



A Club in South East London
for people interested
in wood carving

Visitors are very welcome

Website:
www.woodentopswoodcarvers.co.uk

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WOODENTOPS Newsletter

April 2019

We meet at:
St Johns United Reform Church Hall
Lynwood Grove Orpington BR6 0BG

We meet on:
The first Saturday of each month
with additional 'carve-only' meetings
on many other months.
Full details of our meetings and
much more on our website.

Shots of the Month – Going Large



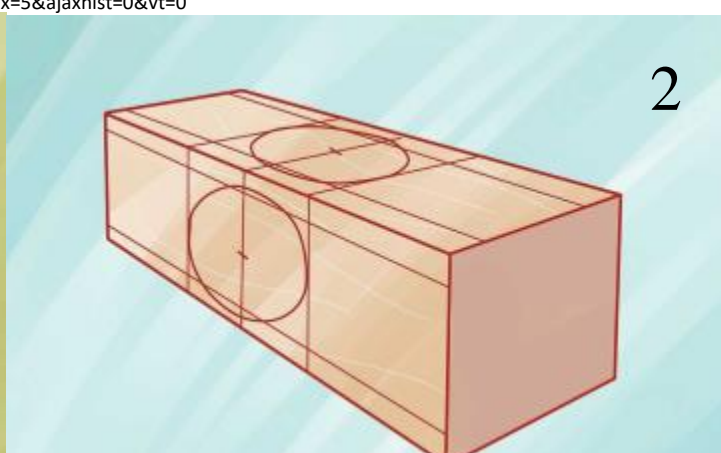
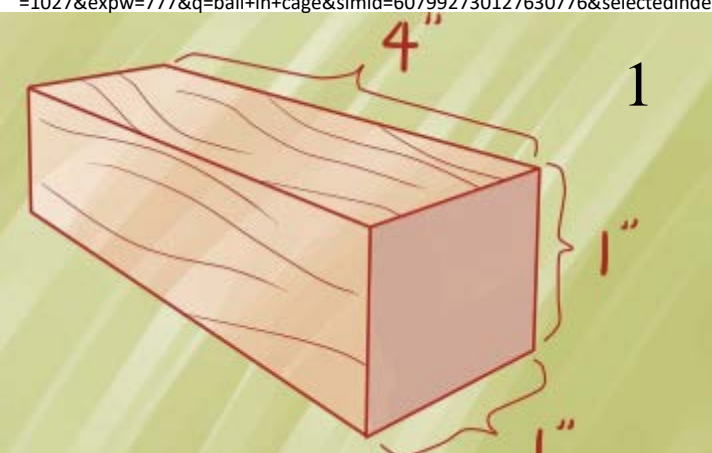
This is big carving indeed! Dennis Beach is the carver, and his shots can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/dennis.beach.18> and <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=2542465245781400&set=a.100670086627607&type=3&theater>

Pictures on the right show the stages to carve the elk. What a huge undertaking. And now its nearly there.

Carve a Ball in a Cage

From <https://www.wikihow.com/Whittle-a-Ball-in-a-Cage>. Last picture from

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Breadboards

Would you believe it, there is an Antique Breadboard Museum in Putney. Crammed with carved wooden boards going back several hundred years, this treasure of a museum is well worth a visit. Their earliest board (previously called 'bread platters' was carved by **William Gibbs Rogers**, featured In the March edition of this newsletter, and is shown below. A factory in Sheffield was set up in Victorian times by **George Wing**, and this produced most of the breadboards used in the UK. They were generally made of sycamore.



The last shot above shows the carving shop, with its piles of completed boards, ready for distribution.



For our tour, we were asked to bring a breadboard of our own, and one of our number was staggered to see hers in the 1930's or 40's George Wing brochure produced by the curator, Madelaine! (see above)

Wing's factory was taken over by **Bramhall and Co**, and their brochure is shown to the right.



Carved breadboards stopped being produced in the 1950's. no doubt at about the time that sliced bread was introduced. And of course oblong mass produced steam-baked bread, unlike the traditional round loaves of old.

A contemporary breadboard on show





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Motorbike posted by Michael Carr on Facebook. He says: [Still have a ways to go but so far so good 😊](#) thanks for looking 😊. Find him at <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10161396789610408&set=pcb.10161396791980408&type=3&theater>



The above from carver Владимир Курило
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Cakes for April meeting:

Andrew

The next Main Meeting
(Carving, coffee & cake, an opportunity to bring guests and potential new members) will be from
9am to 1pm,
Saturday 6 April 2019

All our meeting dates and other information are shown on our website www.woodentopswoodcarvers.co.uk



Members are reminded that if they demonstrate at an event on their own, they **MUST** tell Leader Ann to help ensure they are fully covered by the provisions of the insurance arrangements in place.