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February Meeting

On 21st February we welcome Greg Moreton an Ex member of Cheam Woodturners. Greg is a professional woodturner and in 1996 was invited to join the Register of Professional Turners, held by the Worshipful Company of Turners, he produces beautiful turned pieces from predominantly British and recycled woods. Greg exhibits internationally and at selected galleries. He offers courses for individuals or up to two students in his workshop in Claygate, Surrey. See his web site www.moreton.co.uk

His demonstration will be :-

A log to natural edged bowl . Covering the various drying methods he uses, and go on to cover turning an end grain bowl.

Raffle

As usual there will be our raffle, with excellent prizes giving great value for the price of £1 per ticket.

Cheam Woodturner Association

The Chairman's report

The success of the club is based upon you, the membership, and your involvement to varying degrees in supporting their Committee. 2017 has been another excellent year for the Cheam Woodturners Association.

I thank the Committee for their sterling work throughout 2017. Each member of the committee has through their individual responsibilities ensured the ongoing success of the club. Unfortunately, mid-term due to work commitments Alex Bellringer resigned from the committee. The club is indebted to David Buskell for fulfilling the role of communications officer over recent months. Often as the AGM draws near Committee Members advise that they will be resigning at the end of the year. After many years on the committee Bob Higgins is resigning as events officer. Thanks to Bob's organisation skills the club enjoyed a varied array of demonstrations through 2017 and he has planned an equally varied array for 2018. I consider a vote of thanks is due to him.

We must not forget all the club's volunteer members who fulfil a variety of roles each time we meet. I thank them for all their endeavours. If not already more involved, and you would like to become more involved with the running of the club, your assistance would be most welcome. A specific need relates to the E-News. Two members have volunteered to assist with reporting aspects; however, the e-News is still looking for a new editor. Chris Taylor has successfully edited the E-New on a temporary basis since the previous editor stood down over eighteen months ago. Chris also successfully fulfils his responsibilities as our membership secretary. The Club is at a point where a new editor is needed. Do we have a budding Rupert Murdoch amongst us?

At this point I would like to thank all members, who through their generosity donated £151 to the Royal Marsden Cancer Charity via the charity collection boxes when having refreshments at meetings.

Last March, in conjunction with the East Surrey Woodturners, Cheam co-hosted a full week-end of demonstrations by Colin Simpson.

The Sunday demonstration here in Cheam was enjoyed by those members who attended. Other all-day events could form part of the club's programme if more support from members could be assured.

An innovation for Cheam in 2017 was the hosting of a video demonstration by Lyle Jamieson from America. This two-way video event was hosted by Epsom College who were able to provide the technology required. Our thanks go to David Buskell and Bob Higgins for arranging the event.

As a committee, we try to take on board the suggestions of members. If you want anything in particular to happen at meetings; then please let us know. Similarly, if you consider that something can be improved then again please let us know. The difficult we can achieve, the impossible will take a little longer.

The club has been represented at a series of fetes and festivals during 2017 successfully demonstrating and displaying. A new event for the club in 2017 was the Nonsuch Town and Country Show held in Nonsuch Park. This was a two-day event at which nine members participated. An invitation for the Club to take part in the 2018 Nonsuch Show over the late May Bank Holiday weekend has been accepted.

There will be plenty of opportunities during the coming year for those members who have not been involved in club demonstrations and displays to participate. All events will be notified in the E-News. The success of the Club is dependant upon gaining new members and retaining them with an interesting programme. The professional demonstrators are a key and popular feature of the Club's programme and for 2018 there will be seven.

Your committee has looked into new ways of marketing the club and finding new members. We have now had a Facebook account for just over a year and recently David Buskell has introduced the Club to Twitter. The Club's flyers have been updated during the year and we now post our meetings on the 'What's on in Cheam' Calendar. However, one of the most productive ways of making ourselves known to the community is our participation in external events.

The Club's aim is to maintain its high standards and with your collaboration 2018 will be another successful year.

Derek Dowle, Chairman

The AGM for all those members who could not make the meeting.

The club has experienced some mishaps in the past when attempting to project videos on to the screen with sound. Thanks to research by David Buskell the club enjoyed viewing a video of Jimmy Clewes turning one of the three items he turned during his one-day demonstration in November 2013.

Revisiting the demonstration was interesting as Jimmy had some very useful turning tips.

Last year the Club hosted a very successful live video link at Epsom College of Lyle Jamieson demonstrating from the United States. Proving that we can now project both audio and vision with our existing equipment is a stepping stone to having live video demonstrations in the future at the Elmcroft Centre once a suitable internet/wi-fi link is secured. The Club is considering investing in new audio-visual equipment to enhance our future experiences.



John Fenn the club treasurer reported that the clubs finances are in excellent order meaning a bright future for 2018. Having increased the number of demonstrators in 2017 we are able to repeat this for 2018.

David Whiting the club Secretary reported on the work he carried out in 2017 responding to the copious number of emails he receives. He now has to check his in box on a daily basis on the clubs behalf.

Chris Taylor the membership secretary stated the membership for 2018 is still strong with only four members not renewing their membership. Thank you to all members for their prompt payment of subscriptions and remember on the back of the new membership cards there is a list of the dates of club meetings and the programme of demonstrators we have for 2018. I have been producing the e-news on a temporary basis since November 2015 when Ron Grace went on Holiday and then had medical issues. In all that time only one member has written an article or experience he wanted to share.

The News letter is only as good as the members contributions. Please become more involved and pass on your valuable information and experiences that may help other members with their woodturning.

Bob Higgins the out going events organizer stated that a great many demonstrators are reluctant to travel and demonstrate for only an evening. The M25 and the traffic situation in London makes trying to get to and from our venue difficult. A difficulty a number of clubs must be experiencing.

A big thank you to all the 41 members who attended and participated in the AGM. No major headlines other than to record the Committee for the coming year.

CHEAM WOODTURNERS COMMITTEE FOR 2018

Chairman: DEREK DOWLE

Secretary: DAVID WHITING

Treasurer: JOHN FENN

Member 1: DAVID BUSKELL

Member 2: CHRIS TAYLOR

Member 3: FRANCOIS GREEFF

On the January show table



A good turn out of turned items on the show table.



An ash bowl with wenge segments with a Danish oil finish. By Chris Taylor



A number of balls all turned on a jig by Jamie Shears.



A cherry bowl turned by Bob Higgins leaving a natural edge on one side. Finished with wax.



John Wood produced this elm bowl with wax finish and this other item from a recycled piece of mahogany window frame.

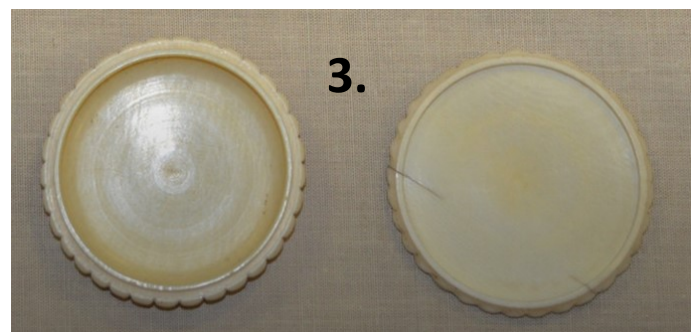
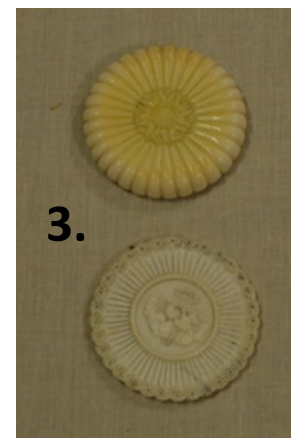
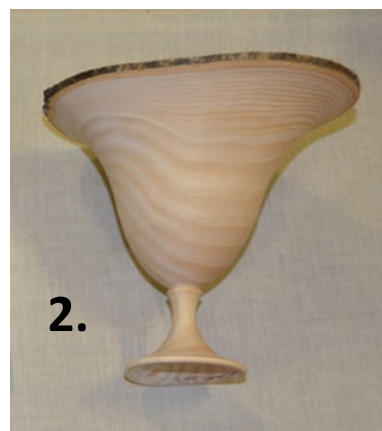


Bob also produced this Oak leaf made from oak.





Jamie Shears produced this hornbeam bowl with an interesting decorative signed base.



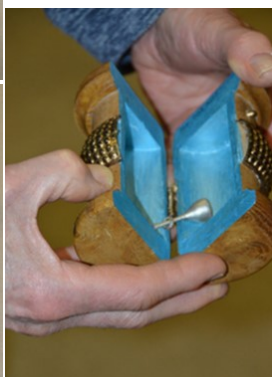
1. Texas ebony square edged bowl.
2. Natural edged bowl inspired by Jimmy Clewes DVD
3. Gordon Cookson brought in a carved box turned in Dieppe 1880/90 with ornamental work, bought from a dealer on Dickenson's real deal .
4. Derek Dowle produced this bowl finished with sanding sealer and wax, inspired by Derek Horner's article 'leaf shaped bowl' in issue 313 Winter 2017 of Woodturning magazine.

Best on show was Neil Innes

Three boxes by Neil Innes were chosen for the innovative way he



incorporated bangles bought from a charity shop into his box making.



Two Bottle tops and a segmented bowl By Francois Greefe

Club Displays and Demonstrations

The Club takes part in externally organised events, in part, to make the local community aware that a successful woodturning club exists on their doorstep and to entice people to consider joining the club. Each event is open for all members to participate. This may be just displaying work, demonstrating woodturning, meeting and greeting visitors or a mix of all three.

Please contact either Derek Dowle or Trevor Etherington if you would like to take part.

The events listed are those which the club will be attending in 2018.

Event	Date	Contact
Nonsuch Town & Country Show	Setup Saturday 26 May Show Sunday 27 and Monday 28 May	Derek Dowle
Ashted Village Day	Saturday 9 June	Trevor Etherington
Belmont Festival	Sunday 8 July	Derek Dowle
Oriel Park Trifest	September (date to be advised)	Trevor Etherington

Externally Organised Events

During the recent AGM the committee were asked to consider events which members might like to attend and which the club would subsidize the cost. To start the ball rolling the list below shows the events currently being advertised. If members consider that one of the following will fit the bill then please let a committee member know.

Midlands Woodworking and Power Tool Show	23-24 March 18	www.nelton.co.uk/midlands-woodworking-power-tool-show.html
Yandles & Sons Woodworking Show	13-14 April 18	www.yandles.co.uk/event/1-yandles-woodworking-show
Makers Central	5-6 May 18	www.makerscentral.co.uk
Woodworks@Daventry	11-12 May 18	www.tudor-rose-turners.co.uk
The Toolpost Open House	2-3 June 18	www.toolpost.co.uk
Yandles & Sons Woodworking Show	7-8 September 18	www.yandles.co.uk

Members please note the December meeting is being brought forward one week to the 12th December due to Christmas commitments.

2018 Programme

February 21th :- Greg Moreton
 March 21th :- Jason Breach
 April 18th :- Club Night
 May 16th :- Martin Saban-Smith
 June 20st :- Club Night
 July 18th :- Ed Oliver
 August 15th :- Club Night
 Sept 19th :- Stewart Furini
 Oct 17th :- Pat O'Connell
 Nov 21st :- Paul Nesbitt
 Dec 12th :- Xmas Social and Frank Clarke Competition

Congratulations

to the following members who have been members of Cheam Woodturners for over 10 years.

	Years
Brian Ash	17
Chris Barrett	11
Graeme Boast	17
Tony Bryan	17
David Buskell	17
Brian Chaves	17
Jeff Cordery	17
Gordon Cookson	16
David Dawson	17
Trevor Etherington	11
Ron Grace	16
Richard Hoodless	17
Neil Innes	15
Geoff Knight	17
Roger Marsden	17
Douglas Moore	14
David Morgan	15
Patrick Pierce	16
John Power	11
Tom Seakins	17
Malcolm Squires	13
John Sutton	15
Peter Westermann	17

Deadline for the March issue of the e-newsletter is

Feb 28th

If you have any article or information you would like included in the e-news.

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