



**Further contributive articles from members would be appreciated.
Have you ideas or suggestions for Hands-on evenings?.**

Diary

Sept 4th **Richard Findley**
Oct 2nd **Hands-on**

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**Coronet Minor Lathe- good working order.
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The Newsletter of



7th Aug 08

Tonight is Hands-on

Last Month

The club had a Hands-on evening turning rings. The 'Ring Masters' were John Davies & Roger Gilbert, they demonstrated methods using standard turning tools & a special radius tool with an extended lug to shape & finally undercut the ring to release it from the stock.



First a square shaped collar is turned of sufficient depth for the ring. The corners are rounded with a gouge or parting tool to give a lead for the special tool which rounds the face and is then slowly swivelled round to cut deep into the side, the tool is turned over to form the other side eventually releasing the ring.



Many had a go at turning rings, here we see 3 members

Clare Stringer



Neville Compton



Peter Davies



The natural home of the tree is South America, it was introduced to Britain by Archibald Menzies in 1795, who saved the edible seeds served to him as a desert on board the ship Discovery. The tree bears a heavy crop of seeds but takes 40 years to reach this maturity, so not an economic proposition nor is the wood commercially useful due to the ingrown branches, but **Nick** has shown it can be used for decorative turning.



The Monkey Puzzle Tree (*Araucaria araucana*) so named because to climb it even a monkey would be puzzled. Out of this unusual tree **Nick Milton** has turned a large 'cup' from the trunk of the tree.

The wood is hard & the young branches right from their beginnings at the centre of the tree remain and are enveloped by the trunk as the tree grows in girth as seen in the photos.