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Editor's Comments

Hello Everyone. At last a Newsletter! Many of you will know that I have not been well over the last several months, but I am glad to say that thanks to the skills of NHS surgeons, and the support of my wonderful family, I am now just about back to normal. May I thank all those who have sent me messages of support during what has been a difficult time.

As I have been unable to take part in any Club activities for several months, I can offer only a shortened Newsletter this time, but normal service will resume in due course.

Alan

Membership Renewal

You will be collecting your Membership renewal form with this Newsletter. Please check it for errors, and correct them, so that we can update our database. Please also note that your payment to MWA includes your annual Subscription to AWGB. *Please do not send any payment direct to AWGB*, but hand or send your completed form, with your subscription, to the Treasurer, Derek Pollecutt as soon as you can. Please note that if you joined MWA late in the year, from October onwards, you will not need to renew until 2014.

Did You Know?

As little as 100 gm of fine wood dust in one cubic metre of air constitutes an explosive mixture. Think about that when you are sanding!

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AGM notes

The AGM followed the usual course, with good reports from the officers following another successful year. It was no surprise that there were no changes to the Committee and Officers for the coming year. Details of the Committee are to be found on Page one of the Newsletter. Stuart King has agreed to be President for another year, and your scribe has agreed to continue to edit and produce the Newsletter, and has duly been co-opted onto the committee.

Wizardry in Wood Exhibition. (Worshipful Company of Turners)

Reports on this excellent exhibition reveal that Middlesex Woodturners were well represented by Ben Dick, Gordon Cookson and Phil Jones who all entered the competition classes. MWA President Stuart King won the pole lathe turning class with his "Talking Stick" entry

Meetings Dates for 2013

Please copy these dates into your diaries

January 10th Paul Nesbitt

February 14th Workshop Evening

March 14th Richard Findley

April 11th Andy Coates

May 9th Workshop Evening

**May 19th All Day Seminar
with Stuart Mortimer**

June 13th Liz & Mark Raby

July 11th Guy Ravine

August 8th Workshop Evening

**September 12th Gordon Cookson
& Peter Leach**

October 10th Steve Heeley

November 14th AGM "Plus"

December 12th Christmas Party

Several shows/exhibitions are in the pipeline. More details as they are confirmed.

Cow Byre Exhibition

Thanks to the excellent work put in by Ralph Pooley and his team, The Cow Byre Exhibition in Ruislip was a really superior show. Not so many people chose to exhibit this year, which is not surprising considering the number other shows which MWA has attended during the past year. Nevertheless, the display tables were filled with very high quality items. It was noticeable that the standard of finish on the entries was even better than last year, and members are to be congratulated on still further improving their products.

Your scribe had only days before returned from an extended convalescence with his family, and so did not take his usual place on the demonstrations roster, but others stepped forward, and demonstrations were continuous throughout the week of the show. Gross takings were well over £2000 over the week, which is very commendable.

An Appreciation

My thanks to those who produced an interim Newsletter while I was away, and also thanks to Peter Phelps who produced the Membership Renewal notices, a job which I have done for many years. Alan.