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Woody's World

The Newsletter of



2015

Team held to task over cleaning- letter of warning issued by hall committee

As someone who has some responsibility for a church hall I could sympathise with the letter writers. We have a dance class that uses our hall and one dancer wears black plimsolls. They leave black streaky marks on the floor which prove difficult to get off.

Here it was a scuffed floor and sawdust not cleaned up. John read out what was quite a severe letter upbraiding us. Some of our committee went to see them and things are we hope back to normal. So please be careful when stacking the chairs away and clearing all the sawdust.

Take warning about hot machines

There is no smoke without fire

Your editor was involved in a rather odd fire the other week. The workshop I go to is housed in an old school and AGE'UK' use most of the rooms alongside Social Services. The original woodworking room was never cleared of all its machines etc and now is a workshop again. The two lathes, two band saws and a decent circular saw plus other machines all have extractors fitted. These link to a hopper which is well outside the room. Two weeks ago the circular saw started smoking. The machine was switched off and the hopper underneath examined. There were some smouldering particles of sawdust. These were whisked out but clearly not soon enough. The extractor had whipped them through the extractor system and within a minute the hopper was pouring out smoke.

We had set the building on fire. Alarms were pushed, "everyone out" etc.



Within five minutes the Fire brigade was there and in charge. No one suffered any ill effects and the emergency procedures worked well.

I mention all this because I suspect we all get a bit blasé about the saw dust around us as we turn our way to a good looking bowl or in my case a slightly odd shaped affair.

But enough of this depressing chat what did John get us doing last month?



A simple but effective table centre piece . Use a split log and mount a few mushrooms or simple shapes on them.



So two of our better turning members show us how to do it.



Of course it does not have to be a simple mushroom shape.



I am not advocating these shapes should be mounted on the split log but you can see what one member can do with a simple design and an inlay. As to the crowd – well they come every time so deserve a picture. For more detail go to our web site- offchurchwoodturners.org.uk

Woody's Christmas Social

Our post Christmas Social will be on Saturday 9th Jan 2016

7 p.m. for 7:30 p.m. start

Cost £ 7:50 each

Wood turning competition

Craft competition

Soft drinks available but bring your own alcohol

Raffle prizes- donations welcome

Reserve your places soon please

Payment December meeting

Forthcoming Attractions

Nov 5th @ 7:30 pm David Simms Christmas Decorations

Dec 3rd @ 7:30 pm Hands On

Jan 9th @ 7:30 pm Woody's Christmas Social

Remember members who do demos will receive payment.

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