

Hands on for Christmas

Now is your opportunity to make a difference to your Christmas tree. Last month's meeting saw a range of baubles on display and how to make a small container for your candles.



But first I must go back a month to the miniatures turned by John Berkerly.

This is his wine goblet with captive ring but note that each of the faint lines across are only 7.5 mm apart which means the whole thing is only 3cm high!

Back to Christmas and how you can astound everyone. On the evening we made candle holders. But remember last year we made trees and Father Christmas. On display too were some beautiful baubles which are coloured with simple felt tip pens.





First thing to note is that candles appear to come in one size. At least IKEA and ALDI have the same-. 39mm diam. I should , however warn you that I made a whole block set for church and the next supply of candles was larger by a couple of mm. diam.





John with starting piece Christmas baubles can be produced quite quickly and you need not be too careful about finish except for the coloured spheres. These need to be made of something like tulip wood which can give a smooth finish. Turn them and finish right down to the final coating

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. Then apply the felt tip pens, to create the bands of colour. If you try to apply the felt tip before 'finishing' then the 'ink' will run and you will not get a clear line. Of course if you just make a candle holder then almost any old bit of wood will do. Although your friends will doubtless want to caress your fine bit of work and ask questions as to how many you made and what wood is it etc?





Last year we had trees and

snowmen to show. One member actually had orders for trees which paid for his subs for the year. So these maybe are worth spending a bit of time on.

If you want a simple design for the tree and use rubbish wood then use your narrow parting tool to create grooves and then cover with glitter Glue

A note from last month's mag stated the revs when using the thread making tool was 400 rpm. Apparently that is what was stated but several people have found you need to get down to 300 or less.

Tea Rota

Request from committee that when it is your turn please take the bag home. There will be a list at our next meeting as to who is on and when. If you cannot do it for some reason-holidays /working away etc please check who is next and ask them to swop with you.

ANNUAL SOCIAL Saturday Jan 10th At 7:30 pm tickets £7:50 Enter your work for a prize. Bring your brain for a quiz Please Bring a raffle prize

NOTICES:-

Forthcoming Attraction

Tonight	@ 7:00 pm	Richard Findley
Nov 6 th	@ 7:30 pm	TBA
Dec 5 th	@ 7:00 pm	Hands on (Christmas turning!)
Jan 10 th Sat	Annual Party	
Feb 5 th	Hands on/MD	
Mar 5 th	AGM plus Mi	ck and Lou timber sales
Jun 4 th	@ 7:00 pm	Steve Heeley
July 2 nd	@ 7:30 pm	Hands on
Aug 6 th	@ 7:00 pm	Mick Hanbury
Remember members who do demos will receive payment.		