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Idiot sticks by Dave Simms

This trick device has already been shown at our club meetings. You would have thought that having been caught out once you would not be fooled again. But that was not the case at our August meeting when Dave repeated his demo.

Remember when demonstrating to ensure your fingers are clean so they can make a good snap.



Start with what is really a very thick dowel about 8cm long. Drill out a hole for an insert which will come from a say 7mm diam. dowel. This

will be your hook.

Here we have the finished hook.

The dowel has been glued in and a notch cut into the end. It is important that you measure the distance from the knob to the hook as this is something people will check visually when you try out the trick.

But first you have to create the

knob from the round you have already turned and drilled.



Here you can see this being shaped up from the piece of rod Dave has already turned.

Note the angle of the back of the hook handle. This needs to be fairly sharp otherwise the trick will not work.

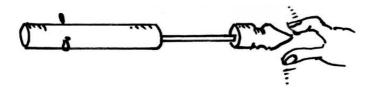
Next step is to make up the hook gluing in the rod with the cut at the end.

This determines where you are going to put the elastic band through the rod. Sceptics will quickly check that the hook and the band are at the same distance down the hole you have created.



Now drill through and make two small elastic band loops and glue in place. It should, to all intents and purposes, appear that there is on band passing through and across the stick.

There you have it a simple trick which you can turn out at that demo you have at the local fete, possibly even one you can sell!





Dave in his quiet demonstrating mode.



Forthcoming Attractions - 2017

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

Sept 7 th	7pm
Oct 5 th	7pm
Nov 2 nd	7pm
Dec 7 th	7pm

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