

# West Riding Woodcarvers' Association



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## April 2024 Newsletter



Richard on Jackets and Cartridge Belts. Once again Richard entertained and amazed us with his creations. There were a few requests for his jacket and clock ( gold leaf faced with handles shot gun shaped ) A slide show illustrated how various jackets were created from a grid on a Mahogany shape and how the depth of caving was gauged by drilled holes of varying depth to create the body and folds of the jacket. Even down to buttons, pockets and zips. The glass like finish

was obtained using laquers, thinners and much sanding to give a life like result.

Cartridge belts were also shown via various slides and actual examples passed around to show the stages of manufacture and completion. Some of the cartridge assemblies were made from solid pieces of Mahogany ultimately for display purposes. Richard demonstrated many techniques in the creation of the belts and cartridge holders which are made to scale. Many examples of cartridge belts were on display including the technique of creating wooden belts.





Many thanks for the show of carvings. From traditional, to rescued from the garden, a leaf with many separate items to the piece d' resistance—Graham's lion fish— just incredible.

Thanks to Darrel for doing the raffle and the ladies for the refreshments.

## Meeting and Events Calendar

- a) 11th May 2024 AGM. At Dalton.  
**June, July and August—no meetings.**
- b) 1st August. Yorkshire Day. Friarwood Valley Gardens in Pontefract. WRWA to have a display stand. 11.00am - 4.00pm
- c) 14th September Dalton meeting. Mike Chambers— tool sharpening.
- d) 12th October Dalton meeting. Members on favourite tool or carving.
- e) 8th-10th November. WRWA at the Harrogate Exhibition.  
The proposal is for Graham to provide the centrepiece using automata
- f) 14th december. Christmas Lunch.

## Management Meeting 28.03.24

### Main Points Discussed.

- 1) **Structure of the club due to low membership.** It was unanimous that the structure of the club should remain as it is. To help family membership and young people , it was agreed that any member under the age of 21 would pay 50% only of the membership fee.
- 2) **Membership Fees.** It was agreed that the membership fee would remain at £35 for 24/25, with a request at the AGM to consider an increase for 25/26 subject to membership numbers and finance.
- 3) **Website.** Members are asked to update their ‘gallery’ on the website or send details to Anne Ellwood to create one if not already in existence.
- 4) **A New Panel Project.** A proposal was made for the club to undertake a panel project to help with membership and general club morale. Two points of view were raised a) To ascertain members willing to participate in the first instant, b) details of such a panel, for whom and time scale, and then request members interested. It was noted that a project team would initially be required. This proposal is to be raised in AOB at the AGM.