



*Oxon
Woodturners*

Newsletter

October 2026

Dear Members,

this month's Club night on October 7th was a hands-on. We had a number of first-time visits from people who were thinking about taking up woodturning. They seemed to be very enthusiastic, asking lots of detailed questions about what lathes, chuck, tools etc to buy so we look forwards to welcoming them again, in November.

The theme of the hands-on was 'mushrooms' and Charlie Jones delivered a lightning fast introduction, making three different fungi.



The fun guy at work

Competition

This month's subject was **multi media**. In other words, wood and something else. Competition was again stiff in the Improvers Section, where there were five very good entries, all with a different approach.

Advanced Section

Only one entrant in the section this month so **Charlie Jones** took **1st place** with his London Plane offset-turned bowl with a pewter insert.



Improvers Section

1st Chris Hallsworth with a Newtonia pot with a pewter rim.



=2nd Joe Brash

(right) with a large burr oak platter with resin.



=2nd Craig Jones

(far right) with a Banksia nut with resin and wired as a lamp.



=3rd Ace North

(right) with an amazing, multi-media effort including a perfect sphere.



=3rd John Temple

(far right) with a pair of yew and brass candle sticks.



Next Club night is on Tuesday, November 3rd

This will be a hands-on evening with a starting theme of **honey dippers**.

The competition theme for night is **Christmas Ornaments**.

Reminders:

- If you'd like to join the Club WhatsApp group, please let Ace North (owc_secretary@yahoo.com) know and give him your mobile phone number.
- Facebook: search for Oxon Woodturners
- Internet: <https://www.oxonwoodturners.com>

Other notices

- The Club will have a stand selling member's turnings at the Harcourt Arboretum Autumn Fair on October 24th. This is a large event with visitors looking to pick up items for Christmas.
- We will similarly have a stand at the Littlemore Village Christmas Fair on November 7th from 1430-1630.
- The aim at both these events is to publicise the Club, recruit potential members and to sell some turnings (with a portion going to Club funds). If you would like to volunteer for either event or supply some pieces for sale, please contact Ace on the above email address.
- Dalmann have another Open Day at their Upper Lambourn base on 17th October. Chris Parker ('The Bald Woodturner') will be demonstrating. For those who are unaware, these events are free as are refreshments. It's a chance see a good demonstration and pick up some timber for turning.

All the best
and we hope to see you in November,
Chris