# Christchurch society of Woodturners

# e - newsletter

# **April 2024**

#### **AGM Report**

Thanks to all who came to witness the formalities, celebrate the achievements of the year and to grab a bargain at the wood sale.

# The following were elected:

Chairman Andy Ogilvie
Vice Chairman Paul Reeves
Secretary Jane Wild
Treasurer Allan Rae
Committee Rick Patrick

Rick Patrick Greta Reeves
Ian Wright Bob Randall

Joe Van Wyk

Auditor Julian Hellebrand



# **Presentation of Trophies**



Rhob Williams
Table B winner and Best Beginner



Joe Van Wyk Table B Runner-up



Nigel Batten Most Improved



Alan Brooks -Table A Winner and President's Design (presented by Table A runner-up Andy Ogilvie)



Thanks to Paul for all his hard work – a copy of 'Jonny Marr's Guitars'



David Patrick – Creativity and Innovation



Service to Club – John White

# **Appraisal / Display Table**







Trevor Elliott John Bolt Andy Ogilvie





Rhob Williams Alan Brooks

### **Archive Display**

Colin Dean who has been a member from the 'Scout-Hut' days sent in a picture of one of his favourite pieces – a 'floating' clock, barometer and thermometer. Fabulous – and an excellent example of design and technique.



#### Internet

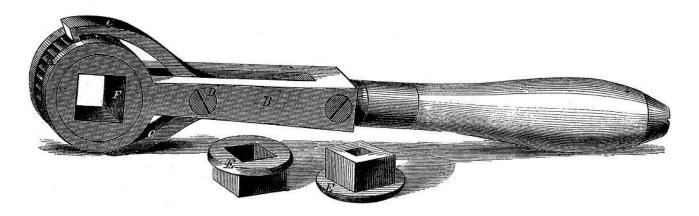
We have previously discussed whether wearing gloves is desirable when working on a lathe – here is a cautionary tale regarding the wearing of rings in the workshop. Vic who spotted this article on the net never wears a ring in the shed – as always it's your choice! Having spent my working life asking kids to remove jewellery for PE, and having a friend whose finger was stripped of flesh by a ring (non-workshop related), you can guess where I stand on the issue!

https://youtu.be/8bkjBOy-4hM?si=URZr8v0tllFrBR8w

Reverse direction turning – make sure you have got your chuck locked. https://youtu.be/TIKPHNUN-9k?si=O6SQLhixEpvYdSjS

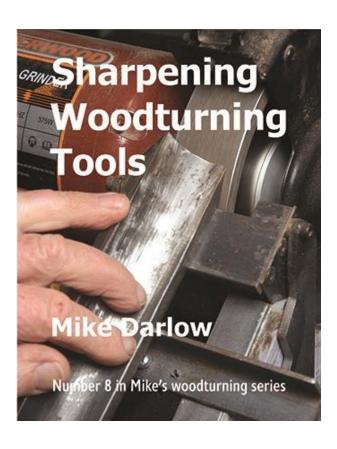
#### From an 1863 Workshop

Have a look at this engraving of the first ratcheting socket wrench and two sockets, invented by J. J. Richardson and patented on June 18, 1863, from the article about it in Scientific American magazine. Instead of a male connector on the wrench, as modern socket wrenches have, in this tool the outside of the sockets (E) fit into the square hole (F) in the wrench. The ratchet (C) only turns in one direction; to turn nuts in the other direction the wrench is turned over and the socket is attached to the other side. Possibly a nicely turned handle too?



## **Sharpening**

Following last month's articles on sharpening, here is a book which might interest you.



#### **Sway Open Gardens**

Early warning from Clive Potter that Sway Open Gardens takes place on Sunday 19th June. He has a number of his own items for sale and I will offer the club turnings we have been collecting. Other contributions welcome – Clive will be at the May meeting.

#### **Membership Subscriptions Please!**

As agreed at the AGM the annual subscription is held at £30.

Your subscription is due by or at the APRIL meeting.

The treasurer asks for payment to be made by (in order of preference):

- Bank transfer to HSBC Bank plc
   Christchurch Society <u>for</u> Woodturners (Business ac) sort code 40-30-36 ac no 21320696
   Please give your name as the reference
- 2. Cash on the night (April meeting)
- 3. Cheque, payable to Christchurch Society of Woodturners (please avoid if possible as it incurs bank fees)

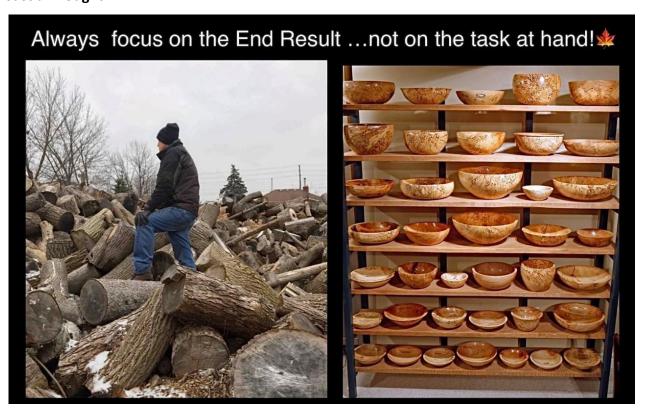
#### **Pro Demo**

A reminder that Martin Saban-Smith is demonstrating at this month's meeting – worth the subscription alone!

#### **Apologies**

This month's newsletter is a few days late – I've been away.

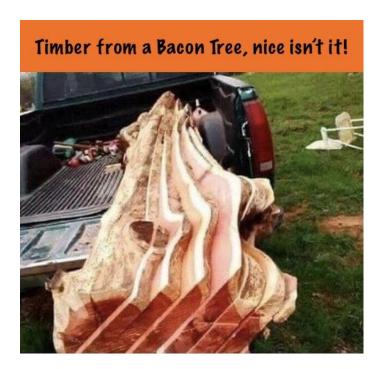
### Just a Thought



#### Pick of this Month's Pics









**Contributions** to this e-newsletter are very welcome as are suggestions and comment. I am particularly interested in the story of projects which members have taken on. Please take a couple of photos, scribble down some background notes and I'll put it all together for the newsletter.

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