



Oxon Woodturners

June Newsletter

Dear Members,

It was good to see many of you at the Hands-on night last week. The competition theme was “fits in a match box”, and the quality of the exhibition was exceptional:





Andy C guided some Members through the process of turning a bowl, whilst I gave advice on sharpening angles and tool use whilst providing a reprofiling and sharpening service for Members present at the meeting.

In other news, we have re-scheduled **John Boyne Aitken** to provide a demonstration in **November**. John was unable to make his original slot in April due to health issues, but we are pleased to welcome him back to the Club later this year for what promises to be an interesting and enjoyable night.

As mentioned previously, Members are invited to join the Oxon Woodturners Committee. We currently have vacancies for Assistant Treasurer and Programme Secretary, and would also welcome Members in an “ordinary” capacity, to provide

input on behalf of the Membership. We typically meet three to four times a year to discuss how best to run the Club for the benefit of all and to ensure its future. Joe Brash (Treasurer) hosts the meetings, which last for an hour and a half. If this is something that may be of interest to you then please get in touch with Ace North (Secretary) or myself. ***We are due to have a meeting this month (imminently; date tbc) if you would like to come and see what is involved before making the commitment.***

Finally, it is time to announce the theme for the Chairman's challenge!

I would like Members to turn... **a three-legged stool.**

But why did I choose this project?

- It will involve both faceplate and spindle turning to complete, but should not require any specialist tools.
- The turning of three matching legs will require skill and patience, and the resulting stool will be inherently stable (even if they're not all the same!).
- Thought will need to be given as to how best to join the individual components together.
- It can be as simple or as elaborate as you want to make it.

Happy turning and I'll see you all again in July.

Dan