

Christchurch Society of Woodturners

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May Meeting

Thanks to Paul for his skills revision on spindle technique and for producing an exemplar gavel for next month's competition. A full account of the demo is on the club website, courtesy of Rick. The competition is the first of five in the coming year and I urge all members to take part – during my 'turning learning journey' I found a specific project really focused my thoughts and quiet reflection on my effort compared to others led to rapid improvement.



Appraisal / Display Table



Vic Russell



John Bolt



Rhob Williams





Rhob Williams



Many thanks to Vic, John and Rhob for sharing their work and to Dick Bugg for the photos. More detailed appraisal notes are to be found on the website.

From a Workshop Near You

Paul Reeves: This is not just burning the hell out of a piece of Redwood - it is the Japanese technique of Shou Sugi Ban or Yakisugi . Normally used for cedar cladding. I'm going to try it on a nice bit next without the resin lines and pockets. I could fill the voids with gold wax as a contrast. Why not join the Christchurch Society of Woodburners!



Our Yakisugi (Shou Sugi Ban) variants made from Japanese wood

OVERVIEW OF OUR YAKISUGI VARIETIES



SUYAKI

THE ORIGINAL YAKISUGI



GENDAI

BRUSHED ONCE



PIKA-PIKA

BRUSHED TWICE

Internet

It's not woodturning – but it's great for a coffee break

www.wafflegame.net

This is woodturning – someone appears to have trawled all the obvious websites and has gone to New Zealand in search of inspiration – to unearth a really good project / ideas resource. Try <https://sawg.org.nz> and look under the 'Project' section. Loads of ideas, with turning notes, for you to have a go at and bring to the display table. Right is an impressive hollowed cube from Rhob Williams who found inspiration on the site.



Sway Open Gardens

Clive Potter will be at 'Potters Field', this SUNDAY 9th June from 11 to 5 as part of Sway Open Gardens. † will be selling his and club turnings to raise funds and to contribute to Oakhaven Hospice. Please support him if you can – it's going to be a nice day - who needs an excuse to wander round a lovely part of the Forest? Warning: ice creams, cakes and beer may be found as well as the gardens! Just put SO41 6BS in your Satnav. Thanks to all who have turned something to support the event.

Test Valley Woodturners

Paul Kenny: May I ask you to make Christchurch Society of Woodturners members aware of a woodturning day with Mark Beckett (The Gentleman Woodturner) hosted by Test Valley Turners at Longstock Village Hall near Stockbridge on Saturday 14th September 2024. The day runs from 10am to 4pm and there will be breaks for tea and coffee in the morning and afternoon sessions. Mark will be demonstrating a textured and coloured faux hollow form, a textured and coloured dish, a pocket watch stand and if time allows a spiral stemmed goblet.

In addition Dalmann will have a stand selling wood.

I will advise you on cost nearer the date and if any CSW members are interested please get them to email me. paul.kenny@aol.co.uk

West's Wood Fair

Last year I had a really good day out at 'The Oak Fair' and thought I might try 'West's Wood Fair' in Chichester this year, 21st – 23rd June 2024. Details to be found www.westswoodfair.co.uk

CSW Facebook Page

Several new members have joined the closed group since the information appeared in last month's newsletter. Encouraging the sharing of ideas and projects via facebook, display table, and competition work is central to the club's ethos and a great way to pick up tips and improve. Get hold of Bob Randall at the next meeting or make contact via the club 'info' email.

Just a thought

How nice for someone to compliment me on my driving – I came back to my car the other day to find a note on my windscreen saying 'Parking Fine'!

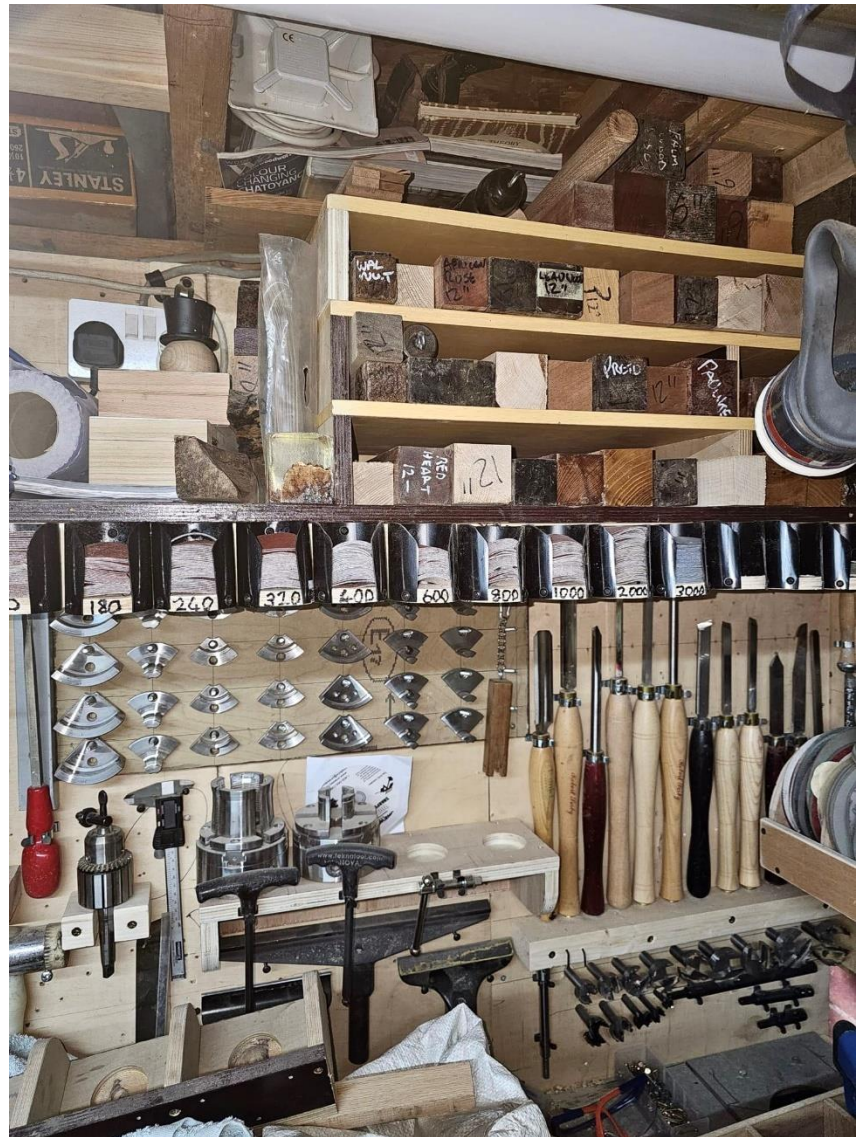
Election Special: If liar's pants really did catch on fire, watching the BBC news would be a lot more fun!

Pick of the Pics

Two scenarios for you to look at – now which one do you relate to?!

Are you a tidy workshop fanatic?
I'd like to know what dust extraction system you use.

Or are you someone who insists on displaying every last turning you ever produced?
I can see space for at least two more shelves!



"Woodturning has been a stress-reliever for us."

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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