about 35. The passing of Frank Unwin during the year was duly noted. Posters and fliers have been produced to hand out at events and members were encouraged to take some to give to family or friends or any other person who may wish to join the club. Membership cards were introduced during the year mainly to gain discount at Turners Retreat but would serve a similar purpose at other meets.

Concern was expressed about how we look after our new members. It was suggested that the training manuals were not being used as intended nor was the mentoring system working fully. It is important that we do not become a cliqueish club and exclude new members from taking part.

Concern was expressed that some members were not getting a fair share of the equipment available and to this end was there need to change over operators of lathes at half time. It was decided that a close watch would be kept on this situation to see if fair play would prevail.

During the past year we had 4 demonstrations by professional turners and 5 by members.

In 2012 we attended a local Church Fete, a Charity Event at the Robin Hood and did another Harry Potter Day at Silsden, for which the members provided 150 wands.

The competition was a success attracting some 29 entries and the standard was to a high standard.

The Party at the Robin Hood was enjoyed by all again.

We were given £250 from the Bradford Council Community Chest

which enabled us to buy a portable lathe to take to events.

A crisis loomed when we were told the then venue would be closed and put up for sale. Quick action to find another venue or face closure were the options. Thanks to John Boyle for finding the present venue. and the help he has given the club.

**Chairman's Report** The Chairman thanked all those who had helped him in his duties.

The club has acquired a new lathe for demo purposes with the help of a Council Grant.

He wished to place on record his thanks to all those who helped with the considerable task of preparing the new premises and the ensuing removal. Also the electrical work which was undertaken. Health and Safety arrangements for the new venue were outlined.

**Treasurers Report** The previous year's deficit had almost been wiped out due to fewer demonstrations and also the generous donations from members.

We have bought some items and also there were considerable costs involved in moving premises. The coming year should see a more stable financial position.

**Constitution Changes** It was proposed that there should be provision for Honorary Membership. The ruling now applies as follows: Individuals who are elected to honorary membership by a majority vote at an AGM or EGM. Nominations may be made on the grounds of outstanding contributions to the clubs activity or a national/international in the wood turning fraternity. Persons elected will not be expected to pay subscriptions.

The following members were elected as honorary members; Philip Garlick and John Boyle.

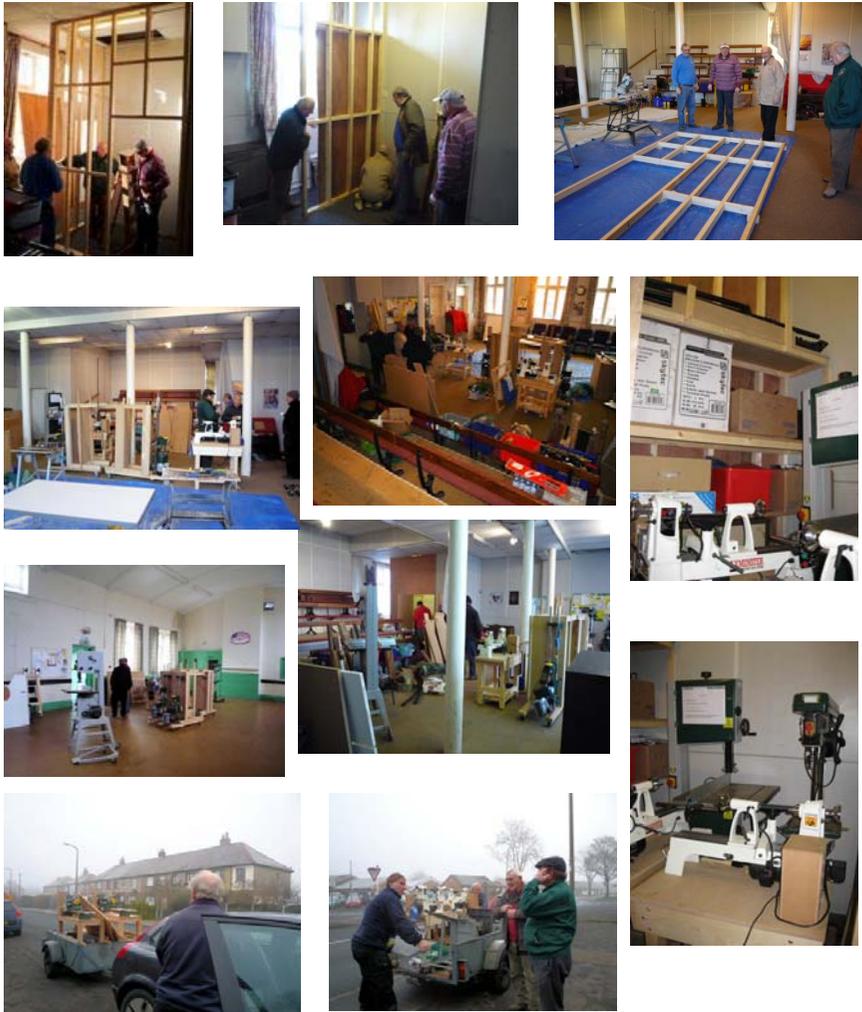
**A.O.B.** It was proposed and seconded that the refreshment charges should be increased to £1.

The issue of use of lathes was left to common courtesy for now. Help was requested to put away the lathes etc on time and it was agreed all would make an effort.

The secretary asked for more volunteers to give demos.

## Moving House

Just some of the work needed to be done to move us into the current premises.



## Annual Competition 2012

This was judged by Reg Slack, who passed on his comments as to how to win or at least come nearer!1

The winners were presented with their trophies at the Christmas Party.

Beginners 1st John Shaw 2nd David Jones

Intermediates 1st Tony Canfer 2nd Colin bell

Seniors 1st Paul Wheeler 2nd Eric Mann





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Derrick Kirkland



Peter Hendry 363



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Clifford Clarke



347

Paul Wheeler



Peter Hendry 355



15

David Jones



187

Jack Brooking



Eric Mann 357



353

355

Doug Hirst



327

Robin McDermott



371

Bob Boyce



163

Tony Carter



10

David Jones



351

Frank Storey



167



388

Bob Boyce



2

John Shaw



319

Paul Wheeler



323

Frank Storey

## Christmas Party 2012



Your Secretary has produced leaflets to give to anyone remotely interested in joining our club. Please see Doug and take some with you.

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