WSWC club meeting – Monday 20th November 2023 AGM and Malcolm fox Memorial Trophy Competition

Club News

The recent AGM was well attended resulting in a good meeting, several business items were discussed including a few changes. Our new chairman is Stewart Clark who was nominated and voted in by the floor. Tic Challis had held office for many years and a vote of thanks was recorded for her service. Tic will remain on the committee. Otherwise, the committee remained the same. Next year's Peter Taylor memorial competition will be to make a bowl on stand up to 8 inches approx. 20.3cm. The Malcom Fox trophy will be item that has a silver element to it. This is a nod to the celebrations we hope to have next year as 25th anniversary of the club's formation. The full AGM report is available to download from the link in the Committee news on the front page of the website.

The 2023 Malcolm Fox memorial trophy also took place during the November meeting and a short report and photographs can be seen later in this newsletter.

For those who didn't attend this meeting could you please ensure you can make arrangements to pay your Subs the next time you visit on a club evening. It is important as we also have to ensure that we return details and payments to the AWGB to whom the club is affiliated. This ensures our meetings are covered by insurance etc. We have facilities to take payment from credit and debit cards to make it easier and convenient.

Mick Hanbury presented an all-day demonstration on Saturday October 28th, 2023. The theme was decorated items and turning techniques. A full illustrated report can be found in the special events section of the website.

Our next meeting on December 18th will be a presentation about ornamental turning techniques.

Best wishes to all,

Neil (Newsletter and website)

Member table items





Left: Large Platter and Natural edged bowl in Yew, by Eric Harvey



Left: Thin blade parting tool with Aluminium Handle made by Eric Harvey



Above: Pots in Yew and Purpleheart made by John Kirchell



Right: Laburnum lidded Box with finial made by Malcolm Kerr









Above left: Ian Cameron - Sycamore bowl with decorated rim. Above Right: demonstration piece by Mick Hanbury,

Left: Martin Taylor - Sycamore bowl and decorated rim.

Below left: Richard Court - Sycamore bowl with decorated rim, Below right: Martin Taylor - Ash bowl with decorated rim

All made on the recent all-day demonstration with Mick Hanbury





Malcolm Fox Memorial Trophy 2023

There were six entries in this year's competition, all of a high standard as usual. The subject was a stylized figurine.



First place was this African inspired figurine made by Mick Favager. It is approximately ten inches, or 25cm high.

The 'load' the figurine is carrying on her head is made of laminated and coloured plywood.



Second place went to Ian Cameron for his delightful Angel, approximately 8 inches, or 20cm tall.

The wings are a made from a turned shallow dish.



Third place went to Martin Taylor with his large nativity group. The figures are approximately 5 to 6 inches tall, or 12 to 15cm

Beautifully coloured and well thought out with good shape, execution and finish. It makes an impressive statement typical of Martin's take on figures that we have seen in the past.



Left: Very tall off centre turned female figure made by John Kirchell

Right: Stylish lady with a removable spinning top head made by John French





Right: Speak no evil, see no evil and hear no evil group made by Richard Court





Left: another delightful Nativity made by Richard Court, much smaller than the 3rd place winning entry, with the tallest figure about 2 inch or 5cm

Again, very commendable