



# MID WALES WOODTURNERS

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The Association of Woodturners of Great Britain

## Newsletter : January 2020

### JANUARY MEETING

Our chairman John Morgan will be demonstrator at the January meeting on the 19th. I'm sure John will have some interesting projects to show you on the day. We will also have our usual attractions of the club library, the raffle, the sharpening system and Beth's selection of hot food and snacks available on the day.

### NOVEMBER "HANDS ON"

by John Morgan

The theme which I prepared included surface decoration, carving, incising, and piercing.

This made use of the Proxxon drill/grinder and the long neck angle grinder. Dremel have similar tools with all bits and cutters interchangeable. Beware the switches on Proxxon tools are a simple rocker switch which can easily be turned on by accident or even putting it back in the box with the cable. Always check before plugging to the mains.

I had prepared a few vase blanks so that the outside could be decorated. The first burr we used was the Saburrtooth spherical shape 9.5mm. This was easy to use and very controllable over the depth of cut. Random or even patterns could be achieved. Try a band near the top or follow the grain lines, lots of possibilities. Then you could add colour stains, burn lines etc. We also used the Saburrtooth cutter which is the shape of a £1.00 coin. Very effective. There are also very small HSS shapes available, they are smaller than a pea. So are ideal for small detail like the lids of boxes or the tops of small bowls. Again easy to use.

We then moved on to the long neck grinder. This was fitted with the 50mm cutter which has a chain saw type edge. This was quite aggressive so I would recommend wearing a leather glove on the left hand. Deep, shallow straight and curved cuts were very quickly done. I then changed this cutter to the Saburrtooth round face disc 50mm carbide disc. This proved to be easy to control and quite aggressive, so it removed a lot of wood. I used this tool to remove the last part of a spigot after reverse turning a bowl.

The last part was using the Proxxon drill/grinder with a small piercing bit fitted. I had prepared a platter with a wide rim which could be pierced. It is most important that this rim is thin, less than 2mm in thickness. Joey Richardson in her demo to us went to 1mm!! Piercing takes a lot longer so be patient and have a break now

## 2020

### PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

#### Carno Community Centre

January 19th : 10:30 - 4:30

John Morgan

February 16th : 1:30 - 4:30

A.G.M.

March 15th : 10:30 - 4:30

Jay Heryet

April 19th : 10:30 - 4:30

Colwin Way (T.B.C)

May 17th : 10:30 - 4:30

Robin Barlow

Jun 28th : 10:30 - 4:30

Keith Fenton

July 19th : 10:30 - 4:30

Joey Richardson (T.B.C)

August 23rd : 1:30 - 4:30

"Hands On"

September 20th : 10:30 - 4:30

Rick Dobney

October 18th : 10:30 - 4:30

Jason Breach

November 15th : 1:30 - 4:30

"Hands On"

and then.

The Proxxon drill grinder is the most versatile with lots of different shapes in the Saburrtooth range. This can then be used a wide range of small and large projects.

All of the above techniques produce a lot of very fine dust so you must take the necessary protection measures.

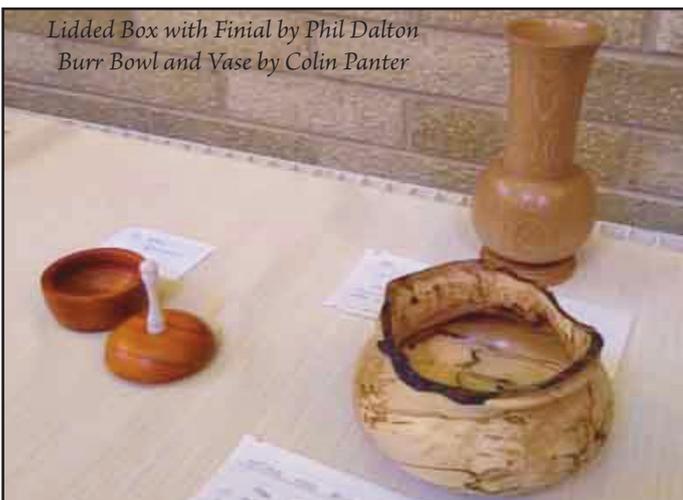
# HANDS ON



*Some of John Morgans Textured and Coloured work.*



*Christmas Decorations by Fiona Powell*



*Lidded Box with Finial by Phil Dalton  
Burr Bowl and Vase by Colin Panter*



*Paul Williams texturing under the guidance of John Morgan*

## **WANTED RAFFLE PRIZES**

*Please remember to bring something for the raffle table at the next club meeting on 19th January.*

### **MEETING COSTS**

Members : £9 each, Family Members : £15 per family  
Guests of members : £10 each, Non-members : £15 each

### **CLUB CONTACTS**

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