Woody's World

2nd October 2025

A gentle reminder that, due to hall availability, our next club meeting will be on **Thursday 30th October** rather than the usual first Thursday in November.

"Welcome" to our new members. If you came to our busy open night in September then this meeting with a demonstration was more reflective of a normal club night. We have various demonstrations through the year and plenty of time to seek help and advice from other members. Please let us know if there is anything you'd like to see or hear about and hopefully we can accommodate.

A Piece of Cake



Many thanks to Viv Harvey, our visiting demonstrator from Weedon Club, who served us up a range of delights by merging the worlds of pastry cheffery and woodturning. Viv was kind enough to leave some detailed plans which are included further down this newsletter…but first, let's look at a few of his confectionery creations.



Chocolate Cup Cake: The cake part was Sapele and the icing made from a piece of broom handle! Turn the Sapele between centres and roll over the top of the cake (tail stock end) to your desired shape. Carefully measure the base of the cake to fit if using a paper bun case. Begin to part off.



Measure the diameter of your piece of icing and use a forstener bit or parting tool to cut a hole in the top of the cake to fit. Creep up on the final size to get a good fit. Slightly dish the bottom of the hole to take glue. Sand from 240/320/400grit, sanding sealer and part off. Wudcare 5 min PVA used to glue on the icing and bun case.

Jam Tart: The pastry case made from a piece of pine. Centre and make round as with the cupcake above, form a spigot for the chuck. Begin to part and then undercut to form the correct/desired pastry shell shape. Sand and seal as above. Cut a flat piece for the jam,





leaving the top surface rough to resemble the surface of a jam tart. Use acrylic paint to mimic various jam flavours.
Cut hole for jam as with cupcake above. Make hole deeper than thickness of jam so that it sits below the rim of the tart.
Cut crimps into rim of tart using a triangular profile file.



Buff with white paper towel and try to generate enough heat to leave slight scorch marks to mimic baking.
Put glue in to bottom hole in the tart rather than on 'jam' to prevent excess emerging.



The berry is made using a small piece of the wood shaped and then holes made with a burr and coloured with black marker to mimic seeds.

Cookie: Choose woods to mimic desired type of cookie eg mahogany dowels in a lighter wood or a darker wood for dark chocolate.
Use pillar drill to make holes as shown below ready for dowels. Score the dowel length to release air as the dowel is inserted.
Put the piece in the chuck, round, mark your desired thickness with a parting tool, roll over top of cookie to desired shape, sand, wax and part as above.







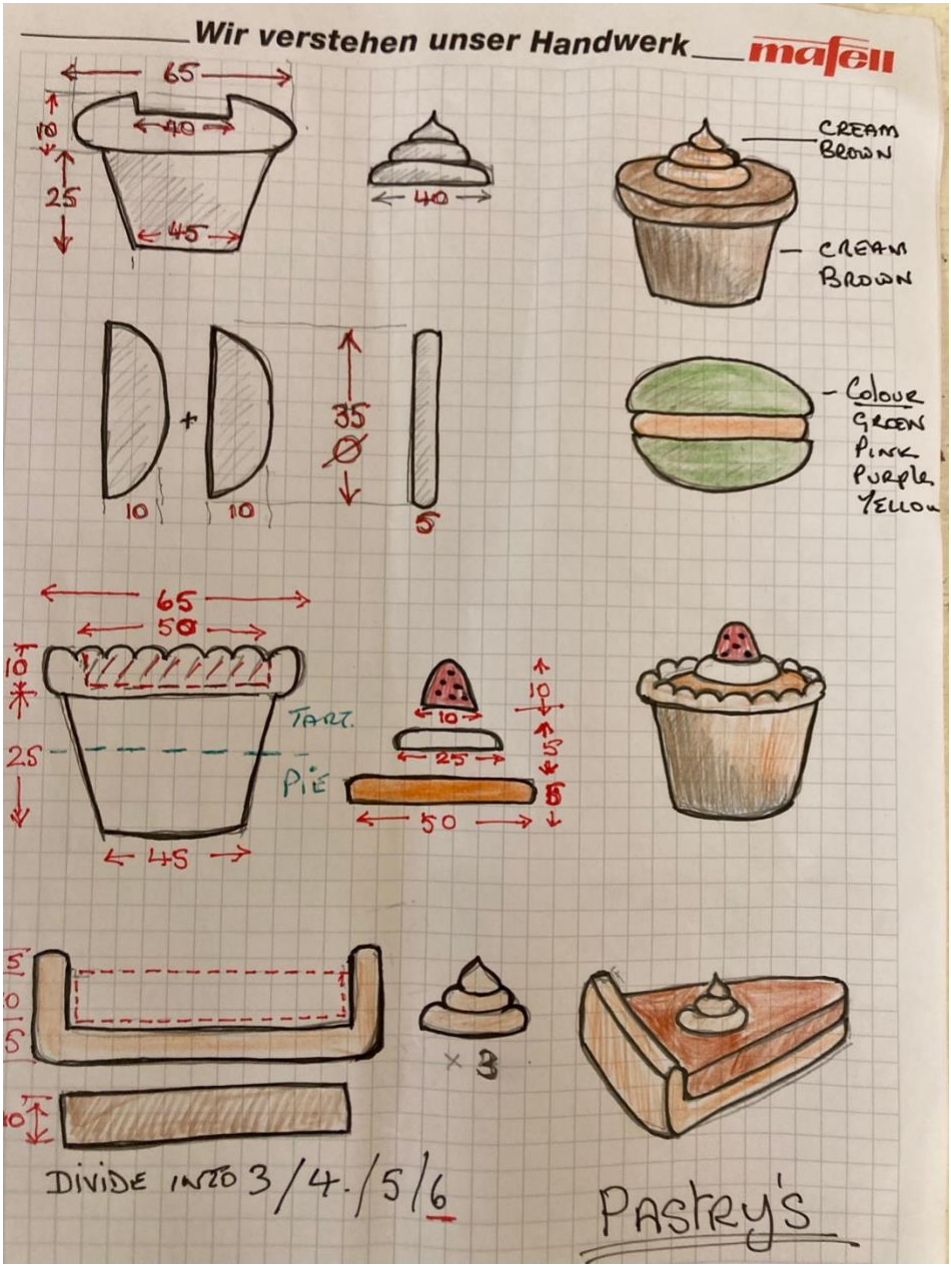
Chocolate éclair: Using a piece of Yew. Turn and flatten on a sanding disc. Sand the ‘chocolate’ piece to refine, seal and glue on to the éclair. Use lacquer for finish.

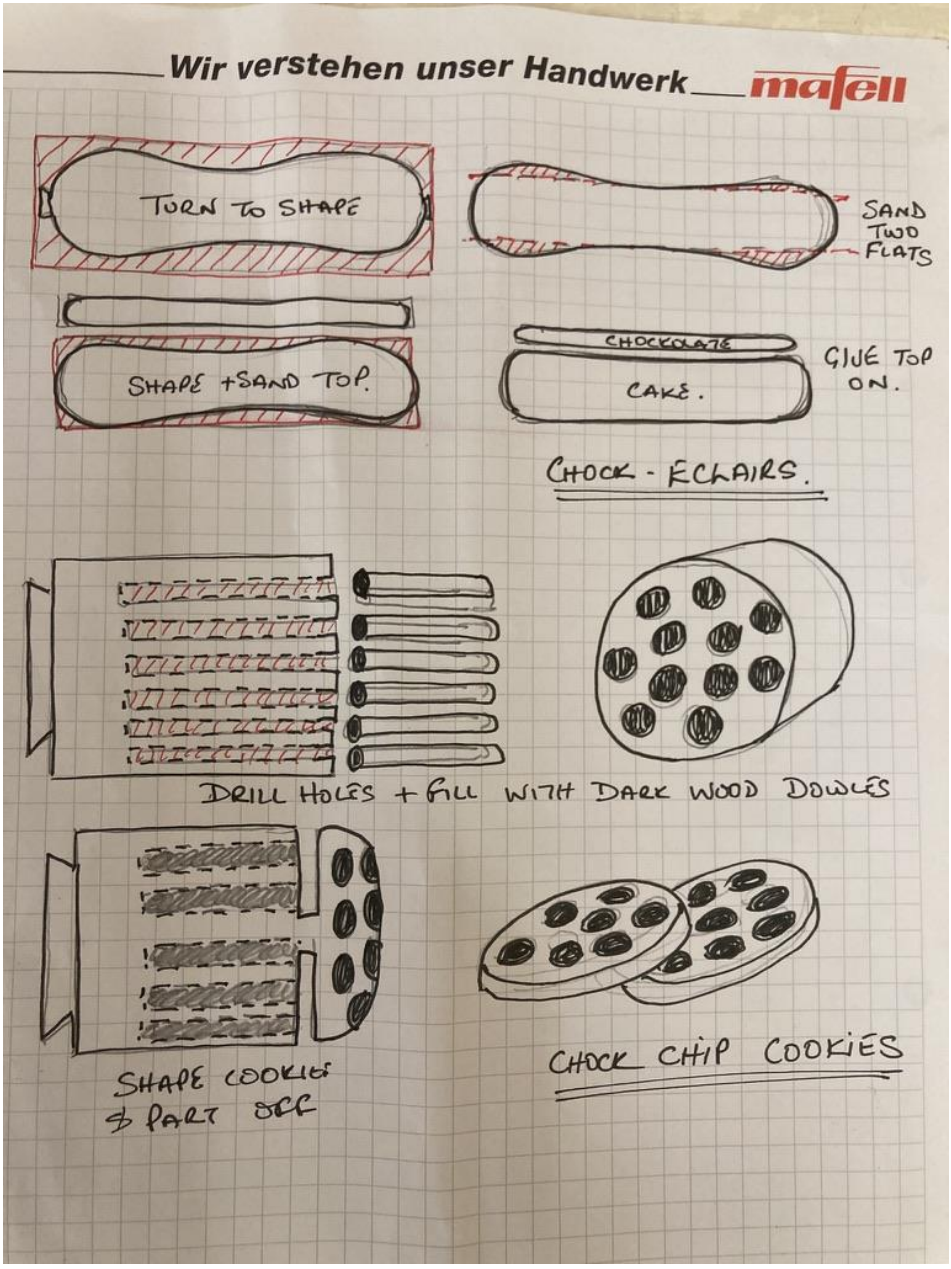


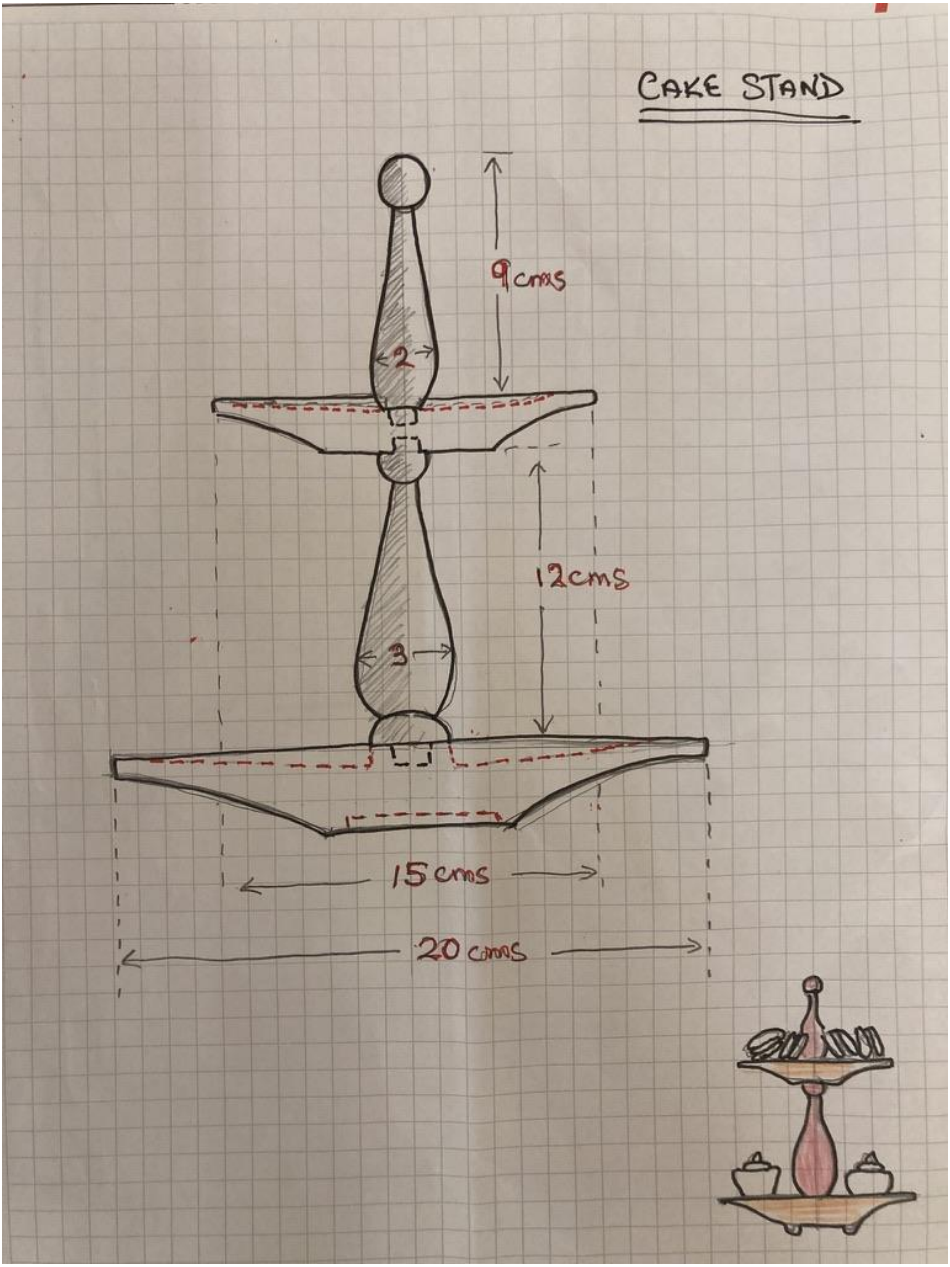


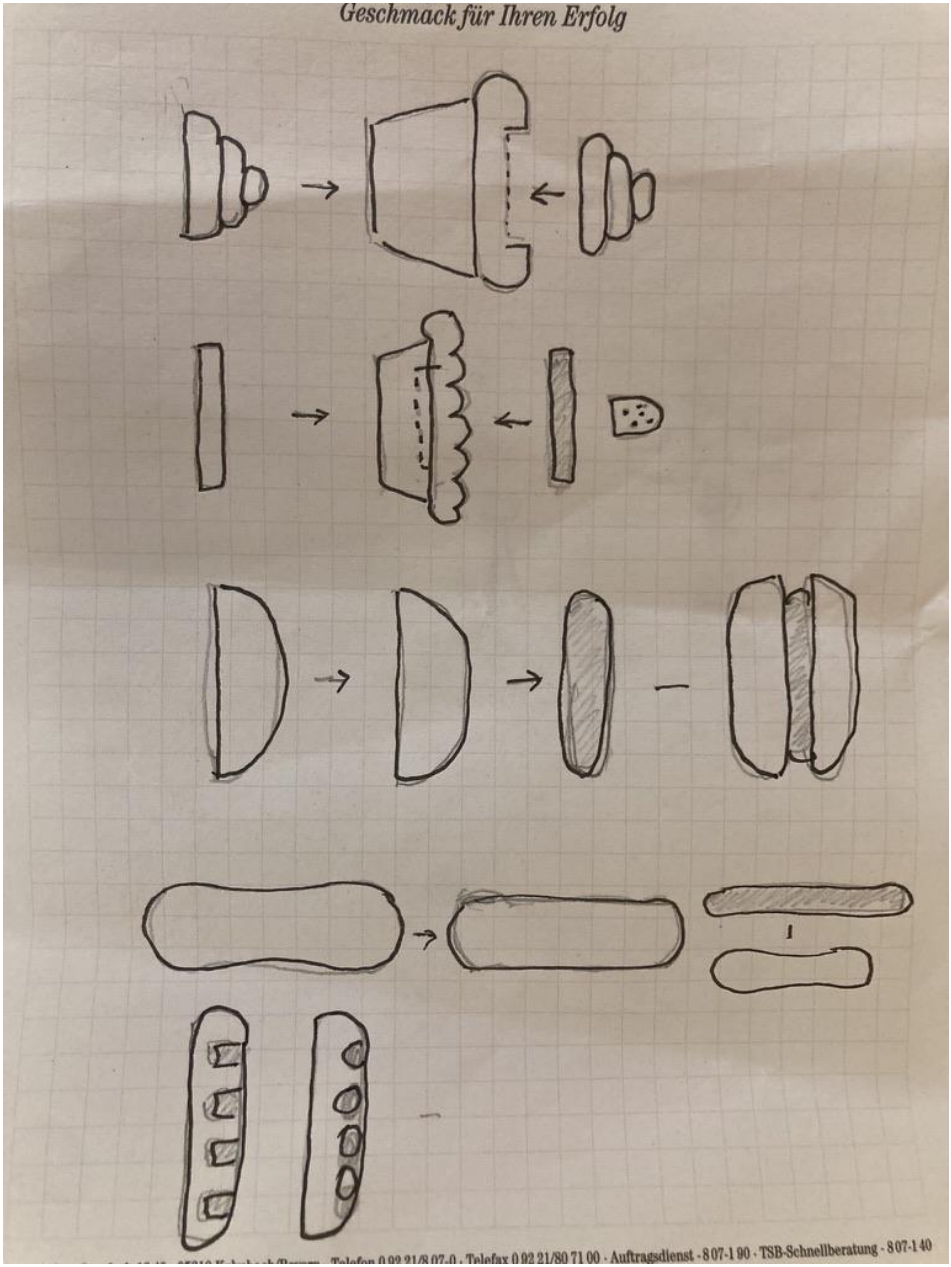
Cheesecake: Essentially make a shallow bowl and cut a disc of contrasting wood to fit as filling. Add chocolate buttons made in a similar fashion to the cookie, but smaller. Cut slices on band saw.




Wir verstehen unser Handwerk
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40
10
25
45
40
CREAM
BROWN
CREAM
BROWN
10
10
35
5
Colour
GREEN
Pink
Purple
YELLOW
65
50
10
25
45
TART
PIE
10
25
5
5
50
10
5
5
5
10
× 3
DIVIDE INTO 3/4./5/6
PASTRY'S


Wir verstehen unser Handwerk
mafell
TURN TO SHAPE
SAND TWO FLATS
SHAPE + SAND TOP.
CHOCKOLATE
CAKE.
GIVE TOP ON.
CHOCK - ECLAIRS.
DRILL HOLES + FILL WITH DARK WOOD DOWLES
SHAPE COOKIES & PART OFF
CHOCK CHIP COOKIES


CAKE STAND
9cms
2
12cms
3
15 cms
20 cms


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Other news:

Our next meeting is on 30th Oct (replacing 6th Nov) – you'll see below that there's a great opportunity for you to sell on a little of your excess kit (you know you've got some) and buy some more (you know you need it).

Also – at the meeting we will be announcing a competition to be judged at the 4th December meeting…you'll have just over a month.



Forthcoming Club Meetings

Meetings are normally on the first Thursday in the month except when there are elections. Meetings start at **7pm** in Offchurch Village Hall, CV33 9AL unless stated otherwise

2025		
Thu 30th October	7pm	Exploring Resin – Ray **(DATE CHANGE)**
Thu 4th December	7pm	Christmas Trees Mick
2026		
Sat 10th January	7pm	Club Social
Thu 5th February	7pm	Captive rings - Nick
Thu 5th March	7pm	Hands on – topic tbc

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