

2019

Novelty Items with Keith Duncan

As a relative newcomer to the club Keith had wondered if anyone had seen such a thing as "the bullet in a tree" or "a large nut and bolt" made from wood.

Our Chairman latched onto Keith's enthusiasm and persuaded him to demonstrate what he meant.



Now Keith is a relative newcomer not only to the club but to wood turning. Recently retired and familiar with what can be found on the net he had virtually self-taught himself with the aid of largely American studies from the world wide web.

So to a nut and bolt

August

See photo above. Note that it is actually one piece- the threads are not true and the nut does not turn

So this demo was also a class for all of us as Mick came from the audience to show what tools or cuts would have perhaps been a better choice.



Keith

the basic start shape for nut and bolt

For example, when Keith used the roughing gouge you could put your hand over the shaft so not only is it directing the cutting edge but also by cupping the palm you stop the shavings throwing all over the place.

Keith started with a block and using a parting tool to cut the two sides of what would be the nut. This needs sharp sides which can be



be regular and evenly spaced.

trimmed later.

As Keith pointed out you are making an impression of a nut and bolt.

Clearly a thread winds round a bolt. This is not very easy- in fact it is difficult achieve. to А aood impression, however, be can achieved with grooves and rounded edges. They do need to

As was pointed out anyone can turn a mushroom but why not try a different shape. Besides the nut and bolt or the screw shown above there are various other shapes to be found on the internet. One interesting idea is a bullet or small shell penetrating a tree.

Ken gave advance notice that there was a craft fair to be held at Kings Hill Nurseries on Sat Sept 10th. If members had anything they would like to sell then let Ken or Roy know. Items must be priced up first.

Steve Jennings is still very ill with pneumonia.

Andy Smith has not so far be able to get the clubs cheque signatures changed at the bank.

Good news for club members who shop at Axminster store, they have at last accepted that <u>all</u> club members can have a discount. We are not quite sure how it happened but some staff weren't giving it to members but other were. Purely an administrative issue but it is annoying nevertheless.

Forthcoming Meetings 2019

Meetings normally are on the first Thursday in the month except when there are elections. Meetings start at **7pm**.

- 1st August Toad stools (team competition)
- 5th September Double axis square top bowl (Mick)
 - To Come Tool sharpening
 - 3rd October
- 7th November

Remember: members who demonstrate will receive payment.

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