## West Suffolk Woodturnng Club DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Last Meeting: 19th November 2019

AGM and Malcolm Fox Memorial Competition

West Suffolk Woodturning Club's Annual General Meeting was held at Earl Stonham Village Hall on Tuesday 19th November 2019.

There were three apologies otherwise the meeting was well attended.

The outgoing Chairman thanked all those who had helped throughout the year either on the committee or giving time to outside events and club-multi-turns. She confirmed that the Club's decision to participate in the Weird and Wonderful Wood weekend event again this year had proved successful but had to confirm sadly that this event will not take place in 2020 because of the ill-health of the organiser. We understand that it is their intention to see whether the event might take place in the future but that is to be confirmed. The Club is considering other venues for the promotion of the club.

It was confirmed that the All Day Demo on 26th October with Emma Cook, The Tiny Turner, who produced some very attractive work and kept everyone entertained with her banter and infectious sense of humour, was an enormous success with many guests attending from neighbouring counties.

## Photos of the work created by Emma during the All Day Demo











The Treasurer presented her report which had been handed to all members.

Subscriptions for 2020 will be kept at the same rate as 2019.

Election of officers then took place during which the current Chair stood down and handed control to the Secretary.

The following were proposed and seconded:

Tic Challis - Chair

Pat Yates - Treasurer

John Woods - Secretary

Committee members:

Ian Cameron

**Neil Robertson** 

A discussion was held regarding the **2020 programme**:

Two All Day demonstrators have been booked.

25th April Margaret Garrard

31st October Colwyn Way

Training Days were discussed and the likelihood is that there will be two.

- 1) Beginners/Novice Training Day
- 2) Hollow Forms/Natural Edge Day

The possibility of **Master Classes** with the All Day demonstrators was also considered and may well be possibilities.

Suggestions were also taken from the floor with regard to the type of demonstrations the membership would like to see and a number of diverse subjects were discussed from Balls in cubes to Wood and Chip carving, Pyrography both practical and technical amongst others.

Items for consideration for The Malcolm Fox Memorial Competition held every year were also discussed and the decision was taken that the challenge for 2020 would be a Christmas Decoration.

Any other business included the establishment of an Easter Challenge. A decorated rolling-pin was the object of choice for the 21st April 2020 Club night.

It was also established that **a label** should accompany any submissions to the Club Night Table, Exhibitions or Competitions and the following should be shown:

- 1) The name of the piece
- 2) The artist's name
- 3) The material/s used
- 4) The date it was made
- 5) The overall dimensions

The dimensions give a sense of scale.

The label should be small but legible preferably printed. This helps the photographer to identify the work.

The meeting closed at 20.45 hrs..



Malcolm Fox Memorial Competition
"A Drinking Vessel"
Peter Thurston - Winner - 2019

This is the 15th year of the Malcolm Fox Memorial Competition. It was in memory of our chairman Malcolm Fox, joint founder of this club with Bill Care. There is space for twelve on the face and the oldest shields now have to make room for the new winners and to be removed from the front of the trophy and then pinned on the reverse as can be seen and a third will join these two in just a week when Peter Thurston's hat-trick shield is placed on the face for the third year in a row. Congratulations to him again and the rest of us need to look to our lathes and see if we cannot upset the applecart in 2020!! Michael Hubbard whose name you may just be able to see on the two shields in the photo also had two consecutive wins. He was also one of the members who was here at the very beginning.. He passed away some years ago now but we can say now, gone but most definitely not forgotten.

The names of those in the presentation photo reading from Left to Right are John French, Peter Thurston, James Buckle, Ian Cameron and Tic Challis

The turners responsible for the submissions to this year's Malcolm Fox Memorial Competition and whose fine work can be seen below reading from Left to Right

First Row, Peter Thurston, Ian Cameron, John French and James Buckle. They were in 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places.

Second Row, Dennis Dell, John Gladders and Martin Taylor,

Third Row Tic Challis and Maurice Elliston.

Congratulations to you all!!







## DISPLAY TABLE



Pear in Yew Ian Cotgrove



A Trio of Things John Gladders



Collapsible Pot Peter Thurston



Decorated Bowl Peter Thurston



Purple Heart Bowl Peter Thurston



Wide-Rim Decorated Bowl Peter Thurston



Fountain Form Eric Harvey



Fountain Bowl Eric Harvey



Pierced Fountain Form Eric Harvey



Pierced Pipe Form Eric Harvey



Banksia Forms Eric Harvey



Trumpet Form Eric Harvey



Bowl Eric Harvey



Natural Edge Dish Eric Harvey



Stained Bowl Eric Harvey



Dish Eric Harvey



Small Dish Eric Harvey



Hollow Form
Eric Harvey



Goblet Eric Harvey



Winged Dish Eric Harvey



Banksia Bud Vase Eric Harvey



Pipe Form Eric Harvey



Laburnum Bowl Eric Harvey



Decorated Platter Eric Harvey