

March 6th is our AGM. Even if you do not want to be elected and are avoiding coming on that account- DON'T. It is the only time everyone has a say as to how the club should be going- what we should be doing. We do have posts to fill as not everyone is standing again. Those leaving various jobs will be around to help the newcomers.

Forthcoming Attraction

Feb 6 th	@7:00 pm	Thread Chasing
March 6 th	@ 7:30 pm	AGM
April 3 rd	@ 7:30 pm	Gerry Hubbard
May 1 st	@ 7:30	Hands on or members demo
<i>Note this date may be changed due to local elections</i>		
June 5 th	@ 7:00 pm	Peter Fagg
July 3 rd	@ 7:30 pm	Hands on
Aug 7 th	@ 7:00 pm	John Berkeley Miniature turnings with alternative materials
Sept 4 th	@ 7:00 pm	Hands on /members demo
Oct 2 nd	@ 7:30 pm	Richard Findley

Remember members who do demos will receive payment.

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Last month my wife and I went to a magic show. One of those where a magician actually comes to your table and does some tricks within a few inches of you. He “borrowed” Thelma, my wife’s, ring which disappeared to reappear on a plate at the other end of the table. Only to be picked up by the magician then lost again. He offered his wallet to Thelma saying “It might be in there. It was- inside an envelope inside a zipped pocket inside the wallet. Everyone was suitably amazed, knowing it was a trick but totally unable to see how it was done.

In December we had a demonstration of this sleight of hand that we could all do. I am not sure to call it an “Idiot stick” was perhaps the best name for it. Rather gives the game away I thought.

Anyway last month we made this little puzzle which requires just a pinch of your thumb and forefinger to mystify your guests.



The key is for your guest to catch an elastic band with the cut in the dowel

So OK you can get this sort of thing out of a cracker. But it’s not the same is it?

So first you have to make the “tube” and the accompanying matching head of the hook. You want the ‘hook’ to be around 7mm diam. so the finished dimensions follow from this. So turn a



15 to 20 mm diam. block then shape a head at one end of the piece.

On our evening some did this so the point was next to the waste end. Others preferred to cut in the length.

Here you can see the 'idiot stick half made with both parts. Note it is important that when you attached the elastic band it does match the position hook you have made into dowel.



Now onto the **January Social**

As usual there was the competition as well as eats and a lot of repartee. Here are a few photos of the items in the competition and photos of the winners.

