

CUTTING EDGE

December 2013



*Like we did
Last Summer?*



Last month we took a trip down memory lane with Mike telling us about his experience of making barley twists by the hundred for clock cases, each requiring four twists. After explaining the marking-out process Mike produced twists of different designs with the aid of a few simple hand tools. Each had to be offered up to its counterpart so as to ensure there were a matching pair.

Following the maestro's excellent demo. in the morning and being fortified with lunch we tried to emulate his success. The aim, a perfect barley-twist. The results were a mixed bag. We realised from Mike's hard work that it wouldn't be a piece of cake," As good as a work-out", "Better exercise than housework" were a couple of comments. Microplanes and rasps were worn out. There must be an easier way! Arbotech or chainsaw perhaps? Jodie and Pete our newest members made a good attempt. Perhaps with a month's perseverance we might see a finished article next meeting.

Request from Mike Cotton—

Do you have any surplus hollowing tools that you are willing to sell?

If so please contact him on [01435 812046](tel:01435812046)



Fed up with weed pots?

Then have a go at Allan's branchwood boxes. "Easily created with a few deft strokes on the bandsaw plus a bit of sanding". Don't forget ; round objects need supporting on a bandsaw.



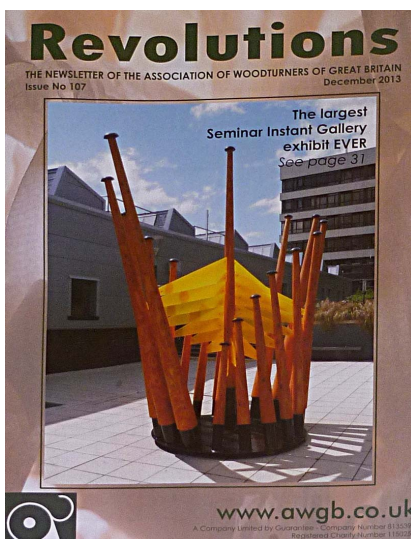
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Members' Work



Guess who made it bigtime?



The latest copy of *Revolutions*, the AWGB magazine, has John Turner's latest masterpiece on the front cover. It took pride of place outside the main entrance at the AWGB Seminar at Loughborough recently. Also, there is a step by step guide, inside the magazine, explaining how it should be assembled.

Presumably this is in case somebody wishes to copy it!! All you need is plenty of timber, a Thyme Cub and a JCB. John has recently had mentoring sessions with Nick Agar and Stuart Mortimer so I don't think I'll bother to enter this month's competitions.



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Date of next Meeting:

Sunday 19th January

Demonstration

Lynn Chambers making Spirtles

+ Hands-On

(bring tools and 12" x 1.1/2" x 1.1/2" timber)