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Woody's World

The Newsletter of



Ian Harrison has decided to retire from the club. This announcement means the club has to find a new home for Woody. Ian was one of the club's founder members and instrumental in getting Woody made. I, being a new boy, relatively speaking, to the club have only heard



tales of those early days. Ian apparently was the key member in getting others to make a limb each followed by the other parts. Ian is not just a fine wood turner he does excellent marquetry work. Much of this is for his grandchildren and family members. Some of you may remember Ian bringing in a beautiful box which looked as though it had come from some very high class establishment. So to get to the point we need a new home for Woody



At our meeting John tried to get us all interested in making a chess set starting with the pawns. Only after half an hour did he reveal he started this project years ago and a decade later was still making the pieces. From the overheard conversations John was not the only member who had a grand project of a personalised chess set, only to be set back by knights and bishops. The essential key is of course to make all the pawns match. So you must have a



pattern block as a guide.

Whilst John was endeavouring to produce an exact copy to his pattern pawn another group of members were trying to get lathe two working.



Copious amounts of WD40 were sprayed to try and release the sticking parts. Here WD40 was being used as the manufacturer intended but it does have other uses.

For example it will normally remove Sellotape glue which has been left behind from that notice that got stuck on the fridge. Or you can use it to drive out water from that electrical connection that got rain in it. I do not recommend you do this as it is a bit hazardous.



But back to the actual demo:-



Whilst turning a simple pawn might seem an easy task John pointed out that experience shows that you need to be very consistent in the order you turn the shape otherwise the pawns will look different from each other. Also you should turn the end ball before you turn the neck as this gives a cleaner finish without going over it again and again.

Examples of members work on display last month



Mike Smets chair , which shows what can be done with patience.

NOTICES:-

Forthcoming Attractions

- Dec 4th @ 7:00 pm Hands on (plus Sharpen your kit)
- Jan 10th Sat Annual Party
- Feb 5th @ 7:30 pm Slotted hollow form Ken to demo
- Feb 26th @ 7:30 pm AGM plus Mick and Lou timber sales
- April 2nd TBA
- May 7th @ 7:30 pm Hands on
- Jun 4th @ 7:00 pm Steve Heeley
- July 2nd @ 7:30 pm Rob from Axminster
- Aug 6th @ 7:00 pm Mick Hanbury

Remember members who do demos will receive payment.

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