

Waveney & District Wood Turners

E-News

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December 2013

December Meeting

I will start with a big thank-you to all of you who attended this meeting and entered into the spirit of fun which contributed so much to its success. The work on display filled two tables, the raffle table was overflowing with donations and the raffle tickets sold like hot-cakes. And so to a brief account of the evening.

There was no demonstrator this month as the evening was organised as a social event and annual prize giving. Included in the entertainment and general festivities were some light hearted quizzes, a buffet supper and a raffle. We welcomed as guests for the evening our good friends Tom and Sue Kittle. The evening was attended by a total of 46 including members and partners and our guests and I think it is fair to say that a good time was had by all.

The evening began with all present being asked to wear a name badge to make introductions much easier and progressed from there to the quizzes which involved identifying wood and trees, solving cryptic clues to British towns and cities and solving a members who's who from pictures of heads taken from behind.

As most had finished the quizzes we took supper in the form of a buffet, provided by "A Piece of Cake" from Lowestoft and Barry and Nick once again provided us with tea and coffee.

After supper the answers to the quizzes were given: the prizes were won by Paul Sharman who solved most clues to British towns and cities and by Paul Maulden who showed considerable skill in identifying wood and matching it to the leaves of the tree from which it was taken.

This brought us nicely to the point where our guest had to sing for his supper. You will see from the photographs that there was a very full table. All pieces brought along were placed on the one table (well two actually) and Tom was given the task of choosing the best piece of spindle and best piece of face-plate turning. Not only

did he do that but made succinct and helpful comments on all the pieces displayed and all in the good humoured way that we have come to expect.

The following pictures will give a further flavour as to what went on.



Display/Competition tables



The Raffle Table



The Buffet Table (before supper)



Getting Started



Enjoying Supper





Tom in full flow (might be a 'Billy Joke) on the critique

Following Tom's critique there came the unenviable task of judging the winners of the Gordon Stewart Trophy (spindle turning) and the Derby Cup for faceplate turning.

Our congratulations to Chris Hoare whose goblets were adjudged the best spindle turning.





The Derby Cup for the best faceplate turning was won by David Ritchie whose chess-board bowl was adjudge to be the best piece; congratulations to David.



The win

table



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effort over the year, were in the novice competition Edward Judd and in the advanced competition David Ritchie.

Tom Kittle presenting to Edward Judd Tom Kittle presenting to David Ritchie





After the presentations came the raffle, which took some time due to the number of prizes on offer, and a very enjoyable evening drew to a close. As I said earlier I believe a good time was had by all.

Reminders

The next meeting is our AGM when we elect our committee for 2014 and we also renew our membership the cost of which remains unchanged at £12-00.

Could you also please remember to bring your retrospective AWGB application along with your gift-aid declaration as mentioned in last month's enews.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL.