

West Riding Woodcarvers' Association



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Patron
Dame Ingrid M Roscoe
DCVO FSA

Life members
Albert Hobson
Jane Renshaw

December 8th: Christmas Luncheon:

Speaker - Graham Lockwood, Automata design.

Our grateful thanks to Graham who gave a very interesting and informative talk on his hobby. Out came his Pandora's Box again with dozens of amazing creations being unearthed to admire and wonder at.

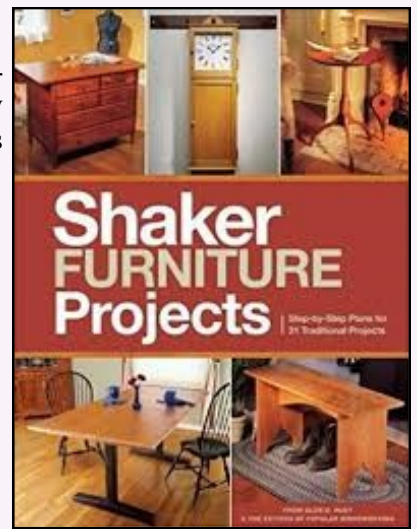
We had a good turn out for the Christmas Luncheon and again the food and venue couldn't be faulted. Our Patron, Dame Ingrid and her husband Marshall, were unable to attend this year but we were all delighted to see Albert Hobson, Life Member, enjoying himself and catching up with all his old woodcarving friends. A remarkable gentleman who was stressing to everybody not to delay doing things to another day but to grasp life and live it today. I'm sure very wise words.



Five Artists Reflecting on their Waxing Powers. Paul Spooner 1983.

Shepley meeting Saturday 12th January 2019. Mike Sykes—Shaker Boxes.

Adrian has booked this gentleman to come along to Shepley to talk about, and demonstrate, his passion for Shaker furniture and boxes. I must confess that I don't have any further information. But for all those who have been requesting more craft based talks this one should tick all the boxes.



Sadly, and following on from the email I sent out before Christmas, I have to report the sad loss of yet another of our long serving and very well liked and respected members.

On Saturday 22nd December 2018 our good friend, **Jim Longbottom**, peacefully passed away at Pinderfield Hospital after deterioration of his health over this last twelve months.

Jim's funeral service will take place at noon on Thursday 10th January 2019 at Park Wood Crematorium, Elland.

Jim has been a member of our club for many, many years and a regular contributor to our Shepley meetings where on numerous occasions he has demonstrated his passion for the immaculate finishing of his remarkable carvings. Margaret has always accompanied Jim to all our meetings, helping with the refreshments.

Over the last few years Jim has willingly passed along his exceptional skill at the Brooksbank evening class. I'm sure all there have benefitted from his knowledge and guidance. Jim's contribution to our classes and meetings will be sadly missed.

Our thoughts are with Margaret and their family's at this very difficult time.

