

Woody's World



5th December 2024

Pendant & Jig

Christmas Social reminder towards end of the newsletter.

Roger was kind enough to share with us the making, set up and use of a jig that he had seen being used to make a round and shaped pendant.





The jig shown was made from pine with a 1¾ inch hole cut using a Forstner bit and a groove cut with a bandsaw. This was a development jig and Roger suggested improvements to prevent splitting could be to make the groove narrower –

perhaps just the kerf of the blade – and to glue a piece of leather around the curved 'spine' of the jig (ie opposite the end with the groove).



Once the jig is prepared, cut discs that will fit snuggly once the jaws are tightened...the closer the discs are to the 1¾ inch hole, the less pressure and less likely to split the jig. Roger used Yew which is an interestingly figured wood and makes for a good variety of finished pendants.



The discs can be shaped as required. The lines shown on the jig are reference points for the edges of the jaw. Once the surface is finished, the edge of the jaw can be moved from the red to the black like, thus moving the centre of the disc, allowing a hole to be drilled off centre.

If a Jacob's chuck is used to drill the hole, Roger suggested winding the drill bit in by hand with the lathe turned off.

Once happy with your design, clean up the hole, sand/sanding sealer/wax etc. Then flip and repeat on the other side. It's a good idea to



finish the edges whilst the discs are still in the spindle as they become less accessible once in the jig.

Experimentation could lead to various design additions ie concaving the surface or slanting the disc in the jig and using the sharp corner of a screw to cut lines on the surface.







The pendant can be hung on a leather cord or similar





Christmas Social: Sat 11th Jan @ 7pm

The club Christmas Social will be held on Saturday 11th January 2025 at 7pm in Offchurch Village Hall.

Always a fun and enjoyable evening, the event will include food, a quiz, a raffle, a hotly contested competition for members' woodturnings and a separate competition for partner/spouses' crafts.

The partner/spouse competition is open to any craft.

PLEASE BRING A RAFFLE PRIZE

Price is £8.50 per person. If you haven't booked but would like to attend, please email m.widmer@btinternet.com

Soft drinks will be available but you are welcome to bring your own alcohol if desired.

Forthcoming Club Meetings

Meetings normally are on the first Thursday in the month except when there are elections. Meetings start at **7pm** in Offchurch Village Hall.

Date 2024/25	Topic	Demonstrator
11 th Jan	Social 7pm	
6 th Feb	Sharpening – Bring your tools and a Sorby Pro-Edge if you own one	Nick
6 th March	AGM	

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