



MID WALES WOODTURNERS

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MARCH MEETING

We've something a bit different for our March meeting - Mike Painter is a highly skilled Master Carver who will be demonstrating wood carving techniques. You can see examples of his work on his website www.mikepainter.co.uk. Mike was due to be with us in January, but unfortunately had to postpone his visit until March.

LIBRARY STORAGE

We are still looking for volunteers who could offer storage for our club library, and transport it to and from our meetings. There are two wheeled plastic boxes containing the books and DVDs - which really need to be kept indoors to prevent damage, and two toolboxes containing the tools - these could be kept in a workshop, garage or shed.

You don't have to offer to take the whole lot - one person could look after the books, and another the tools. You would have the benefit of having access to the contents of library - and be able to read any of the books, watch any of the DVDs, and use any of the tools that are not out on loan! If you think you might be able to help with this, please let our Chairman, John Morgan know.



2017

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Carno Community Centre

March 19th : 11:00 - 5:00

Mike Painter

April 23rd : 11:00 - 5:00

Mark Baker

May 21st : 11:00 - 5:00

Emma Cook

June 25th : 11:00 - 5:00

Paul Hannaby

July 16th : 11:00 - 5:00

Les Thorne

August 13th : 1:30 - 5:00

"Hands On"

September 17th : 11:00 - 5:00

Gerry Marlow

October 22nd : 11:00 - 5:00

Nick Agar

November 19th : 1:30 - 5:00

"Hands On"

WANTED RAFFLE PRIZES

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

▶ Pwl Peppiatt demonstrates roughing a bowl from the freshly-fallen rowan that took out his telephone line in the last storm!

2017 AGM REPORT

The club AGM was held on 19th February 2017.

1. Apologies for absence were received from Phil Dalton, Chris Hart and David Payne.

2. The minutes of the 2016 AGM were approved. The only matter arising from these was that of meeting fees, which will be covered later by the Treasurer.

3. The Chairman's report was included with the February Newsletter. The Chairman reminded the meeting that the club is looking for volunteers to store the club library.

4. The Secretary reported that she has not yet heard back from Axminster Power Tools regarding the setting up of their discount scheme for club members.

5. The Treasurer handed out his report to all in attendance. To summarise, the club's finances are in a much healthier state than last two years - with just over £4000 in the bank - and this is without any large donations of wood or equipment to the club over the last year. The new, simplified, accounting system based on paper records taken at each meeting and Excel spreadsheets is working well.

6. The Publicity Secretary reported that she usually manages to get the publicity out to the various newspapers on time and that all meetings are also publicised on the club website.

7. Elections were held for all committee posts. All previous committee members agreed to continue in post for the coming year, and the following committee was elected unanimously:

Chairman :	John Morgan
Vice Chairman :	Mike Butterfield
Secretary :	Kym Price
Treasurer :	Les Symonds
Program Secretary :	Gwynne Stephens
Publicity Secretary :	Meke Kommers
Librarian :	Colin Panter.

Pwl Peppiatt, David Payne, and John Williams also agreed to serve on the club committee. Pwl to maintain and transport the club's equipment, John to assist with the club library at meetings, and David had already

agreed to continue as a committee member without portfolio.

8. It was unanimously agreed that Ceri Davies continue as the club's Honourary Auditor.

9. The Treasurer's recommendation that there should be no increase to meeting or membership fees this year was unanimously agreed.

10. The only A.O.B. was a suggestion that a list of club members and their contact details should be made available to club members who requested this. However, due to Data Protection issues, it was agreed that club members wanting to contact other club members outside of club meetings should contact the Club Secretary on an ad-hoc basis for this information.

The formal part of the AGM was followed by a short "Hands-On" session. Pwl Peppiatt demonstrated both a home made pattern scraper held in the tailstock of the lathe to make decorative doorknobs, and the roughing of bowls from freshly felled wet timber. John Morgan demonstrating the turning of acrylic materials.



Nice selection of pomanders by Bryn Edwards, inspired by Les Symond's demonstration in January.

MEETING COSTS

Members : £9 each, Family Members : £15 per family
Guests of members : £10 each, Non-members : £15.00 each

CLUB CONTACTS

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