



SHORT REVIEW...

We were pleased to welcome Alan Hazel who returned to once again demonstrate his skill in spindle turning. He had been asked to show us something larger than his trademark lace bobbins and in the first half of the evening he produced a lamp stand.

Alan was using some pieces of pine and had to join 2 lengths together to make the shaft. He suggested that it is preferable to turn it round working from each end to the middle. He pointed out that if we do use pine we should use joinery grade as builders pine will have too coarse a grain to get a good finish. Having roughed down the shaft Alan bored a hole through the centre using an augur fed through a hollow tail stock (pic 1). When drilling through the centre it is important not to try to go through all in one go as the augur will jam - go in 1 inch at a time and pull it out to clear the swarf.

Alan mocked up a drive centre (pic 2) to hold the end of the shaft so it can be turned round to shape the square end (pic 3). Having shaped the shaft he attempted to use an Ashley Iles beading tool but found it didn't work well on the pine. He commented that the best way to get a perfect cylinder is practice (or buy a metal turning lathe), plus patience and sometimes a lot of abrasive!

The base was started by pressing the wood onto the chuck with the tailstock and turning a spigot to be held in the chuck. The base was shaped, domed to feed the cable through and drilled with the augur. The base was reversed and held with the chuck jaws inside the dome to finish off the outside (pic 5). The most important part of the shaping was to make sure the hole in the base exactly matches the shaft spigot - Alan measures with calipers, marks on the top of the base and removes wood with a parting tool making a slight under-cut on the edge (pics 6 and 7). The wire can either be fed up from the bottom or a hole can be drilled in the side of the base. If anyone needs to check the rules and regulations concerning the electrical wiring of lamps it can be found at www.lampmaker.co.uk.

The 2nd half of the evening saw Alan producing a Christmas tree, which he decorated with felt tip pens, glue and glitter, and a Snowman (instructions in the December edition of Woodturning) (pic 8). The evening finished off with a quick demonstration of making a lace bobbin and creating a spiral decoration (pic 9).

We agreed it was an enjoyable and informative evening.

RAFFLE...

This month we have a Christmas variety of prizes which will include: a book written and signed by Binh Pho, the famous turner, an electric drill and a very useful set of shelves, to name but a few of the items. Excellent value at just £1.00 a ticket.



THIS MONTH...

On 21st December we have our Christmas Social together with the **Frank Clarke Competition** - don't forget your entries. See Page 2 for more details of the evening's entertainment. See Page 4 for information about the AGM and next year's programme.

We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 21st December

November 2011

NOVEMBER TABLE...

Members work shown at the November meeting



DEMONSTRATIONS...

Tudor Rose are having an all day demo by **Eli Avisera** on Sunday 18th March 2012. As far as we know this will be Eli's only UK demo next year so Tudor Rose are hoping for a good attendance.

Eli is one of the leading wood art masters in and his beautifully decorated creations are shown in many exhibitions both locally and around the world - see his website gallery - <http://www.avisera.co.il/gallery.php>

It will be held in the Phoenix Centre Ashby Rd, Daventry, Northamptonshire NN11 0QE, it is the building next to Tudor Rose headquarters.

Tickets are £15.00 each and it is from 10.00 am till 4.00 pm with a buffet lunch. Anyone interested to contact me on geoffrey.freeman@homecall.co.uk or Martin Harper on martinharperuk@aol.co.uk.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL...

We're looking forward to a good turnout on **Wednesday 21st December** for our annual Christmas meeting:

- See how good your knowledge of wood is with the **Wood Identification Competition**
- **Bring and Buy sale** - woodturning related
- Show off your speed skills in the **10 minute turn** - making a Christmas decoration in 10 minutes.
- New website presentation
- Bumper raffle
- Hilary will be bringing her wood and silver jewellery for sale (so bring your partners).
- **Frank Clarke competition** - we look forward to seeing competition entries. Can those of you who won **Frank Clarke** trophies last year please return them (hopefully beautifully polished)



All your contributions to the food and drink are very welcome to make it an enjoyable evening for all.

REMINDERS...

Can we please remind members to make sure we have your up-to-date details. If you move, change your phone number, or most likely, your email address, please let Trevor Etherington, membership secretary, know so that we can keep in touch - particularly so we can send you the e-shot!

Email: tjetherington@googlemail.com

Phone: 01372 738788

Record Lathe:

Our Record DML 305 lathe and stand together with tools and chuck have been booked for December and January.

If you wish to take advantage of this loan scheme, please let Brian Ash have your details (phone: 0208 642 8108, email: brianash@virginmedia.com).

To comply with the Club insurance, the kit has to be signed in and out again each month.

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WOOD SUPPLIES...



Zambian Rosewood

There's something new at Loseley Park, which is the estate of the More-Molyneux family, just outside of Godalming. The Park contains a manor House, gardens and the Estate is often used for events and craft fairs. Now there is another reason to go to Loseley: there is a timber supplier based on the Estate. For the last three months or so, Surrey Timbers have been based at Unit 5 on the Home Farm Business Park.

Surrey Timbers is owned and run by Kevin Bolger who has an extensive knowledge of African timber and Bill West who between them have over 30 years experience in the timber industry . Both started their timber careers in South Africa , Kevin is now based in the UK and will be managing Surrey Timbers and Bill is based in the USA and has a business called Exotic Lumber. Kevin supplies timber in planks and has a stock of woodturning blanks, including some lovely Zambian Rosewood. For full details of stock and opening times do check out the website at www.surreytimbers.co.uk (they do not open in the mornings during the week)

Kevin says "We will be bringing our unique sales concept to the UK in February 2010 . We will be offering a wide range of hardwoods and softwoods , both local and exotic timbers as well as a selection of turning blanks .

We will be offering a basic machining service as well as a warehouse where you can come and select your own pack or piece of timber "

If you do go down to Loseley, then Unit 5 is found by driving past Unit 6 and then turning left into the next entrance and then bearing immediately left. Unit 5 is then on your right.

Do let Kevin know you are from Cheam Woodturners - he will be pleased to see you.

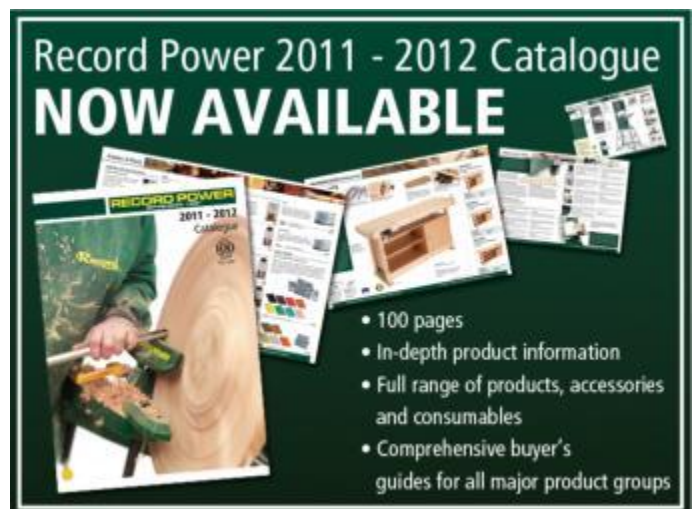
David Buskell

THE WOODTURNERS LOVE GOBLET

With Christmas and Valentine's day in mind, Gordon Cookson thought you might be interested to investigate further the history of the Woodturner's Love Goblet. He found an article in The Woodturner (Volume 3, issue 4) by Les Grantham and a similar article can be found on **Turners' Toolbox** ([click here for link](#)).

Briefly, the Love Goblet probably originated in the 16th century and is traditionally around 6 inches tall and 3 inches diameter with 1-3 captive rings representing how much the woodturner feels for his love. There is a legend that as long as the goblet keeps in good condition the love of the woodturner for his maiden will stay true.

FREE CATALOGUE...



Record Power 2011 - 2012 Catalogue
NOW AVAILABLE

- 100 pages
- In-depth product information
- Full range of products, accessories and consumables
- Comprehensive buyer's guides for all major product groups

Record Power have announced their new free catalogue with in depth information. It can be requested by registering and logging into the **Record Power website** or can be **viewed online** where you need to click on the bottom right hand corner of the screen to turn the pages.

ONLINE VIDEO...

Craft in America is a show on the Public Broadcasting Service, which features craft artists from around the United States. A recent episode, titled Family, explores the story of four craft artist families, including the Moulthorps who were/are pioneers in woodturning in the USA and represent three generations of wood turning using native southeastern woods. This link opens a YouTube video



If you have any comments, corrections, or items to add, please contact e-shot editor Hilary - hsinclair@blueyonder.co.uk

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING...

Notice of Annual General Meeting and Open Forum to be held on Wednesday 18th January 2012

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To receive and adopt the minutes of the AGM held on Wednesday, 19th January 2011.
3. To receive and adopt the Chairman's Report of the previous year's working.
4. To receive and adopt the Honorary Secretary's Report for the previous year.
5. To receive and adopt the Treasurer's Report and statement of accounts covering the financial affairs of the previous year.
6. To elect a Chairman, a Secretary, a Treasurer and three committee members for the following year. (see note below)
7. To fix the annual subscription for the ensuing year, following submission of a committee recommendation.
8. Any other business.

By order of the Committee,

David Buskell FCIS, Honorary Secretary

Please note that any item for discussion under item 8 to be forwarded in writing to the Honorary Secretary at: Woodlands, 52 Upper Selsdon Road, South Croydon, Surrey, CR2 8DE by no later than 4th January 2012.

Nomination forms for the officers and committee vacancies are available from the Honorary Secretary on request and will be available at the December meeting.

The AGM will be followed by an Open Forum in which members may raise issues for discussion. Prior notification of any topics to be discussed would be appreciated.

Please don't forget that we need offers of help to run Cheam Woodturners as the existing officers and committee members all stand down at this AGM. The existing Committee members can offer themselves for re-election.

PROGRAMME 2012...

Bob Higgins has been busy working on next year's programme and has produced the following. All the dates are Wednesdays as usual:

18 January	AGM
15 February	Les Thorne RPT
21 March	Mark Baker RPT
18 April	Club Night Practical evening
16 May	John Davis RPT
20 June	Club Night
18 July	Gary Rance RPT
15 August	Olympic club night competition
19 September	Greg Morton RPT
17 October	Club Night
21 November	Club Night Practical evening
19 December	Social and Frank Clarke

If any members have any suggestions as to what they would like to see for both the club nights and the demonstrators, please let Bob Higgins know (email bobhiggins@virginmedia.com) and he will do his best to investigate. Otherwise you get what **Bob** wants!

SUBSCRIPTIONS 2012...

The Committee have approved the subscription rates for 2012 - to remain at £50, which includes membership of AWGB. However if existing members pay by the AGM a reduced rate of £45 will be charged.

So don't forget to bring your cheque books to the meeting!



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