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That's before Good Friday, right?

I'm willing barring unforeseen circumstances. Don't put me on knots or casting. Though on the latter, I'd be happy to do a small stream casting instruction as a sidebar or something, it can be informal.

Didn't we discuss something about, if # of volunteers are sufficient, we could have multiple "stations" going on at once? It allows the attendees to choose what they need most. It allows smaller group size for each teacher and more personal instruction. And it allows you to expand the topic choice in the time frame given. If filling space is the issue, pick what you think would be the most popular topics and have em go twice, I'm pretty sure most of the volunteers would happily talk twice to smaller groups, and it gives the attendees more choice to hit what they want and not miss anything.

It's just a thought for discussion. I was a little surprised how well attended it was last year. That's a good thing. But I remember questioning whether it hurt the effectiveness. The teacher talking as loud as he can and the group of "pupils" still struggling to hear. That may be better indoors than it was outside on a windy day. But still, a class of 10 or so is much easier to interact with and tailor to their interests and answer personal questions than a class of 20, and IMO, that'd make a better experience for everyone.

Also, by kind of forcing people to make choices, you probably encourage some to go to the casting instruction earlier in the day, avoiding the light turnout followed by Old Lefty (if he's willing and capable with the leg) getting rushed as soon as the other talks finish.