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Woody's World

The Newsletter of



2016

It seems a long time since our last working meeting. There has been Christmas and our January Social since then. I am writing this in early December and there could well have been a world war by the time our readers have got round to actually viewing this newsletter.

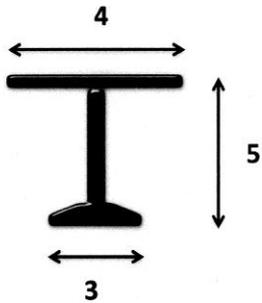
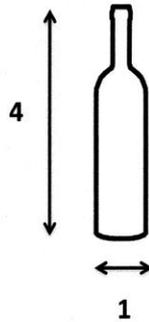
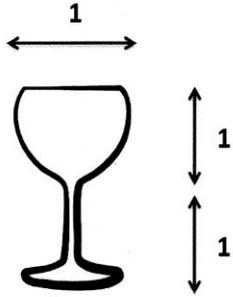


Sort of out of the blue our chair, John Davies, dreamed up December's topic "miniature turning". Some time ago we had a full blown demo where the demonstrator made very small wine glasses plates and other things. Such items could sell well at Christmas small pleasing gifts for grandchildren who have dolls houses.

As you can see in the above photo a small table on top of which is a wine glass and a wine bottle. It is David Tilley's fifty pence piece. Very unusual for him to lend money like that.

As John and later Dave Simms showed you have to use much smaller tools than we are used to. In fact a lot of the carving is done with a parting tool . You can use a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch gouge but anything much bigger is difficult to handle as it cuts too deeply too quickly.

Offchurch Woodturners Hands On – 3/12/2015



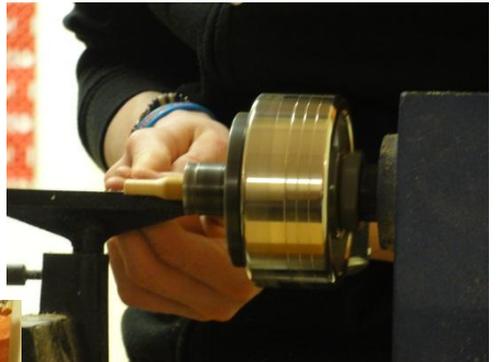


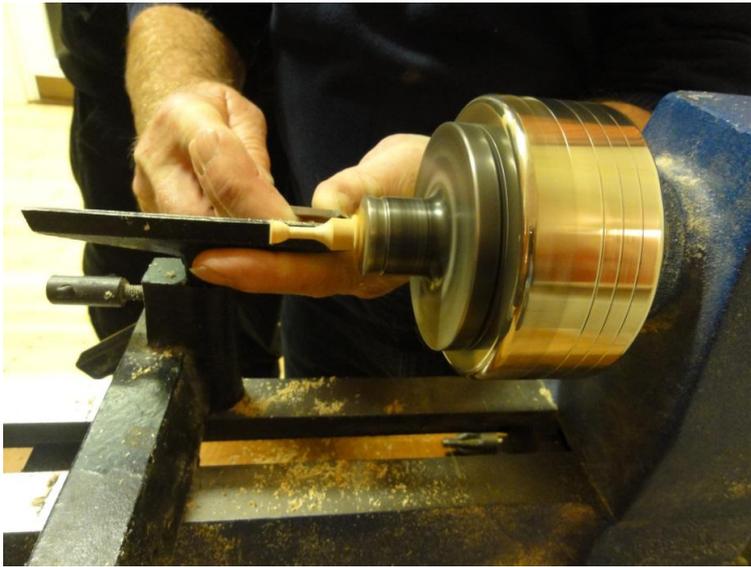
Dave showed a set of special tools he had acquired years ago which are for miniature work pictured here. These can be used for wood carving as well as turning.

Another point made before starting on the demo was what type of chuck to use. The chuck has to hold a small cross section of wood firmly.

(By the way Dave acquired the set of tools for a knock down price from, I suspect, someone who just wanted to get rid of them and had no idea of the real value.) According to my catalogue a set more or less as shown here will cost you £29.95 inc VAT. So you need to get several uses out of them.

One thing became clear is that you cannot take the piece away half finished. Its small diameter means any re-fixing in the chuck is nigh impossible.





Forthcoming Attractions

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Meetings normally are on the first Thursday in the month except when there are elections

Feb 4 th	Mark Hancock	7:00 pm
March 3 rd	AGM	7:00 pm
April 7 th	Lea Stoffer (Spoons)	7:00 pm
May 5 th	Hands on	7:00 pm
June 2 nd	To be arranged	
July 7 th	To be arranged	
Aug 4 th	Richard Findley	7:00 pm

Remember members who demonstrate will receive payment.

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