

Not quite in the same league perhaps, but certainly worth a visit, is Charnwood's open day. The Leicestershire firm are holding this on 17<sup>th</sup> August from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. I think they did discounts at the last one rather as they do at shows.

Their place is not far from Coleville off the A50 post code LE67 1TU. If you put "Charnwood" into google you will get a wood stove firm. Put in Charnwood wood turning and you will get the real firm.



The Elections had a profound effect on our last meeting. We had been given a date to meet as a replacement, then that was altered. Then not everyone heard about the change. So we had people coming for a meeting on our regular Thursday, some came to the actual meeting on the Friday and some may have come for a meeting on the following Thursday. I understand that only half of our membership have given Mike White their Email address. It would help if we had all of those who have got one. We could even send you Woody's World when you cannot attend and save postage.

Since our May meeting the club exhibited at the Daventry Show-Woodex. We may not have had the biggest stand but it compared well with other clubs. But let's start this month with that hiccup of a meeting.

**Forthcoming Attractions**

June 6th	@ 7:00 pm	Peter Fagg- Platters from around the world
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	@ 7:00 pm	Terry Coombes Rose engine demo
Aug 1 <sup>st</sup>	@ 7:30 pm	Hands on members' demo
Sept 5 <sup>th</sup>	@ 7:00 pm	Richard Findley
Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup>	@ 7:30 pm	Hands on or members' demo
Nov 7 <sup>th</sup>	@ 7:00 pm	Viv Harvey
Dec 5 <sup>th</sup>	@ 7:30 pm	Hands on or members demo



We had several lathes out and the basic aim was to replicate what our 'expert' from last month did. Really it was to find out how you could get that 'chatter' as you progressed shaping a cone to give the spiral look on the surface.



They do not normally appear as speculative or puzzled as here.

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Step one was to cut a recess for the watch part. Some used calipers but others just 'scientifically' judged it. Which is the better method on this evening's showing is anyone's guess. One person tried to drill it out.



The next stage was simply to make a cone with the small end



Our experiments on the night showed that you needed to get the narrow end to quite a small diameter before the 'juddering' of the gouge took place creating the ribbed effect. In effect the piece flexes as you attempt to cut. One thing we learnt is that you can keep cutting down, experimenting until you get the effect you want.



Here we see one of newer members under instruction.

So onto our display at Woodex in Daventry. The Daventry Club have a huge number of members which means they can attract professional firms as well as other clubs to a two day display.



Your club, whilst not perhaps having the manpower for demonstrations, did put on a creditable display stand.



Note our Woody, apparently mesmerised by the stand opposite, still attracted quite a few passers-by. The pros and amateurs doing demos were pretty good. Some obviously did some very fancy stuff. The chap who does hats, cowboy hats was there knee deep in shavings. Interestingly amongst the professionals doing demos were two ladies, one of whom mixed turning and then bowl decoration using various means. Worth a visit, so think about next year.