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## From the Editor



This months newsletter has been a rush job as it needed to be at the printers for the hard copies to be printed before Christmas so please excuse any mistakes you may encounter. I also have content spare, as I ran out of space this month even after deleting some small adverts so I will include it in next months newsletter.

Please don't let what I have just said deter you from sending me articles and pictures for publication, there are times when I am really struggling to fill the magazine.

When you are reading this the Christmas festivities will be over and we all will be looking forward to the new year. Let us hope that we will soon be free of the Brexit issue in the news media and can get on with our lives.

In this issue as usual in January I have to report on the Christmas party and the turning competitions. This always takes up lots of space and also four of our members demonstrated at Axminster's store in Nuneaton. Well done to these members and thanks for promoting Coombe Abbey Woodturners in this way.

Finally I would personally like to wish everyone a very Happy and healthy New year.

**Graham**

## Acting Secretary's Jottings

It is a sad occasion that brings me to write the Chairman's Jottings this month, as most of the members will know our Chairman Brian Edwards has had a Bereavement in the family. I would like to say that all our members thoughts are with Brian and his Family.



John Morgan

Well the Christmas party went down very well if a bit too quick.

Thanks to Jill Steedman Carol, Anna, Janet and Alison who helped to prepare and lay out the tables. Also, we have to thank Brian and Alec for opening up at 8:30 for the ladies and prepare the room for the members.

My wife and I were two of the six judges along with two members of the Air Ambulance and two guests from Proofs Brothers for the Christmas turning competitions, there were quite a few pieces submitted. The standard was very high in all groups (which makes me wonder why we struggle for demonstrators for the club).

Janine Brindley ran the general knowledge Quiz that seemed to go down very well.

Janine also ran the raffle and by the end of the evening had nearly lost her voice because of so many prizes. Thanks to all those that donated prizes.

14<sup>th</sup> December saw us at Axminster's Nuneaton store where we were invited to demonstrate the art of turning.

We did two sessions, 10:00 till 12:30 and 13:00 15:45.

In the first session Peter Wright showed how to make a Candle/Tee light holder. Then Peter Carless made a Christmas decoration in the form of a Christmas tree with choir boy in the centre, we then broke for lunch.

In the second session we had Phil Steele who made a few little Christmas trees and a new case for an old Biro (ball point pen), and last went Giles

Headley showing us some reverse turning again or inside out turning in the guise of a large hanging decoration.  
Thanks go to them all for turning out for the club.

*We are only as good as the members in our club.*

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————— **Reminder To All Club Members** —————

**Annual General Meeting**

**Walsgrave Baptist Church 10am Saturday January 4th., 2020.**

Your chance to air your views and elect a club committee for 2020.

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**Coombe Workshop Shutdown Times  
Christmas and New Year**

	Close Down	Re-Open
Tuesday Group	17 <sup>th</sup> December	7 <sup>th</sup> January
Wednesday Group	18 <sup>th</sup> December	8 <sup>th</sup> January
Friday Group	20 <sup>st</sup> December	3 <sup>rd</sup> January
Sunday Group	15 <sup>th</sup> December	5 <sup>th</sup> January

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*One Line Philosopher:*

A Calendar is something that goes in one year and out the other.

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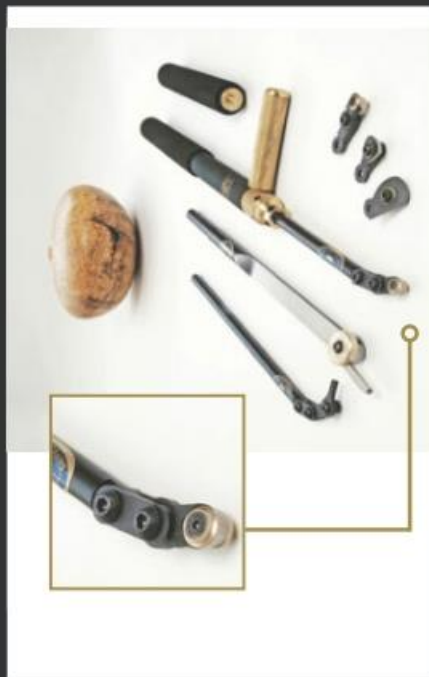
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## Christmas Party 2019

I probably should not be the person to write up this report as I spent most of my time in the competition room but if you read the jottings on page 4 you will see that John Morgan has Covered most of what went on although John and his wife were in the competition room when the raffle and presentation to the air ambulance was made. Most of the photos were taken by Megan who did a grand job but I did manage to take a few snaps.

When I arrived at the hall to set up the competition room there were quite a few people already present and there was a steady trickle of people arriving. We were told we had to vacate the hall by 4.30pm so with this in mind things were rather rushed a little

and we sat down to the meal earlier than was originally planned.

The ladies brought out the food onto the centrally positioned tables and what a good spread it was, nothing was skimped at all.

During the meal Janine handed out the quiz sheets and we all had some input into this although I must admit that I am pretty hopeless at quizzes, my mind just goes blank, so sorry to all the other occupants of my table.



Alec and Jim on the game table.



The raffle prizes

I should have said that on my arrival some club members were playing some sort of table game which I didn't get a chance to have a go on. Also I noticed that there were loads of prizes on the raffle table generously donated by the assembled company.





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A Queue around the food table

mittee and certainly to Alec Steedman who has been selling Raffle tickets throughout the year to the general public at Coombe and at the various outside events the club attends.



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## Christmas Competitions 2019



The quality of work entered in the competitions remains very high and it was good to see that there were some new members entering their pieces, However the number of entrants was down compared with last year but there was one more piece entered than last year.

Just a few facts: This year as in 2018 there were four competitions and five awards to be won. Besides the normal Rhodes, Austin's and Warren-Finding competitions the "Jim Elliott Memorial Competition" is in its fifth year and of course we have the "Roy Nicholls Trophy" award for runner up in the Roger Warren-Finding competition.

Eleven members entered a total of twenty pieces spread over the different competitions thus:-

Rhodes Trophy	2
Jim Elliott Memorial/Trophy	3
Austin's Trophy	5
Roger Warren-Finding	10

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### **The Panel of Judges**

Left to Right:- Two Guests from Air Ambulance, Andrew and Isabel from Proops Ltd, Sara and John Morgan.

## **The results**

<b>Competition</b>	<b>First Place</b>	<b>Second Place</b>	<b>Third Place</b>
Rhodes Trophy	Carole Nicholson	Alec Steedman	—————
Austin's Trophy	Michael Archer	David Knight	Phil Steele
Jim Elliott Memorial Trophy	Pat Hanley	Michael Archer	Peter Wright
Roger Warren- Finding Shield	Giles Headley	John Whittle	Michael Archer





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## The Presentations

Club Chairman Brian Edwards made the presentations  
ably assisted by Janine Brindley

### The Rhodes Trophy

Just two entries in  
this competition

### The Austin's Trophy



Phil Steele Takes Third Place



Alec Steedman takes second Place



David Knight Takes Second Place



Carole Nicholson achieves First Place



Michael Archer achieves First Place



## The Jim Elliott Memorial Trophy



Peter Wright

## The Roger Warren-Finding Shield



Michael Archer takes Third Place



Michael Archer



John Whittle - Second Place - takes the Roy Nicholls Shield



Pat Hanley Achieves First Place



Giles Headley Achieves First Place



The Roger Warren-Finding Competition table.



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## Calendar of Events

2020

<b>January 4</b>	<b>AGM</b>	<b>Baptist Church</b>
<b>February 1</b>	<b>Pete Moncrieffe-Jury</b>	<b>Baptist Church</b>
March 5	Wolfgang Shultz-Zachau	Shilton
<b>March 21</b>	<b>Gerry Marlow</b>	<b>Baptist Church</b>
April 16	Robin Barlow	Shilton
<b>May 16</b>	<b>Rick Dodney</b>	<b>Baptist Church</b>
<b>June 6</b>	<b>Clem Ansell</b>	<b>Baptist Church</b>
September 3	Roger Gilbert	Shilton
October 1	TBA	Shilton
<b>October 24</b>	<b>Gary Rance</b>	<b>Baptist Church</b>
November 5	Peter Woods	Shilton
<b>December 5</b>	<b>Christmas Party</b>	<b>Baptist Church</b>

*All meetings in **bold** typeface are held in the Walsgrave Baptist Church, Hinckley Road, Coventry, CV2 2EX. 10am to 4.00pm. Others are as shown:-*

*Shilton Village Hall, Wood Lane, Shilton, CV7 9JZ (by the Sports Field)*

## NEXT MEETING

### Annual General Meeting

**Walsgrave Baptist Church 10am Saturday January 4th., 2020.**

Your chance to air your views and elect a club committee for 2020.

### Subscriptions become due for year 2020 on January 1st 2020

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The visitor centre have a list of current members and I will keep them informed of changes.

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*Janine Brindley  
Club Treasurer.*

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*Dear all,*

*Andrew and I would like to express our sincere gratitude for the warm welcome and hospitality you all showed to us at your Christmas get-together last weekend.*

*We were honoured to be asked to judge one of the categories and found it very difficult to choose a winner from such a high standard of entries.*

*The whole afternoon was so enjoyable. It's not often I am lucky in a raffle but I was delighted with not one but two bowls to take home! And a special mention to all who contributed to the buffet. The food was lovely and I can only imagine the time and effort involved in catering for us all so well.*

*On a final note, thank you for the beautiful flowers, they have pride of place on my dining room table and have certainly brightened the room up, not to mention the lovely fragrance that meets me every day. The bottle of wine did not last so long.... Andrew and I enjoyed it very much with some cheese and a long discussion into the night on politics - very cathartic but perhaps we should not run for parliament any time soon.*

*All that's left is for me to wish all of you the merriest of Christmases and the happiest of new years.*

*Kindest regards,*

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# Coombe Abbey Woodturners Demonstration at Axminster Store Nuneaton.

Saturday 14th December 2019

*Pictures by John Morgan*



Above: Peter Wright's Demonstration.

Below: Peter Carless' demonstration





From start ....



... to finish



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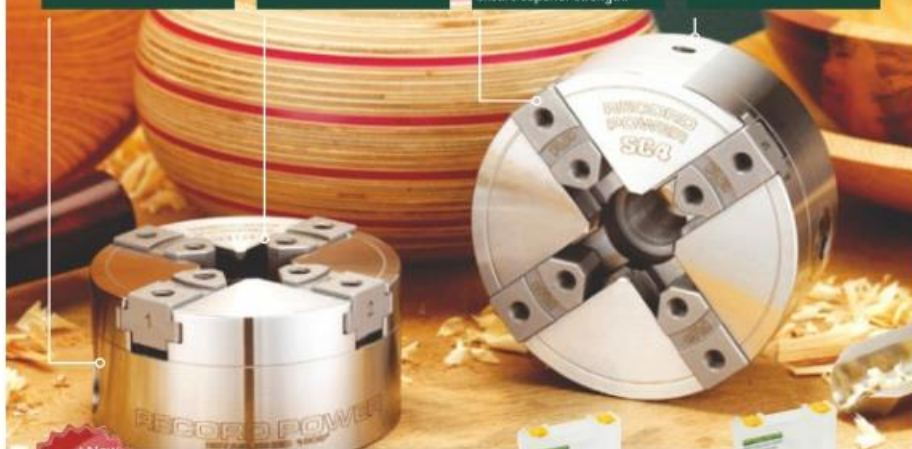
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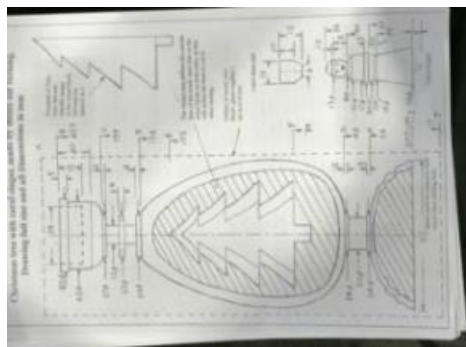
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Below Phil Steele Demonstrates



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Above: Giles Headley Demonstrates



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Below Giles Headley Continues his Demonstration.



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### The Axminster demo by Giles Headley

Just returned home from completing the Axminster demo. I'm sure John or someone else will provide a report, but apparently they had a good crowd, of both members and the public, in the morning. When Phil and I arrived at about 1pm Eric was in attendance along with Roger Smith, John Morgan, Fred, Alec, Peter Carless, Peter Wright, Michael Archer and others. It was nice to see a chap, who came from Lichfield to the same demo last year, return and stay all day. Another newish turn-





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er came from Towcester and watched all four sessions too.

Attached is the inside out ornament I made. It's about 150mm (6") long, with acrylic colour on the inside. The glue-up was rather last minute so when I eventually parted the piece from the spigot in the chuck it started to separate again. There

had been a noise when I pushed the tail-end ring centre in, so that was presumably the joints failing!!

Also attached is a photo of a salt and pepper set. They started out as simple tree ornaments, so not made as a pair, but I had a couple of caps from the bud vase inserts that Mick used to sell in the club shop, and thought it a novel way to put them to good use. These stand just short of 90mm tall, were drilled with a 15mm Forstner bit. The salt shaker has a 4mm hole and the pepper one 5 x 2.5mm holes. The inner edges of the four outer holes align with the mark made by my ring centre, thus the outsides are on the edge of the 15mm bore. They have been finished by multiple dunking in food safe oil.■

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### A note from Peter Wright after the Demo at Axminster

After my demo I presented my candlestick to Jules, one of the staff at Axminster and have attached the photo.





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## Activities in the workshop

Hi Graham.

Just need to send you a couple of pictures showing A couple of first time students and a member who came into the workshop on Sunday.



The first picture shows Emma Sheriff who with a little guidance from Club member Pat Hanley finished a nice Ash bowl approximately 70.mm deep and 240.mm in diam, which was well finished, a very nice piece and something to be proud of.



The second picture is of Mother and daughter, Nicky and daughter Isla Morewood, Isla started the first lesson but became a little wary once she started cutting wood and did indicate that she did not

wish to continue as she was uncomfortable. Having seen her daughter turning mum Nicky was interested to have a turn herself and happily shows the product of her first session on the lathe.

*Terry Ivins*

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Roger Smith has turned a nice bowl and Colin Grundy has been busy using Puter in his work



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## In Store Demonstrations at **Axminster Tools & Machinery (Nuneaton)**

**Saturday 4th January 10:00am - 2:00pm**

### **Nuneaton Store - Beginners Guide To Woodturning**

All You Need To Know About The Lathe

It's a new year and it's time to make a difference! Creativity is proven to support a healthy life so let us introduce you to one of the most popular woodworking hobbies of turning.

This session will begin with an overview of the lathe, turning tools, pen mandrels and chucks, which will give you a practical understanding of their functionality. We'll then move on to demonstrating a huge variety of techniques that'll help you begin or progress your woodturning.

**Saturday 11th January 10:00am - 2:00pm**

### **Nuneaton Store - Pen Turning With Rob Sheehan**

New Year, New Hobby

During this step-by-step demonstration using an Axminster lathe, our resident turner, Rob Sheehan, will be producing a range of stylish pens. Using an Axminster lathe, a range of turning tools and a pen mandrel, Rob will cover everything from material selection, drilling, glueing and finishing.

Whether you're a beginner or an experienced turner, this is a great opportunity to have your questions answered and to discuss techniques that will allow you to produce perfect pens every time!

So come and benefit from a wealth of experience for free.

**Saturday 25th January 10:00am - 2:00pm**

### **Nuneaton Store - High-End Hand Tools**

A detailed look at the features and benefits of a wide range of high-end, precision hand tools including leading international brands Veritas and Lie-Nielsen. During this demonstration, we'll look at comparable planes, chisels and saws from these brands and explain some of their similarities - and some of their differences. We'll also share some practical advice on set-up to ensure you get the best performance from these trusted hand tools. There'll be plenty of time to get 'hands on' yourself, so come along for what promises to be a rewarding few hours with our skilled store demonstrators.

Website: <https://www.axminster.co.uk/stores/nuneaton/>

Full details of all our events can be found on the Axminster web page.

As always all the events are free to attend.

*Jade Haywood (Store Manager)*

## Equipment for Sale

### For Sale

Woodturning Lathe, Record CLO 24 x 12,  $\frac{3}{4}$  x 16 tpi, 1MT (including original instruction manual), good condition, with sturdy homemade stand £90.00

Nova Supernova 2 package, Complete (Scroll Chuck ( $\frac{3}{4}$  x 16 tpi), 50mm jaws, Spigot jaws, Woodworm Screw Chuck, Universal chuck spanner, hex key wrenches, jaw fixing screws), excellent condition £80.00

Lathe accessories (4 prong drive (1MT), 1 off; Rotating centre (1MT), 1 off; Faceplates,  $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 16 tpi, 4 off, various sizes; Tool rests, 4 off) £25.00

8 turning tools: Skew chisels (1", 1/2", 1/4"), Roughing gouges (1", 3/4"), Fluted parting tool (3/16"), 3 point tool, Spindle gouge (1/2", fingernail profile) £50.00

Henry Taylor HS85 3/8" Superflute Bowl Turning Gouge (Unused) £25.00

Jacob's Drill Chuck, 0-1/2", with 1MT mandrel and key (good condition) £5.00

Kity 613 Bandsaw (cut 200mm), fair condition, including original manual £80.00

Would consider sensible offer for the lot.

Buyer(s) to collect     **Contact: David Arnott, 01926-842110**

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### For sale

Record DML 24 lathe. £70.     **Contact Eric Taylor on 02476 328831**







Due to a woodturners death his widow is trying to sell his equipment which consists of the items in the attached pictures including:- Table Saw, Bench Grinder, Extractor and Union Graduate lathe with box of accessories. Reasonable offers are invited from club members.

In the first instance contact either  
Brian Edwards on Mob:- 07455 088747  
Or  
John Morgan on Mob:- 07816 912648



## Activities of other clubs in the Midlands area

As a matter of courtesy and to ensure that there is space available to accommodate members wishing to visit other clubs demo's, please use the contact telephone number where shown.

### Hinckley & North Warwickshire Woodturners

January 7	Hands-On	
January 21	Hands-On	
Contact	Steve Obrien	01788-521527

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### Tudor Rose Woodturners

January 9	AGM & Demo	
January 23	Richard Findley	
Contact	Stan Bird	01788-813162

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### West Northants Woodturners

January 15	Marcus Buck	
Contact	Tom Donnelly	01327 349093

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### West Midlands Woodturners

January Meeting –	TBA	
Contact	John Hooper	0121 354 8464

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### Gloucestershire Association of Woodturners.

January 8	Hands-On Evening	
Contact	Mike Holliday	01452 523551



This piece by Giles Headley was the winner of the Roger Warren-Finding Shield