

# Turn Around

## The Newsletter of The Village Turners

March 2002

### March Meeting

Mike and Robin both laid on demonstrations for us in March. Robin on sharpening and Mike on dolls house furniture. Our thanks to both.

### Member News

We were sorry to learn that Fred Gilson is seriously ill in hospital. A card was available for members to sign.

### Paul Jowett

My name is Paul Jowett I live in Yaxley and have done so for the last 24 years. I'm a manager in a warehouse here in Peterborough.

My interest in woodturning began in the early 1960s as an apprentice carpenter, where I used to make the occasional spindle, leg or other part for broken Windsor chairs and cash bowls for public houses, long before the introduction of the electronic till. I spent 20 years of my life working on and managing dairy farms, quite a varied career.

Since then I have collected work by other turners as I have no lathe of my own at the present time. I found out about your group by chance, looking at one of your members work at a car boot sale. Thoughts of joining a group re-kindled my passion for turning. It has to be one of the most rewarding of pastimes seeing work unfold in front of you with each introduction of a gouge to the timber. I look forward to the day I have a lathe of my own but I am content for the time being coming along to the monthly meetings and seeing others work.

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I'm pleased to report that since this article was written, Paul has acquired a lathe.

### Hints & Tips

If turning a goblet from a stick, mount the pith off centre as otherwise it wont be strong enough.

### Ferry Meadows

We have been asked to do demonstrations out at Ferry Meadows again this year but following feedback, this will be in addition to and not in place of, normal club meetings.

Possible dates are

27/28 July

24/25 August

14/15 September

If you feel we should go ahead with a demonstration (or two), I need to hear from you urgently. To make this work we need (a) someone prepared to organise it and (b) about half a dozen members to actually be there. Without that commitment by the next meeting, I shall have to advise Ferry Meadows that we are unable to assist.

### Club Visit

The Midlands Woodworking and WoodTurning Exhibition 2002,  
26 – 28 April

This annual event at the Warwickshire Exhibition Centre near Leamington Spa is well worth a visit. Entry costs £6 per head if booked in advance. If you would like me to book a ticket for you for the 27<sup>th</sup> which is the Saturday, please phone me on 01832 273973 **no later than the 24<sup>th</sup> March**. Sharing of transport to be arranged.

### Demonstration 4 May 2002

Mays' meeting will be a demonstration of Victorian screw puzzles by John Berkeley. I have seen pictures of John's work which is of a very high standard and the demo promises to be very interesting indeed.

We will be taking bookings at Aprils' meeting so please **bring some money with you**. £7 per head is the nominal fee but we have applied to the A.W.G.B. for assistance and we hope to be able to refund some of this for members.

Please keep the articles coming.

Next meeting 6 April 2002.

*Brian Norris (Secretary)*

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These dates are correct as at 23 April 2006 but please check before making a journey  
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