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Meeting Report

Many thanks to Paul and Andy for stepping in at the last minute for the professional demonstrator who was unable to make it. A selection of earrings, necklaces, bracelets and scarf toggles were shown as examples to inspire your creations for the jewellery competition next meeting. Anything worn on the body to enhance your good looks is considered to be jewellery so you have a very wide brief for your entry. Have a go! If you need to review the technical tips from the demo please go to Rick's comprehensive write up on the website.













Appraisal / Display Table



Finn Trotman



Mike Lawford

Alan Brooks







Phil Scoltock



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Ian Wright

Vic Russell



Paul Reeves





Bill Peach

John Bolt





Rhob Williams







Andy Ogilvie

Dalmann Timber Open Day Report.

Paul and Greta Reeves: We had a very straightforward drive to Upper Lambourn in the heart of racehorse country, an easy 1 1/2hr drive from New Milton. The farm buildings that they operate from are full of all sorts of timber ready for re sawing into blanks and squares which they then ship to retail outlets in England and Europe. Very easy to find when you get there.

The shop area is very well laid out with space to look around. Lots of good quality blanks are on the shelves with a couple of areas for larger interesting planks.

I picked out quite a few bits from the bargain / seconds / odds and ends bins including Pink Ivory, Indian ebony and African Rosewood all suitable for boxes and other small projects at much reduced prices. Great value in my opinion.

The demos by Colwyn Way, Stuart Mortimer, and Phil Irons were interesting and fun to watch. We hadn't seen Phil for quite a few years so it was good to catch up and have a good chat during the lunch break. We used to compete in the same national competitions in the late 1990s.

The free hot dogs at lunchtime went down nicely with tea and coffee available all day. The owners of the business were extremely friendly as were their young staff members and the whole event was very well organised.

Loads of parking in the farmyard round the barns.

A brilliant day out with club members from all over the country there indicated by the logos on their clothing.

Anyone wishing to purchase African exotics and British timbers should pay them a visit or order online as I'm certain that given the quality that we saw when we were there would be top notch through the post. It's not the same as choosing the exact bits yourself though is it?

Pricing seemed good, obviously not as reasonable as from my stocks, but far more choice of species and blank sizes.

Internet

A cautionary tale about workshop safety – food for thought! (NOT for the faint hearted) <u>Expedia YouTube microstories Back to Earth madetotravel gbr en 16x9 10</u>

From a workshop Near You

I emailed information about an ex member, Geoff Knott, who is selling his kit and many of you have been out and grabbed a bargain and / or found your latest must have chisel (Rhob Williams had already bagged the one I was after!). As I left, and following on from our conversation, Geoff gave me a piece of wood (Burr Beech) which has now been turned into a couple of lidded boxes. Thanks Geoff!



Rick puts items for sale on the website

- worth keeping an eye on it as new things appear on a regular basis.

Facebook

The club Facebook page is up and running with 18 members now sharing ideas. If you would like to join this <u>closed group</u> (ie only group members can see it or access it) please find Bob Randall on any club night.

Pick of the Pics



Always remember the decimal point when ordering a 7.5mm Drill bit



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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