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Pontefract Hospice Panel.

A very encouraging turnout for the January 2018 Shepley practical carving meeting resulted in over 30 plus members in attendance.

The main purpose of the meeting was to collectively work on the carvings for the Prince of Wales Hospice at Pontefract under the expert Tuition and encouragement of Mike Chambers, Peter Keene and Trevor Metcalfe.



I understand, from those that did attend, that the day was very successful, with a lovely atmosphere, and that the pea and pies were up to their usual excellent standard. Our grateful thank to the ladies in the kitchen for their, as always, pleasant and efficient service.

Wednesday 14th February 2018.

We shall be holding the first Pontefract Hospice progress/social evening at the **Lindley Bowling Club**, Daisy Lea Lane, Huddersfield, HD3 3LP start **7:30pm**. **All individual carvers are encouraged to attend this very important meeting. If they find it impossible to attend please ensure that your carving is given to somebody who can attend. It is imperative that each carving gets evaluated.** The bar will be serving drinks, always most important, and there will be a pea and pie supper available at a small charge.

Each carving will be evaluated by Mike Chambers and Peter Keene and hopefully the club shall then have a good indication of how we are collectively progressing. Either during, or shortly after the meeting, a date will be given, by Brian Walker, Project Leader, to all carvers as to when their plaque, or plaques, must be finished for. Please bear in mind that once all individual plaques are completed then the hard work involved in the frame manufacture starts. Also photographs have to be taken and a booklet compiled. There is also the possibility that the completed panel will be displayed at other locations before handing over to the hospice. It is also our intention to try and display it at the North Of England Woodworking Show, Harrogate between the 16th - 18th November 2018.

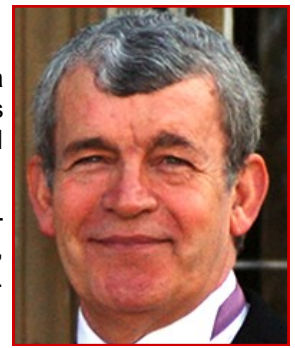
Saturday 10th February 2018: Way back in May 2017 **Graham Lockwood** gave us the first part of a talk on his travels through China. For this meeting Graham will take us all on his 15,500 round trip to China in 2016 and through the medium of photographs and video will tell wonderful tales of people met, places visited and exotic kite displays.



Shepley March 10th 2018: Jose Sarabia Professional Wood and Stone carver.

For the first time we welcome to the club a woodcarver who lives not far away. Jose Sarabia is a traditional wood carver and stone carver based in Selby, North Yorkshire. Jose has almost 50 years of experience in carving and has worked on many prestigious restoration projects, including royal palaces, houses and castles.

Jose is skilled in wood carving, marble and stone carving, architectural decoration carvings, restoration of historic carving and reproductions. He has also carved specialist furniture, fireplaces, sculpted statues and undertaking the design of original carvings for stone and also bronze castings. A sample of his work is depicted below.



Shepley - September 9th 2018:

After the success of the January meeting, where there was a good turn out of carvers for a practical full day carving session, it has been suggested that this be repeated.

So in September, to start our season and carving classes off again after the summer recess, it is suggested that we hold a Meet & Greet open house combined with a practical carving session along with a pea and pie lunch.

This will give everybody the chance to say hello to their fellow carvers again and, if required, gain valuable advice for new carving projects.

Sick Bay notices: I'm very please to report that **Arthur Brook** is back on his feet again and managing to take short trips away from home. It would appear that Arthur suffered some form of infection that had an adverse effects on his nervous system resulting in problems with mobility of his leg.

I'm very sad to report that Adrian has informed me that **Terry Thorley-Lawson** is presently in the Prince of Wales Hospice, Pontefract. I'm sure we all wish Terry our very best. It would appear that he is a bit of a celebrity because of the panel we are now working on for them.

Shepley April 14th 2018: Annual General Meeting.

Shepley May 12th 2018: Jim Robison of Booth House Gallery, Holmfirth. Practical demonstration and talk on ceramics. Booth House was first opened in 1975 as a studio and sales outlet for sculptor and ceramicist Jim Robison, the gallery is housed in an early 19th Century barn with a unique queen post beamed ceiling



October 13th 2018: Return of Mike Green. Emeritus Professor of Forensic Pathology. Not decided what his talk will cover yet.