

# Waveney & District Woodturners



E-News

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## Tony Walton

Tony's demonstration this evening was to use the skew as much as possible. It is the tool that puts fear into the hearts of most turners but he overcame his by continual practice on cheap 2in x 2in pine until he finally "got it".

On the evening he was using a piece of Maple 7in x 2½in square, which he mounted between centres, rounded off using the skew chisel and put a spigot on one end using a "peeling cut" with the skew, which is effectively using it as a wide parting tool. That end was remounted in the jaws and put a spigot (or dog tail as he called it) before parting off three-quarters of the length.

The remaining piece was to become a domed lid. This was shaped towards the jaws using the skew chisel all the way (a bit scary for those wary of the tool). Tony then used a small gouge to hollow out the inside, altering the angle of approach to avoid chatter. He finished the inside using a scraper and finally creating a recess on the outer edge that was to fit on the base, again using the skew.



The other piece was then mounted in the jaws and a slightly tapered spigot created with the skew, the lid was offered up and the spigot adjusted until the lid fitted perfectly. The tail stock was brought up and the waste wood turned away.

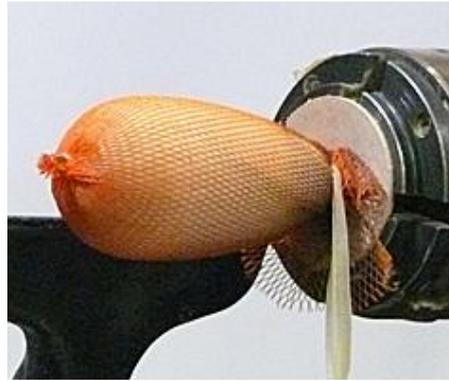


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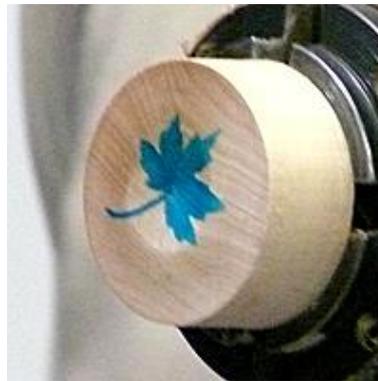
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Tony then used the skew to take down the diameter of the base to match the lid and proceeded to shape the base to form an elongated egg shape. He was having problems with the grain lifting due to its direction, so overcame this by just using the tip of the skew to shape. This gets a good finish and creates feather-like shavings as shown in the pictures.



The base was then hollowed out with a spindle gouge by using it initially to create a hole in the middle then shear scraping outwards. A bowl gouge and scraper were used to finish the inside and bottom. The feathery waste was cleared away and plastic mesh placed over the piece and held in place using tape. The mesh is often used as a protection over sharp tools and metalwork. Simon Hope uses it on his hollowing tools.

The piece was sprayed very lightly using an air brush and Chestnut purple spirit stain so that the grain of the wood still showed through. The piece was then parted off.



Tony filled in the remainder of the evening by using a small blank and parting off a piece for a lid. It was turned and fitted back on before using one of his stick-on stencils to spray a Maple leaf pattern on the top and the reverse image on the inside. Tony sells his stencil stickers through his website at £1.50 per sheet and can have any pattern or designs you require.

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## THIS MONTH'S TABLE ENTRIES

A little thin on the ground this month. Quality pieces none the less.





### CHAIRMAN'S CHOICE

Nick Shore takes the honours this month for his huge platter (above right). Note the mini goblet in the middle to help gauge the size.

## COMING UP

### TRAINEE/IMPROVERS NIGHT

**Mondays: 30<sup>th</sup> October and 27<sup>th</sup> November**

This is an opportunity for trainees and novices to improve their skills on a motivational and relaxed social evening hosted by your club committee - not only that, tea and biscuits are provided.

### NEXT MONTH

**Darren Breeze – 9<sup>th</sup> November**

Darren is renowned for his super large architectural pieces. Currently a member of the Norwich Club.

**TO PAY IN:** Woodchoppers Ball money and AWGB Subs – **PLUS:** Return any cup/trophies from last year

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## The Woodchoppers Ball – Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> December

**A fantastic event celebrating the club and its members with a terrific mystery entertainer.**

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### AROUND THE CLUBS:

*(Hold the Ctrl Key down and Click on the link)*

Black Isle Woodturning: <http://www.blackislewoodturning.com/>

The Village Turners: <http://www.villageturners.org.uk/>

Wealden Woodturners: <http://www.wealdenwoodturners.org.uk/>

### YOUTUBE VIDEOS:

*(Hold the Ctrl Key down and Click on the link)*

Woodturning Lidded Boxes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DfwrgXRqq5w>

Turning a Ring Box with Inlay lid: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Ej54\\_8wp24](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Ej54_8wp24)

How to Make a Lidded Box: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uETr88GzAeU>



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