



# MID WALES WOODTURNERS

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The Association of Woodturners of Great Britain

## Newsletter : September 2017

### SEPTEMBER MEETING

We have Gerry Marlow back with us again for our September meeting. For those of you who don't know Gerry, he is an entertaining demonstrator who makes a variety of interesting projects and passes on many useful and money-saving turning tips. Please note that the sharpening system will not be available at this meeting.

### CATERING

Beth let us know well in advance that she would be unable to do the food for the September meeting. The committee have made alternative arrangements using our own expertise. Tea and coffee as usual. There will be food available at 10.30. lunchtime and mid-afternoon.

Please help by returning cups, or better still help with washing up or filling the tea urn with hot water throughout the day.

### MEETING TIMES

In order to assist demonstrators (and members) who travel a long distance to us, we will be testing ending our meetings half an hour early at 4:30pm rather than 5pm. The extra half hour will hopefully be recovered from lunch and afternoon tea & raffle breaks.

### BULK BUYING

Les Symonds (our Treasurer) will be buying Cellulose Sanding Sealer and Renaissance Wax in bulk, and may be in a position to offer some for sale to club members at considerably lower than retail prices.

Please let Les know if you are interested, either at the next meeting or on 0167 852 1235 or [treasurer@midwaleswoodturners.com](mailto:treasurer@midwaleswoodturners.com).

## 2017/2018

### PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

*Carno Community Centre*

September 17th : 11:00 - 4:30

*Gerry Marlow*

October 22nd : 11:00 - 4:30

*Nick Agar*

November 19th : 1:30 - 4:30

*"Hands On"*

January 21st : 11:00 - 4:30

*TBC*

February 18th : 1:30 - 4:30

*A.G.M*

March 18th : 11:00 - 4:30

*TBC*

April 15th : 11:00 - 4:30

*TBC*

May 20th : 11:00 - 4:30

*Chris Foweraker*

June 17th : 11:00 - 4:30

*Andrew Hall*

July 15th : 11:00 - 4:30

*Dave Atkinson*

August 12th : 1:30 - 4:30

*"Hands On"*

September 16th : 11:00 - 4:30

*George Foweraker*

October 21st : 11:00 - 4:30

*TBC*

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## HANDS ON

Our August "Hands-On" meeting we had several different techniques demonstrated with opportunities for members to try them out for themselves.

John started off the day with the basics of turning acrylics for small handles such as paper knives, cheese knives, bottle openers.

He had also brought his air-brush kit with him for people to try out - which proved very popular.



He then turned a simple platter and demonstrated air-brushing graduated colours on the rim.

Kym gave a demonstration of how she uses a



▲ Airbrush kit set up for members to have a go themselves

buffing system to polish work finished using Osmo oil. This type of finishing produces a durable finish that is resistant to finger-marking and water marks, and varies from a subtle sheen to a glass-like gloss, dependant on the wood. Very hard dense woods (yew, boxwood, exotics) give a higher gloss than softer or more open-grained woods like walnut, sycamore, ash and oak. The items are given two very thin coats of Osmo oil, allowing 24hrs for each coat to dry, then buffed on a single wheel using only the white compound.

Pwl gave a demonstration of sphere turning, using a home made birch cup held in the chuck and a home-made cork live tail centre to hold the work once the spherical form is approached.

He rough-turned a sphere from a green rowan log, and finish-turned a further sphere from walnut that had been rough turned several months ago.

### **WANTED RAFFLE PRIZES**

*Please remember to bring something for the raffle table at the next club meeting on 17th September.*

### **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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