

June



# Woody's World

The Newsletter of



2016

## NEW STYLE MEMBERS EVENING

Last month saw the trial of our new style of members evening. The meeting was held a week late due to the local elections. But first we had a bit of an election crisis of our own this month. Our chair, John Davies, had sold his house and is moving away. It all happened very quickly and rather unexpectedly even for the Davies, and Nick Milton stepped into the breach and has taken over protem. John has been a stalwart of the club for many years and with his wife Mary were key figures in the annual social. The club wish them well as they move to Wales.



The new style members' meeting is for up to four members to demonstrate or talk about a personal project. Hopefully members will bring their disasters as well as their really good bits to talk about.

First up was Roger Gilbert who made a simple but very effective baby's rattle. The key to this is

making several captive rings on a stem. The basic piece of wood could be found in all our workshops. Roger rough turned it down then used a parting tool as well as a chisel. The key was the four captive rings which create the rattle. Here Roger used two special tools which allow you to make captive rings with ease.



The second demo was by John Davies who had had some difficulty in making a three or four legged stool. John started by emphasising that you must think the whole design through beforehand. This will entail making drawings so that each part, such as each leg, is truly the same.



He suggested starting with a template stick. That is a strip of wood with all the dimensions set out.



If you put in cross supports to the legs the angles of the holes must be all the same. Since they are not right angles this can be tricky to achieve.



John showed an example of a shaker style seat which is woven fabric. The fabric/tape is difficult to find at a reasonable price. Weaving the seat should not take place until the assembled stool has had time to set.

Nick talked about the forthcoming Daventry show and our entry. This year the organisers had stated that clubs should only show new stuff not something that has been going the rounds of shows for years. He pointed out that our entry would have some very simple turning as well as clever items. This brought him on to his general theme for the evening. He wants members to bring each meeting something they have attempted. Not something near perfect we would not learn much from that. Of course success was important but so were our failures especially since there would be someone in the club who could help.



Some of the club's work going to Daventry



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## Forthcoming Attractions

**2016**

Meetings normally are on the first Thursday in the month except when there are elections

June 2<sup>nd</sup>                      To be arranged                      7: 00 pm

July 7<sup>th</sup>                      To be arranged

Aug 4<sup>th</sup>                      Richard Findley                      7: 00 pm

*Remember: members who demonstrate will receive payment.*

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