

February 2017 - George Foweraker

There was a good turnout of members for the February meeting and we also welcomed three guests who hopefully will become members of the group.

Our own George Foweraker provided a demonstration of back to basics with the turning of a simple beech wood bowl. George spent the first part of the session explaining the various grain cuts and wood drying times. He then moved onto turning the bowl explaining the push and pull cut techniques using the gouge and how to hold the tools correctly. Group members were invited to join George at the lathe to review the correct cutting angle/technique and ask individual questions...



The bowl took shape (and didn't look anything like a dog bowl!!) before we went for a break for refreshments made by Shirley.



On returning discussions took place regarding the use of abrasives and the rest of the bowl was turned. The bowl then came to life when George textured the rim of the bowl.



Yes George' it's always good to go back to basics!!

I was unable to attend the meeting, which was a shame as I was looking forward to a FREE bowl turning masterclass from George! Thanks go to Carole Davis for standing in and providing the above review of what I am sure was a very useful meeting, no doubt full of George's usual banter and sales patter!

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