

March 2014 Meeting— Multiturn Evening

Six members offered their services to entertain us during the evening with a variety of topics to be enjoyed. Also Simon Hope brought along a quantity of his stock items for sale

Peter Taylor

Peter chose to demonstrate how he turned his hat box from Yew. Peter designed this to give to various of his lady friends as Valentine's Day gifts.



John Carr

Over the years John has made various items with threaded lids and has become quite proficient in the use of thread cutters. Mike Charnley asked him if he would demonstrate the technique and John kindly agreed to do so.

To show the technique he chose to make a simple threaded box from Box. He showed how he achieved both the internal and the external thread (which can be seen in the photo).



Trevor Branton

Trevor had with him a collection of old and neglected tools that he had obtained from various sources. These were mostly pitted and covered in rust and extremely blunt. He showed how it was possible to recover these tools by removing the rust and by careful grinding on his Sorby vertical grinder the sort of edge that was possible. Several members had also brought along tools and Trevor showed them the correct angles for sharpening their tools and ended up sharpening them for them.



Maurice Sore

Maurice can be seen here explaining the various types of chuck that he had brought along. He showed the different ways they operated and the different jaws that could be fitted. He also brought along his homemade accessories such as a Longworth chuck and a supported hollowing system incorporating a laser to indicate the cutter position inside the hollow form. Finally he showed the use of a chuck to turn a small bowl.



Ian Cotgrove

Ian returned from holiday the day before the meeting to be contacted by Mike Charnley to prepare something for the meeting. Ian chose to show how he makes a dibber with incised and wire-burnt lines to indicate the depths for planting.



Ian Cameron

Ian had brought along various tools and jigs that he uses that he thought others may not have. Amongst his items was an index plate made by a company in the USA called Alisam that fitted the small lathes with a 1" spindle. Apparently they also do a larger one that fits the 35mm spindle. These are very useful when decorating your work.

The responses that I heard about the evening were all favourable although there were some that had hoped that there would have been more hands-on. This could be something for volunteers to bear in mind for future Multi-turn Evenings when they are planning what to do.