

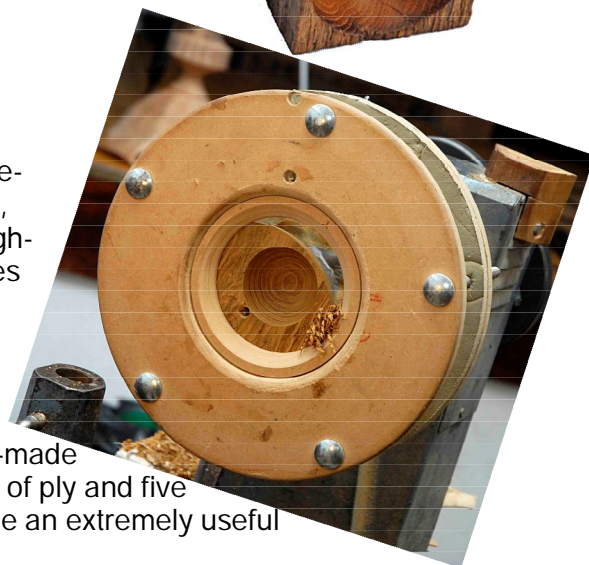
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Greg
does his
thing



Last month saw Greg Moreton demonstrating, initially, Monkey Puzzle Tree to highlight the interesting features that this timber offers.



He then moved onto eccentric turning with the aid of his home-made jig. This consisted of two discs of ply and five sizeable bolts and it proved to be an extremely useful tool and well worth trying.



"Monkey Puzzle is ideal for turning thin and using a lamp to identify the thickness of the wall certainly helps. The longitudinal cells allow light to shine through very nicely".



Greg also demonstrated his method of compensating for out-of-balance timber. Two heavy weights were attached to the outer end of the headstock and their position was simply adjusted to suit.

We were recently given an insight as to how JT deals with the same problem—scrap iron and vices. Both work, the choice is yours.



Members' Work



First outing for Audio/Visual System

All went swimmingly last month when, for the first time, we used the new TV and cameras for Greg's demonstration. One or two minor hiccups as you would expect but the 'A' team did an excellent job. All we need now is a 'B' team 'trained up' and to be available when the experts are not around. Volunteers?



New kid on the block?

Axminster introduced a new type of drill-bit at the beginning of the month. Made by the Chinese, it is designed for accurate drilling. "The reversed-action cutting edge half way along its length ensures that, when double-ended drilling, it runs true every time and meets in the middle without fail". Give it a try.

Lathe for sale

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Date of next Meeting:
Sunday 19th May
Hands-on
bring tools