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From the Editor



This is the Woodworks at Daventry special issue. Inside, you will find all of the

competition results from the Daventry show, including pictures of the top three in each category. There are also pictures of all woodworking club stands. I have also included pictures of some 'interesting' pieces that caught my eye.

There are no pictures from the Hands-On sharpening session at Coombe Workshop on Saturday 17th May. Graham Ball and I were leading the session. Graham on the Sorby Pro Edge and I was demonstrating the Wolverine jig. The attendees went away happy with sharpened tools, so I count it a success.

There are some new items for sale starting on page 39.

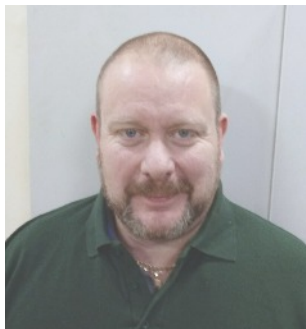
Members of the public having lessons can be found on pages 38 & 49.

Coombe Woodturners branded items can be found on page 50. See Lee or Martin to order.

Regards

Rob

Chairman's Jottings



Hi everyone, hope you are all well,

Firstly, I would like to say a big thank you to all those members that helped with transportation of Equipment and setting up for the Show at Daventry. Also to all those members that attended over the two days. It was great to see a good turnout of members.

I would also like to thank those members who were involved with the making of the tea set for Daventry. It was a great effort by all.

I would also like to thank Phil for his efforts in the 2 day bowl with Legs, Paddy for the egg & egg cup and Peter for his efforts with the Carvers mallet.

We had the Gazebos up at Coombe over the bank holiday weekend and raised more money for the Air Ambulance. Thank you again to all those members that supported the event. Again, it seems to be the same few members that help and turn up. It would be great to see a few more of the members within the club helping and supporting the club events.

The next club Demo is at Walsgrave on Saturday 12th July and the demonstrator will be Phil Steele. It would be good to see as many members as possible turning out for these events, to support the club.

Please keep your eye on newsletters and any club emails for upcoming events. The next Big event is likely to be the Godiva

Festival. We are waiting on further information on this event and then we will make the decision if the club will be attending this year's Festival.

Thank you to everyone involved over the bank holiday with the open day it was a slow weekend but good to see people attending.

On a personal note, I won't be around for most of June. For those of you that don't know, I will be getting married on the 7th June and then away on Honeymoon until the end of the month. Please feel free to reach out to Giles Headley, vice chair, or any committee member in my absence.

I look forward to seeing you over the next couple weeks and at club events over the next few months.

That's all from me for now. I hope to see you all soon.
Stay safe, keep turning let's have a good 2025
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Regards

Lee

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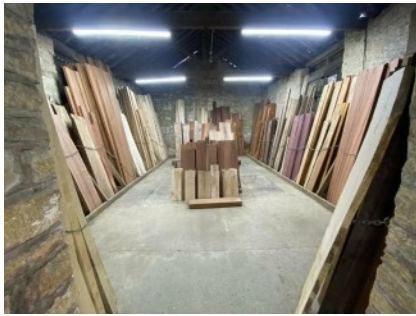
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Many thanks to Tudor Rose Woodturning Club for running the Woodworks at Daventry show again this year. It took a lot of effort from a lot of people to make such a great show. And make a note of the proposed date for next year - 15th/16th May 2026!

Nine woodturning clubs attended, several professionals were giving demonstrations and lots of wood and accessories were on sale. The tea/coffee and cake was also very welcome. The summary of competition results is below, followed by pictures from each competition. I then include some pictures of 'interesting' pieces that caught my eye.

Show Winners

- 1) North Warwickshire & Hinckley
- 2) West Northants
- 3=) Tudor Rose and Ise & Nene

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Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued

Best Stand

- 1) West Midlands
- 2) Tudor Rose
- 3) North Warwickshire & Hinckley

Best Egg & Egg Cup

- 1) Tudor Rose
- 2) North Warwickshire & Hinckley
- 3) North Bucks

Best Tea Set

- 1) Middlesex
- 2) North Warwickshire & Hinckley
- 3) Ise & Nene

Best Mallet

- 1) West Northants
- 2) Ise & Nene
- 3) West Midlands

Best Bowl With Legs

- 1) West Northants
- 2) Tudor Rose
- 3) North Warwickshire & Hinckley

Best Piece

- 1) Ise & Nene
- 2) North Warwickshire & Hinckley
- 3=) Coombe Abbey + West Midlands + Tudor Rose + North Bucks



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Best Egg and Egg Cup

1st Tudor Rose

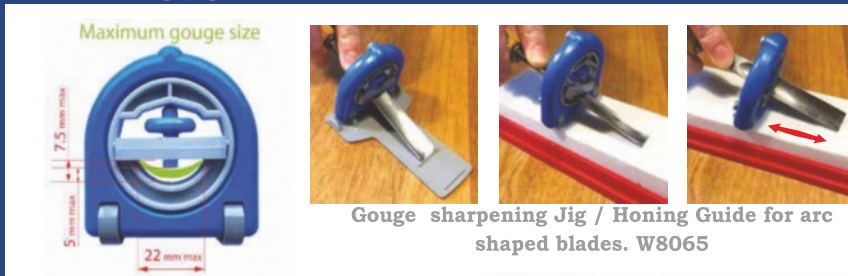
2nd Hinckley

3rd North Bucks

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Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued



1st West Northants
2nd Ise & Nene
3rd West Midlands

Best Carver's Mallet

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1st West Northants

Best Bowl with Legs

2nd Tudor Rose

3rd Hinckley

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Best Piece

1st Ise & Nene

2nd Hinckley

3rd = Coombe Abbey
(entry "E"
below),
Tudor Rose,
North Bucks &
West Midlands



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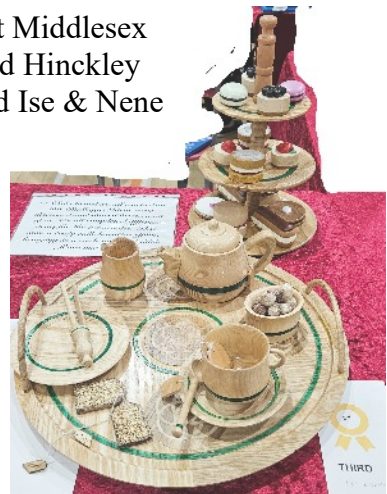
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Best Tea Set

1st Middlesex
2nd Hinckley
3rd Ise & Nene



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Best Stand

1st West Midlands
2nd Tudor Rose
3rd Hinckley

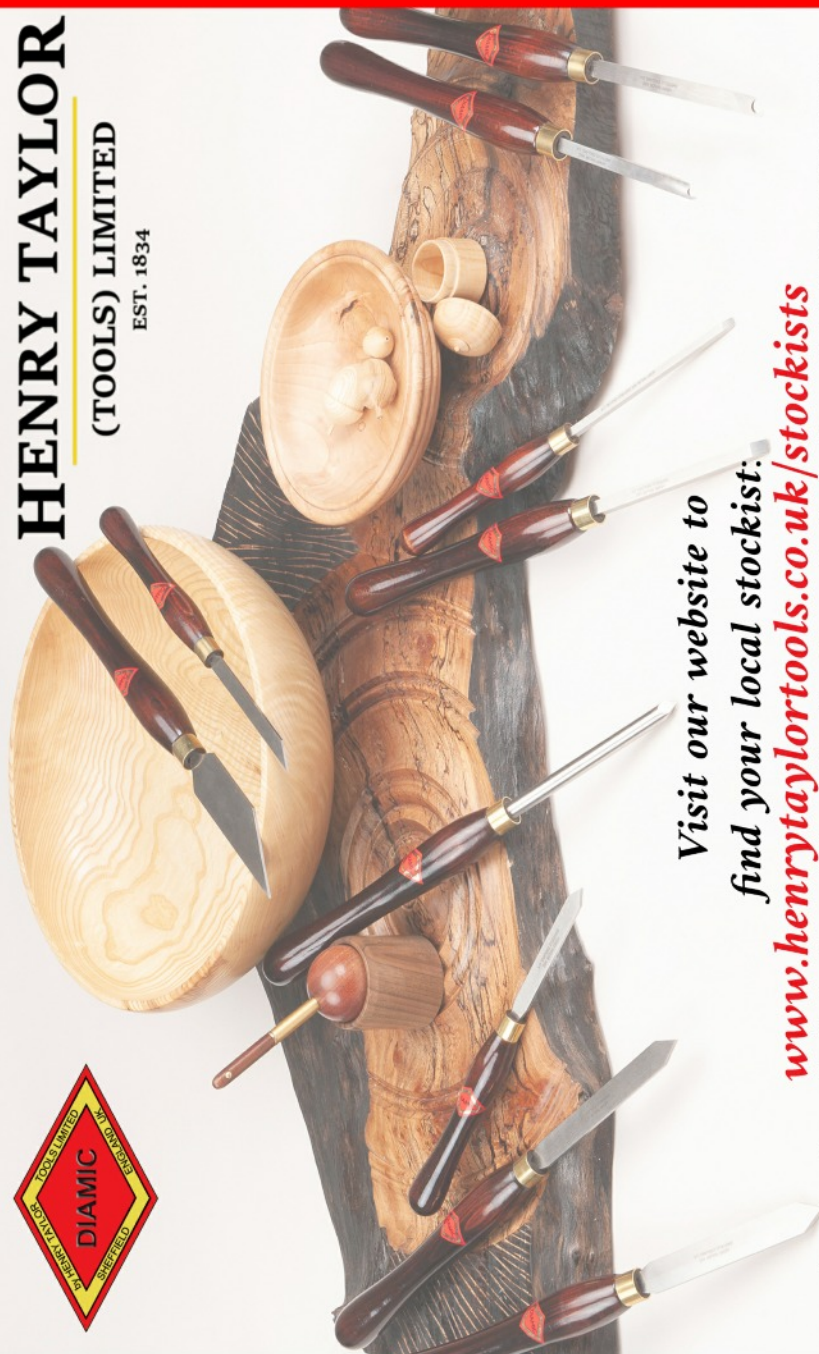




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Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued
Coombe's Tea Set



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Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued
Coombe's Bowl - turned by Phil Steele



Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued
Coombe's Egg& Eggcup - turned by Paddy Byrne



Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued



Coombe's Best Piece

Each club had to choose their three best pieces off their stand. The judges then chose one of the three pieces from each club to be judged.

Coombe managed a good third equal with this hollow form.

Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued

Some 'Interesting' Pieces from the Show



Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued
Some 'Interesting' Pieces from the Show



Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued

Club Stands

Top - Cannock Chase

Middle - Hinckley

Bottom - Ise & Nene



Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued

Club Stands

Top - Middlesex

Middle - North Bucks

Bottom - Offchurch



Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued

Club Stands

Top - Tudor Rose

Middle - West Midlands

Bottom - West Northants



Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued



Left -
Coventry Woodcarvers

Middle -
Ornamental Turners

Bottom - Daventry Hall



Woodworks@Daventry 2025 - continued

Professional Turners

Simon Hope, Chris Parker, Emma Cook,
mick Hanbury & Steve Heeley



Teaching at Coombe Workshop



More students being taught by Rob Sheehan.

On the first lesson, after turning some beads and coves, I get my students to turn a bud vase. On their second lesson, they turn a simple bowl.



Items For Sale

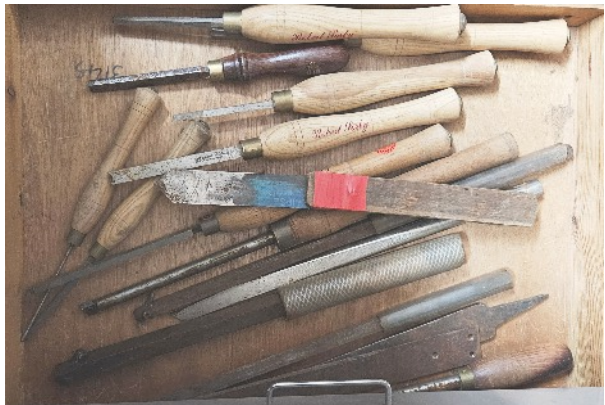
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Turning Tools



John Roe Equipment For Sale - continued



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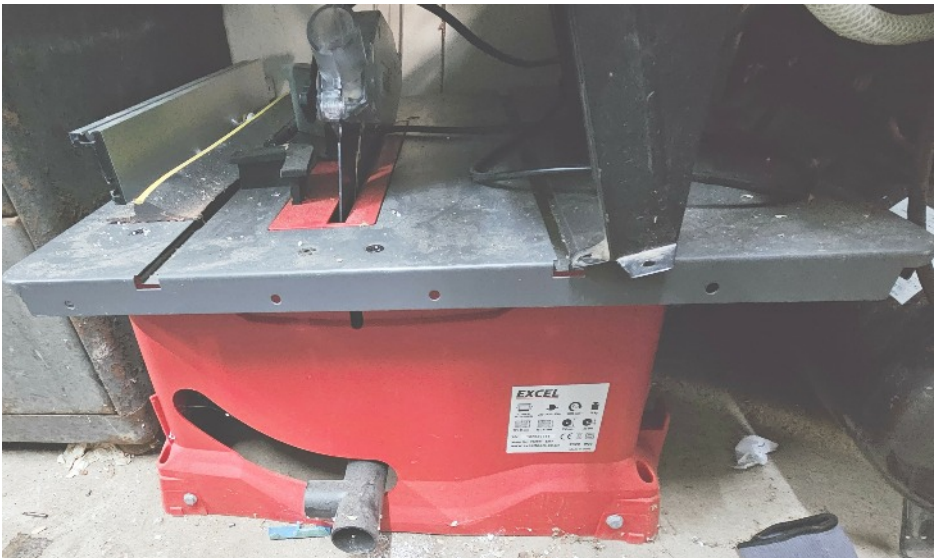


John Roe Equipment For Sale - continued



Union Graduate lathe

Table Saw



John Roe Equipment For Sale - continued

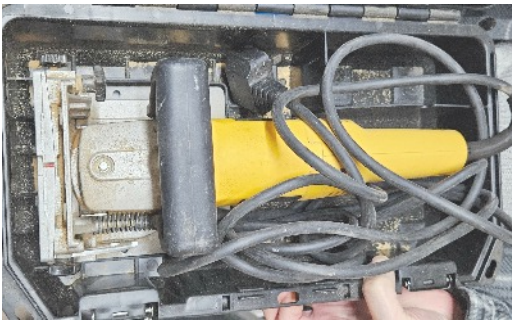


Carving gouges

DeWalt biscuit jointer

Various grinders

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Equipment For Sale - continued

Chest of Drawers For Sale

Don Kildin has restored this chest of drawers. It is for sale £150 ono.
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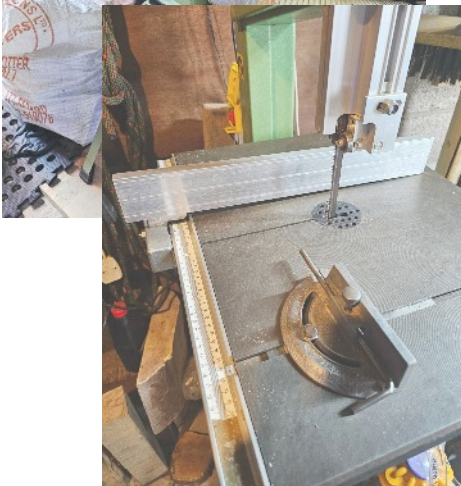
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Equipment For Sale - continued

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Notices

New (Trainee) Members of the Club

Each new trainee will be offered the chance to attend two demonstrations Free-Of-Charge.

Tutors, please tell your student about the above offer.

- by order of the committee 26/1/25

Booking Training Sessions

Michael Archer is now handling all training session bookings.

Please phone him on 02476 448311.

Do not book a session without Michael's prior agreement.

Coombe Library

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April 50/50 Raffle

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Activities of other clubs in the Midlands area

As a matter of courtesy and to ensure that there is space available to accommodate members wishing to visit other clubs demo's, please use the contact telephone number where shown.

North Warwickshire & Hinckley Woodturners

Tuesday June 3 PAT Test & Hands-On
Tuesday June 17 Pole Lathe Phil Steele

Contact Rob Sheehan 07905185122

Tudor Rose Woodturners

Thursday 12 June Peter Briggs

Contact Colin Smith 07939-004375 communications@tudor-rose-turners.co.uk

West Midlands Woodturners

Sunday 22nd June Demonstration – Ian Ethell

Contact Chris Jones 07580 195561 crjones5691@gmail.com

West Northants Woodturners

Wednesday 4th June Chris Harkin

Contact Tom Donnely 01327 349093

Trent Valley Woodturners

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Friday June 13th Chestnut Products

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Spring Bank Holiday at Coombe

Over the Sunday & Monday, we put up two gazebos at Coombe, to sell items for charity and to sell raffle tickets. The pole lathe also attracted a lot of interest. The weather put off a lot of visitors but we did raise some money for the Air Ambulance and we also got some enquiries about training. Hopefully, that will lead to new club members.



Teaching at Coombe Workshop

Trainee Dave Barker had his second lesson on 29th April. Dave owns a lathe, so has some turning experience, but is self-taught. We picked one of Elizabeth's donated blanks and from it, Dave produced a nice bowl with burned line detail around the rim.

We mounted the blank using a screw chuck and kept the tail stock in place for as long as possible. A tenon was produced and the outside form roughly shaped with pull cuts away from the tenon and then push cuts in the 'wrong' direction from the rim. The tail stock was then removed and final shaping cuts made from base to rim. Once mounted on the tenon, the hollowing was completed using both long grind and short 'bottom feeder' grind bowl gouges. Final refinement was made using a scraper. Dave made three 'V' cuts near the outer rim and burned them with Formica. He opted to use the bowl for food, so took it home in its raw state, to complete fine grade sanding and apply an oil finish.

Dave was very pleased with the training and the end result. He was enthusiastic, capable and responsive to instruction. I hope we see him

again before too long.

Cheers
Giles



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Workshop Notice

Coombe Abbey woodturners

As agreed at the AGM on the 4th January 2025

From 1st February 2025 we will be introducing a £1 entry fee into the workshop for all members.

This will include the use of the workshop & equipment Also to include tea & coffee you will also get entry into the 50/50 raffle each day you come into the workshop.

Clarification to the above notice:

The charge does NOT apply to tutors who are teaching a student, nor to committee members when attending a committee meeting.

This will not cover all costs but will go a some way to helping the club to run the workshop through the year and give members a chance of winning a little more money each month.

Thank you for your support

The Committee

Calendar of Events 2025

Month	Date	Day	Location	Event
Jan	4	Sat	W	AGM 10am Start
	18	Sat	C	Segment making. Graham Ball
Feb	21	Fri	S	Snail, Paddy Byrne
Mar	15	Sat	W	Paul Hannaby
Apr	6	Sun		Daffodil Festival
	25	Fri	S	Segmentation. Bill Nicholson
	18 - 21	Fri - Mon	C	Easter Festival of Crafts
May	09/ 10/	Fri/Sat		Woodworks At Daventry
	17	Sat	C	Hands-On Sharpening
July	12	Sat	W	Phil Steele Windsor Chair
Sept	6	Sat	W	Scroll Saw. Giovanni Deida
Nov	15	Sat	W	TBD
Dec	13	Sat	W	Christmas Party

Meeting Locations:

(W) Walsgrave Baptist Church, 10am - 4pm
Hinckley Road, Coventry, CV2 2EX.

(S) Shilton Village Hall, 6:30pm - 9pm
Wood Lane, Shilton, CV7 9JZ

(C) Coombe Abbey Workshop 10am - 12 noon, 1pm - 3pm
Brinklow Rd, Coventry CV3 2AB

Next Meeting

Windsor Chair with Phil Steele
Saturday July 12th. 10 am - 4 pm Walsgrave Baptist Church

Coming up

Saturday September 6th. Scroll Saw. Giovanni Deida. Walsgrave