

# Shavings



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## **Chairman's Welcome**

By Eugene Grimley

It saddens me that we won't be meeting for a demo next Saturday. I don't like this "new normal" at all - especially the social distancing - anti-social distancing I call it - but I do understand the need for it given our age profile.

I do hope you are all taking good care of yourselves and coping with this. However, this "Shavings" is full of things for you to get involved in from work for the Children's Hospital to the IWG's planned auction for Macmillan Cancer Care to free-to-view demos and pay-to-view demos.

I would be grateful if when watching these demos, and I hope you will, you

let me know of any demonstrator you would like to see at the Wood Shed when we do get back to normal.

Finally, some of the proposed demos are as yet unscheduled and "Shavings" is not going to be the best way to keep you informed so please see the instructions below for joining "Facebook", turning off all the "rubbish" (notifications) and simply enjoying the Ulster Woodturning page where we can all keep in touch and anyone can alert us to forthcoming events. Keep safe.

## **Chance to meet up at 7pm on 8th September**

All members will be emailed a few minutes before 7pm with a link to join in the Chapter Zoom get together. Have questions, requests for help or advice ready. There will also be an opportunity to show your latest work, so have them ready. If people participate these sessions will be important sources of woodturning information and fun!

## **Wood Shed -News**

A supply of free Christmas Tree wood is now available to collect at

the Wood Shed for this year's RVH trees, snowmen and penguins.

Courses have now resumed at the Wood Shed. Personal protection for participants has been installed to comply with Covid19 restrictions and keep people safe.

The Wood Shed remains open, those who don't live close to it can make use of Royal Mail or the courier service.

Contact Sam or Lynda for details.  
Telephone 028 9443 3833  
Email, enquiries@wood-shed.com

### **Ulster Woodturning Committee**

The Committee has explored the possibility of Ulster Woodturning facilitating online demos but the it was agreed that the accumulative costs would quickly drain funds that would be needed when meetings eventually resume.

It was agreed that we should publicise, both free and paid, online demos when we are aware of them through Shavings and Facebook.

An opportunity for members to meet via Zoom will be set on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday evening of each month from September onwards.

The possibility of a virtual exhibition is currently being explored.

As a lot of members are currently feeling isolated the importance of members signing up for the Ulster Woodturning Facebook page needs

to be stressed. This will be key to members letting each other know about their latest woodturning exploits.

### **RVH Children's Hospital**

Children's Hospital – Jenne will be along to collect for the Children's Hospital as usual in November. She would like the usual Snowmen and Christmas trees but has asked if we could do some penguins as well - see picture below



and also some small rings for the babies. The rings would need to be about 50mm diameter x 10mm thick and the ring 10mm wide. NOTE THAT THE RINGS MUST BE MADE FROM SAFE WOODS.



The wood for the snowmen, trees and penguins is on a pallet at the door of the Wood Shed and all work completed needs to be at the Wood Shed for Jenne by SAT 14th NOVEMBER.

### **A Close Shave –scam warning!**

One of our members advertised a Nova 1624 lathe for sale and was really pleased when someone emailed almost immediately and offered to buy, through PayPal, with no quibbling about the price. Several emails followed back and forth quite quickly. The buyer said he was from Scotland and would arrange for the lathe to be picked up. The seller, our member, was a little concerned about this and phoned around several friends who advised that he arrange delivery of the lathe, possibly sharing the freighting cost with the buyer. When the seller checked with a freight company the quote was £80 to £120 depending on postcode. On emailing the buyer to get a postcode there was no reply then or since. An acquaintance who works with PayPal said that this is a common scam where the “buyer” does pay his money to PayPal but then claims that the product wasn’t received and reclaims the payment and keeps the product! Our member has subsequently sold the lathe to a cash buyer. BE AWARE especially if

using PayPal who are not at fault in this.

### **IWG News**

The IWG Executive has decided to organise an online charity auction in November with proceeds going to the Irish Cancer Society and the (NI) Macmillan Trust. All items will be photographed, described and priced before being displayed on the auction website. Any members wishing to donate a piece should have it ready by the end of October. Contact Eugene to register an interest. Further details will be published in the next Journal.

Current Membership will run to June 2021 (at least)

The IWG has purchased equipment to produce online demos but these have not got underway yet. Details will be posted as they become available.

### **AWGB Changes to Online Demos**

The AWGB has paused its bi-weekly Sunday afternoon demos in favour of [“Conkers Live”](#) free demos sponsored by Chestnut Finishing Products. The first of these, on Thursday evening 27<sup>th</sup> August, featured Chris Fisher – The Bind Woodturner. The next one is on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. and will feature Pat Carroll though that has not been formally announced. The

alphabetical list of the demonstrators booked so far is below and more names will be added! See last page of shavings for demo list.

Darren Breeze, Pat Carroll, Emma Cook, Rick Dobney, Richard Findley, Chris Fisher, Stewart Furini, Scot Grant, Philip Greenwood, Andrew Hall, Paul Hannaby, Andy Matthews, Chris Parker, Colwin Way.

### **Keep in touch with Ulster Woodturning**

The Ulster Woodturning Facebook page is Key to keeping in contact with woodturning in Northern Ireland. [Here is a link on how to signup](#). Once this is done, go to the Ulster Woodturning page and request to join. This is currently open to all UW chapter and Tuesday night members. Don't miss out – you don't have to fully engage with the whole Facebook thing just the UW page.

### **Getting ready for Zoom meetings**

You can use this [link to organise your own Zoom account \(its free\) or wait](#) until you get an email request from UW on Tuesday evening and follow the link. If you don't already have an account it will ask you to download Zoom before taking you to the meeting. Can't get it organised -ask a young family member to help or

phone Paul, Ricky, Brendan or Stephen – see numbers below.

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Some of your personal details, i.e. email address, and telephone numbers, are held in our records. We only use this data to coordinate Ulster Woodturning. If you would like to know what information we hold and how we use it, or if you wish us to remove it from our records, please contact the Secretary, Mark McGranaghan. If your information is removed, you will no longer receive any official communication (emails, telephone calls or correspondence) from Ulster Woodturning or the Irish Woodturners Guild.

Comments and suggestions should be forwarded to the [Shavings Editor](#)

On-line Demos from local and international turners.

Date	Time	Cost	Description
Various Turners	Varied	\$7-\$13	<a href="#">Details Via AAW website</a>
16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	7:15pm	free	<a href="#">Pat Carroll details via Conkers on the Chestnut Finishes website</a>
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept/26 Sept	Varied	\$89	<a href="#">Turners Worldwide Online symposium</a> Good Value.
Trent Bosch	Varied	\$10	<a href="#">Virtual Woodturning Demos</a> Can recommend – Shavings Editor
Pat Carroll	Varied	€10	<a href="#">See Upcoming Events</a> on site Also see Pats Facebook page.
Various	On demand	free	Youtube or Vimoe

## Note

- If you use paypal regarding the international fees it is simpler to use and gain access.
- The Turners Worldwideonline symposium will have around 30 internationally renowned turners (so good value) – see site for list.
- If you findsomething worth sharing put it on our Facebook page.
- Online Demos can be viewed again afterwards by download.