



*Oxon
Woodturners*

Newsletter

October 2025

Dear members,

This month we held a hands-on club-night on Tuesday 7th October, with a theme of spinning tops. Charlie led the way helping first Asmat, and then Max – our youngest member – to making their own tops. My apologies for a lack of photographic evidence, but you can take my word they turned out very nicely, even if the tippy-top stubbornly refused to turn over! Asmat, a guest to the club, had never turned before – we hope he will continue!

Competition

This month's competition had the theme of "fruit".

Advanced.

1st place went to this lovely selection from Tony S.: A pair, and a pair (of apples!), on a stylish platter (Oak?). They had a beautiful glossy finish from Carnauba wax. 2nd place went to Charlie for a fine fruit-bowl, featuring a pair (of pairs), another pair (of plums – how far can this pun go;-)), and some apples in a lovely burr bowl.



Intermediate.

1st place went to another impressive fruit-bowl made by Chris featuring – you guessed it – pairs (of apples and pairs). Actually this was the only 'genuine' intermediate entry, though some joker had left

an apple so realistic, it even *tasted* like an apple. Let no-body say the Oxon Woodturners don't have a sense of humour!



The next club-night will be another hands-on night on the 4th of November. This will be your chance to get ahead with Christmas decorations – because that will be the theme of the night. AND it is also the competition, so get thinking! This will be the last club-night of the year, before our AGM in December. **We hope to see you there!**

All the best,
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