Offchurch Woodturners

AGM

5th March 2026

1 Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the 2025 AGM had been sent out in advance of the meeting. No one had any comments. Minutes were approved (proposed by Nick Milton, seconded by Mike Widmer)

2 Finance Report

The Finance Report (copied below) had also been sent out in advance. Andy Smith highlighted details. Notable issues were that we had one off spending in the last year to purchase a new lathe and a camera. Our financial status, however, remains healthy. Finance Report was approved. (Proposed by Roger Gilbert and seconded by Chris Prince)

3 Other Discussion Items

a. Daventry Woodworks Annual Show

We agreed that we should attend the Daventry Show again this year, taking both a display table (£10) and sales table (£60) (Proposed by Nick Milton and seconded by Dave Hyde). The Show is on the 1st and 2nd of May. Volunteers to man these tables (Russ, Mike J, Mike W, Paul, Nick, Alan)

We agreed that our displays should be on 2 themes – Bud Vases and Kitchenware.

Agreed also that we should look at purchasing an M2 Jacobs chuck and revolving centre

b. Summer Barbecue

This is the 25th Anniversary of the establishment of the Club. We agreed we should celebrate this with a barbecue for members and their families at the Club in early July

c. Ideas for Future Topics at Club Nights

Given the number of new members, we should have a 'Back to Basics' session with entry level demonstration for those new to woodturning. We should do this sooner rather than later and move the Hollow Vessels to August

d. Thanks to retiring members

Mick Smets, who was a founding member of the club, has decided that the time has come to hang up his lathe

Andy Smith is stepping down from the Committee, but will go on with providing our refreshments

e. Challenge Competitions

General discussion on our Challenge Competitions agreed the following:

i. To be held every 2 months
ii. We should present a cup to the winner, to be retained just until the next competition
iii. The first competition should be to make the cup

f. Merchandising

Suggestion that we might have a Club T-shirt, sweatshirt etc. Ray Burden has experience of this and will look at options

Alan Begg 9/3/26

Treasurer's Finance Report y/e March 2026			
Income		**Expenditure**	
Annual subs	400.00	Hall hire	309.00
Club night subs	555.00	Club insurance	211.23
Draw income	128.00	Demo fees	70.00
Equipment sales	40.00	Camera, Lathe adapter, HDMI	143.99
Sanding sealer sales	30.00	Bank charges	34.00
Christmas party	187.00	Card reader charges	10.22
Book sales	5.00	Christmas party	189.00
Wood sales commission	1.00	Website fees	51.60
Christmas draw money	59.00	Facebook ad	12.00
		Printing costs	28.00
		Postage stamps	6.96
		Lathe purchase	295.00
		Refreshments, draw prizes	89.23
		Advert costs	17.90
Total Income	**£1,405.00**	**Total Expenditure**	**£ 1,468.13**
Money in bank	1681.83		
Money in tin	38.04		
Total club funds	**£1,656.74**		